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# Experience a uniquely inspiring style of travel 60 years in the making.

Sixty years ago on the plains of East Africa, my parents and I founded Abercrombie & Kent, armed with little more than a refrigerated truck, a silver ice bucket and an unshakeable belief that luxury and authentic discovery could go hand in hand. Today, we begin our seventh decade with perhaps our most diverse portfolio of Small Group Journeys ever, with 15 new journeys visiting destinations as varied as Singapore and Southern Africa. Among these new offerings are five Wings Over the World journeys, featuring adventure-packed itineraries made possible by private air.

On a Small Group Journey, you join a group of no more than 18 like-minded guests, exploring alongside a Resident Tour Director<sup>®</sup> and expert local guides. Whether exploring the iconic wildernesses of Africa or the Americas, the timeless monuments of Egypt or India, or Europe with its cosmopolitan capitals and artistic treasures, count on our hallmark insider access, award-winning accommodations and the unrivaled support of our more than 55 offices in over 30 countries around the world.

With our health and safety protocols that help ensure your wellbeing while you travel, there is no finer choice than A&K for your next adventure of a lifetime. We hope you join us for your next journey.



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#### Our Unmatched Legacy of Service, Expertise and Authenticity

Abercrombie & Kent is the world's premier luxury travel company, with an unrivaled legacy of creating memorable, inspiring adventures in the world's most compelling destinations. Starting with singular service informed by a lifetime of experience, we combine authentic local know-how and beyond-the-guidebook insider access to create a journey of a lifetime, every time you travel with us.

#### We Stake Our Reputation on Every Journey

A&K's service and reputation are tested every day against the most discerning audience: our guests. And time and again, we pass the test, creating seamless travel experiences in nearly any destination. Among our peers, we are consistently recognized as the gold standard for luxury travel, with distinctions that include receiving *Travel Weekly*'s "Best Luxury Tour Operator" award every year for well over a decade.

"We had an absolutely fantastic trip that far exceeded our expectations. The hotels, excursions, food and service everywhere were exceptional! And our tour guide was exceptional! I would highly recommend A&K if someone wants a first-class experience."

> — William; Belmont, CA; September 2021



Sixty years in the making and backed by thousands of journeys and countless miles, our reputation rests on one singular goal: Deliver the best possible travel experience to every guest, every time.

# TRAVEL WEEKLY

Best Luxury Tour Operator Best Africa Tour Operator



**Best Cultural Trips** 



Best Escorted Tour Operator – Luxury

Best Escorted Tour Operator – Africa



World's Leading Luxury Safari Company

Oceania's Luxury Safari Tour Operator



Best FIT Operator for Tailor Made Travel

Our globe-spanning local access takes you places no one else can, with an authenticity and support network no one can match.



If there's one thing A&K guests consistently value most about their journeys, it is their Resident Tour Director — over 95% of our guests rate their Resident Tour Directors as "Excellent."



#### The Most Extensive Network of Travel Experts in the World

Underlying each inspiring A&K journey is the most robust tour-operatorsupport network in the travel industry — over 55 offices in more than 30 countries around the world, all working 24/7 to uphold the same impeccable standards. In today's travel environment, there is no substitute for a company that trains and manages its own full-time staff, personally orchestrating every aspect of your journey with precision and flexibility down to the last detail.

#### The Difference Local Access Makes

For A&K, having our own local staff is only the beginning. We forge lasting, one-on-one relationships with the people who know your destination best, from craftspeople and chefs to experts in local art and history. Our itineraries don't come out of guidebooks — they're the result of the authentic connections established between our experts and the friendly, hospitable local people who lend your journey a unique and personal touch.

What does this mean for you as an A&K guest? It means you experience each location on your journey from a truly local perspective, all while enjoying a smooth travel experience in which every detail has been anticipated by a dedicated on-site staff.

#### A Reassuring Local Presence from the Moment You Arrive

The A&K difference becomes clear as soon as you arrive and meet your representative, who assists with your luggage and escorts you privately to your hotel — on an A&K journey, you don't share a vehicle on arrival or departure transfers, even with other A&K guests.

#### Resident Tour Directors with Deep Local Ties

Our Resident Tour Directors have lived for decades, sometimes even their entire lives, in the places you visit. Overseeing your entire journey, they accompany you every day, sharing their unique understanding of daily life as well as your destination's culture, history and wildlife. The result is a journey that reveals the real spirit of a place, connecting you to the people, places and wildlife you encounter in a way you'll never forget.

#### Health and Safety Practices to Facilitate Your Journey

A&K requires full COVID-19 vaccination for all guests travelling on 2023 Small Group Journeys. This policy enables us to deliver your travel experience as seamlessly as possible given continued changes to local regulations. We also facilitate any required in-country testing during your journey, including for travel between countries and for returning home.



## When it comes to inspiring travel, a small group makes a big difference.



#### A World of Small-Group Journeys for Every Kind of Traveller

Our journeys offer inspiring adventure for every type of traveller. Luxury Small Group Journeys represent the finest small-group travel experience, while Wings Over the World journeys feature adventure-packed itineraries made possible through private air. Luxury Family Journeys offer inspiring adventures for all ages, and for the intrepid traveller, Marco Polo Journeys are limited-edition itineraries incorporating active adventure, exotic destinations or exclusive festivals.

#### Group Sizes that Average Only 14 Guests

Most Small Group Journeys feature a maximum group size of 18 guests with an average of only 14, and most Wings Over the World journeys have a maximum group size between 11 and 13 guests. The benefits are many, starting with the opportunity to enjoy deeper interactions with your Resident Tour Director and expert local guides, getting to know them for the insightful, dedicated travelling companions they are.

#### Itineraries Only Possible with a Small Group

A small group size lets us craft journeys that are seamlessly orchestrated and packed with the insider-access opportunities that are A&K's hallmark. Many of your journey's most memorable activities — whether a celebration at a local monastery or a guided tour of a private art gallery — are only possible with a smaller group. Small groups also enable A&K to reserve one-of-a-kind accommodations that can't house the typically larger groups that travel with other companies.

"This was one of the best trips we've had. **Everything** was exceptionally planned and executed. There isn't one thing that I think A&K can do to make this trip any better. We absolutely **loved** every minute."

— Debbie; Royal Oak, MI; October 2021

Our experts choose the best accommodations to complement your journey.



#### End Each Day in Luxury

Wherever possible, we arrange for stays in five-star accommodations that combine first-rate comfort with a keen eye toward their locale, furthering your sense of place while offering the hospitality that makes you feel at home after a day of exploring.

#### Intimate Boutique Camps and Lodges

As a home base for extraordinary wilderness adventures, many of our journeys feature luxurious boutique camps and lodges available only to smaller groups. These handpicked accommodations combine classic local details with modern amenities and cutting-edge eco-friendly practices not to mention an incredible front seat to wildlife, often just outside your door.

#### Stylish Ships

Our commitment to luxury doesn't stop at the water's edge. When your journey includes cruising on the Nile, Yangtze or other great rivers, your sleek, modern vessel offers the same level of comfort, service and style you would experience on land, all while discovering the beauty of life on the world's most iconic waterways.

#### The Luxury of Location

When visiting remote locales on some Marco Polo Journeys, your hotels place you in the heart of your destination, letting you experience the true flavor of local life, sometimes forgoing creature comfort for the reward of a fully authentic experience.

#### Accommodations for Families

On Luxury Family Journeys, our local experts choose hotels with five-star style, family-friendly amenities and smartly configured accommodations (such as connecting rooms, where possible) that mean inviting comfort for your whole crew.

#### Upgrade Your Accommodations

Talk to an A&K Travel Consultant or your travel professional about elevating your experience with a higher room or cabin category.



Award-Winning Excellence

Many of the hotels selected for our guests are *Condé Nast Traveler* Gold List or *Travel + Leisure* World's Best properties — when luxury is what you're looking for, there's no reason to settle for second best.





# Wherever you travel, we deliver the luxuries that matter most.

#### Immersive Moments that Bring a Destination to Life

Experience locally inspired moments crafted by our experts, such as a charming neighborhood visit by *cyclo* or *tuk-tuk* as you **Ride Like a Local**, or a refreshing cocktail — our **Scenic Sundowner** — set in a breathtaking location at sunset.

## Make Your Journey Your Own with Design Your Day®

Experience your destination the way you want to with **Design Your Day**. On a select day of your itinerary, choose from at least three expert-crafted activities, with one option created specially for guests with active interests. *Luxury Small Group Journeys and Wings Over the World only*.

#### Dining that Explores Local Flavors

Local cuisine can be the highlight of any journey. We provide you with the perfect mix of planned group meals — including celebratory welcome and farewell dinners — and mealtimes left unscheduled. You also experience favorite local restaurants, enjoy a **Chef's Table** cooking class or a culinary demonstration, and savor included à la carte dinners on your own and at your leisure.

#### Indulge with Breakfast in Bed

For a more relaxed start to the day, opt to enjoy a continental breakfast in the privacy of your hotel room on two select days of your journey, compliments of A&K. Travelling Bell Boy<sup>®</sup> and Traveller's Valet<sup>®</sup>

With A&K's exclusive **Travelling Bell Boy** service, we handle your luggage safely and hygienically for you between destinations. A&K also offers you convenient **Traveller's Valet**: exclusive, complimentary laundry service provided once per journey, to help keep your luggage light.

## Private Transfers and Gratuities Included

Private arrival and departure transfers are always included with your journey, regardless of when you choose to arrive or depart. Likewise, all of your gratuities are included, save for your Resident Tour Director, which is at your sole discretion.

Note: Services and amenities may be adjusted due to COVID-19-related restrictions and to ensure your health and safety.





#### Stay Connected on Us

Don't wait for your trip to end to share photos and stories with the folks back home. Enjoy complimentary Internet access during hotel stays and cruises with overnight stays.

#### Departure Dates and Prices Are Always Guaranteed

Book your journey with confidence, knowing we won't cancel. Every A&K small-group journey is guaranteed to depart with a minimum of two guests (excludes Wings Over the World). And if the price you pay for your journey drops after you book, we'll refund the difference.

#### Included with Every Small Group Journey

- English-Speaking Resident Tour Director and Local Guides
- Hand-Selected Luxury Accommodations
- Travelling Bell Boy Luggage Handling
- Breakfast in Bed on Select Days
- ► Traveller's Valet Laundry Service
- ▶ Internet Access

- Airport Meet and Greet with Private Transfers
- ► Full Breakfast Daily; Select Lunches and Dinners
- Entrance Fees, Taxes and All Gratuities Except Resident Tour Director
- 24/7 A&K On-Call Support
- Guaranteed Departures with Just Two Guests (excludes Wings Over the World)

## Extend your Small Group Journey — or make it your own.

#### Start (or End) Your Journey with a Small-Group or Private Extension Added to the beginning or end of your itinerary, small-group extensions (which may include other guests from your small-group journey) focus on a city or region not included on the main journey and offer the same luxury accommodations and amenities. We can even create a custom extension exclusively for you and your travelling companions, designed around your specific interests — contact A&K or your travel professional to learn how a custom extension can enhance your journey.

#### Turn a Small Group Journey into a Private Adventure

Many of today's travellers prefer the comfort of travelling exclusively with their own family and loved ones. If you prefer to travel this way (or our departure dates don't align with your schedule), look for the Travel Privately with A&K box on select itineraries to book that small-group journey as a private journey — the same itinerary, hotels and sightseeing for just you and your private party, led by your own local guides.











# Travel in your own private party on a journey designed for you.

#### Creating a Journey Just for You

On a Luxury Tailor Made Journey, you travel with just family and friends, sharing every extraordinary hour with the people who matter most to you and returning home with shared memories you'll treasure. We plan departure and arrival dates — as well as the perfect balance of scheduled activity and free time — to match everyone's schedule and preferences.

Working with you or your travel professional, we learn everything there is to know about how you love to travel and what you're looking for in your journey. From there, every amazing destination, authentic local encounter and luxury accommodation is chosen with your interests in mind, making each day an adventure you won't want to end.

#### Travel with Peace of Mind and in Expert Company

We oversee your journey from the moment your A&K representative welcomes you at the airport. From there, an experienced team ensures that every hour of your itinerary unfolds according to plan, freeing you to simply enjoy yourself. Joining you in every destination is a local guide with their own unique firsthand perspective. Both an expert planner and an adept improviser, your local guide also brings a sincere love for the places they call home — something you'll soon come to share.

Elevate Your Journey with Exclusive Accommodations or Private Air We can reserve a private European villa, luxury yacht or cozy barge for your exclusive use, or make getting there as inspiring as being there with chartered helicopters and planes, the perfect complement to the journey of your dreams.

# When it comes to flying, let an A&K Air Concierge handle the details.

#### Count on Our Air Experts to Always Go the Extra Mile

Thanks to our long-established partnerships with the world's premier carriers — not to mention decades of experience — booking your air with A&K affords you a multitude of benefits. Your Air Concierge always knows the best flights that work with your itinerary's start and end times, and in the event a flight is delayed or canceled, we're there 24/7 to assist you and make sure you enjoy your journey as planned. We offer special fares where available, as well as the freedom to earn mileage points as your carrier allows and to cancel your reservation up to a day before departure (fees may apply).

Contact us or your travel professional to learn more about the benefits of booking your flights through A&K.

### Book with peace of mind thanks to our Guest Protection Program with Cancel for Any Reason coverage.

#### Help Protect Your Travel Investment with Guest Protection

Purchase A&K's Guest Protection Program, which offers coverage should you have to cancel your trip on short notice, if a medical emergency arises while travelling or your baggage is lost or damaged. Administered by Aon Affinity, with insurance benefits underwritten by United States Fire Insurance Company, the Guest Protection Program provides coverage for trip and baggage delays as well as emergency medical evacuation and offers convenient online claims filing.

For the utmost in flexibility, upgrade your Guest Protection Program benefits to include Cancel for Any Reason, which if purchased within 14 days of initial trip deposit, allows you to cancel your journey up to two days before departure and be reimbursed — no matter the reason. Additional terms apply.

For more information on A&K's Guest Protection Program (including your state-specific terms, conditions and exclusions), visit **abercrombiekent.com/gpp**.









# A rewards program made to order for passionate travellers.

#### Welcome to Marco Polo Club®

Marco Polo Club extends complimentary membership to guests who travel on three or more journeys with Abercrombie & Kent, USA. Among the club's benefits is a five-percent discount on almost any new booking made within nine months of returning from an A&K journey — a savings that members can pass on to any immediate family travelling with them. As an added benefit, solo travellers are entitled to a 50-percent savings on most single supplements booked at any time.

Marco Polo Club members also enjoy recognition in other ways, with a place on the priority waitlist for sold-out journeys, a members-only onboard reception on A&K Luxury Expedition Cruises and a variety of exclusive communications and events. To learn more about A&K's Marco Polo Club, visit **akmarcopolo.com**.

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Book now and experience the finest in authentic luxury travel.

To book your journey, contact an A&K Travel Consultant today by calling **800 323 7308** Monday through Friday (9–5 CT), or speak to your travel professional. Find more information online at **abercrombiekent.com**.

## A&K Philanthropy partners with local communities to empower lasting change.

#### Building on a Legacy of Partnership

Established in 1982, A&K Philanthropy (AKP) is dedicated to giving back to the vibrant environments and communities we are so privileged to explore. As part of our ongoing mission, AKP partners with local communities to improve education, conservation, health care and enterprise with over 45 projects spanning seven continents — a philanthropic commitment unequalled in the travel industry.

#### Experience an AKP Project Firsthand

A number of our small-group journeys offer opportunities to visit an AKP partner community, affording a wealth of moving experiences you won't find anywhere else. Whether it's celebrating a newly opened maternity ward or serving lunch to local schoolchildren, many of our guests experience their journeys' most impactful moments during these visits.

#### Sharing Genuine Perspectives

AKP employs a team of dedicated Philanthropy Coordinators stationed throughout the world, allowing for deeper, more meaningful cultural exchanges. AKP Coordinators facilitate the face-to-face interactions that reveal the true fabric of these communities, from speaking with a local teacher in a Kenyan village to witnessing the impact of clean water wells in rural Cambodia.

"In just the past few years, travellers introduced to our AKPsupported projects during their journeys helped improve the lives of more than 125,000 men, women and children worldwide through donations to over 45 programs in 24 countries. That's the impact that travel can make."

— Geoffrey Kent, Founder, Co-Chairman & CEO, Abercrombie & Kent









With more than 45 projects worldwide, these are just a few of the AKP visits you can experience firsthand.

#### EDUCATION

Children of the Rainbow School

In Peru's Sacred Valley, visit a special school providing an oasis of education, nutrition, medical care and hope to the region's least-privileged children. *Visited on Peru: Machu Picchu & the Sacred Valley* 

#### CONSERVATION

#### Save the Albatross

Learn about a campaign to protect Antarctica's albatross species, 15 of which are threatened with extinction by deep-sea fishing hooks. *Visited on Antarctica, South Georgia & the Falkland Islands* 

#### **HEALTH CARE**

Cambodia Clean Water Project

See how clean wells are turning the tides of waterborne illness and fostering a healthier future for local families in rural Cambodian villages. *Visited on Images of Indochina & Angkor Wat* 

#### ENTERPRISE

Sishemo Bead Studio

Visit Nakatindi Village in Zambia to see how a small group of local women support their families and community through traditional glass bead-making. *Visited on Botswana Safari in Style* 



Look for this symbol for opportunities to visit an A&K Philanthropy project on your A&K journey.

For a complete list of AKP projects and visit opportunities, or to make a tax-free donation, please visit **akphilanthropy.org**.

## When choosing a luxury safari, go with the company that has set the benchmark since 1962.

#### Six Decades of Unmatched, On-the-Ground Experience

From our start in Kenya in 1962, Abercrombie & Kent pioneered the modern luxury African safari. Sixty years later, A&K is still setting the standard for an African journey like no other, delivering authentic, inspiring experiences beyond the usual tourist destinations.

#### A Peerless Local Presence

Where other safari companies subcontract their services from a continent away, we live and work every day in the very same areas you visit. These longstanding connections — and 13 permanent, full-time offices in Africa — allow us to offer the best-located lodges and camps for game viewing, as well as unmatched service at every stage of your journey.

#### Simply the Best Safari Guides

A&K's safari guides are handpicked for their expertise in the culture, flora and wildlife of Africa. In Kenya, every A&K guide has attained a minimum of a bronze-level certification by the Kenya Professional Safari Guides Association; in fact, we have the most of any tour operator.

#### Custom Safari Vehicles We Design, Build and Own

While other safari providers rent or lease their vehicles, A&K owns and maintains its own custom fleet — the finest in East Africa. Our fleet is built to our specifications, with high front and side windows providing great views; air conditioning in most vehicles (a blessing on hot afternoons in the bush); a refrigerator filled with chilled water; and even Wi-Fi access.

#### Only the Finest Safari Camps and Lodges

Retreat daily to your own authentic, veranda-fronted tent or amenity-laden lodge to enjoy an unexpected haven of five-star comfort in the heart of Africa. From Sanctuary Olonana in Kenya and Sanctuary Chief's Camp in Botswana to Four Seasons Safari Lodge Serengeti and renowned Gibb's Farm, both in Tanzania, our safaris feature luxurious accommodations expertly positioned away from the crowds and near an abundance of wildlife and scenic views.

#### Impeccable Cuisine in the Bush

After working up a hearty appetite viewing wildlife on a rousing game drive, return to your camp or lodge and savor fine cuisine prepared by your on-site chef. A&K makes luxury dining a memorable culinary experience, even in the remote wilds of Africa.





#### Pack a Safari Bag Designed by the Pros

Guests on our African safaris receive a complimentary A&K Duffel, designed to the same exacting standards as the journey itself. Our bag is perfectly sized to hold your safari essentials while meeting all baggage size restrictions for your Africa flights.







#### A Long-Standing Commitment to Local Communities

Conservation and philanthropy were integral parts of A&K long before they were fashionable. Working hand-in-hand with local tribes and villages, we fund schools and clinics, and generate opportunities for employment that benefit their communities. Grassroots Abercrombie & Kent Philanthropy projects like these are included on several of our Africa itineraries (look for the A&K Philanthropy symbol 🔇), welcoming our guests to participate in travel that changes lives.

#### Excellence Recognized by Travellers and Travel Pros

A&K's African safaris have won acclaim from guests and travel professionals alike. We were named Best Tour Operator in Africa for 17 years by the readers of *Travel Weekly*, the World's Leading Luxury Safari Company at the World Travel Awards and the Best Escorted Tour Operator for Africa at the Travvy Awards. In Africa and throughout the world, A&K sets the standard.

"I can't imagine a better safari journey. A&K clearly knows Africa and hires excellent people. Our guide was unique. He has feet in both the Maasai and modern world and shares that knowledge without pretense."

> — Theodore; Naples, FL, The Great Migration Safari in Style

Africa

### East Africa or Southern Africa: Know the difference, then decide.

#### Which Africa Do You Want to Explore?

As you decide which A&K safari journey best suits your travel interests, it helps to understand how the safari experience differs between East Africa and Southern Africa.

#### East Africa: A Classic Appeal

Africa

East Africa's Kenya and Tanzania are the definition of classic safari country. Home to the vast Serengeti and Masai Mara as well as the teeming Ngorongoro Crater, East Africa has formed the backdrop for legendary safari expeditions since the days of Ernest Hemingway and Isak Dinesen, and served as the birthplace of A&K.

In northern Tanzania, the seemingly endless horizon of East Africa yields to Mount Kilimanjaro — the tallest mountain in Africa, at over 19,000 feet. Those who would conquer it can do so in style with A&K, enjoying the highest summit rate of any operator in Africa.

Wildlife viewing throughout Kenya and Tanzania is reliably spectacular. The famed Big Five — lions, leopards, elephants, rhinos and Cape buffalo — are sighted here on a regular basis, along with hundreds of other species, ranging from wildebeests and zebras to antelopes and cheetahs. Primate tracking lends another dimension to East Africa's appeal, and up-close encounters with endangered mountain gorillas are yours to experience with A&K in Uganda and Rwanda.

#### Southern Africa: Dynamic and Diverse

Southern Africa, an area encompassing Zambia, Zimbabwe, Botswana, Namibia and South Africa, offers a wide variety of scenic terrain, from the upland forests of Botswana to incomparable Victoria Falls. It also enables you to experience an enticing mix of wildlife viewing and modern, world-class culture and cuisine in South Africa.

On the wildlife side, Southern Africa is diverse, with the iconic big cats lions, leopards and cheetahs — always on the prowl. In Botswana, the lush Okavango Delta draws a profusion of hippos, giraffes, crocodiles, rhinos and baboons, which A&K guests encounter in the uncrowded intimacy of private game reserves.

The nation of South Africa offers first-rate culinary and cultural opportunities, ranging from tastings at award-winning wineries in the ruggedly beautiful Cape Winelands to visits to historical sites and the majestic Table Mountain in the country's cosmopolitan "Mother City," Cape Town.



### Which safari is right for you?

Select the safari experience of your dreams from an array of distinctive A&K journeys.



Explore via Private Chartered Air with Wings Over the World

For the ultimate safari experience, Wings Over East Africa and Wings Over Southern Africa unite the continent's iconic game regions in single, all-encompassing itineraries, linking each destination via private chartered flights arranged to help you make the most of every day.



A Range of Journeys Exploring Culture and Wildlife

From Kenya & Tanzania Wildlife Safari and its family departures to South Africa & Victoria Falls and Namibia: Dunes & Desert Safari, A&K offers a wealth of journeys that illuminate every facet of Africa, including its history and culture as well as its wildlife and scenic beauty.



#### Safari in Style Reveals the Continent at Its Best

Our flagship Safari in Style journeys feature boutique lodgings expressly designed for smaller groups, including our select portfolio of luxury tented camps — the most authentic and luxurious safari experience. Look for our Great Migration, Kenya, Tanzania, Botswana and South Africa journeys.



We Can Create a Safari That's Just Right for You

When only a private Africa adventure will do, let our experts customize a Luxury Tailor Made Journey to your exact specifications, for just you and your family or private party, so your safari is exactly what you've always imagined it could be.

#### Active Adventures: Climbing Kilimanjaro and Tracking Gorillas in Uganda

If you're looking for an adventure even more active than a traditional safari, how about scaling the world's tallest freestanding mountain? A&K has the most successful climbing operation on snow-capped Mount Kilimanjaro, featuring a summit rate of 97%. See page 60 for more on climbing Kilimanjaro with Abercrombie & Kent.

We also offer opportunities to track the endangered mountain gorilla in the verdant hills of Uganda, and to observe our close genetic cousin, the chimpanzee, in its natural habitat.





# Discover the year-round allure of the Great Migration.

Throughout the year, East Africa's wide-open grasslands bear witness to the Great Migration (see map at left), as millions of wildebeests, zebras, antelopes and other herd animals circulate through the region in search of water and fresh grazing land, part of the never-ending cycle of life on the vast East African plains. While dramatic river crossings are often associated with the Great Migration, they are actually just one thread in a complex tapestry encompassing calving, mating rituals and the shifting fortunes of the herd.

From the Serengeti to the Masai Mara, A&K's passionate Resident Tour Directors and expert driver-guides will help you experience the majesty of the Great Migration, wherever you may encounter it and regardless of when you choose to explore Africa. WINGS OVER THE WORLD JOURNEYS

## Wings Over East Africa

11 days from \$39,495 | Limited to 16 guests

Experience highlights of three East African countries on a single luxury journey made possible by private air, encountering mountain gorillas and chimpanzees in Uganda, tracking iconic wildlife in Tanzania's Serengeti and witnessing a true natural spectacle on departures timed with the Great Migration's appearance in Kenya's Masai Mara.

#### A&K ADVANTAGES

- Travel privately in a chartered Cessna Grand Caravan, reclining in your fully rotating, contoured leather seats
- Enjoy major highlights of Uganda, Tanzania and Kenya on one seamless itinerary, including Bwindi Impenetrable National Park in Uganda, Serengeti National Park in Tanzania and Masai Mara Game Reserve in Kenya
- Encounter endangered mountain gorillas on two days of trekking in the lush forests of Uganda
- Stay in the finest camps in "Great Migration" country three nights in each the Serengeti and the Masai Mara
- Spot the Big Five along with countless other wild species from custom-made safari vehicles offering unobstructed views from every seat
- Explore with handpicked safari guides whose in-depth tracking expertise leads to amazing wildlife encounters
- Experience the unsurpassed peace and comfort of the region's preeminent boutique camp and luxury safari accommodations with updated and reimagined features
- Glide by hot air balloon over the wild-life rich Masai Mara

#### DAY 1: Arrive Entebbe, Uganda

Arrive in Entebbe, Uganda, which earns its nickname, the "Pearl of Africa," with stunning scenery. Transfer to your hotel for an evening at leisure. **Hotel No. 5** 

DAY 2: Bwindi Impenetrable National Park | Chimps This morning, board a private boat to Ngamba Island, home to a sanctuary for orphaned and confiscated chimpanzees. Enjoy a private visit with the team who care for the fascinating simians, viewing their social



behavior up close. Return by private boat to Entebbe for lunch, before boarding your private charter flight to Bwindi Impenetrable National Park. On arrival, continue to your accommodations on a scenic drive from the Rift Valley to the mountains of Bwindi. Tonight, gather for a welcome dinner. Sanctuary Gorilla Forest Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: **Bwindi Impenetrable National Park** | Gorillas Begin the first of two days of gorilla trekking with an early morning hike through the park's dense vegetation to seek out the groups of endangered mountain gorillas living there. Once the gorillas are located, settle in for an unforgettable visit, observing the gentle and expressive creatures up close. Watch mothers holding their infants and scampering toddlers getting reined in by an attentive father protecting his family. Return to camp this afternoon for the remainder of the day at leisure. This evening, savor a Chef's Table experience, sipping a cocktail while a chef demonstrates how to make one of the delicious dishes local to the Bwindi region of Uganda, which you sample before dinner. Sanctuary Gorilla Forest Camp | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 4: **Bwindi Impenetrable National Park** | Design Your Day

After another exciting trek to see gorillas, return to camp this afternoon and enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- Visit a Bike Shop Supported by A&K Philanthropy. Meet the amazing women who run this shop and learn how they maintain the bikes.
- Meet with Women from the Local Area at the Bwindi Community Hospital, who teach local sewing classes.



#### PRIVATE CHARTER AIR INCLUDED

Fly directly between key destinations on flights exclusive to A&K.

#### Aircraft

Cessna Grand Caravan 208B or comparable Aircraft and seating configuration subject to change.

#### **Flight Details**

Entebbe-Bwindi (1 hr 15 min) Bwindi-Serengeti (3 hrs\*) Serengeti-Masai Mara (2 hrs 30 min\*) Masai Mara-Nairobi (45 min) \*Flight duration only. Will stop en route to clear customs and immigration.



Set Out on a Guided Forest Walk on the Munyaga waterfall trail — be on the lookout for rare forest elephants and primates such as colobus monkeys.

Return to your camp for dinner. Sanctuary Gorilla Forest Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: Serengeti National Park, Tanzania | Wild Game Board your privately chartered flight to Serengeti National Park, via stops at customs in Uganda and Tanzania, taking in the incredible vistas and intimate viewing afforded by low-level flight. Early this afternoon, arrive at your luxurious camp, which features the largest, most impressive tented en-suites imaginable, each with amazing, uninterrupted views over the Serengeti. Then, set out on a game drive across the 10,000 square-mile Serengeti, a habitat to countless wild species. Finish your day in classic safari style with a refreshing Scenic Sundowner, sipping cocktails while taking in the incredible atmosphere just before dusk. Serengeti Bushtops Luxury Tented Camp | Meals: B L D

DAYS6-7: Serengeti National Park | Two Days on Safari Enjoy two days of morning and afternoon game drives





### A Bird's-Eye View of Wildlife and a Private Air Advantage

The charter flights featured on Wings Over East Africa serve as a distinctive type of safari experience in and of themselves, in particular your flight to the Masai Mara Game Reserve, which affords sights of the region's incredible wildlife and gorgeous landscapes that simply can't be duplicated from ground level.

The Mara is home to one of the world's most impressive concentrations of wildlife, and your pilot-guides, skilled in low-level flying, give you the opportunity for a closer look at it than you've most likely ever experienced by air. You may catch glimpses of a giraffe stretching up to nibble a tree branch, an elephant cooling itself in the shallows of a muddy watering hole or a pink swath of countless flamingos wading at the edge of a sparkling lake.

Private chartered air adds another dimension to your safari experience as well, offering a level of timesaving convenience not possible with scheduled air. You're swept elegantly between far-flung locales, including to the forests of Uganda, where you go gorilla trekking, attended to in style by a dedicated flight crew en route.

From stunning aerial perspectives on African wildlife to easy access to the best of three countries on one incredible itinerary, Wings Over East Africa delivers.



through the vast landscape, observing the timeless circle of life. Serengeti Bushtops Luxury Tented Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 8: Masai Mara Game Reserve, Kenya | Migration Board your privately chartered flight to the Masai Mara Game Reserve via stops at customs in Tanzania and Kenya. Revel in the views of the expansive plains and, weather permitting, get an up-close look at the wildlife with some low-level flying by your skilled pilot-guides. Upon landing, settle into your luxurious camp, before immersing yourself in the vast Mara on an afternoon game drive. Among the many species you may encounter are the topi (an antelope found primarily here) as well as hippopotamuses, warthogs, hyenas and an abundance of bird life. Your arrival here is timed to coincide with when the Great Migration is historically in the Masai Mara, increasing your opportunity to witness one of nature's greatest spectacles. Tonight, relax in your fabulously appointed en-suite tent, watching the African night sky from your huge wooden deck or private hot tub, basking in panoramic views and 24-hour butler service. Mara Bushtops Luxury Tented Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: Masai Mara Game Reserve | Hot Air Balloon Ride Rise before dawn for a hot air balloon adventure that takes you soaring over the vast, wildlife-rich Masai Mara, viewing game from a fresh new perspective. Then, touch down for a breakfast in the bush. This afternoon, with help from your expert driver-guide, and a little patience, you may sight a leopard retrieving a kill from the branches of an acacia tree or elephants protecting their young on an afternoon game drive. You may also glimpse Maasai tribesmen traversing the plains or herding goats and cattle, pursuing the nomadic existence they have embraced for centuries. Mara Bushtops Luxury Tented Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 10: Masai Mara Game Reserve | An Exclusive Visit Today, again enjoy morning and afternoon game drives as well as the option for a walking safari. 🚷 Also visit a school on the edge of the Masai Mara for an A&K-exclusive experience, taking part in the setup of a LifeStraw Water filter that purifies drinking water for students and teachers, a project sponsored by Abercrombie & Kent Philanthropy. Mara Bushtops Luxury Tented Camp | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 11: Depart Nairobi

Fly to Nairobi by private charter for an afternoon at leisure in a dayroom reserved for you. This evening, transfer to the airport and depart. Hemingways Nairobi (dayroom) | Meals: B L

#### **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

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#### INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Serengeti Bushtops Luxury Tented Camp

Permanent tented safari camp of 13 luxury tents with en-suite bathrooms, verandas and hot tubs, all facing the setting sun for vistas of timeless beauty.





Mara Bushtops Luxury Tented Camp — Twelve under-canvas tents featuring large decks with hot tubs.



Sanctuary Gorilla Forest Camp Remote, atmospheric camp offering guests 10 spacious luxury tents.



Hotel No. 5 Stylish boutique hotel with 10 suites

Hemingways Nairobi Exclusive boutique, all-suite hotel, set in the verdant suburbs of Entebbe. located near Nairobi National Park.

#### DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Aug 25-Sep 4, Sep 12-22, Sep 26-Oct 6, Oct 17-27	\$39,495	\$6,995

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements such as hiking through isolated jungle regions. Minimum age is 15 years.

Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel.

First group event: welcome briefing at 9:00 a.m. on Day 2.

Last group event: lunch at 12:30 p.m. on Day 11.

#### Book Your Journey Today

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#### LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## The Great Migration Safari in Style

14 days from \$15,995 | Limited to 18 guests

Victoria Falls 4-day Pre-Tour Extension from \$2,295

Uganda 4-day Post-Tour Extension from \$2,995

Witness Kenya's and Tanzania's spectacular wildlife on this flagship A&K safari, setting out on game drives through the region's most abundant parks and private reserves and staying in our best boutique camp and luxury lodge accommodations.

#### A&K ADVANTAGES

- Experience six nights in the heart of Great Migration country, three each in the Serengeti and the Masai Mara
- Behold Africa's astoundingly diverse wildlife, including the iconic Big Five, from custom-made vehicles with an unobstructed view from every seat
- Explore alongside handpicked safari guides whose in-depth tracking expertise leads to amazing wildlife encounters
- Discover both the modern and traditional aspects of daily local life, with visits to a Maasai village as well as a typical town, for a unique, culturally immersive experience
- Expend less time travelling and more time spotting game thanks to convenient flights between game regions
- Finish with a three-night stay at enchanting Sanctuary Olonana, the ultimate luxury safari lodge, set on the Mara River, where hippos wallow and wander nearby

#### DAY 1: Arrive Nairobi, Kenya

Arrive in Nairobi and transfer to your luxurious hotel. Hemingways Nairobi

DAY 2: **Amboseli National Park** | At the Foot of Kilimanjaro Today, drive to Amboseli National Park at the base of soaring, snowcapped Mount Kilimanjaro, which, at 19,341 feet, is the highest freestanding mountain in the world. Set out in search of the region's spectacular wildlife. Amboseli's huge draw is elephants. Watch as big herds roam the dusty



plains, including "tuskers," large, older bulls who have grown impressive tusks. This evening, gather with fellow guests for a welcome dinner celebrating the start of an unforgettable safari adventure. Tawi Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: **Amboseli National Park** | A Full Day in the Bush Spend a full day exploring wildlife-rich Amboseli National Park. In addition to watching elephants up close from a safari vehicle that seats just six, so that every guest enjoys a window seat, view other game such as giraffes, Cape buffalo, zebras, wildebeests, hippos, hyenas and, occasionally, lions — all roaming freely amid swamps, springs and a shimmering, dried lake bed. After savoring a morning on safari, break for lunch. This afternoon, head out again for another game drive that reveals even more of East Africa's natural wonders. Tawi Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: **Tarangire National Park, Tanzania** | Game Viewing After crossing the border into Tanzania, stop for lunch in Arusha. Then, board a flight to Tarangire National Park and settle into your luxurious accommodations. Set in a secluded area of the park for a more exclusive safari experience, Sanctuary Swala's large tents are built on raised decks under umbrella acacia trees overlooking a popular watering hole. The layout of this eco-friendly abode is very open, with resident herds of impalas often grazing in camp. Wide panoramas of wooded savanna stretch in every direction in the park, which is nurtured by the permanent Tarangire River and populated by abundant big game, such as lions, elephants and buffalo. Its dusty red landscape also hosts a large bird population. Tonight, dine in camp. Sanctuary Swala | Meals: B L D



#### DAY 5: Tarangire National Park | Into the Wild

Embark on morning and afternoon game drives to explore Tarangire National Park and its stunning concentration of animals - herds of elephants, impalas and zebras. Look, too, for pythons and the twitching tails of leopards hiding high above in sausage trees. Activities available at an additional cost include a walking safari and exploring Lake Gursi by canoe. Once back at Swala, partake in a Chef's Table experience, including a cooking demonstration of local dishes such as ugali, makande and kachumbari, followed by an opportunity to taste them. Sanctuary Swala | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 6: Ngorongoro Crater | Design Your Day

Learn how Tanzanians live today, exploring in and around the village of Mto wa Mbu, as you Ride Like a Local by tuk-tuk, a major form of transport here. See rice fields and a banana plantation. In the village, walk the local market to see the colorful produce on display. Afterward, head to your restful luxury lodge, set near the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, for lunch. This afternoon, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

▶ Walk with a Maasai Healer, discovering the uses of over 20 different indigenous plants in the Ngorongoro forest.









- Bicycle Village Streets and Back Roads, and visit a bike shop supported by Abercrombie & Kent Philanthropy.
- Enjoy a Traditional High Tea on the veranda overlooking the gardens at Gibb's Farm; meet the artist-in-residence.

Settle in for a tranquil evening and overnight stay. Gibb's Farm | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: **Ngorongoro Crater** | Wildlife-Rich Haven Descend into Ngorongoro Crater to explore the panoramic, game-rich prairies of this ancient volcanic caldera. Backdropped by crater walls nearly 2,000 feet high, Ngorongoro offers the safari experience of a lifetime in a setting unmatched the world over. Observe profuse and diverse wildlife roaming freely in an authentic "Lost World," where it's possible to encounter every member of the Big Five in a single day. Enjoy lunch al fresco in this UNESCO World Heritage Site before returning to your lodge. Tonight, gather for dinner with your fellow guests. Gibb's Farm | Meals: B L D

DAYS 8-10: Serengeti National Park | On the Endless Plains Fly to Serengeti National Park, a vast Tanzanian landscape that during part of the year hosts one of earth's greatest wildlife spectacles: the annual Great Migration, when millions of herbivores trek across the Serengeti plains in search of water and fresh grass, with hungry predators awaiting them. Over the next two days, your adventure may reveal giraffes, wildebeests, elephants and far more on morning and afternoon game drives. Four Seasons Safari Lodge Serengeti | Meals: B L D

DAY 11: Masai Mara Game Reserve, Kenya | Crown Jewel Fly to the Masai Mara, the northern extension of the Serengeti. After settling into your accommodation on a private stretch of the Mara River, immerse yourself in the wild during an afternoon game drive. Follow the Mara River to see crocodiles basking in the sun, hippos as they wallow in muddy water and monkeys busy sparking mischief overhead. Here, too, you may sight any of more than 400 species of birds, among them eagles who glide effortlessly above the sun-soaked landscape. During your time in the Mara, enjoy the peace of mind that comes with staying at Sanctuary Olonana, recognized as one of the finest safari lodges in all of Africa. Tonight, join fellow guests for a Scenic Sundowner, followed by an elegant dinner. Sanctuary Olonana | Meals: B L D

DAYS 12-13: Masai Mara Game Reserve | Incredible Wildlife Venture forth for two full days of exploring the open savanna, woodlands and tree-fringed rivers of the Masai Mara, where patience is rewarded with unique sightings such as a leopard retrieving a kill from the upper branches of an acacia or elephants protecting their young from opportunistic lions. Game viewing is never dull in the Mara, especially when the dramatic annual Great Migration unfolds. Amid the stunning scenery, watch as Maasai tribesmen traverse the plains or herd goats and cattle. On one day here, visit a Maasai village and meet with an elder to learn about local culture and traditions. & Connect with local residents when you visit a village and primary school supported by A&K Philanthropy. Learn firsthand how A&K Philanthropy's LifeStraw partnership is changing lives by providing locals access to safe, clean drinking water, on an inspiring A&K-exclusive experience. Sanctuary Olonana | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 14: Depart Nairobi

Fly back to Nairobi and enjoy the afternoon at leisure in a comfortable dayroom. In the evening, transfer to the airport for your departure flight or begin a Post-Tour Extension to Uganda. Hemingways Nairobi (dayroom) | Meals: B

#### **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

This itinerary is available as a private journey, **Signature Great Migration Safari**. Priced from \$19,995. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.

#### **EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY**



#### Victoria Falls Pre-Tour Group Extension

4 days from \$2,295 | Internal air from \$1,900 Available on select departures.

Experience epic Victoria Falls from both sides, and stay in a luxurious tree house beside the Zambezi River in Zambia.



#### Uganda Post-Tour Group Extension

4 days from \$2,995 (plus additional \$700 permit fee) Internal air from \$1,195 | Available on select departures. Encounter endangered mountain gorillas up close during your trek into lush Bwindi Impenetrable Forest.

#### INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Sanctuary Olonana Superb luxury safari lodge with 14 spacious suites with king-size beds.



Sanctuary Swala Twelve elegant pavilions near a waterhole, with panoramic vistas.

# Tawi Lodge

Thirteen cottages, each with a view of Exclusive boutique, all-suite hotel, Mt. Kilimanjaro, on a private reserve. located near Nairobi National Park.

#### DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jan 4-17, Jan 18-31, Feb 15-28, Feb 22-Mar 7,* Mar 1-14, Mar 8-21	\$15,995	\$3,995
May 31-Jun13,** Jun 7-20, Jun 14-27, Jun 21-Jul 4, Jun 28-Jul 11, Jul 5-18,* Jul 12-25, Jul 19-Aug 1, Jul 26-Aug 8, Aug 2-15,* Aug 9-22, Aug 16-29, Aug 23-Sep 5, Aug 30-Sep 12, Sep 6-19, Sep 13-26, Sep 20-Oct 3, Sep 27-Oct 10	\$17,895	\$5,695
Oct 4-17, Oct 11-24, Oct 18-31	\$16,495	\$4,995
Dec 13-26	\$17,995	\$5,995
Dec 20-Jan 2, 2024*	\$19,295	\$6,195

#### Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,925

Arusha/Tarangire; Manyara/Serengeti/Tarime; Migori/Masai Mara/Nairobi

\*Days 6-7 at Elewana The Manor at Ngorongro Crater. \*\*Days 8-10 at Lemala Kuria Hills Lodge at Serengeti National Park.

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel. First group event: welcome briefing at 7:30 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: hotel transfer at 12:15 p.m. on Day 14. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

#### **STOPOVER PACKAGE**



Spend three days exploring Dubai (from \$2,295) before or after your journey.

#### Book Your Journey Today

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Four Seasons Safari Lodge Serengeti — Amazing lodge set deep within Serengeti National Park.







Hemingways Nairobi

Africa

LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Kenya & Tanzania Wildlife Safari

12 days from \$10,295 | Limited to 18 guests

On this comprehensive introduction to East Africa, witness abundant and diverse wildlife roaming vast, sun-drenched panoramas, and stay in comfortable, spacious lodges with ideal locations in the region's greatest parks and reserves.

#### A&K ADVANTAGES

- Discover Africa's astounding diversity, including the iconic Big Five, in custom-made vehicles with an unobstructed view from every seat
- Experience incredible up-close encounters with East Africa's diverse wildlife thanks to the in-depth tracking skills of our handpicked safari guides
- Privately visit an animal rescue center to meet with the caretakers and view orphaned elephants and other species up close on an A&K-exclusive experience.
- Stay on the rim of the Ngorongoro Crater, a privileged location that affords you early access to the crater floor for a quieter, less-crowded safari experience
- Privately visit Olduvai Gorge, where the Leakey family discovered fossils linking man to his distant ancestors
- Visit a Maasai village to learn about the customs and traditions of these nomadic herders

#### DAY 1: Arrive Nairobi, Kenya

Arrive in Nairobi, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. A microcosm of the African continent, this capital city is your gateway to a dramatic procession of natural spectacles in Kenya and Tanzania, among the most thrilling destinations in the world. Nairobi Serena Hotel

DAY 2: **Amboseli National Park** | Game and Mountain Vistas Drive to Amboseli National Park, known for its thriving big-game population, especially elephants, more than 1,000 of which live in the park. From a distance, take in views of the highest mountain in Africa, the snowcapped Mount Kilimanjaro, with its impressive Uhuru Peak soaring to 19,341 feet. Arrive at your lodge set beneath acacia trees



in the shadow of Kilimanjaro. After lunch, explore the acacia woodland, freshwater swamps, scrub brush and open plains in search of wildlife. Part of the park is composed of a driedup lake bed, where mirages rise from the shimmering heat. This evening, share in a special welcome dinner with your fellow guests. Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: **Amboseli National Park** | Mountainside Sightings Set out on early morning and afternoon game drives, crisscrossing the landscape in search of the park's large herds of elephants, as well as zebras and wildebeests, along the salt pan trails. Prepare for predator sightings as opportunistic animals begin roaming the plains in search of prey. Return to your lodge for dinner followed by a relaxing evening under African skies. Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: **Arusha, Tanzania** | Wildlife Rescue Center Visit After crossing the border into Tanzania, stop at an animal rescue center for an A&K-exclusive experience. Meet with the caretakers and view the animals in their care, including orphaned elephants. Continue to your hotel located on the picturesque slopes of Mount Meru. Here, enjoy a refreshing Scenic Sundowner on the edge of Lake Duluti before gathering for dinner.

Arusha Serena Hotel, Resort & Spa | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: Ngorongoro Crater | Spot the Tree-Climbing Lions Drive from Arusha to Lake Manyara National Park for a morning game drive, searching for nonchalant baboons, dik-diks that forage for food beneath acacia trees and large herds of buffalo, wildebeests and zebras, which gather on the grassy, sun-drenched plains. Along a narrow belt of



acacia woodland, you may even spot the region's storied tree-climbing lions, which ascend branches for a cool breeze. After lunch, continue to the village of Mto wa Mbu, where you Ride Like a Local on a *tuk-tuk*, viewing rice fields and the local community as you go. Then, travel to Ngorongoro Crater, ascending its outer wall through dense vegetation. Ngorongoro is the largest unbroken ancient caldera in the world and a likely place to view lions, elephants, hyenas and gazelles. This afternoon, participate in a Chef's Table demonstration in the hotel kitchen, preparing and sampling local dishes. Ngorongoro Serena Safari Lodge | Meals: B L D DAY 6: Ngorongoro Crater | Explore a Natural Wildlife Haven This morning, descend into the crater, arriving ahead of most visitors — thanks to the ideal location of your accommodations on the crater's rim — to view the resident wildlife at its most active time of day. The prairies of this "Lost World" are great spots for watching buffalo and elephants as well as the countless other species that roam the crater's 100-square-mile floor. You may even sight flamingos (when in season) or the rare black rhino. Following lunch, visit a Maasai village to gain a better understanding of the nomadic cattle-herders' daily life and culture. Ngorongoro Serena Safari Lodge | Meals: B L D





DAY 7: Serengeti National Park | In Ancient Footsteps Drive to vast, wildlife-rich Serengeti National Park and through its spectacular mix of savanna grassland and volcanic hills, stopping en route for a privately guided tour of Olduvai Gorge, one of the key sources of prehuman hominid fossils. Renowned paleontologists Mary and Louis Leakey made many notable finds here, including "Nutcracker Man," who lived approximately 1.75 million years ago. Visit the on-site museum, take in views from the lookout point and examine the excavations, which revealed 3.7-million-yearold footprints and the 1.8-million-year-old skull of a human. Continue to your lodge, which is framed by commanding views of this land of lions, leopards, hyenas, cheetahs, giraffes and topi. The park also serves as a setting for the Great Migration when it passes through each year. Enjoy your room's blend of elegant and contemporary design with influences from the traditional Maasai culture. Meliá Serengeti Lodge | Meals: B L D

"I was very impressed with the quality of this trip. Everything was wonderful. Customer service was top notch, and our tour director went the extra mile to make our safari a magical experience."

– Angela; Prescott, AZ

DAY 8: Serengeti National Park | Iconic Safari Quarry Today, revel in true safari country, searching for the Big Five (lions, leopards, Cape buffalo, elephants and rhinos), along with giraffes, gazelles and zebras. Along the rivers, plains and rocky outcroppings, you may also spot some of the Serengeti's more diminutive denizens, such as leopard tortoises and rhinoceros beetles. Meliá Serengeti Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: **Masai Mara Game Reserve, Kenya** | Into the Wild Fly to the vast Masai Mara Game Reserve, Kenya's finest wildlife spectacle, offering excellent game viewing yearround. The unending landscape hosts some 450 bird species, 95 animal species and all of the great predators, including the country's largest lion population. After familiarizing yourself with your luxurious tented accommodations, ideally situated at the confluence of the Mara's four game-viewing regions, drive through the famed reserve. **Mara Intrepids** | **Meals: B L D** 

DAY 10: **Masai Mara Game Reserve** | Endless Discovery Explore a region bestowed with over 500 square miles of savannas, woodlands and tree-fringed rivers on morning and afternoon game drives. You may observe crocodiles basking in the sun, see ever-alert hippos wallowing in muddy water and catch the antics of mischievous monkeys overhead. Watch, too, as African elephants rumble along the forest edge and giraffes snatch leaves from branches high above. **Mara Intrepids** | **Meals: B L D** 

DAY 11: Masai Mara Game Reserve | Design Your Day Venture forth on a morning game drive. After lunch, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

Set Out on a Guided Bird Walk for the opportunity to spot some of the nearly 500 species of birds in the region.



- ▶ Make Beads with the Maasai, learning the craft of beading from tribal members and creating your own jewelry.
- Throw the Rungu with Maasai Warriors, testing your skills with their traditional wooden hunting club.

Then, go on a late-afternoon game drive for a final look at the Mara's treasures. Later, enjoy a Scenic Sundowner, sipping traditional cocktails while marveling at the incredible open plains just before dusk — a relaxing prelude to a memorable farewell dinner with your fellow guests. Mara Intrepids | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 12: Depart Nairobi

Return to Nairobi. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure in a reserved dayroom before your international departure flight home. Nairobi Serena Hotel (dayroom) | Meals: B

#### EARLY ARRIVAL IN NAIROBI



Arrive in Nairobi a day early for an optional full-day excursion, visiting Daphne Sheldrick's Elephant Orphanage, hand-feeding endangered Rothschild's giraffes, and then enjoying an A&K-exclusive forest folklore stories experience.

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#### INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Mara Intrepids Luxurious modern tents in the heart of fine year-round game viewing.



Ngorongoro Serena Safari Lodge Luxury lodge set on the crater's rim for superb views and easy access.



wilds of Serengeti National Park.

Boutique safari lodge set amid the

Meliá Serengeti Lodge





Arusha Serena Hotel, Resort & Spa Nairobi Serena Hotel Boutique hotel set on the slopes of Mount Meru, beside Lake Duluti.

An oasis of serenity amid the hustle and bustle of Nairobi.

#### DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jan 17-28, Jan 31-Feb 11, Feb 14-25, Feb 28-Mar 11	\$11,295	\$2,495
May 16-27	\$10,295	\$1,295
Jun 13-24, Jun 27-Jul 8, Jul 4-15, Jul 11-22, Jul 14-25, Jul 18-29, Jul 25-Aug 5, Jul 28-Aug 8, Aug 1-12, Aug 8-19, Aug 11-22, Aug 15-26, Aug 22-Sep 2, Aug 25-Sep 5, Aug 29-Sep 9, Sep 5-16, Sep 8-19, Sep 12-23, Sep 19-30, Oct 3-14, Oct 10-21	\$12,295	\$2,695
Nov 7-18, Dec 5-16	\$11,295	\$2,495
Dec 21–Jan 1, 2024	\$13,295	\$2,995

Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,295 Serengeti/Tarime; Migori/Masai Mara/Nairobi

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel. First group event: welcome briefing at 7:30 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: hotel transfer at 12:15 p.m. on Day 12. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

#### **STOPOVER PACKAGE**



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# Kenya & Tanzania: A Great Migration Safari Adventure

10 days from \$15,395 | Limited to 12 guests

Venture to the sun-soaked plains of East Africa on an extraordinary 10-day journey, enjoying thrilling game drives and six exhilarating nights in the heart of Great Migration country and camping in luxury beneath the stars among the legendary Big Five and herds of other fascinating animals.



- Experience Hemingway-style adventure with a modern flair, including stays in luxurious, updated camps that boldly reimagine the classic tented safari
- Venture into the heart of Great Migration country, spending three nights in the Serengeti and three nights in the Masai Mara
- Search for game on foot or horseback, or observe an antipoaching operation in far-northerly Laikipia Plateau on an A&K Design Your Day experience
- Enjoy a journey limited to just 12 guests per departure, with more time to interact with your Resident Tour Director
- Set out on game drives in custom-made vehicles with an unobstructed view from every seat to behold Africa's astoundingly diverse wildlife, including the iconic Big Five
- Explore alongside handpicked safari guides whose in-depth tracking expertise leads to amazing wildlife encounters
- Discover modern and traditional aspects of daily local life, with visits to a Maasai village and a safe drinking water project supported by Abercrombie & Kent Philanthropy

#### DAY 1: Arrive Nairobi, Kenya

Arrive in Nairobi and transfer to your luxurious hotel. Overlooking the rolling landscape and pastoral beauty of Ngong Hills, Hemingways Nairobi evokes the romance of a vintage East African safari. Hemingways Nairobi



DAY 2: Laikipia Plateau | Grassy Plains & Breathtaking Valleys Fly this morning from Nairobi to Loisaba Conservancy, set on the Laikipia Plateau, an area larger than many of Kenya's principal national parks. To the south, the grassy plains of the plateau break into valleys, cliffs and escarpments that frame stunning views up to snowy Mount Kenya. Enjoy lunch at the camp, followed by an afternoon game drive capped off with a Scenic Sundowner. Elewana Loisaba Tented Camp | Meals: B L D

Loisaba Conservancy is one of Kenya's elephant movement corridors, linking Laikipia to Samburu, so the great animals can range easily between vital habitats. It is also home to the endangered Grevy's zebra, the reticulated giraffe, the beautiful greater kudu and the rare African wild dog.

#### DAY 3: Laikipia Plateau | Design Your Day

On an early morning game drive, immerse yourself in Loisaba Conservancy, a haven for more than 250 species of birds and 50 species of wildlife. In addition to elephants, buffalo and Grevy's zebras, be on the lookout for the big cats, and even rare wild dogs. After your bush breakfast, Ride Like a Local on a camel — a traditional form of transport in the region. Later, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

► Take a Walking Safari with a Samburu Guide to view and learn about the stunning diversity of Loisaba up close.


- Ride by Horse, drawing gently near plains and forest animals such as zebras, giraffes and even elephants.
- Visit an Anti-Poaching Dog Unit to discover their daily routine and watch an anti-poaching demonstration. Return to your camp for lunch and an afternoon at leisure.

Later, enjoy dinner in camp on a relaxing evening under the stars. Elewana Loisaba Tented Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: **Masai Mara Game Reserve** | Where Lions Roam After breakfast this morning, fly to the renowned Masai Mara Game Reserve. Here in the Masai Mara, a vast plain teeming with animals, discover the greatest concentration of species in the country. The action never seems to stop, and the chain of command begins with the Mara's lion population, the largest in Kenya. After settling in, embark on a thrilling game drive followed by a Scenic Sundowner. Olare Mara Kempinski Masai Mara | Meals: B L D

DAYS 5-6: Masai Mara Game Reserve | Into the Bush Over the next two exciting days at your camp, drive across the sprawling savanna in search of abundant game in one of Kenya's most spectacular game reserves. Running along the Tanzanian border, the Mara forms an essential part of







the Serengeti ecosystem. Each year, more than a million wildebeest, alongside zebra and gazelle, march north to graze on the Mara's lush grasses as part of the Great Migration's annual cycle. Follow the Mara River to see crocodiles basking in the sun, hippos as they wallow in muddy water or monkeys swinging madly overhead through the trees. One day here, visit a school on the edge of the Masai Mara for an A&K-exclusive experience, viewing a recently installed LifeStraw Water filter that purifies drinking water for students and teachers — a project sponsored by Abercrombie & Kent Philanthropy. In place of a morning game drive on either day, enjoy an optional early-morning hot air balloon ride (at an additional cost), observing Africa's wild game from a unique vantage point. Visit a nearby Maasai village for insight into their way of life. Olare Mara Kempinski Masai Mara | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: Serengeti National Park, Tanzania | Vast Vistas This morning, fly south to Tanzania's Serengeti National Park. Covering 10,000 square miles, the Serengeti is Tanzania's most famous national park, home to dozens of species including antelope, hyenas, leopards, giraffes, lions, buffalo and cheetahs. After arriving at your camp, take part in a late afternoon game drive (time permitting) before sitting down to a delicious dinner. Nimali Mara | Meals: B L D

DAY 8-9: **Serengeti National Park** | Seeking the Big Five Explore the Serengeti for two days, enjoying morning and afternoon game viewing in this vast, sun-drenched region. Rivers flow through the park, providing habitats for a variety of birds, mammals and reptiles, while antelope can be seen feeding on the plains. Search for Africa's iconic Big Five, (lion, leopard, elephant, rhino and Cape buffalo) as well as the lesser-known but fascinating Little Five (ant lion, leopard tortoise, elephant shrew, rhinoceros beetle and buffalo weaver), which may be hiding behind a stone or resting on an acacia branch. Return to your camp each day beneath a golden sunset. Nimali Mara | Meals: B L D

Witness the incomparable phenomenon of the Great Migration, when innumerable wildebeest and zebra herds course through the plains in search of fresh grass and water while hungry predators await them throughout their journey.

#### DAY 10: Depart Arusha

Bid farewell to the Serengeti today and fly to Arusha. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel, where a comfortable dayroom awaits. Enjoy the amenities of your cozy lodge, which shares the grounds of a working coffee farm. Savor an A&Kexclusive Chef's Table experience, sitting down to a Swahiliinspired lunch on the beautiful shores of Lake Duluti. This evening, transfer to Kilimanjaro International Airport for your departing flights. Lake Duluti Lodge (dayroom) | Meals: B L

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## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Olare Mara Kempinski Masai Mara Twelve deluxe tents set in a private conservancy bordering the Masai Mara.



Nimali Mara Ten tented suites set in a remote part of Serengeti National Park.



Lake Duluti Lodge Boutique lodge offering 19 thatched villas in the shadow of Mount Meru.



**Elewana Loisaba Tented Camp** Safari camp featuring 12 luxury tents perched atop a scenic escarpment.



Hemingways Nairobi Luxurious hotel set between Nairobi National Park and the Ngong Hills.

## ADD A PRIVATE EXTENSION



## **Experience Exotic Zanzibar**

Discover the fabled spice island of Zanzibar on an 4-day private itinerary (from \$2,795) that reveals local history and culture. Visit a spice farm, explore a wildlife reserve, cruise on a *dhow* (sailboat) at sunset and walk UNESCO-listed Stone Town, where your luxurious hotel is located.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jun 26-Jul 5, Jul 10-19, Jul 24-Aug 2, Aug 7-16, Aug 14-23, Oct 9-18, Dec 4-13	\$15,395	\$4,595
 Dec 24-Jan 2, 2024	\$15,895	\$4,795

Internal Air: Economy class from \$2,220 Nairobi/Laikipia/Masai Mara/Migori; Tarime/Serengeti/Arusha

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel. First group event: welcome briefing at 7:30 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: lunch at 1:00 p.m. on Day 10. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## **STOPOVER PACKAGE**



Spend three days exploring Dubai (from \$2,295) before or after your journey.

## Book Your Journey Today

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LUXURY FAMILY JOURNEYS

## Family Kenya & Tanzania Safari

12 days from \$11,995 | Limited to 24 guests

On this family-friendly adventure in East Africa, witness abundant wildlife – from baby elephants to the big cats – roaming vast, sun-drenched panoramas; and stay in comfortable, spacious lodges in the region's greatest parks and reserves.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Discover Africa's astounding diversity, including the iconic Big Five, in custom-made vehicles with an unobstructed view from every seat
- Experience incredible up-close encounters with East Africa's diverse wildlife thanks to the in-depth tracking skills of our handpicked safari guides
- Travel with an A&K Child Activity Coordinator, who joins you from start to finish to arrange fun activities for younger guests
- Stay on the rim of the Ngorongoro Crater, a privileged location that affords you early access to the crater floor for a quieter, less-crowded safari experience
- View some of the earliest human fossils at Olduvai Gorge
- Come together for a Family Foodie Experience and the chance to cook some authentic African dishes alongside a local chef
- Enjoy two special cultural experiences, visiting an elder at a Maasai village and listening to folk tales in Nairobi's Oloolua Forest

### DAYS1-2: Arrive Nairobi, Kenya

Arrive in Nairobi and transfer to your hotel, where your Child Activity Coordinator may greet you with "jambo" (hello). The next day, meet remarkable African species in two special settings. Visit the Giraffe Center to hand-feed endangered Rothschild's giraffes from a platform that puts you at eye level with these majestic giants. At Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, watch young elephants at play with keepers who explain the process of reintroducing the elephants into the wild. Proceed to Oloolua Forest for an A&K-exclusive folklore experience, listening to a traditional storyteller weave folk tales handed down for generations. Tonight, enjoy a welcome dinner. Nairobi Serena Hotel | Meals: B D (Day 2)



DAYS 3-4: **Amboseli National Park** | On the Prowl Depart for Amboseli National Park, famous for its big game and views of snow-capped Mount Kilimanjaro. After lunch at your lodge and perhaps a lesson in spear throwing with your Child Activity Coordinator, it's time for a thrilling safari. Roll out through acacia woodlands, freshwater marshes and open plains in search of elephants, zebra and wildebeest. The next day, discover more of this wildlife haven on additional game drives, with majestic Kilimanjaro as an inspiring backdrop. Ol Tukai Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAYS 5-6: **Ngorongoro Crater, Tanzania** | The "Lost World" Drive from Kenya into Tanzania, stopping in Arusha for lunch. Then, fly to Manyara and transfer to your lodge, perched on the rim of Ngorongoro Crater. A UNESCO World Heritage Site formed by the collapse of a volcano in the distant past, Ngorongoro Crater is home to an incredible concentration of wildlife, including one of the highest densities of lions. Tonight, take in sweeping views from your own private balcony. The next morning, descend into the crater, arriving ahead of most visitors — thanks to the ideal location of your accommodations on the crater's rim — to view the resident wildlife at its most active time of day. Later, visit a Maasai village, where you meet with the village elder and learn how to make the tribal community's unique beaded jewelry. Ngorongoro Serena Safari Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAYS7-8: Serengeti National Park | The Big Five Depart for Serengeti National Park. Stop for a privately guided visit to Olduvai Gorge, an archaeological site housing some of the earliest fossilized human bones. Arrive at your lodge and, time permitting, Ride Like a Local on your first



game drive in the unparalleled Serengeti. The next day brings morning and afternoon game drives in search of Africa's Big Five — leopards, buffalo, elephants, rhinos and lions. Serengeti Serena Safari Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAYS 9-11: Masai Mara Game Reserve, Kenya | Rift Valley Transfer by air and overland to Kenya's Masai Mara Game Reserve. Check in to your luxury camp near the Mara River. Later, enjoy an exciting afternoon game drive (as you do twice daily for the next two days), searching for giraffes, hippos and hyenas. Look forward to a family-friendly sundowner experience, sipping refreshing mocktails and cocktails from a surprise scenic location. Back at camp, your Child Activity Coordinator leads young guests on bush treasure hunts and teaches the craft of fire making. A Family Foodie Experience offers an opportunity to join your chef and prepare regionally inspired dishes together. Later, experience local life when you opt to visit with students at a nearby primary school (when in session). Tonight, celebrate with a farewell dinner. Mara Intrepids | Meals: B L D

### DAY 12: Depart Nairobi

Fly to Nairobi and enjoy a reserved dayroom. Transfer to the airport and depart. Nairobi Serena Hotel (dayroom) | Meals: B

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## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Mara Intrepids

Award-winning camp ideal for families, featuring modern tents in the Masai Mara Game Reserve and at the confluence of four game-viewing regions.



Serengeti Serena Safari Lodge Stylish, world-class lodge offering commanding Serengeti views.



Ol Tukai Lodge

**Ngorongoro Serena Safari Lodge** Luxury lodge set on the crater's rim for superb views and easy access.



Nairobi Serena Hotel An oasis of serenity amid the hustle and bustle of Nairobi.

## DATES & PRICING

Stylish and comfortable guest rooms

with wetland or Kilimanjaro views.

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jun 16–27, Jun 30–Jul 11, Jul 7–18, Jul 21–Aug 1, Aug 4–15	\$11,995	\$2,495
Children 17 and under*	\$11,495	
Dec 16-27, Dec 22-Jan 2, 2024 Children 17 and under*	\$12,795 <i>\$12,295</i>	\$2,695

#### Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,470

Arusha/Manyara; Serengeti/Tarime; Migori/Masai Mara/Nairobi \*Pricing applies to children 17 and under sharing with an adult.

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 5 years. Suggested age is 8+. Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:00 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: hotel transfer at 12:15 p.m. on Day 12. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## **STOPOVER PACKAGE**



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## Kenya Safari in Style

8 days from \$7,495 | Limited to 18 guests

On our flagship safari journey to Kenya, the birthplace of A&K, set out on a week-long adventure, viewing spectacularly diverse wildlife, including the fabled Big Five, on a premier private concession on the Laikipia

Plateau and in the Masai Mara Game Reserve.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Experience Hemingway-style adventure with a modern flair, including stays in luxurious, updated camps that boldly reimagine the classic safari
- Discover diverse wildlife beside handpicked safari guides whose in-depth tracking skills lead to exceptional wildlife encounters
- Marvel at Kenya's untamed wonders from custom-made vehicles with an unobstructed view from every seat
- Stay on a private conservancy on the Laikipia Plateau, where the abundant wildlife includes the Big Five as well as cheetahs, jackals, hippos, hyenas and over 130 black rhinos
- Meet a member of the Maasai people, who exclusively visits you in the Masai Mara to lead a discussion of Maasai culture as well as a beading workshop
- Finish with a three-night stay at enchanting Sanctuary Olonana, the ultimate luxury safari lodge, set on the Mara River, where hippos wallow and wander nearby

## DAY 1: Arrive Nairobi, Kenya

Arrive in Nairobi, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Fairmont The Norfolk

DAY 2: **Ol Pejeta Conservancy** | Intimate Luxury Camp Begin your luxury safari adventure with a drive from Nairobi to Nanyuki, crossing the equator as you go. Continue to the Ol Pejeta Conservancy, a private reserve encompassing 90,000 acres of unspoiled African landscape where the Big Five roam, and arrive at your stunning new tented camp in time for lunch. Nestled among fever trees in the shadow of Mount Kenya, Sanctuary Tambarare in Laikipia looks out across a grassy plateau. Your tent is large and airy, with a private veranda, and an en-suite bathroom that features a walk-in shower. Sanctuary Tambarare | Meals: B L D



DAY 3: Ol Pejeta Conservancy | Into the Bush

Set out on a morning game drive highlighted by an up-close visit with the world's last northern white rhinos in their heavily guarded enclosure. Afterward, take a late afternoon game drive in this impressively biodiverse region, home to black rhinos, Grevy's zebras, reticulated giraffes and far more. Refresh yourself on a Scenic Sundowner during your game drive, sipping cocktails while marveling at the incredible atmosphere just before dusk. Sanctuary Tambarare | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: **Ol Pejeta Conservancy** | Design Your Day This morning, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- ► **Take a Guided Bush Walk** accompanied by a ranger, getting up close to life in the African bush.
- Interact with the Dogs of an Anti-Poacher Unit, and test their skills, as you hide and let them sniff you out.
- Meet the Neighbors Community Interaction and see firsthand the work the conservancy undertakes.

Return to the camp and savor a Chef's Table experience, featuring a cooking demonstration and tasting of local dishes before lunch. Afterward, Ride like a Local, by bicycle, through open plains, alongside giraffes, zebras and other wild game. Then, head out on a late-afternoon game drive, followed by dinner in camp. Sanctuary Tambarare | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: **Masai Mara Game Reserve** | Wildlife Abounding Fly to the Masai Mara Game Reserve and your luxury safari lodge on a private stretch of the Mara River. This afternoon, set out on a game drive that introduces you to the Masai Mara. The action never seems to stop, and the chain of command begins with the Mara's lion population, the



Visit the world's last northern white rhinos in Kenya

largest in the country. The delicate ecosystem of the Mara is the focus of a major conservation effort to preserve one of Africa's last true game strongholds. During your time in the Mara, enjoy the peace of mind that comes with staying at luxurious Sanctuary Olonana. Sanctuary Olonana | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: Masai Mara Game Reserve | Endless Discovery Continue exploring the region on morning and afternoon game drives. You may observe crocodiles basking in the sun; hippos wallowing in muddy, cooling water; and mischievous monkeys chattering overhead. Watch, too, as huge elephants rustle along the forest edge and graceful giraffes snatch leaves from branches high above. Sanctuary Olonana | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: Masai Mara Game Reserve | Exclusive Workshop Today, watch for game on the vast plains of the Masai, and enjoy the option to visit a local Maasai village. After lunch, receive a visit from a local Maasai tribal member who conducts a workshop on bead making, providing you with a deeper understanding of Maasai culture and what their jewelry means, on this A&K-exclusive experience. Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner. Sanctuary Olonana | Meals: B L D

### DAY 8: Depart Nairobi

Fly to Nairobi, where you relax in a reserved dayroom before transferring to the airport for your departing flight. Ole-Sereni Hotel (dayroom) | Meals: B

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## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Sanctuary Olonana

Superb luxury safari lodge featuring 14 spacious suites with king-size beds, recognized as one of the finest lodges in all of Africa.



#### Sanctuary Tambarare

Newly opened luxury tented camp with 10 secluded suites on the Laikipia Plateau, overlooking the wildlife-rich Ol Pejeta Conservancy.



Fairmont The Norfolk Legendary luxury hotel located in the heart of downtown Nairobi.



**Ole-Sereni Hotel** Luxury hotel with national park views, near the international airport.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Feb 17-24, Mar 10-17	\$7,495	\$1,995
Jun 23-30, Jul 7-14, Jul 21-28, Aug 11-18, Aug 18-25, Sep 1-8, Sep 22-29, Oct 21-28	\$8,995	\$2,895
Dec 22-29	\$9,295	\$2,995

Internal Air: Economy class from \$775 Nanyuki/Masai Mara/Nairobi

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel. First group event: welcome briefing at 7:30 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: hotel transfer at 12:15 p.m. on Day 8. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## **STOPOVER PACKAGE**



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## Tanzania Safari in Style

8 days from \$8,795 | Limited to 18 guests

Experience classic tented luxury on this spectacular safari adventure through the heart of Tanzania, exploring the country's most game-rich parks and reserves on an itinerary designed for phenomenal wildlife viewing.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Discover diverse wildlife across Tanzania's northern circuit in places synonymous with unforgettable game sightings, including Tarangire National Park, Ngorongoro Crater and Serengeti National Park
- Watch iconic species roaming free, including prides of lions and herds of elephants, giraffes and gazelles, from custommade vehicles with an unobstructed view from every seat
- Experience incredible, up-close encounters with Tanzania's diverse wildlife thanks to the in-depth tracking skills of our handpicked safari guides
- Stay on the rim of the Ngorongoro Crater, a privileged location that affords you early access to the crater floor for a quieter, less-crowded safari experience
- Visit a Maasai village to learn about the tribe's customs and daily life, and ride by *tuk-tuk* on a visit to the local market

## DAY 1: Arrive Arusha, Tanzania

Arrive in Arusha and transfer to your lodge, set on a working coffee plantation. Your private chalet near Mount Meru features a log fireplace and a balcony. **Arusha Coffee Lodge** 

DAY 2: Tarangire National Park | Design Your Day This morning, begin your safari adventure by enjoying one of these Design Your Day activities.

- Visit Ilboru Primary School, a project supported by A&K Philanthropy, to meet students facing special challenges.
- Explore Arusha on a Walking Tour, meeting resident entrepreneurs on an active introduction to local culture.
- Tour the Shanga Workshop with a private guide to learn about the handmade jewelry and homeware created there.

Return to your lodge for lunch, and then fly to Tarangire National Park, where open grasslands, acacia trees and the



Tarangire River paint the wild landscape. This afternoon, set out on a game drive. Tonight, gather with fellow guests for a welcome dinner. Sanctuary Swala | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: **Tarangire National Park** | A Lesson in Local Cuisine Today, enjoy morning and afternoon game drives in search of elands, oryxes, wildebeests and zebras as well as the park's large elephant population. Your local expert driver-guide draws on years of experience in the bush to locate the best wildlife viewing opportunities right as they happen. After lunch, you may wish to take advantage of activities available at an additional cost, such as a walking safari and exploring Lake Gursi by canoe. Later, this afternoon, learn how to prepare local dishes like *ugali* and *kachumbari* as part of an A&K Chef's Table experience. Sanctuary Swala | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: Ngorongoro Crater | Amphitheater of Animals As you cross the Great Rift Valley, stop for a market visit in Mto wa Mbu, where stalls brim with vibrant local produce. Then, see the village from a different perspective as you Ride Like a Local on a *tuk-tuk*, viewing the local community and rice fields as you go. Next, take a scenic drive to tranquil Gibb's Farm, where you stop for a lunch made with organic, just-picked ingredients. Later, arrive at the natural amphitheater of Ngorongoro Crater, a 2,000-footdeep caldera. A fascinating microcosm of East African wildlife — including buffalo, flamingos, lions and leopards - resides inside. Climb the outer wall, passing through dense vegetation until a breathtaking view across the crater floor appears. Arrive at your camp, nestled in a wooded area with easy access to the crater floor and featuring elegant, tented accommodations adorned with handwoven rugs,



comfortable beds with crisp linens and en-suite bathrooms with flush toilets. Relax on your veranda to view the panoramic natural wonderland. Sanctuary Ngorongoro Crater Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: Ngorongoro Crater | Intimate Crater Barbecue This morning, descend into the crater, arriving ahead of most visitors — thanks to the closer proximity of your ideally located accommodations — to view the resident wildlife at its most active time of day. Take a break from game viewing for a private, hot gourmet lunch, prepared by your camp staff in a location apart from crowded picnic sites, as a symphony of wildlife sounds envelops you. This afternoon, visit with an elder at a Maasai village, where you learn about the tribe's traditional, nomadic lifestyle and coexistence with wildlife. Later, witness a dance performance at your tented camp. Sense the incomparable spirit of this pastoral, nomadic people who have kept their tribal traditions alive through countless generations of life in East Africa. Sanctuary Ngorongoro Crater Camp | Meals: B L D



## Camping in Style in Tanzania

Camping in unmatched style is as much a part of your safari as expert-led game drives and thirst-quenching sundowners, and A&K has been refining the safari camp experience for more than 50 years.

On Tanzania Safari in Style, we include stylish, seasonal tented safari camps at Ngorongoro Crater and, from June to October, in the Serengeti. Ideally located, these superb camps offer unexpected comforts in the heart of the bush. Sanctuary Ngorongoro Crater Camp and Sanctuary Kichakani Serengeti Camp blend contemporary sophistication with pioneer spirit, and each has 10 guest tents and large, tented communal areas for the bar, dining room and lounge.

A scenic campfire with chairs is prepared each evening for sundowners. Night in camp is relaxed and enchanting. Sit beside the campfire and savor the sounds of the African night or enjoy spectacular stargazing, before retiring to your tent to sleep.

## Your Seasonal Safari Camp Includes:

Chair	Table Luggage Rack	Chair Sink & Chair Area
VERANDA	Bed	EN-SUITE BATHROOM
Chair	Light Light	Toilet

**Tents:** Spacious tents up to 28 feet long by 14 feet wide and 9 feet high, each featuring an open-sided veranda furnished with tables and camp chairs; amenities include a hanging wardrobe, baggage stand, two bedside tables, electric lighting and safe

**Beds:** Specially designed king bed or two single beds (as requested), fitted with crisp sheets, duvets, warm blankets (even electric blankets, at Sanctuary Ngorongoro Crater Camp) and hot water bottles

**Bathrooms:** En-suite private safari bathroom in each tent, featuring a porcelain flush toilet and running water

Laundry: Traveller's Valet service included at camps, helping you pack light

**Staff:** Approximately 1:1 staff-to-guest ratio, for exceptional service









DAY 6: Serengeti National Park | Searching the Vast Plains Fly to the fabled Serengeti National Park and settle into your remote, authentic camp. Then, set out on the boundless Serengeti, one of the oldest and least-changed ecosystems on earth, where the circle of life plays out every day. It is home to one of the world's largest concentrations of wildlife, with lions, hyenas and leopards all roaming free. For a portion of each year, dictated by weather patterns and the unpredictable nature of wild animals, vast herds of wildebeests and zebras move through the Serengeti in search of grass and water as part of the year-round Great Migration cycle. This evening, sip a cocktail and reflect on the majesty of Africa during a relaxing Scenic Sundowner experience. Sanctuary Kichakani Serengeti Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: Serengeti National Park | Where the Big Five Roam Venture out on morning and afternoon game drives in the protected Serengeti refuge, where flowing rivers support a plethora of species. In addition to the Big Five (lions, elephants, Cape buffalo, leopards and rhinos), keep your camera handy for sights such as a cheetah bolting after a fleet Thomson's gazelle. Enjoy ideal game viewing as your highly experienced driver-guide strives continually to keep you in the heart of the action. Tonight, gather for a memorable farewell dinner. Sanctuary Kichakani Serengeti Camp | Meals: B L D

### DAY 8: Depart Arusha

Fly to Arusha and enjoy lunch. Relax in a comfortable dayroom before transferring to the airport for your flight home. Arusha Coffee Lodge (dayroom) | Meals: B L

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This itinerary is available as a private journey, Signature Tanzania. Priced from \$9,495. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.

## ADD A PRIVATE EXTENSION



## Explore the Spectacular Masai Mara

Discover the game-rich Masai Mara Game Reserve in Kenya on an 4-day private itinerary (from \$3,395), staying at a top safari camp and observing incredibly diverse wildlife.

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Sanctuary Swala

Twelve exquisitely furnished, luxurious canvas pavilions, complete with a tent attendant, for an elegant safari experience.





Sanctuary Ngorongoro Crater Camp Arusha Coffee Lodge The ultimate safari experience on the Set on a coffee plantation, featuring crater, complete with personal butler. quiet cabins with private verandas.





Sanctuary Kichakani Serengeti Camp / Sanctuary Kusini Depending on your departure, stay at either the all-under-canvas Kichakani Serengeti Camp or at Kusini, which features 12 tents with personal butlers.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jan 24-31,* Feb 14-21,* Mar 21-28*	\$8,795	\$1,395
Jun 6-13, Jun 20-27,** Jul 4-11, Jul 11-18,** Jul 18-25, Jul 25-Aug 1,** Aug 1-8,** Aug 15-22, Aug 22-29,** Aug 29-Sep 5, Sep 5-12, Sep 19-26,** Oct 10-17	. ,	\$2,395
Dec 19-26*	\$9,995	\$2,595

Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,010 Arusha/Tarangire; Manyara/Serengeti/Arusha

\*Days 6-7 at Sanctuary Kusini in Serengeti National Park. \*\*Days 1 & 8 at Grand Melina Arusha in Arusha.

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:30 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: lunch at 1:30 p.m. on Day 8. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

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JOURNEY BY PRIVATE AIR

WINGS OVER THE WORLD JOURNEYS

## Wings Over Southern Africa

14 days from \$40,995 | Limited to 15 guests

Experience the best of Southern Africa on this epic adventure: mighty Victoria Falls, the game-rich Okavango Delta and the towering dunes of Sossusvlei as well as inspiring, cosmopolitan Cape Town – all on one incredible itinerary made possible by the time-saving convenience of privately chartered air.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- ▶ Fly in style between destinations on exclusively chartered flights
- Relax in luxurious accommodations during stays in four countries, from your tree house on a dramatic bend of the Zambezi River and your private bush pavilion in the heart of the Okavango Delta on Chief's Island to your elegant private villa in the vast desert of Sossusvlei and your chic Cape Town hotel with Table Mountain views
- Catch some of the region's finest game viewing in the Okavango Delta's Moremi Game Reserve, the predator capital of Africa
- Explore spectacular Sossusvlei, where the terra cottacolored sand dunes rise 1,000 feet or more
- Customize your travel experience in Cape Town, with a choice of three Design Your Day activities
- Visit Nakatindi Village in Zambia to learn how A&K Philanthropy supports its school, health clinic, and vital, women-led business enterprises

## DAY 1: Arrive Johannesburg, South Africa

Arrive in Johannesburg and transfer to your exclusive hotel. Settle in and relax before your exciting Southern Africa adventure. Saxon Hotel, Villas and Spa

DAY 2: Livingstone, Zambia | The Mighty Zambezi Fly by privately chartered air to Livingstone in Zambia. Continue to Sanctuary Sussi & Chuma, where you stay in a luxury tree house built into the riverside canopy. At twilight, cruise the Zambezi River, sipping cocktails and gliding past pods of hippos, on a memorable Scenic Sundowner. Gather this evening for a welcome dinner. Sanctuary Sussi & Chuma | Meals: B L D



DAY 3: Livingstone | Feel The Mist Of Victoria Falls Begin by exploring spectacular Victoria Falls from the Zambian side on a guided walk. Afterward, peruse a local craft market, and then enjoy a Chef's Table experience that introduces you to the local cuisine with a tasting of traditional Zambian fare, followed by lunch. Next, gain insight into local daily life with a visit to a school and clinic supported by A&K Philanthropy in Nakatindi Village. While in Nakatindi, meet with local female entrepreneurs at a bike shop and visit a bead-making studio that creates beads out of recycled materials, both projects also supported by A&K Philanthropy. Return to camp for a cocktail before dinner. Sanctuary Sussi & Chuma | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: **Okavango Delta, Botswana** | The Big Five Fly by private charter to Maun, Botswana, transferring on arrival by light aircraft to the Okavango Delta, and continuing overland to Sanctuary Chief's Camp. The camp is situated in the Mombo Concession of the Moremi Game Reserve, nicknamed the "predator capital of the world" and one of the best places in Botswana to see the Big Five — the lion, leopard, rhino, elephant and Cape buffalo. Settle into your luxurious camp, and then set out on an afternoon game drive. Sanctuary Chief's Camp | Meals: B L D

DAYS 5-6: Okavango Delta | Moremi Game Reserve Explore the reserve for the next two days, rising early for a game drive through countryside where elephants, buffalo and impalas, as well as lions and other predators, roam free. Each day, set out on a safari to marvel at the incredible wildlife. On either day, perhaps embark on an optional *mokoro* ride, gliding quietly through tranquil delta waters,

## PRIVATE CHARTER AIR INCLUDED

Fly directly between key destinations on flights exclusive to A&K.

#### Aircraft

Learjet 45 or comparable Aircraft and seating configuration subject to change.

#### **Flight Details**

Johannesburg-Livingstone (1 hr 30 min) Livingstone-Maun (30 min) Maun-Chief's Camp (25 min) Chief's Camp-Maun (25 min) Maun-Windhoek (1 hr 15 min) Windhoek-Sossusvlei (1 hr 45 min) Sossusvlei-Windhoek (1 hr 45 min) Windhoek-Cape Town (2 hrs)



observing the aquatic residents large and small, from frogs to hippos. One evening here, return to the lodge for an A&K-exclusive experience that introduces you to Botswanan culture, celebrating its traditional foods, attire, language rituals and ceremonies. Sanctuary Chief's Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: **Sossusvlei, Namibia** | Under the Desert Sky Return by light aircraft to Maun and board your private charter flight to Windhoek, Namibia. On arrival, transfer by light aircraft to Sossusvlei and continue to your luxurious desert lodge. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure. After dark, join the resident astronomer in the lodge's state-of-the-art observatory and marvel at the sky's wonders. andBeyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 8: **Sossusvlei** | Among the Towering Dunes Today, discover renowned Sossusvlei, a place of otherworldly beauty. The salt-and-clay pan is surrounded by towering dunes that, together with the sky, make up the palette of burnt oranges and vivid blues that are so distinctive to the region. After an opportunity to climb "Big Daddy" — the tallest of the dunes — return to your lodge for an afternoon at leisure. andBeyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge | Meals: B L D







## The Stark Beauty of Sossusvlei, Namibia

Namibia's Sossusvlei is a salt-and-clay pan, or dried-up lake bed, found among the spectacular red-sand dunes of the Namib Desert, which stretches for 1,200 miles along southern Africa's Atlantic coast. This region's vistas of austere, almost otherworldly beauty offer a unique counterpoint to the lush forests experienced elsewhere throughout southern Africa on this journey.

The pale color of the pan, punctuated by gnarled black tree trunks, contrasts vividly with the Marslike red of the dunes surrounding it, prompting the feeling you've been magically transported to another planet. "Fairy circles" - naturally occurring, ringlike depressions in the earth that dot the landscape only add to Sossusvlei's uncanny sense of place.

Nighttime offers its contrasts as well, with daytime desert temperatures cooling significantly after sunset. And since Sossusvlei is part of a dark-sky reserve, a marvelous display of astronomical wonders awaits anyone willing to brave the chill. Let a resident astronomer guide take you on a tour by telescope of the southern constellations.

Far off the beaten path, Sossusvlei is usually a standalone destination, yet A&K is able to include it as part of a broader portrait of Southern Africa, thanks to privately chartered air.



## Africa

DAY 9: Sossusvlei | Haunting Desert Vistas

Rise early to explore the fascinating NamibRand Nature Reserve, observing its unique desert-adapted plants and wildlife, and learning about the efforts to conserve its distinctive ecology. This afternoon, you may opt to venture out for a guided trail ride over the stark desert panorama on an e-bike, taking in the awe-inspiring terrain. andBeyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAYS 10-11: Cape Town, South Africa | In Mandela's Footsteps Fly by light aircraft to Windhoek, and then on to Cape Town via privately chartered aircraft. Upon arrival, check in to your hotel and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. The next day, set out for Robben Island, where the anti-apartheid leader — and eventual South African president — Nelson Mandela was once imprisoned. Privately explore this moving UNESCO World Heritage Site, and view a cell where Mandela was held. After lunch, drive to Table Mountain and ascend to its soaring plateau by cable car for gorgeous views. One&Only Cape Town | Meals: B (Day 10); B L D (Day 11)

DAY 12: Cape Town | Design Your Day Today, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- Savor a Taste-Filled Winelands Adventure, visiting Stellenbosch and partaking in wine tastings at top vineyards, and a craft beer tasting.
- Hike & Bike the Table Mountain Area, ascending Lion's Head on foot, breaking for lunch on trendy Bree Street and biking along the Sea Point Promenade, stopping to view art installations along the way.
- ▶ Discover Cape Town's Thriving Art Scene, starting at the Zeitz Museum of Contemporary Art Africa, admiring the vividly colorful Bo-Kaap district, and later stopping at an urban art project for insights into the passion of local graffiti artists.

Return to your luxurious hotel for an evening at leisure. One&Only Cape Town | Meals: B L

## DAY 13: Cape Town | Exploring Cape Point

Discover scenic, rugged Cape Point, the mountainous promontory at the southern tip of Africa. Venture past the "bikini beaches" at the base of the Twelve Apostles Mountains, Hout Bay with its bustling fishing harbor, and over Chapman's Peak Drive. Explore the Cape Peninsula and Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve, home to rare species. Ascend by funicular to the pinnacle at Cape Point for some stunning views. At Boulders Beach, visit its colony of endangered African penguins. Tonight, gather for your farewell dinner. One&Only Cape Town | Meals: B L D

## DAY 14: Depart Cape Town

After breakfast, privately transfer to the airport for your departing flight. Meals: B

## TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K

Make this a private journey, for just you and your party, or create your own completely customized Luxury Tailor Made Journey by private air. Contact A&K for more details.

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Sanctuary Chief's Camp Award-winning camp with 10 luxurious, air-conditioned bush pavilions, each with a private dining area and plunge pool, and outdoor shower.



Sanctuary Sussi & Chuma Twelve romantic, air-conditioned tree Luxury lodge with ten elegant stone houses beside the Zambezi River.



and Beyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge villas set in the Namib Desert.



One&Only Cape Town Travel + Leisure World's Best hotel on Travel + Leisure World's Best luxury the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront.



Saxon Hotel, Villas and Spa boutique hotel in a tranquil suburb.

## DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
May 8-21	\$40,995	\$9,995
Sep 13–26	\$41,995	\$11,995

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years.

Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel.

First group event: welcome briefing at 7:00 a.m. on Day 2.

Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 13

Table Mountain and Robben Island touring may be unavailable due to weather conditions. In such an instance, alternative sightseeing will be provided.

## Book Your Journey Today

Contact A&K or go online for up-to-date information on dates, pricing, extensions and special offers.

## Botswana Safari in Style

10 days from \$8,695 | Limited to 16 guests

Cape Town 4-day Post-Tour Extension from \$2,895

On this flagship Southern African adventure, explore extraordinary game regions, view stunning Victoria Falls and stay in accommodations ranging from classic luxury tents to splendid tree houses available only to small groups like yours.

## **A&K ADVANTAGES**

- View Southern Africa's unmatched wildlife in three ways: on game drives, guided bushwalks and scenic river safaris
- Discover the diverse wildlife of Botswana beside handpicked safari guides whose in-depth tracking skills lead to exceptional wildlife encounters
- Get tips on capturing the best images of the Big Five during a private lecture with a professional photographer
- Glide through the remarkably biodiverse Okavango Delta in a traditional dugout canoe
- Take a privately guided tour of thundering Victoria Falls, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World, and float along the Zambezi River on a relaxing sunset cruise
- Stay two nights at luxurious Sanctuary Chief's Camp one of the region's finest – located in the Okavango Delta's Moremi Game Reserve

## DAY 1: Arrive Johannesburg, South Africa

Arrive in Johannesburg, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Tonight, enjoy a gourmet welcome dinner prepared with locally sourced ingredients. A professional photographer joins you to offer tips for the days ahead. Saxon Hotel, Villas and Spa | Meals: D

DAY 2: Livingstone, Zambia | Sundowner River Cruise Fly to Livingstone, Zambia. On arrival, continue overland to Sanctuary Sussi & Chuma, where you stay in a luxury tree house built into the riverside canopy. At twilight, cruise the Zambezi River, sipping cocktails, gazing out across a verdant vista and gliding past pods of hippos, on a memorable Scenic Sundowner. Sanctuary Sussi & Chuma | Meals: B L D



## DAY 3: Livingstone | Design Your Day

This morning, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- Visit Nakatindi Village to see a bike shop, school and clinic supported by A&K Philanthropy.
- Walk Close to Rhinos, pausing on a game drive in Mosioa-Tunya National Park to draw near the giants on foot.
- Canoeing on the Zambezi River, enjoying sightings of birds and wildlife while experiencing the tranquility and beauty of the river.

Return to camp for lunch and the rest of your afternoon at leisure. Tonight, enjoy a cocktail and a Chef's Table tasting of traditional Zambian fare, followed by dinner. Sanctuary Sussi & Chuma | Meals: B L D

"We really enjoyed this journey. All of the accommodations were wonderful as were the staff. Our tour director was a great guide; we saw a lot, learned a lot and enjoyed his company."

– Letitia; Camarillo, CA

DAY 4: Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe | The Smoke That Thunders This morning, drive to Zimbabwe to join your private guide on an awe-inspiring exploration of Victoria Falls, which plummet 354 feet to cast up the mist that inspired their original name, Mosi-oa-Tunya (The Smoke That Thunders). Enjoy lunch in the town of Victoria Falls before continuing





to Chobe National Park in Botswana to settle into your lodge for unparalleled panoramic views across the islands and floodplains of the Chobe River. This afternoon, set out on a river cruise or game drive that includes the opportunity to see elephants — a staggering 120,000 live in the park — along with impalas, buffalo and possibly lions. Return to the lodge to relax in the comforts of your luxury accommodations and enjoy a freshly prepared meal. Later, drift to sleep, serenaded by the sounds of Africa beneath a blanket of stars. Sanctuary Chobe Chilwero | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: Chobe National Park, Botswana | Chobe River Safari Set out on a game drive at sunrise to catch the animals at the start of their day, when they are most active. You may even glimpse a leopard returning from the hunt. Later, embark on a Chobe River safari cruise and watch for crocodiles and hippos, as well as elephants that come down to drink and play in the water. The park's beautiful wetlands also lure a wealth of birdlife to the region, and you may glimpse many of the 460 species that either live here or migrate through, including raptors, vultures and waterfowl. When you return to the lodge this evening, gather for an A&K-exclusive



Enjoy the option to embark on a tranquil *mokoro* ride 🚽 Cruise the Chobe River to view the amazing wildlife,







experience that introduces you to Botswanan culture. Enjoy the soft sounds of a marimba band with the option to dance with cultural professionals and learn about the Setswana language as well as local food, traditional attire, rituals and ceremonies. Sanctuary Chobe Chilwero | Meals: B L D

DAYS 6-7: Okavango Delta | Wonders of a Private Reserve Fly to a vast private concession in the Okavango Delta, the largest inland delta in the world. The afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure with a choice of activities, such as a Ride Like a Local by seasonal *mokoro* (dugout canoe) on the delta or a nighttime game-viewing drive, made possible on this private reserve. The next morning, continue with your choice of activities. Set off on a thrilling, guided game drive in a customized 4x4 vehicle or a bush walk in the company of an armed, expert guide, on the lookout for Africa's smaller denizens among the unique flora. Sanctuary Stanley's Camp | Meals: B L D

### DAY 8: Okavango Delta | Predator Capital

Fly across the Okavango Delta to your next amazing safari camp. Widely acknowledged as the "Predator Capital of the World," this area offers some of the most exciting game viewing in Africa and is one of the best places in Botswana to see the Big Five — lions, leopards, rhinos, elephants and Cape buffalo — drawn here from surrounding regions by the lush delta. Predators include cheetahs, spotted hyenas and, at the very top of the food chain, large resident prides of lions. This afternoon, take advantage of game-viewing activities led by experienced guides or enjoy the vistas from your own private viewing deck. Sanctuary Chief's Camp | Meals: B L D DAY 9: Okavango Delta | Remarkable Game Drives Depart on another spectacular early morning game drive. Beyond predators, the Okavango Delta draws large concentrations of elephants, buffalo, red lechwes, giraffes and impalas. Enjoy a seasonal *mokoro* ride for a rare safari opportunity across deceptively quiet marshlands alive with crocodiles, bathing hippos, birds and tiny red reed frogs. If you opt for an afternoon game drive, listen for roaring lions on the hunt or spy nocturnal animals as they start out for the night. After a full day of game viewing, return to your camp for a farewell dinner. Sanctuary Chief's Camp | Meals: B L D

## DAY 10: Depart Johannesburg, South Africa

Fly to Johannesburg for your flight home. Relax in the Premier Lounge, compliments of A&K, before your departure. Meals: B



EARLY ARRIVAL IN JOHANNESBURG

Arrive in Johannesburg a day early for an optional full-day excursion through the city that includes a visit to Soweto, where you see the Mandela House and tour the Apartheid Museum to view exhibits that tell the epic story of a people's struggle for social justice.

## TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K

This itinerary is available as a private journey, **Signature Botswana**. Priced from \$7,995. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.



## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Sanctuary Chief's Camp Award-winning camp with 10 luxurious, air-conditioned bush pavilions, each with a private dining area, plunge pool and outdoor shower.





Sanctuary Sussi & Chuma Twelve romantic, air-conditioned tree houses set in a riverine forest.

Sanctuary Chobe Chilwero Fifteen incredibly luxurious guest suites and a full-service spa.



Sanctuary Stanley's Camp An intimate, classic camp with 10 tents on a large private concession.



**Saxon Hotel, Villas and Spa** *Travel* + *Leisure* World's Best all-suite hotel with six pools, set on 10 acres.

## **DATES & PRICING**

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jan 8-17, Feb 3-12, Feb 10-19, Mar 8-17,* Mar 22-31	\$8,695	\$1,995
Apr 9-18, Apr 17-26, May 2-11, May 18-27, May 23-Jun 1	\$9,995	\$3,295
Jun 2–11, Jun 14–23, Jun 21–30	\$13,595	\$6,295
Jun 23-Jul 2,* Jul 1-10,* Jul 12-21, Jul 19-28, Jul 21-30,* Jul 28-Aug 6,* Aug 1-10, Aug 9-18, Aug 14-23,* Aug 19-28,* Aug 23-Sep 1, Aug 25-Sep 3*	\$14,995	\$7,295
Sep 1-10, Sep 20-29	\$13,995	\$6,595
Oct 2-11, Oct 11-20, Oct 20-29	\$13,595	\$6,295
Nov 8-17, Nov 22-Dec 1, Dec 6-15	\$8,695	\$1,995

#### Internal Air: Economy class from \$2,050

Johannesburg/Livingstone; Kasane/Camp to Camp/Maun/Johannesburg

\*Days 6-7 at Khwai River Lodge, A Belmond Safari, Botswana and Days 8-9 at Eagle Island Lodge, A Belmond Safari, Botswana in Okavango Delta.

## Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel. First group event: welcome briefing at 6:30 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: airport arrival at 3:40 p.m. on Day 10. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## Book Your Journey Today

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## **EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY**



### **Cape Town Post-Tour Group Extension**

4 days from \$2,895 | Internal air included in journey price. Available on select departures.

Discover the best the Cape Town area has to offer, from Table Mountain to the Cape of Good Hope, as you visit Kirstenbosch National Botanical Gardens, savor a wine tasting in Constantia and get up close with the African penguins frolicking at Boulders Beach. South Africa's cosmopolitan "Mother City" serves as your base camp for an adventure that concludes with dinner with your fellow guests and a morning at leisure before your departing flight.

## **STOPOVER PACKAGE**



Spend three days exploring Dubai (from \$2,295) before or after your journey.

### LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

# South Africa & Victoria Falls

9 days from \$9,795 | Limited to 18 guests

Experience the best of Southern Africa's wilderness and culture, flying directly between unforgettable destinations with more time to enjoy each, including marvelous Cape Town, mighty Victoria Falls and a wildlife-filled private reserve bordering Kruger National Park, on this outstanding safari adventure.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Discover the history of Cape Town, from its 17th-century origins to the present and explore ruggedly scenic Cape Point, getting up close to the penguins at Boulders Beach
- Stay for three nights on a private concession located in iconic Sabi Sand Game Reserve, bordering Kruger National Park, one of the best game-viewing areas in South Africa, where the Big Five, cheetahs and leopards all roam
- Set out on private game drives with skilled trackers and rangers, in custom vehicles that provide an unobstructed view from every seat
- Explore magnificent Victoria Falls, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World, on a privately guided walking tour and cruise the Zambezi River, viewing crocodiles, hippos and diverse birdlife and enjoying great photo opportunities
- Learn about the extraordinary life of explorer and missionary David Livingstone at an exclusive talk with a local historian
- Privately visit with the elephants at a sanctuary near Victoria Falls and enjoy lunch on site

#### DAY 1: Arrive Cape Town, South Africa

Arrive in Cape Town, a breathtaking harbor city where old and new converge in history, architecture, cultural pursuits and the essence of its people, all overlooked by towering, flattopped Table Mountain, set on a peninsula of rocky heights and lush valleys. An A&K representative transfers you to your luxurious hotel, ideally located on the waterfront in the heart of the city. **One&Only Cape Town** 



DAY 2: Cape Town | Journey Through a City's History Today, ascend Table Mountain via cable car, as you Ride Like a Local to take in an inspiring panorama of the city. Proceed to the colorful and distinctive neighborhood of Bo-Kaap for a walking tour. Formerly known as the Malay Quarter, its origins date to 1760, when rental houses were built and leased to slaves brought from Malaysia. After lunch, discover the Castle of Good Hope; built by the Dutch East India Company and completed in 1679, it is the oldest existing colonial building in South Africa. Learn its history and also view St. George's Cathedral, the Parliament building and the Company Gardens. Continue to the District Six Museum, which chronicles Cape Town's apartheid past in a poignant yet ultimately uplifting way. This frames a discussion of the newest chapter in South Africa: freedom and democracy, as you receive an overview of key historical role players, including Nelson Mandela. Tonight, gather for a welcome dinner. One&Only Cape Town | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: **Cape Town** | Spectacular Views from Cape Point Discover Cape Point, the scenic promontory at the southwestern tip of the continent. Journey past the "bikini beaches" at the base of the towering Twelve Apostles Mountain Range, along bucolic Hout Bay with its bustling fishing harbor and over the famous Chapman's Peak Drive. Explore the stunning Cape Peninsula and Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve, home to rare bonteboks and chacma baboons. Ride the "Flying Dutchman" funicular to the great pinnacle at blustery Cape Point, which presides over treacherous reefs and sandy beaches. At Boulders Beach, visit its colony of endangered African penguins; accustomed to humans, they provide endless photo opportunities. Enjoy



the rest of your day at leisure, perhaps exploring the city's harbor front or dining in one of Cape Town's world-class restaurants. One&Only Cape Town | Meals: B L

DAY 4: **Sabi Sand Game Reserve** | Private Game Reserve Fly to a privately owned, wildlife-rich game reserve in renowned Sabi Sand, bordering Kruger National Park, an area offering the very finest game-viewing safari experience. This afternoon, once you are settled into your elegant accommodations, set off in search of the Big Five elephants, lions, rhinos, Cape buffalo and leopards — and other wildlife. To enhance your game-viewing experience, each game drive is led by two safari professionals: a driverguide, trained to safely maneuver you up close to South Africa's iconic wild residents as well as brief you on any given species' characteristics, and a tracker, an expert at identifying animals, who follows their signs and predicts where they are likely to be found. Lion Sands River Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAYS 5-6: **Sabi Sand Game Reserve** | Sighting the Big Five Begin two days of immersion in your private game reserve, embarking on game drives in open safari vehicles for





optimal viewing and exploring on early morning game walks with your ranger. One morning here, enjoy a bush breakfast, prepared fresh in the midst of the wilderness. This region of Africa is noted for its high density of wildlife, which often appear just steps in front of you. As you explore, learn about the flora and fauna as well as basic tracking skills. In between safari activities, participate in an A&K Chef's Table culinary experience, preparing a traditional South African dish. At dusk, stop for a Scenic Sundowner, and then search for nocturnal animals. Return to your lodge for dinner. Lion Sands River Lodge | Meals: B L D

"Our journey was spectacular in every way and our guide was a treasure. His breadth and wealth of knowledge were astounding, and he handled every situation professionally and maturely."

– Marjorie; Blue Bell, PA

DAY 7: Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe | Thunderous Cascades Today, fly to Livingstone, Zambia, and then transfer to your hotel in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe. Once you're settled in, set out on a guided walking tour of breathtaking Victoria Falls, one of the world's greatest natural wonders, and explore the surrounding rainforest. See rainbows and clouds of spray as the mile-wide Upper Zambezi plummets into the Lower Zambezi. Tonight, before dinner, enjoy hearing from a special guest speaker who shares tales of celebrated explorer David Livingstone — an A&K-exclusive experience. Stanley & Livingstone Boutique Hotel | Meals: B D

### DAY 8: Victoria Falls | Design Your Day

Cruise the Zambezi, viewing hippos and elephants on shore. Disembark for an interactive animal adventure, when you visit an elephant sanctuary near Victoria falls to meet the gentle giants living there. View the elephants up close in the bush, and watch them eat and socialize, during an unforgettable hands-on encounter led by a naturalist. Afterward, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Learn About Traditional Zimbabwean Cuisine and enjoy a cooking demonstration at a local restaurant.
- Privately Tour the Ndau Collection Studio to meet the artisans who design their opulent jewelry.
- Privately Bike the Area, cycling the town of Victoria Falls and stopping at scenic viewpoints along the way.

Return to the hotel for some time at leisure. Gather tonight for a farewell dinner. Stanley & Livingstone Boutique Hotel | Meals: B D

### DAY 9: Depart Johannesburg, South Africa

Fly to Johannesburg, where you enjoy access to the Premier Lounge before boarding your flight home. Meals: B

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## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Lion Sands River Lodge

*Travel* + *Leisure* World's Best lodge with air-conditioned rooms, each with a viewing deck overlooking unfenced African bush or the Sabie River.



**One&Only Cape Town** *Travel + Leisure* World's Best hotel with Table Mountain views.



#### Stanley & Livingstone Boutique Hotel— Luxury safari lodge near the falls, set on a private preserve.

## **DATES & PRICING**

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jan 7-15, Feb 20-28, Mar 3-11,	\$9,795	\$3,895
Mar 24-Apr 1, Apr 7-15, Apr 21-29,		
May 3-11, May 15-23, May 20-28,		
May 23-31, Jun 3-11, Jun 14-22,		
Jun 22-30, Jul 1-9, Jul 6-14, Jul 24-Aug 1,**		
Aug 6-14,* Aug 12-20, Aug 24-Sep 1,		
Sep 8-16, Sep 14-22, Sep 25-Oct 3,		
Oct 2-10, Oct 17-25, Nov 6-14, Dec 1-9		

#### Internal Air: Economy class from \$2,255

Cape Town/Kruger/Livingstone; Victoria Falls/Johannesburg

\*Days 4-6 at Lion Sands Narina Lodge in Sabi Sands Game Reserve. \*Days 7-8 at The Victoria Falls Hotel in Victoria Falls.

Journey Details

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### ADD A PRIVATE EXTENSION





## Choose from Hwange or the Winelands

Extend your journey with your choice of two expert-led private itineraries: 4 days viewing wildlife in Zimbabwe's Hwange National Park (from \$1,895; internal air from \$835) or 3 days experiencing South Africa's winelands (from \$1,995). NEW!

## LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## South Africa Safari in Style

10 days from \$9,895 | Limited to 18 guests

Discover the amazing breadth and depth of South Africa on a comprehensive journey that ranges from cosmopolitan Cape Town to a private game reserve outside Kruger National Park, encountering spectacular wildlife by land and sea, and taking in the rich history of the Bo-Kaap District and Robben Island.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Immerse yourself in South Africa, from its "Mother City" of Cape Town and nearby coastal waters to the wilds of a private game reserve bordering Kruger National Park
- Marvel at the incredible diversity of South Africa's wildlife, getting up close to the fabled Big Five on a safari led by expert trackers in Thornybush, and seeking whales, sharks, dolphins, seals and penguins on a thrilling marine safari
- Enjoy three-night stays at luxurious properties, including the five-star Cape Grace Hotel, sophisticated Grootbos Forest Lodge and luxurious Thornybush Game Lodge, setting a relaxed pace that allows time to fully enjoy each locale
- Join skilled trackers and rangers in Thornybush on private game drives in custom vehicles that provide an unobstructed view from every seat
- Experience Cape Town in depth, ascending Table Mountain, and exploring the Bo-Kaap District as well as Robben Island

### DAY 1: Arrive Cape Town, South Africa

Arrive in Cape Town, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Cape Grace Hotel

DAY 2: **Cape Town** | Cape Malay Cooking Experience Today, Ride Like a Local by cable car up Table Mountain to take in an inspiring panorama of the city. Next, explore to the colorful and distinctive Bo-Kaap neighborhood and enjoy a Chef's Table cooking lesson in the traditional dishes of Cape Malay, culminating in lunch. Then, view City Hall the Company Gardens, Parliament, Tuynhuis and District Six. En route, enjoy a discussion of such topics as freedom,



democracy and historical role players, such as Mandela, Tutu & De Klerk. Tonight, gather for a welcome dinner. Cape Grace Hotel | Meals: B L D

### DAY 3: Cape Town | Robben Island Visit

Board a boat for Robben Island, where the anti-apartheid leader — and eventual South African president — Nelson Mandela was once imprisoned. Explore this moving UNESCO World Heritage Site and view a cell where Mandela was held. Return to the Victoria & Albert Waterfront for lunch and to explore a vibrant local artists' market. Cape Grace Hotel | Meals: B L

DAY 4: **Grootbos Private Nature Reserve** | Wine Tasting Drive the scenic Atlantic coastline, stopping at Stony Point Nature Reserve, for an up-close visit to a penguin colony at a site less visited by crowds. Proceed to an oceanside wine estate for a tasting of cheese and wine pairings before lunch. Afterward, enter Grootbos Private Nature Reserve on Africa's southern tip. **Grootbos Forest Lodge** | **Meals: B L D** 

DAY 5: Grootbos Private Nature Reserve | Design Your Day Join marine biologists for a seagoing safari, seeking out the "Marine Big Five" — whales, dolphins, seals, penguins and sharks — aboard an eco-friendly vessel designed for up-close encounters with aquatic life. After lunch back at your lodge, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities, all of which explore the 6,200-acre Grootbos reserve with a local guide.

- Set out on a 4x4 Botanical Nature Safari in an open-top Land Rover through pristine wilderness.
- Take a Guided Nature Walk, an active foray into this natural wonderland.



• Go Horseback Riding, exploring alongside experienced equestrian guides.

Return to your lodge. Grootbos Forest Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: **Grootbos Private Nature Reserve** | Coastal Caves This morning, join a chef to forage for ingredients that will be used for your dinner. You may also opt for a Shark Cage Diving experience (at an additional cost). After lunch, explore nearby coastal limestone caves with a guide. This evening, enjoy an elegant dinner at your lodge. **Grootbos Forest Lodge** | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: **Thornybush Nature Reserve** | Uncrowded Safari After returning to Cape Town, fly and then drive to your wilderness lodge situated in the 34,000-acre Thornybush Nature Reserve. Head out on an afternoon game drive in search of the fabled Big Five: elephants, lions, rhinos, Cape buffalo and leopards. On this private reserve, you enjoy uncrowded encounters with the animals as well as extended time on sightings. Thornybush Game Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAYS 8-9: Thornybush Nature Reserve | Plentiful Game For the next two days, set out on a morning game drive in an open safari vehicle or on a guided walking safari. After lunch and some time at leisure, meet for afternoon tea before heading out for another exciting game drive. One evening here, savor a Scenic Sundowner at an incredible viewpoint. On your last night in the bush, gather for a farewell dinner. Thornybush Game Lodge | Meals: B L D

## DAY 10: Depart Johannesburg

Fly to Johannesburg, where you enjoy access to the Premier Lounge before your flight departs. Meals: B

## **INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS**



#### Cape Grace Hotel

*Travel+Leisure World's Best* hotel set dramatically against Lion's Head on the vibrant Cape Town waterfront.





Grootbos Forest Lodge Condé Nast Traveler Gold List hotel offering easy access to ocean wildlife.

**Thornybush Game Lodge** Luxury lodge with 20 elegant suites in teeming Thornybush Nature Reserve.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jan 8-17, Feb 8-17, Mar 8-17, Apr 19-28	\$10,495	\$3,695
May 19–28, Jun 10–19, Jul 1–10	\$9,895	\$3,295
Aug 11–20, Sep 6–15, Sep 25–Oct 4, Oct 29–Nov 7, Nov 28–Dec 7	\$10,495	\$3,695

Internal Air: Economy class from \$705 Cape Town/Hoedspruit/Johannesburg

#### Journey Details

Table Mountain and Robben Island touring may be unavailable due to weather conditions. In such an instance, alternative sightseeing will be provided. Minimum age is 10 years. Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel.

- First group event: welcome briefing at 8:00 a.m. on Day 2.
- Last group event: airport arrival at 12:55 p.m. on Day 10. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## **STOPOVER PACKAGE**



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## LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Southern Africa Safari & Rail Adventure

13 days from \$13,995 | Limited to 18 guests

Experience timeless elegance on a spectacular luxury adventure, travelling by glamorous Rovos Rail and safari-going in Chobe National Park and the lush Okavango Delta, following a wide-ranging itinerary that also features cosmopolitan Cape Town and magnificent Victoria Falls.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Discover Cape Town, taking in stunning views from Table Mountain, walk the colorful Bo-Kaap neighborhood, visit the District Six Museum and explore rugged Cape Point
- Traverse majestic mountain ranges and grassy savannas on a three-day train journey by elegant Rovos Rail
- Stay at the only safari lodge inside Chobe National Park, a privileged location that affords you the opportunity to start game watching ahead of other visitors
- Observe Botswana's amazing animals up close, including the Big Five, as handpicked safari guides use their in-depth tracking skills to lead you to exceptional wildlife encounters
- Set out on a privately guided tour of Victoria Falls, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World
- Finish your journey at Sanctuary Chief's Camp one of the Africa's finest – located in the Okavango Delta's premier Moremi Game Reserve

## DAY 1: Arrive Cape Town, South Africa

Arrive in Cape Town and transfer to one of the country's most famous hotels, set at the foot of Table Mountain. Mount Nelson, A Belmond Hotel, Cape Town

DAY 2: **Cape Town** | Look to the Beacon of Hope Ascend Table Mountain via cable car to take in an inspiring panorama of the city. Proceed to the colorful and distinctive Bo-Kaap neighborhood for a walking tour. After lunch, discover the Castle of Good Hope, built by the Dutch East India Company. Learn its colonial history, and then continue to the District Six Museum, which chronicles Cape Town's apartheid past in a poignant yet ultimately uplifting way.



Receive an overview of key historical role players, including Nelson Mandela. Tonight, savor a relaxing welcome dinner. Mount Nelson, A Belmond Hotel, Cape Town | Meals: B L D

DAY3: Arrive Cape Town | Cape Point & Boulders Beach Discover Cape Point, the scenic promontory at the southwestern tip of the continent. Journey past the "bikini beaches" at the base of the towering Twelve Apostles Mountain Range, along Hout Bay with its bustling fishing harbor and over the famous Chapman's Peak Drive. Explore the stunning Cape Peninsula and Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve, home to rare bonteboks and chacma baboons. Ride the "Flying Dutchman" funicular to the great pinnacle at blustery Cape Point, which presides over treacherous reefs and sandy beaches. At Boulders Beach, visit its colony of endangered African penguins; accustomed to humans, they provide endless photo opportunities. Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure, perhaps exploring the city's harbor front or dining in one of Cape Town's world-class restaurants. Mount Nelson, A Belmond Hotel, Cape Town | Meals: B L

DAY 4: **Riding the Rovos Rail** | Into the Winelands Today, take in the richness of the Constantia Winelands, nestled below Table Mountain, starting with a visit to Constantia Glen for a tour of their cellar guided by the winemaker. Enjoy a wine tasting followed by a farm-to-table lunch. Afterward, recapture the romance of a bygone era as you board the wood-paneled coaches of the luxurious Rovos Rail. Depart Cape Town Station as you settle into your suite. Wind through mountains, rolling green hills of the Cape Winelands as the sun sets, and sip South African vintages as the stunning scenery scrolls by. **Rovos Rail | Meals: B L D** 





DAYS 5-6: Riding the Rovos Rail | Diamond Mine Museum This morning, arrive in Matjiesfontein, an authentically preserved Victorian village. Roll on to the Great Karoo, a vast semi-desert region that was once an inland sea, observing its arid beauty from the observation car at the rear of the train. The next day, in Kimberley, tour the Diamond Mine Museum and take the opportunity to see one of the world's largest hand-dug excavation sites. Continue through the grasslands of gold-rich Highveld, marveling at the changing landscapes. Rovos Rail | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 7: Johannesburg | Heart of South Africa

After breakfast, arrive at Pretoria Station, where you bid farewell to Rovos Rail. Travel to Soweto, a township just southwest of Johannesburg, for a driving tour that takes in key highlights, such as Vilikazi Street — the only street in the world that has been home to two Nobel prize winners, Nelson Mandela and Archbishop Desmond Tutu - and the Hector Peterson Museum. After lunch at a local restaurant, continue to your hotel in the suburbs of Johannesburg for an evening at leisure, resting or enjoying the amenities of your accommodations. Fairlawns Boutique Hotel & Spa | Meals: B L





DAY 8: Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe | Livingstone Exclusive Fly to Victoria Falls, where you transfer to your new luxury hotel set on the banks of the Zambezi River, very near Victoria Falls. This evening, before dinner, enjoy hearing from a special guest speaker who shares tales of celebrated Scottish explorer and missionary David Livingstone on an A&K-exclusive experience. The Palms River Hotel | Meals: B D

DAY 9: Chobe National Park, Botswana | Design Your Day Set out on a guided walking tour of breathtaking Victoria Falls, one of the world's greatest natural wonders. Afterward, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- Learn About Traditional Zimbabwean Cuisine and enjoy a cooking demonstration at a local restaurant.
- Privately Tour the Ndau Collection Studio to meet the artisans who design their opulent jewelry.
- Privately Bike the Area, cycling the town of Victoria Falls and stopping at scenic viewpoints along the way.

Later, drive to your safari lodge, the only one located inside Botswana's world-renowned Chobe National Park, and settle into your spacious, river-facing accommodations. This afternoon, set out on a Chobe River safari, watching as elephants line the water's edge, hippos congregate in lagoons and predators come down to quench their thirst. Return to the lodge for dinner. Chobe Game Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 10: Chobe National Park | Plentiful Wildlife Viewing Today, embark on morning and afternoon game drives, starting with an early morning safari, arriving ahead of most visitors, thanks to your lodge's ideal location, to see predators at their most active. Explore along the Chobe River as your experienced guide interprets the bush signs and tracks in search of the resident wildlife. Watch for elephants, huge herds of buffalo and plenty of predators such as lions, wild dogs and even leopards. Chobe Game Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 11: **Okavango Delta, Botswana** | A Prized Experience Fly to the Okavango Delta via Kasane Airport. Arrive at your amazing Sanctuary Chief's Camp in the Mombo Concession of the vast Moremi Game Reserve. Often called the "Predator Capital of the World," this reserve is home to only a handful of camps, which makes for a unique and highly prized gameviewing experience, free of crowds. Observe how the lush delta draws remarkable birds and wildlife, including the Big Five, on a late-afternoon game drive capped by a refreshing Scenic Sundowner. Sanctuary Chief's Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 12: **Okavango Delta** | Game Drives and the Big Five Rise early for a game drive on the reserve, where the game viewing is magnificent. Activities include a seasonal opportunity to Ride Like a Local, gliding on the delta in a *mokoro* (dugout canoe), as well as a Chef's Table experience offering you a taste of traditional local cuisine. Later, set out on another safari with your expert guide, whose wellhoned tracking skills may lead you off the beaten trail for an up-close look at a cheetah with a fresh kill, a glimpse of a leopard emerging from dense foliage or an encounter with a rhino grazing on lush Okavango grasses. Tonight, gather for a special farewell dinner. Sanctuary Chief's Camp | Meals: B L D

### DAY 13: Depart Johannesburg, South Africa

Fly to Johannesburg via Maun, where you connect with your international flight home. Enjoy access to the Premier Lounge before your departure, compliments of A&K. Meals: B



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## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Sanctuary Chief's Camp Award-winning camp with 12 secluded and luxurious bush pavilions. you back to a bygone era of travel.



Chobe Game Lodge The only luxury lodge located inside wildlife-rich Chobe National Park.



The Palm River Hotel New luxury hotel set beside the Zambezi River near Victoria Falls.



**Rovos Rail** Beautifully restored train that takes



Mount Nelson, A Belmond Hotel, Cape Town — Luxury resort set in lush gardens in the heart of the city.



Fairlawns Boutique Hotel & Spa Chic hotel with 40 bespoke suites offering garden views.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Mar 17-29	\$13,995	\$3,995
Apr 21-May 3, May 5-17, May 19-31	\$14,995	\$5,795
Jun 2-14	\$17,495	\$7,995
Jun 23-Jul 5, Jul 7-19, Jul 21-Aug 2, Aug 4-16	\$17,995	\$8,495
Sep 1-13, Sep 15-27, Oct 6-18	\$17,495	\$7,995
Dec 22-Jan 3, 2024	\$17,995	\$8,495

#### Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,785

Johannesburg/Victoria Falls; Kasane/Okavango Delta/Maun/Johannesburg

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:00 a.m. on Day 3. Last group event: airport arrival at 3:30 p.m. on Day 13. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests. Note: Table Mountain may be unavailable due to weather conditions or maintenance reasons. In such an instance, alternative sightseeing will be provided.

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## ACTIVE

LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Climb Kilimanjaro: Summiting the Machame Route

9 days from \$7,995 | Limited to 12 guests

Ascend the tallest freestanding mountain in the world alongside the team with the best summit rate on Kilimanjaro, viewing breathtaking, lava-forged landscapes en route to achieving a once-in-a-lifetime goal.



## **F A&K ADVANTAGES**

- Climb in confidence with A&K, the company with a successful Kilimanjaro summit rate of 97% – far above the industry average of 60-70%
- Trust in A&K's deep experience, which spans more than 50 years in Tanzania and 30 years trekking Mount Kilimanjaro
- Rely on A&K to ensure the quality of every trek by directly employing all of our chefs, porters and guides, the last of whom are also certified Wilderness First Responders
- Benefit from more time to acclimatize a key component to a successful summit – with three more days on the itinerary than most other companies provide
- Utilize top-of-the-line camping gear and safety equipment, owned and maintained by A&K
- Stay in the largest and most comfortable sleeping tents on the mountain, while also enjoying private toilet facilities
- Carry only a daypack, as porters transport your luggage and equipment throughout the climb and descent

## DAY 1: Arrive Arusha, Tanzania

Arrive in Arusha and transfer to your hotel. Enjoy a good night's rest as one of only 12 guests on this epic journey. Lake Duluti Lodge

## DAY 2: Arusha | Scenic Parkland

In preparation for the climb ahead, acclimatize as you walk through Arusha National Park. Situated between the peaks of Mount Kilimanjaro and Mount Meru, this scenic park houses a wide range of habitats, from its string of crater lakes populated by waterfowl to its highland montane forest and imposing summit views. The forest harbors a wealth of wildlife, including frolicking black-and-white colobus monkeys and regal bushbucks. This evening, sit down to a welcome dinner with fellow guests. Lake Duluti Lodge | Meals: B L D

## DAY 3: Mount Kilimanjaro | 10,000 Feet

Drive from Arusha to the Machame village on the slopes of Mount Kilimanjaro to begin your climb along the challenging and scenic Machame Route. Hike for about six hours through dense forests of rubber tree and giant fig to your camp, set up near huts once used for shelter. As you make your way up through the forested terrain, keep an eye out for elephants. Settle into your first camp, poised at an altitude of 10,000 feet. Machame Camp | Meals: B L D

"If you want a once-in-a-lifetime adventure, Climb Kilimanjaro is that trip. Our superb Tour Director, the guides and the whole A&K team support you and make your dream of summiting a reality. I would recommend this journey to everyone."

- Catherine; Ames, IA

## DAY 4: Mount Kilimanjaro | 12,500 Feet

Awake early to a piping-hot cup of coffee or tea. As you leave camp, absorb the commanding view of Uhuru Peak. Trek out of the forest up to the hagenia zone, through a savanna of tall grasses and haunting volcanic lava landscapes. After a six-hour hike, arrive at the Shira Plateau and your camp. At 12,500 feet,



it boasts sweeping views across the Masai Steppe to distant Mount Meru and the Shira Needles. Shira Camp | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 5: Mount Kilimanjaro | 13,000 Feet

During a six-hour hike, skirt the Shira Plateau toward the Kibo Massif, continuing upward to the pass at Lava Tower (15,000 feet). Descend toward Barranco Camp through the immense, waterfall-punctuated Grand Barranco canyon, which is fed by streams from the Umbwe River. Today's camp is situated at an elevation of 13,000 feet. Barranco Camp | Meals: B L D DAY 6: **Mount Kilimanjaro** | Acclimatization Day Hike for about five hours along the Barranco Cliff with no increase in elevation. This allows you time to rest and adjust to the increasingly higher altitudes. In the afternoon, you may hike in the Karanga Valley, set beneath the icefalls of the Heim, Decken and Kersten glaciers. Karanga Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: **Mount Kilimanjaro** | Preparing for the Summit Take a four-to-five-hour trek on another day of acclimatization as you near the mountain's peak, stopping



Slumber beneath the starry African sky in customized tents, the largest on the mountain



## Climbing Kilimanjaro with A&K

With a successful summit rate of 97% (compared to the average of 60–70%), A&K's Mount Kilimanjaro expeditions give you an outstanding chance of reaching "the roof of Africa." Our experienced climbing team oversees every factor that contributes to a successful climb.

### **Guides and Porters**

Every A&K guide is a certified Wilderness First Responder, trained in mountain craft, natural history and ecological awareness. Our guides are also trained in first aid and fluent in English, and most have completed over 200 summits. A founding member of Kilimanjaro Porter Assistance Project and a proud Partner for Responsible Travel with the International Mountain Explorers Connection, A&K is an advocate for the welfare of our team of porters. Their hard work and dedication are what make every A&K trek possible.

### Comforts on the Mountain

Summiting Mount Kilimanjaro comes easier to those who are well rested — and A&K campsites are famous for their comforts. Our customized sleeping tents are the largest and most luxurious on the mountain, designed for two people with raised cots and tall ceiling heights. Solar-lit dining tents with comfortable tables and chairs allow you to relax out of the elements and rejuvenate during the trek. Hygienic private toilets are also exclusively available to A&K trekkers.

### Safety on the Mountain

A&K climbs use the finest climbing and camping apparatus, safety equipment and communications network. On every climb, we supply and carry all safety and emergency equipment, including emergency oxygen, a portable altitude chamber, a defibrillator, pulse oximeters, a stretcher, an extensive first aid kit and three means of communication (cellphone, two-way radio and satellite phone).

#### Food and Nutrition

Another key to conquering Kilimanjaro is to maintain proper nutrition throughout your entire trek. Every meal is designed to provide the nutrition you need to reach the summit. Unlike many other companies, A&K provides fresh food throughout the entire trek, including abundant snacks between meals as well as unlimited purified water. Special diets can also be accommodated.

### Acclimatization

While most trekkers spend a total of five days on the mountain, we schedule seven days (six nights) to allow more time for premium altitude acclimatization, contributing to A&K's industry-leading summit rate.

## Sustainable Treks

A&K leaves no trace on the mountain and takes pride in operating green campsites. Every A&K camp is completely portable with no fixed ground structures or plumbing, and we remove all waste and trash from our treks.





at Barafu Camp (15,200 feet) on a moraine, with views of majestic Mawenzi Peak to the right and looming Kibo Peak overhead. The surrounding, scenic alpine desert terrain is largely mineral and features some lichens and moss. Turn in early this evening — tomorrow, you make an early start for the summit. Barafu Camp | Meals: B L D

### DAY 8: Mount Kilimanjaro | Summit Day

Rise very early to a hot cup of coffee or tea before setting out on approximately 13 hours of trekking today. Should all go as planned, you will stand at the highest point in Africa in about seven hours' time. Make your way up a winding path flanked by the towering Ratzel and Rebmann glaciers to soaring Stella Point, at 18,630 feet on the rim of Kibo Crater. As the sun rises, continue around the rim to Uhuru Peak (19,341 feet), the highest point in Africa, where the air is rarefied. Savor your achievement of summiting Mount Kilimanjaro, and then descend to your last campsite (10,200 feet). Mweka Camp | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 9: Depart Arusha

Continue your descent to the base of the mountain, where your A&K driver greets and transports you back to Arusha. During a farewell lunch, enjoy basking in your accomplishments with fellow guests. Comfortable dayrooms are provided until your departure flight. Lake Duluti Lodge (dayroom) | Meals: B L

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Customize this itinerary to create the perfect private **Luxury Tailor Made Journey** just for you. Contact A&K for more details.

### DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
Jan 24-Feb 1, Feb 7-15, Mar 7-15, May 16-24, Jun 13-21, Jul 4-12, Aug 8-16, Aug 15-23, Aug 29-Sep 6, Sep 12-20, Sep 19-27, Oct 3-11, Nov 7-15	\$7,995	\$1,995

#### Journey Details

This journey is strenuous with steep ascents and high altitudes; however, novice climbers are welcome. Minimum age is 16 years. Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:00 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: farewell lunch at 1:30 p.m. on Day 9. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

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## ACTIVE

## MARCO POLO JOURNEYS

## Uganda: Gorillas & Beyond

11 days from \$11,495 | Limited to 16 guests

Explore the "Pearl of Africa," from the banks of the Nile to the deepest reaches of the rainforest, blazing a trail through the mists of Uganda's waterfalls and evergreen rainforests, and tracking chimpanzees, tree-climbing lions and endangered mountain gorillas along the way.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Encounter mountain gorillas under the biodiverse canopy of Bwindi Impenetrable National Park, ranging through mist-covered hillsides to observe these greatest of the apes in their natural surroundings, sensing the deep connection between their species and our own
- Cruise up the Nile River to the misty base of Murchison Falls, spotting wildlife, such as water birds, including the rare shoebill stork, wallowing hippos, elephants that come down to the river bank to drink and the fearsome Nile crocodile basking in the sun
- Trek the lush, tropical trails of Kibale National Park in search of chimpanzees, sociable primates that forage for food and utter vocalizations that reverberate through the forest
- Set out on two full days of game drives in the wilds of Queen Elizabeth National Park, keeping watch for tree-climbing lions as well as elephants, Cape buffalo, Ugandan kobs – a type of antelope – and the ever-elusive leopard

### DAY 1: Arrive Entebbe, Uganda

Arrive in Entebbe, Uganda, a nation of stunning greenery, deep lakes, soaring mountains and rich biodiversity. Transfer to your hotel for an evening at leisure. **Protea Hotel Entebbe** 

DAY 2: **Murchison Falls National Park** | The Nile's Jewel Depart Entebbe and fly to Murchison Falls National Park, one of the most scenic spots along the Nile and the location of the classic Humphrey Bogart film, *The African Queen*. After settling into your lodge on the banks of the Victoria Nile, join your guide for a visit to Murchison Falls, where invigorating spray — the collective force of the majestic Nile — showers a narrow ravine. Nile Safari Lodge | Meals: B L D



DAY 3: **Murchison Falls National Park** | Nile Safari Today, set out on a game drive along the northern banks of the Nile in the heart of Murchison Falls National Park. You may see giraffes, buffalo, elephants, warthogs, leopards, lions and antelopes. This afternoon, embark on a boat cruise to the base of the falls, watching for hippos, crocodiles, elephants and birds on the river's banks. Nile Safari Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: Kibale National Park | Bunyaruguru Crater Walk After breakfast, board a flight to Kibale and transfer to your lodge. Later, you may take an optional nature walk along the top of Bunyaruguru Crater. Kyaninga Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: **Kibale National Park** | Forest of Chimpanzees Kibale Forest is home to 11 species of primates, including chimpanzees and mangabeys, as well as 300 species of birds. Rise early this morning for the start of your chimpanzee trek. Barks of baboons occasionally pierce the forest's silence as you make your way along the trail. This afternoon, Ride Like a Local by African canoe across the crater lake, watching for wildlife and admiring the scenery. **Kyaninga Lodge** | **Meals: B L D** 



Embark on a fascinating chimpanzee trek in Kibale National Park, watching as primates feed among some 300 species of birds in the canopy high above.

DAYS6-7: Queen Elizabeth National Park | Nature Anew Drive to Queen Elizabeth National Park, home to elephants, lions, hippos, buffalo and baboons. Participate in game



drives this afternoon and the next day. While exploring, watch above for tree-climbing lions, a sight seldom seen anywhere else in Africa. Toast your day on safari with a Scenic Sundowner. Ishasha Wilderness Camp | Meals: B L D

### DAY 8: Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

#### **Mist-Shrouded Mountains**

Set out for a morning game drive through Queen Elizabeth National Park. Make your way out of the Rift Valley through the Kigezi Highlands and on to the mountains of Bwindi Impenetrable National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. This afternoon at your camp, savor a Chef's Table experience. Sanctuary Gorilla Forest Camp | Meals: B L D

## DAYS 9-10: Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

#### Gorilla Encounters in the Wild

Spend two days tracking endangered mountain gorillas, spending up to an hour among them each day. See mothers keeping infants close as they knucklewalk on three limbs. Watch scampering toddlers reined in by an attentive father, whose job is to protect his family. When you encounter a mountain gorilla in the wild, there is no mistaking the bond that exists between primate and man — and no escaping the poignant fact these creatures lie on the brink of extinction. & Later on Day 9, tour the Uganda Nursing School Bwindi, a project supported by A&K Philanthropy, meeting the teachers empowering the region's health care workers. Sanctuary Gorilla Forest Camp | Meals: B L D

## DAY 11: Depart Entebbe

Fly to Entebbe and return to your hotel, where a dayroom awaits until your international flight home. Protea Hotel Entebbe (dayroom) | Meals: B

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Sanctuary Gorilla Forest Camp Remote, atmospheric camp tucked amid jungle-like vegetation in Uganda's Bwindi Impenetrable National Park.



Ishasha Wilderness Camp Exclusive, idyllic camp fronting the Ntugwe River.



Nile Safari Lodge Luxury eco-friendly lodge set on the Nile River with eight secluded cabins. glistening shores of Lake Victoria.



Kyaninga Lodge Lovely lodge set amid Lake Kyaninga and the Mountains of the Moon.



Protea Hotel Entebbe Contemporary resort gracing the

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
Jul 22-Aug 1, Jul 31-Aug 10, Sep 11-21, Oct 8-18	\$11,495	\$1,995

#### Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,750

Entebbe/Murchison Falls/Kibale; Bwindi/Entebbe

Gorilla and chimpanzee permits are priced from an additional \$1,600.

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 15 years. Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel. First group event: welcome briefing at 10:00 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: hotel transfer at 11:30 a.m. on Day 11. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

#### Program Note

This journey entails active elements, such as hiking through isolated jungle regions.

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## Namibia: Dunes & Desert Safari

12 days from \$13,695 | Limited to 12 guests

Venture into a unique desert wilderness of desolate beauty and surprising vitality, discovering Namibia at its most compelling. Encounter rare wildlife in Etosha National Park and marvel at otherworldly landscapes, including the iconic dunes of Sossusvlei, on a journey that introduces you to the indigenous Himba tribe and takes you far off the beaten path into the truly remote and breathtaking Kaokoland.

## 🖌 A&K ADVANTAGES

- Stay in African desert lodges set in four genuinely remote locations, accessing them with ease on private chartered flights
- Track diverse, desert-adapted wildlife in the Ongava Reserve as well as Etosha National Park, Namibia's premier game-viewing destination
- Explore the Purros Conservancy, the only place in the world where elephants, black rhinos, lions and other African animals live in a desert environment
- Experience authentic interactions with residents of a Himba village for in-depth, personal insights into Namibia's last traditional tribe
- Walk among the spectacular dunes of Sossusvlei, which you visit via chartered air, enjoying stunning aerial views en route

### DAY 1: Arrive Windhoek, Namibia

Arrive in Windhoek, Namibia and transfer to your relaxing luxury lodge, set on a private wildlife reserve in the countryside surrounding Windhoek, for check-in. This evening, gather for a welcome dinner. Zannier Hotels Omaanda | Meals: D

DAY 2: **Ongava Private Game Reserve** | Amazing Game Board a private aircraft for a flight to the 68,000-acre Ongava Game Reserve. Upon arrival, settle into your camp accommodations before setting out on an afternoon game



drive around the private reserve. Watch for any of the hundreds of species of birds in the region as well as an astonishing variety of game, including lions, black and white rhinos, elephants, giraffes and the rare black-faced impala. Return to your comfortable camp set near a waterhole and featuring an underground photographic hide ideal for capturing great images of the wildlife stopping by for a drink. Anderssons at Ongava | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: **Ongava Private Game Reserve** | Etosha's Gems Today, experience a guided morning game drive into the Etosha National Park to view more of the wide variety of game and bird species roaming terrain that includes grasslands and salt pan. Return to your lodge for lunch followed by time to relax by the refreshing infinity edge swimming pool. Then, head out again for an afternoon game drive, perhaps sighting cheetahs, gemsbok or a flock of flamingos before sunset. Anderssons at Ongava | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 4: Kunene River | Into the Beyond

Fly by private charter to the Marienfluss Valley on the banks of the Kunene River, site of your next desert safari camp. This is the first of two locations you visit over the next few days that reside in far-off Kaokoland, a region so arid, remote and unforgiving, it's wild even by Nambian standards. Your camp is set along the banks of the Kunene River, the only permanent source of water in this area. This afternoon, glide by boat along the Kunene, taking in the contrasting landscape and watching for local birdlife and crocodiles. Return to camp around sunset to freshen up for dinner. **Okahirongo River Camp | Meals: B L D**


#### DAY 5: Kunene River | Meet the Himba

Enjoy a morning at leisure in your luxurious tented camp, with time to take in the austere desert beauty surrounding you. This afternoon, head out to meet members of the last nomadic tribe of Namibia, the Himba. Search for a local settlement of these semi-nomadic people, which may take a while, as they sometimes move location with no notice. Revel in this authentic opportunity to learn about the customs and traditions of this very proud nation, mingling with tribal members sporting ochre-red braided hair and costumes of hides and beads, and gaining insight into their beliefs, way of life and everyday routine. Afterward, enjoy a scenic drive back to the lodge and stop on top of a mountain for a stunning sunset over the picturesque landscape. Okahirongo River Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: **Purros Conservancy** | Another Side of Kaokoland After an early breakfast, board a private aircraft for a flight south along the picturesque Marienfluss Valley to your next lodge, located in the Purros Conservancy, which borders the infamous Skeleton Coast. Arrive in the late afternoon, with time to relax at the tranquil lodge prior to gathering for



Enjoy a thrilling game drive in Etosha National Park, accompanied by an expert guide





dinner. This region, often described as one of the last truly wild areas in the northwest of Namibia, is unique in all the world for its combination of African animals living together in a desert environment, including elephants, black rhinos, lions and more. Okahirongo Elephant Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAYS 7-8: **Purros Conservancy** | Desert-Adapted Life Over the next two days, head out on scenic drives through stunning wilderness panoramas far off the beaten track that are simultaneously inspiring and inhospitable. Enjoy time to discover unusual plants and strange rocks formations, and be on the lookout for rare desert elephants and other wildlife such as black rhinos and giraffes. One day here, visit another local Himba community for a final, unforgettable chance to get to know these pastoral people.

Okahirongo Elephant Lodge | Meals: B L D



Search for desert elephants in the Purros Conservancy, learning how these elusive giants have adapted to their harsh, arid surroundings.

#### DAY 9: Sossusvlei | Above a Haunted Landscape

This morning, fly by private charter to Sossusvlei, taking in the ever-changing desert landscapes of the Namib Desert en route and enjoying a bird's-eye view over the dune sea, a landscape dotted with abandoned mining camps, shipwrecks and salt pans. After a refuelling stop, continue your journey with cameras at the ready, flying over the 'Eduard Bohlen,' a German cargo ship that ran aground in 1909 while it was on its way to Table Bay. Years after the ship ran aground, the desert began to encroach on the ocean and the freighter that was once stranded in the water slowly became stranded in the desert, an iconic prisoner of Namibia's Skeleton Coast. Upon arrival, continue overland to your luxurious camp featuring ten spacious tents. Nestled on the southern edge of the Namib Desert, on a private reserve amid panoramic landscapes, it offers the perfect wilderness retreat. Zannier Hotels Sonop | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 10: Sossusvlei | Climbing "Big Daddy"

Today, discover renowned Sossusvlei, a place of stark yet undeniable beauty. The salt-and-clay pan is surrounded by towering dunes that, together with the sky, comprise the palette of burnt oranges and vivid blues so distinctive to the region. Fly by private charter to Sossusvlei, taking in scenic aerial views en route. Upon landing, enjoy time to absorb your stunning new surroundings. After an opportunity to climb "Big Daddy" — the tallest of the dunes — reboard your aircraft for a return flight and an afternoon at leisure at your lodge. Zannier Hotels Sonop | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 11: Sossusvlei | Guided Desert Explorations

Rise early for a full day exploring your camp's fascinating private reserve as you like: on horseback, by foot on guided hikes or by e-bike on a guided trail ride over awe-inspiring terrain. Observe the area's unique desert-adapted plants and wildlife, and learn about the efforts to conserve its distinctive ecology. Zannier Hotels Sonop | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 12: Depart Windhoek

Return by light aircraft to Windhoek, where you connect with your departing flight. Meals: B



#### **INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS**



#### Okahirongo Elephant Lodge

Tranquil wilderness lodge featuring eight luxury chalets and located on Namibia's remote Skeleton Coast.



**Okahirongo River Camp** just six tents, beside the Kunene River. in the far south of the Namib Desert.



Anderssons at Ongava Luxury camp situated near a wildlife watering hole on a private reserve.



Zannier Hotels Sonop Remote, eco-friendly lodge featuring Luxurious desert camp with ten tents,



Zannier Hotels Omaanda Luxury lodge located on a private preserve outside Namibia's capital.

#### DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
May 6-17	\$13,695	\$5,295
Jul 13-24, Aug 4-15, Sep 11-22	\$16,595	\$6,895

#### Internal Air: Private charter from \$4,995

Windhoek/Ongava/Kunene River/Purros Conservancy/Swakopmund/ Sossusvlei/Windhoek

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 13 years. Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel. First group event: welcome dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: airport arrival at 11:00 a.m. on Day 12. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

#### **Program Note**

Travel in this remote region entails active elements such as walking over steep, uneven terrain.

#### Book Your Journey Today

Contact A&K or go online for up-to-date information on dates, pricing, extensions and special offers.

#### WINGS OVER THE WORLD JOURNEYS

## Wings Over Israel, Jordan & Egypt

13 days from \$45,495 | Limited to 12 guests

Explore three classic Middle East destinations in less than two weeks thanks to the flexibility and convenience of privately chartered air, journeying from Jerusalem, Bethlehem and Masada to Petra and Wadi Rum, and onward to set foot inside the tomb of King Tutankhamun, touch the paws of the Sphinx and cruise for four nights along the Nile.

#### A&K ADVANTAGES

- Fly directly between three diverse destinations on exclusive chartered flights
- Discover Israel, a land held sacred by three faiths, and gain perspective on the nation's varied cultures, when you visit a vast array of biblical and historical sites
- Customize your experience in Jerusalem, taking advantage of A&K's Design Your Day feature
- Behold Petra, the city "half as old as time," and Wadi Rum, the desert outpost of Lawrence of Arabia
- Embark on a four-night Nile River cruise aboard the intimate dahabeah, 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau,' exclusively chartered for your group, and marvel at some of Egypt's greatest temples and tombs
- Explore one of Egypt's legendary pyramids on the Giza Plateau from the inside out
- Touch the paws of the enigmatic Great Sphinx on a once-ina-lifetime insider-access opportunity

#### DAY 1: Arrive Tel Aviv, Israel

Arrive in Tel Aviv, where you are met and privately transferred to your hotel in Jerusalem. The King David

DAY 2: Jerusalem | Timeless Spiritual Inspiration If you wish, rise early for a guided walk on the Temple Mount. Explore the Old City of Jerusalem, starting in the Jewish Quarter. Proceed to the Western Wall, Judaism's most sacred site. Also explore the underground Western Wall tunnels. After lunch, visit major Christian sites, including



St. Anne's Church with the Pool of Bethesda. Walk along the Stations of the Way of the Cross to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Proceed to Mount Zion to view the traditional Tomb of King David and the Upper Room, which commemorates the Last Supper. Tonight, gather at a local restaurant for a special welcome dinner. The King David | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: Jerusalem, Bethlehem or Tel Aviv | Design Your Day Today, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- **Explore the New City of Jerusalem & Bethlehem**, viewing the Dead Sea Scrolls and joining a local Christian family for lunch on a Chef's Table experience in the West Bank.
- Visit the New City of Jerusalem & Enjoy Time at Leisure, exploring Yad Vashem, before some free time to relax or further explore the city.
- Discover Dynamic Tel Aviv on an active walking tour and visit the ancient port city of Jaffa.

All options include lunch. The King David | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: Jerusalem | Masada & the Dead Sea

Venture through the Judean desert wilderness to Masada, where you take the cable car up to the last stronghold of the Zealots. Many of their fortifications, originally built by King Herod, still stand today. Stop for lunch at a hotel beside the Dead Sea. If you wish, take a dip in its buoyant, mineral-rich waters before returning to Jerusalem. The King David | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 5: Aqaba, Jordan | Arrival in Petra

Board your privately chartered flight to Jordan, landing in

#### PRIVATE CHARTER AIR INCLUDED

Fly directly between key destinations on flights exclusive to A&K.

#### Aircraft

Challenger 850, Embraer Legacy or comparable Aircraft and seating configuration subject to change.

#### **Flight Details**

Tel Aviv-Aqaba (45 min) Aqaba-Aswan (2 hrs) Aswan-Abu Simbel (40 min) Abu Simbel-Aswan (40 min) Luxor-Cairo (1 hr 15 min)



#### Aqaba, where you have lunch before continuing to Petra. Mövenpick Resort Petra | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 6: Petra & Wadi Rum | The Bedouin Life

Explore Petra, the once-thriving desert capital carved into red rock, discovering the Siq, the Temple of the Winged Lions and the Palace Tomb, and visiting the iconic Treasury accompanied by a local archaeologist. This afternoon, continue to Wadi Rum, the so-called "Valley of the Moon" and the site of your private desert camp. Later, enjoy a refreshing Scenic Sundowner, and then marvel at the sunset over a Bedouin meal, followed by a discussion on Bedouin life. Discovery Bedu Camp | Meals: B L D DAY 7: **Abu Simbel & Aswan, Egypt** | Abu Simbel Fly from Aqaba via private charter to Aswan, where you clear Egyptian Immigration, and then take off for Abu Simbel. There, behold the towering twin temples of Ramses II and his wife, Queen Nefertari, rescued from the flooding waters of the Aswan High Dam. Fly back to Aswan, where you board the intimate *dahabeah* 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau.' Later, ride by motorized boat to the island of Agilika and view a special Sound and Light Show at Philae Temple, a sacred complex that reflects three great civilizations: Egyptian, Greek and Roman. 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau' | Meals: B L D





### Three Civilizations, One Timely Journey

Israel, Jordan and Egypt each have strong and distinctive cultural identities. While Israel is historically a land held sacred by three faiths as well as a thriving, modern nation, Egypt is home to the legacy of a civilization that enjoyed an unparalleled zenith before receding into the sands of time. And Jordan, with its own ancient marvels, completes a trio of destinations that together embody the mystique and allure of the Middle East as few others can.

Wings Over Israel, Jordan & Egypt affords you the incredible opportunity to visit all three of these classic destinations on one exciting journey, in under two weeks — an elegant timetable made possible by the convenience and flexibility of privately chartered flights and A&K's long-standing presence in the region.

Discover Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Masada, Petra, Luxor, the pyramids at Giza, Cairo and the timeless Nile River — fascinating places with histories so compelling that any one of them might top a traveller's must-see list — accompanied by A&K Resident Tour Directors and the finest local guides.

Revel in insider access moments, as you are immersed in the story of three enduring desert cultures on the journey of a lifetime.



DAYS 8-9: **Cruising the Nile** | Stunning Architecture Go ashore at Kom Ombo to visit the Greco-Roman temple dedicated to Haroeris (the sun god) and Sobek (the crocodile god), and view the mummified remains of several crocodiles that once basked along the ancient Nile shore, just as their descendants do today. Continue sailing toward Esna, a city sacred to ancient Egyptians, passing riverside villages where time has seemingly stood still and soaking in the ambience aboard your *dahabeah*, taking in the views, as history unfolds all around you. 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau' | Meals: B L D

DAY 10: Cruising the Nile | Tutankhamun & Nefertari Cruise to Luxor where you roam through the Valley of the Kings, legendary burial ground of the pharaohs and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It was here in 1922 that the tomb of "the boy king," Tutankhamun, was found by British archaeologist Howard Carter. Now discover it for yourself, as you set foot inside its 35-century-old walls. Also visit the tomb of Seti I, the father of Ramses II, one of the bestpreserved tombs in the Valley of the Kings. Continue to the Valley of the Queens, where you visit Queen Nefertari's tomb, famous for the colorful, well-preserved artwork that adorns its walls. After lunch back on board, visit the Temple of Karnak and walk through the Great Hypostyle Hall. Visit the Temple of Luxor, with its massive statues of Ramses II, and marvel at the Colonnade and Court of Amenhotep III. 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau' | Meals: B L D

DAY 11: Luxor & Cairo | Immersive Museum Visit Today, bid farewell to 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau,' disembarking to fly aboard chartered aircraft to Cairo. Explore the newly opened Grand Egyptian Museum to view a vast trove of artifacts, some displayed for the first time. Then, check in at your hotel located along Cairo's Corniche. Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza | Meals: B L

DAY 12: **Cairo** | The Pyramids & the Great Sphinx of Giza Venture through the Giza Plateau as you Ride Like a Local by camel to view its iconic pyramids and explore the interior of one of these soaring Fourth Dynasty tombs. Then, go up close to the Great Sphinx, enjoying special private access to the paws of the enigmatic monument, close enough to touch them. This evening, gather for a farewell dinner. Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 13: Depart Cairo

After breakfast, privately transfer to the airport to board your departing flight. Meals: B

#### **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

Customize this itinerary and create the perfect private **Luxury Tailor Made Journey** just for you. Contact A&K for more details.

#### INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau'

The first bespoke *dahabeah* (traditional Egyptian sailing boat) built to international luxury standards, offering an elegant Nile River experience.



Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza Travel + Leisure World's Best hotel.



The King David Travel + Leisure World's Best hotel with deluxe rooms near the Old City.



Discovery Bedu Camp Bedouin-style tented luxury camp in a Wadi Rum dark-sky location.

Mövenpick Resort Petra Stylish hotel with Arabian ambience, just steps from the entrance to Petra.

#### DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates	Deluxe Cabin	Napoleon Suite	Farouk Suite
Jan 17-29, Jan 31-Feb 12, Feb 14-26, Mar 7-19, Apr 18-30, Sep 5-17, Sep 19-Oct 1, Oct 17-29	\$45,495	\$46,495	\$47,495
Single Supplement	\$9,995	\$10,895	\$11,695

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 6:30 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 12.

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LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

Egypt & the Nile

10 days from \$8,395 | Limited to 18 guests

**Jordan** 5-day Pre-Tour Extension from \$3,295

Bask in the timeless majesty of ancient Egypt on an immersive journey through the land of the pharaohs, exploring its quintessential archaeological treasures with an expert A&K Egyptologist, and cruise for four nights along the Nile aboard stylish 'Sanctuary Sun Boat IV.'

#### A&K ADVANTAGES

- Embark on a four-night Nile river cruise, gliding in comfort through stirring desert landscapes and going ashore to discover ancient Egypt's most awe-inspiring sites
- Explore the Grand Egyptian Museum to view a vast trove of artifacts, some never before displayed
- Venture inside one of the pyramids, go riding camelback and view the enigmatic Great Sphinx on the Giza Plateau
- Descend into the tomb of King Tut and the colorful tomb of Seti I, father of legendary Ramses II, in the Valley of the Kings
- Marvel at the colossal statues and towering colonnade of the sprawling Temple of Luxor, and listen as your expert A&K
  Egyptologist deciphers the hieroglyphs carved upon them
- Journey to Abu Simbel to set eyes upon the imposing twin temples of Ramses II and Queen Nefertari

#### DAY 1: Arrive Cairo, Egypt

Arrive in Cairo, where you are met by your A&K representative and transferred to your historic hotel ideally situated near the last remaining Ancient Wonder of the World — the Great Pyramid of Giza. Marriott Mena House Hotel

#### DAY 2: Cairo | Ancient Treasures

This morning, join your expert A&K Egyptologist for an exploration of the Grand Egyptian Museum to view its huge collection of ancient Egyptian artifacts. Tonight, gather with your fellow guests for a welcome dinner. Marriott Mena House Hotel | Meals: B L D



#### DAY 3: Giza | The Pyramids & Sphinx

Today, roam the Giza Plateau, site of the pyramids of Mycerinus and Chephren as well as the Great Pyramid, built in the Fourth Dynasty (approximately 2690 BC). Revel in the opportunity to enter the interior of one of these legendary structures, and marvel at the massive stones used to construct them. Ride a camel across the sands of Giza, and then view the Great Sphinx backdropped by the pyramids, a setting that has captured the imaginations of adventurers for centuries. Marriott Mena House Hotel | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: Luxor | Temple of Luxor & Valley of the Kings Fly to Luxor, site of the ancient city of Thebes. Begin your full day of exploring by visiting the striking Temple of Luxor. View the three large statues of Ramses II along the front of the temple pylons, the Courtyard of Ramses II and the Colonnade of Amenhotep III, with its 50-foot-high columns. Walk in their shadows, as visitors have done since antiquity, and ponder the astonishing feats of engineering it took to create them. Then, step aboard 'Sanctuary Sun Boat IV, an elegant river cruiser renowned for the warmth and attentiveness of its service staff. Enjoy lunch on board before disembarking to explore the west bank of the Nile river and the Necropolis of Thebes, and view the Colossi of Memnon. Continue to the architecturally stunning Temple of Hatshepsut, ancient Egypt's first female pharaoh and regarded today as one of its most successful. Carry on to the Valley of the Kings, burial ground of the pharaohs and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. For a period of 500 years beginning in the 16th century BC, tombs were built along this valley for pharaohs and nobles, including that of "the boy king," Tutankhamun. Enter the tomb of Tutankhamun



— found in 1922 by British archaeologist and Egyptologist Howard Carter — to discover the secrets of this storied chamber. Next, descend into the beautifully decorated tomb of Seti I, the father of Ramses II, one of the best-preserved tombs in the valley. 'Sanctuary Sun Boat IV' | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 5: Cruising the Nile | Luxor to Esna

Journey once more to the east bank of the Nile, this time visiting the Temple of Karnak, where generations of pharaohs wished to record their names. Walk through the Great Hypostyle Hall, strolling among its expertly aligned columns, which soar 80 feet high. This afternoon, cruise to Esna and visit the Temple of Khnum to marvel at its superb art and hieroglyphics. 'Sanctuary Sun Boat IV' | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: **Cruising the Nile** | Temple of Horus & Kom Ombo Today, view the Temple of Horus, falcon-headed god of the sky. Built in 230 BC by Ptolemy III, this amazingly wellpreserved and colorful structure reveals what temple worship in ancient Egypt was like. Back on board, learn to prepare local dishes during a Chef's Table experience: a cooking lesson with an onboard chef. Later this afternoon, enjoy a





refreshing Scenic Sundowner as you cruise to Kom Ombo. Disembark at Kom Ombo (hill of gold) to visit the Greco-Roman temple dedicated to Haroeris (the sun god) and Sobek (the crocodile god), whom some ancient Egyptians considered the creator of the world. View the mummified remains of several crocodiles that once basked along the ancient Nile shore, just as their descendants do today. 'Sanctuary Sun Boat IV' | Meals: B L D

"Our Egypt journey was fantastic, we all had a wonderful time. Everything A&K arranged was perfect and our guide was an absolute delight."

– Charles; Dexter, MI

#### DAY 7: Aswan | Majestic Philae

Cruise to Aswan and proceed to the ancient granite quarries and site of the Unfinished Obelisk. Illustrating the skills of Egypt's stonemasons, this monolith is taller than any other ancient Egyptian obelisk. Board a motorized boat to picturesque Philae Temple on the island of Agilika. A sacred complex dedicated to the goddess Isis, it reflects a fusion of three great civilizations: Egyptian, Greek and Roman. Later, Ride Like a Local around the Aswan Islands in a *felucca* (traditional sailboat). 'Sanctuary Sun Boat IV' | Meals: B L D

DAY 8: Abu Simbel | Temples of Ramses II & Nefertari Today, bid farewell to 'Sanctuary Sun Boat IV,' disembarking to fly to Abu Simbel and discover the commanding twin temples of Ramses II and his wife, Queen Nefertari. The former's façade is dominated by four 70-foot-tall statues of the pharaoh. Perhaps even more impressive, this entire site was disassembled and moved here to save it from the floodwaters caused by the construction of the Aswan High Dam. Return to Cairo for an evening at leisure. Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza | Meals: B

#### DAY 9: Cairo | Design Your Day

Drive to Sakkara, site of hundreds of tombs and 14 pyramids, including the famous Step Pyramid of Djoser. After lunch, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- **Discover Coptic Cairo**, visiting a church built where the Holy Family stayed, as well as St. Barbara and the Church of the Virgin Mary.
- ▶ **Tour Islamic Cairo**, including a walk along El-Moaz Street, and the Khan el-Khalili Bazaar.
- View the Royal Mummies, and countless other artifacts, as you tour the National Museum of Egyptian Civilization.

This evening, gather with your fellow guests to reflect on your journey through Egypt and along the Nile at a farewell dinner. Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 10: Depart Cairo

After breakfast, transfer to the airport and depart. Meals: B

#### **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

This itinerary is available as a private journey, **Signature Egypt & the Nile**. Priced from \$8,395. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.

# Egypt, Morocco & Beyond

#### **EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY**



#### Jordan Pre-Tour Group Extension

5 days from \$3,295 | Internal air from \$595 Available on select departures.

Arrive in Amman, Jordan, and transfer to your hotel downtown. Visit the White City of Amman and the Roman ruins in Jerash. Continue overland to Petra, visiting Mount Nebo en route, where the Bible says Moses beheld the Holy Land, and view the Byzantine mosaics in Madaba. Upon arrival, explore ancient, rock-cut Petra, a UNESCO World Heritage Site famed for its pillared Treasury. Relax on your last night at the Dead Sea, where you have the opportunity to take a refreshing dip.

#### INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



'Sanctuary Sun Boat IV'

Award-winning luxury Nile cruiser, offering an Art Deco-inspired interior, 40 air-conditioned cabins, fine dining and impeccable service.



Marriott Mena House Hotel *Travel* + *Leisure* World's Best hotel conveniently set near the pyramids of Giza, featuring unparalleled views of its epic surroundings.



Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza Travel + Leisure World's Best hotel located on Cairo's famed Corniche, boasting chic decor and offering spectacular views of the Nile River.

#### DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Nile Deck	Main Deck	Bridge Deck	Promenade Deck	Presidential Suite	Royal Suite
Jan 1-10, Jan 5-14, Jan 9-18, Jan 13-22, Jan 17-26, Jan 21-30, Jan 25-Feb 3, Jan 29-Feb 7, Feb 2-11, Feb 6-15, Feb 10-19, Feb 14-23, Feb 18-27, Feb 22-Mar 3, Feb 26-Mar 7, Mar 2-11, Mar 6-15, Mar 14-23, Mar 18-27, Mar 22-31, Mar 26-Apr 4, Mar 30-Apr 8	\$8,995	\$9,195	\$9,295	\$9,395	\$10,995	\$11,995
Single Supplement	\$2,895	\$2,995	\$3,095	\$3,195	\$4,695	\$5,495
Apr 3-12, Apr 7-16 Single Supplement	<b>\$10,495</b> \$3,595	<b>\$10,795</b> \$3,695	<b>\$10,895</b> \$3,795	<b>\$10,995</b> \$3,895	<b>\$13,495</b> \$6,295	<b>\$14,995</b> \$7,095
Apr 11-20, Apr 15-24, Apr 19-28, Apr 23-May 2 Single Supplement	<b>\$8,995</b> \$2,895	<b>\$9,195</b> \$2,995	<b>\$9,295</b> \$3,095	<b>\$9,395</b> \$3,195	<b>\$10,995</b> \$4,695	<b>\$11,995</b> \$5,495
Apr 27-May 6, May 1-10, Aug 30-Sep 8, Sep 3-12, Sep 7-16, Sep 11-20, Sep 15-24, Sep 19-28, Sep 23-Oct 2, Sep 27-Oct 6	\$8,395	\$8,595	\$8,695	\$8,795	\$10,395	\$11,395
Single Supplement	\$2,495	\$2,595	\$2,695	\$2,795	\$4,295	\$5,095
Oct 1-10, Oct 5-14, Oct 9-18, Oct 13-22, Oct 17-26, Oct 21-30, Oct 25-Nov 3, Oct 29-Nov 7, Nov 2-11, Nov 6-15, Nov 10-19, Nov 14-23, Nov 18-27, Nov 22-Dec 1, Nov 26-Dec 5, Nov 30-Dec 9, Dec 4-13, Dec 8-17, Dec 12-21, Dec 16-25	\$8,995	\$9,195	\$9,295	\$9,395	\$10,995	\$11,995
Single Supplement	\$2,895	\$2,995	\$3,095	\$3,195	\$4,695	\$5,495
Dec 20-29, Dec 24-Jan 2, 2024; Dec 28-Jan 6, 2024 Single Supplement	<b>\$10,495</b> \$3,595	<b>\$10,795</b> \$3,695	<b>\$10,895</b> \$3,795	<b>\$10,995</b> \$3,895	<b>\$13,495</b> \$6,295	<b>\$14,995</b> \$7,095

#### Internal Air: Economy class from \$750

Cairo/Luxor; Aswan/Abu Simbel/Aswan/Cairo

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:30 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 9. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

Please note that multiple groups of 18 A&K guests and other passengers may be travelling onboard ship simultaneously. Routes may run in reverse on select departures (Aswan/Luxor instead of Luxor/Aswan).

#### Book Your Journey Today

Contact A&K or go online for up-to-date information on dates, pricing, extensions and special offers.

#### LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Pharaohs & Pyramids

13 days from \$13,295 | Limited to 36 guests

**Jordan** 5-day Pre-Tour Extension from \$3,295

Cruise for seven nights along the Nile on an A&Kexclusive charter of 'Sanctuary Sun Boat III,' delving deeply into the majesty of ancient Egypt at a leisurely pace, following a comprehensive itinerary that features sites found off the beaten path as well as special private openings, the convenience of privately chartered air and a stay at a top luxury hotel.

#### 🗙 A&K ADVANTAGES

- Embark on a leisurely seven-night river cruise aboard the exclusively chartered 'Sanctuary Sun Boat III,' visiting lessfrequented sites, tombs and temples
- Fly between destinations aboard aircraft chartered exclusively for A&K guests
- Venture inside one of the pyramids and ride camelback on the Giza Plateau
- Get up close to the massive paws of the enigmatic Great Sphinx on a special private visit
- Rise early for a stunning balloon trip over the Nile, viewing the marvelous monuments of ancient Thebes as the sun rises
- Descend into the tomb of Tutankhamun (King Tut) and visit famed archaeologist Howard Carter's home
- Be among the privileged visitors to explore Wahtye's Tomb at Sakkara – discovered only recently after 4,400 years – during a private opening specially arranged by A&K

#### DAY 1: Arrive Cairo, Egypt

Arrive in Cairo, Egypt's "Mother of All Cities," an age-old crossroads of Asia, Africa, and Europe, where you are met and privately transferred to your riverside hotel. Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza

#### DAY 2: Cairo | Immersed in Antiquities

Explore the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities (or the Grand Egyptian Museum, upon its opening), home to over 120,000 relics, some dating back to 4000 BC. After lunch, return to



your hotel for an afternoon at leisure. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: **Cairo** | The Great Pyramid and Paws of the Sphinx Set out for the Giza Plateau on a full-day excursion. Observe the great pyramids of Khufu, Khafre and Menkaure as well as other historical sites. Enter the Great Pyramid of Cheops — oldest of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World stepping back in time some 4,000 years. Ride Like a Local on a camel, and then enjoy special private access to the nearby Great Sphinx, seizing the rare opportunity to lay your hands on its massive paws. Dine tonight in a local Cairo restaurant. Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 4: Luxor | Two of Egypt's Finest Temples

Fly south to Luxor, formerly known as Thebes. Upon arrival visit the Temple of Karnak, featuring 134 great columns that once supported an enormous roof. Board 'Sanctuary Sun Boat III,' your luxurious home on the Nile for the next seven nights, in time for lunch. This afternoon, explore the Temple of Luxor, built by Amenhotep III (1405-1367 BC). This evening, gather for a complimentary cocktail and canapés, followed by dinner.

'Sanctuary Sun Boat III' | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: **Cruising the Nile** | Egypt's Grandeur by Hot Air Balloon Rise early this morning for an exhilarating hot air balloon ride over the Nile and the temples that line its shores. Proceed to the West Bank, starting at the fabled Colossi of Memnon, two enormous seated statues of Amenhotep III. Then, in the Valley of the Queens, explore the tomb of Queen Nefertari, said to be the finest tomb in Egypt. The



day's explorations also include Deir el-Medina, an excavated village of craftsmen and artisans, founded by Amenhotep I, who contributed to the creation of tombs in the nearby valleys of the Kings and Queens. Return to 'Sanctuary Sun Boat III' for lunch and sail to Esna. 'Sanctuary Sun Boat III' | Meals: B L D

DAY6: **Cruising the Nile** | Remnants of Greece and Rome This morning at Esna, explore the Greco-Roman Temple of Khnum with your Egyptologist guide. Its Great Hypostyle Hall was built during the reign of the Roman Emperor Claudius. Then, cruise upstream to Edfu, where you visit the well-preserved Temple of Horus (the falcon god). This afternoon, learn to prepare local dishes during a Chef's Table experience with an onboard chef. Join the party tonight and dress up in traditional Egyptian *galabeyyas*. Sit down to a lavish buffet of Egyptian specialties, followed by Arabic music and dancing. 'Sanctuary Sun Boat III' | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: **Cruising the Nile** | Island Temple of Isis Disembark in Aswan to visit the granite quarries that supplied stone for many of Egypt's pyramids and temples.





View the 1,200-ton 'Unfinished Obelisk,' which exemplifies the technique used to create such enormous monoliths. Then, boat to the island of Agilika to view the exquisite Temple of Philae, dedicated to the goddess Isis. Later this afternoon, sail by *felucca* (traditional sailing vessel), weather permitting, around Elephantine Island and view the splendid Aga Khan Mausoleum, which overlooks the river. 'Sanctuary Sun Boat III' | Meals: B L D

Behold the incredible decor of recently discovered Wahtye's Tomb – untouched for 44 centuries and the subject of a Netflix documentary – on a special private opening with A&K.

#### DAY 8: Abu Simbel | Massive Tribute to Ramses ||

Fly to Abu Simbel, site of the magnificent temple of Ramses II, and marvel at the four enormous statues of the pharaoh that grace its façade, each over 60 feet high. Amazingly, the site was raised up the hillside to avoid floodwaters caused by the Aswan High Dam project. Then, enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before boarding your privately chartered aircraft back to Aswan, to return to your ship. 'Sanctuary Sun Boat III' | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: Cruising the Nile | Temple of the Sun

Relax on board or explore a local Aswan spice market this morning. Have lunch while you cruise to Kom Ombo. Disembark for a walking visit to this lovely Greco-Roman temple dedicated to Haroeris (the sun god) and Sobek (the crocodile god), whom some ancient Egyptians considered the creator of the world. View the mummified remains of several crocodiles that once basked along the ancient Nile shore, just as their descendants do today. Partake in a Scenic Sundowner as you cruise toward Esna. 'Sanctuary Sun Boat III' | Meals: B L D

DAY 10: **Cruising the Nile** | The Discovery of Tutankhamun Return to the west bank of the Nile this morning. Begin at the terraced funerary temple of Queen Hatshepsut, Egypt's first female pharaoh. Continue on to the famous Valley of the Kings. Enter the iconic tomb of Tutankhamun (King Tut) before visiting the former home of the legendary archaeologist who unearthed it, Howard Carter, to see the original tools he used for the excavation. Gain entry to the lesser-visited, well-preserved tomb of Seti I, father of Ramses II. Go off the beaten path to one of Luxor's lesserknown sites, the New Kingdom necropolis Dra Abu Naga. After lunch and afternoon tea aboard ship, visit the Luxor Museum, browsing its fascinating collections. Your final dinner on board is a gala affair. 'Sanctuary Sun Boat III' | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 11: Luxor/Cairo | Design Your Day

Disembark 'Sanctuary Sun Boat III' and return to Cairo in time for lunch. This afternoon, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities:

- **Discover Coptic Cairo**, visiting a church built where the Holy Family stayed and other Christian sites.
- Tour Islamic Cairo, including the lively Khan el-Khalili Bazaar and Sultan Hassan mosque.

Sail on a *Felucca*, experiencing Cairo from a different perspective.

The remainder of your day is at leisure. Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza | Meals: B L

DAY 12: **Cairo** | Private Opening of Wahtye's Tomb Today, venture just outside the city to Sakkara, the vast necropolis of ancient Memphis, site of the famous Step Pyramid. Built by Zoser I in 2700 BC, it is the world's oldest stone structure. Enjoy a special private opening of the 4,400-year-old tomb of Wahtye. Unearthed in 2018, it is considered one of the biggest discoveries of the decade, completely untouched and filled with painted hieroglyphics, sculptures, and inscriptions. Also visit the Mereruka Tomb, one of the most exquisitely decorated tombs of the Old Kingdom. Tonight, enjoy a memorable farewell dinner. Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 13: Depart Cairo

After breakfast, transfer to the airport and depart. Meals: B

#### TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K

Customize this itinerary to create the perfect private Luxury Tailor Made Journey just for you. Contact A&K for more details.

#### EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY



#### Jordan Pre-Tour Extension

5 days from \$3,295 | Internal air from \$595 Available on select departures.

Arrive in Amman, Jordan, and transfer to your hotel downtown. Visit the White City of Amman and the Roman ruins in Jerash. Continue overland to Petra, visiting Mount Nebo en route, where the Bible says Moses beheld the Holy Land, and view the Byzantine mosaics in Madaba. Upon arrival, explore ancient, rock-cut Petra, a UNESCO World Heritage Site famed for its pillared Treasury. Relax on your last night at the Dead Sea, where you have the opportunity to take a refreshing dip.

#### INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS





'Sanctuary Sun Boat III' Award-winning boutique cruise vessel with intimate ambience and personalized service.

Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza Luxury suite accommodations offering spectacular Nile views.

#### DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates	Nile Deck	Promenade Deck	Presidential Suite	Royal Suite
Feb 1-13, Mar 2-14	\$14,995	\$15,495	\$19,495	\$20,495
Single Supplement	\$2,695	\$3,195	\$7,195	\$8,195
Aug 30-Sep 11, Sep 10-22	\$13,295	\$13,795	\$17,795	\$18,795
Single Supplement	\$2,395	\$2,895	\$6,895	\$7,895
 Dec 1-13	\$14,995	\$15,495	\$19,495	\$20,495
Single Supplement	\$2,695	\$3,195	\$7,195	\$8,195

#### Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,650

Cairo/Luxor; Aswan/Abu Simbel/Aswan/Cairo

#### Journey Details

Routes may run in reverse on select departures (cruise beginning and ending in Aswan instead of Luxor). This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:00 am on Day 2. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 pm on Day 12. Departures are not guaranteed to operate.

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#### LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Petra to the Pyramids & a Nile Yacht Cruise

13 days from \$12,295 | Limited to 12 guests

#### Israel

4-day Pre-Tour Extension from \$3,595

Experience the best of Jordan and Egypt on an intimate journey from Petra and Wadi Rum to Luxor and Cairo, exploring the region's most iconic sites and relaxing in elegant accommodations, like the bespoke *dahabeah* 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau,' your home for a three-night cruise along the Nile.

#### A&K ADVANTAGES

- Explore Petra, the ancient desert city in Jordan carved into solid rock, viewing its famed, pillared Treasury and learning its myriad secrets
- Roam by 4x4 through Jordan's Wadi Rum, watching the sun set over red-hued stone outcroppings and dining like Bedouins beneath desert stars
- Float with ease in the buoyant, mineral-rich waters of the restorative Dead Sea
- Cruise the Nile on intimate, exclusively chartered 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau,' visiting many iconic sites, including the Temple of Luxor and the tomb of Tutankhamun
- Enter one of the pyramids, ride a camel and view the enigmatic Great Sphinx on the Giza Plateau
- Discover the stunning temples of Ramses II and Queen Nefertari in Abu Simbel
- Overnight at the historic Sofitel Legend Old Cataract Aswan, where Agatha Christie stayed on the visit to Egypt that inspired her to write *Death on the Nile*

#### DAY 1: Arrive Amman, Jordan

Arrive in Amman, where you are met by an A&K representative and privately transferred to your hotel. **The St. Regis Amman** 

#### DAY 2: Aqaba | "City of Mosaics"

Proceed to Mount Nebo, where Moses is said to have seen the Promised Land he would never enter. Just beyond, Madaba — the "City of Mosaics" — reveals the oldest



preserved mosaic map of the Holy Land. Composed of two million pieces of colored stone, it informed scholars about Jerusalem's layout after its destruction and rebuilding in AD 70. Continue to Aqaba and check in to your hotel. Tonight, sit down to a special welcome dinner at the members-only Royal Yacht Club. Kempinski Hotel Aqaba Red Sea | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 3: Wadi Rum | In the Valley of the Moon

After a morning at leisure in Aqaba, travel to Wadi Rum — the "Valley of the Moon" — which you explore by 4x4, traversing rose-tinted vistas and visiting a place where Lawrence of Arabia once lived. Tonight, embrace Bedouin life with a Chef's Table dinner beneath twinkling desert skies before returning to your hotel. Kempinski Hotel Aqaba Red Sea | Meals: B D

#### DAY 4: Petra | The "Rose-Red" City

Explore stunning Petra, the ancient Nabataean city carved from solid rock. Enter through a narrow gap, the Siq, to view the majestic Treasury, Temple of the Winged Lions and Palace Tomb. Once a stop for camel caravans bearing spices and silk, Petra was lost for 1,000 years until it was rediscovered in 1812 by Swiss explorer Johann Ludwig Burckhardt. After lunch, relax on a drive to your hotel along the shore of the Dead Sea. Kempinski Hotel Ishtar Dead Sea | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 5: **The Dead Sea** | Design Your Day This morning, enjoy one of these Design Your Day options.

- **Explore Third-Century Jerash**, "Pompeii of the Middle East," with its well-preserved Roman ruins, on foot.
- **Explore Amman**, visiting its historic downtown, the Citadel and the impressive Roman Theater.



Visit Bethany Beyond the Jordan on the eastern bank of the Jordan River, known as the baptism site of Jesus.

Enjoy time at leisure this afternoon, free to float in the waters of the Dead Sea. Kempinski Hotel Ishtar Dead Sea | Meals: B L

DAY 6: **Cairo, Egypt** | Land of the Pharaohs Fly to Cairo. This afternoon, visit the Grand Egyptian Museum, home to a vast collection of ancient Egyptian artifacts. Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza | Meals: B DAY 7: Luxor | Cruising the Nile, World's Longest River This morning, fly to Luxor and journey to the Temple of Karnak, where generations of pharaohs wished to record their names. Walk through the Great Hypostyle Hall with its expertly aligned columns, a sight to behold. Board 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau,' embarking on a three-night cruise to discover the Nile's significant impact on ancient Egyptian civilization. After lunch, visit the striking Temple of Luxor. Along the front of the temple pylons, there were six large statues of Ramses II (of which three remain), while behind





the East Tower is the Courtyard of Ramses II. Marvel at the Colonnade of Amenhotep III, which consists of 14 papyrusheaded columns, leading to the Court of Amenhotep III. 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau' | Meals: B L D

#### DAYS 8-9: Nile Cruise | Storied Structures

Discover the Valley of the Kings, the legendary burial ground of the pharaohs, including entrance into the tomb of "the boy king," Tutankhamun. View the impressive Temple of Hatshepsut before returning to 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau'. Continue cruising to the Temple of Horus, the falcon-headed god. Built in 230 BC by Ptolemy III, and having spent much of the modern era buried in sand and debris, this well-preserved and colorful structure reveals what temple worship in ancient Egypt was like. Sail toward Aswan while enjoying a Scenic Sundowner overlooking the Nile. 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau' | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 10: Aswan | Riverine Heritage

Disembark in Aswan and ride a motorized boat to Philae Temple on the island of Agilika. Continue to the impressive granite quarries and site of the Unfinished Obelisk, thought to have belonged to Queen Hatshepsut or Queen Nefertiti. Arrive at your historic luxury hotel. Dating back to 1899, the property was built by Thomas Cook to house European travellers, among them Sir Winston Churchill, Margaret Thatcher and Agatha Christie, whose novel, *Death on the Nile*, included this Victorian palace. Board a *felucca* (traditional sailboat) and sail around Elephantine Island, and dine in your hotel's famed 1902 restaurant. Sofitel Legend Old Cataract Aswan | Meals: B D

#### DAY 11: Abu Simbel & Cairo | Twin Temples

Fly to Abu Simbel and discover the commanding twin temples of Ramses II — Egypt's longest-ruling pharaoh and his wife, Queen Nefertari. Located on the banks of Lake Nasser, this site is both an ancient and a modern engineering marvel. Return to the airport and fly to Cairo via Aswan. Check in to your hotel and spend the remainder of the day at leisure. Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza | Meals: B

#### DAY 12: Cairo | Giza Plateau by Camel Back

This morning, visit the necropolis of Sakkara, site of the storied Step Pyramid of King Djoser and the oldest-known Egyptian pyramid. Then, join your expert A&K Egyptologist and discover the pyramids built for Cheops, Chephren and Mycerinus on the Giza Plateau. Ride Like a Local, by camelback, as you take in the panorama of the Giza Plateau backdropped by the soaring pyramids. Also see the fabled Great Sphinx, a monumental limestone statue. Tonight, toast to your travels with fellow guests at a farewell dinner. Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 13: Depart Cairo

Transfer to the airport and board your flight home. Meals: B

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#### **EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY**



**Israel Pre-Tour Group Extension** 4 days from \$3,595 | Available on select departures. Explore historic and biblical sites throughout Jerusalem and its Old City, including the Western Wall and the Church of

the Holy Sepulchre, and visit Bethlehem on the West Bank.

#### DATES & PRICING

#### INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



**'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau'** The first bespoke *dahabeah* built to international luxury standards.



Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza — *Travel* + *Leisure* World's Best hotel set on the Nile Corniche.



Kempinski Hotel Aqaba Red Sea Gracious beachfront hotel with sea-view rooms.



**Sofitel Legend Old Cataract Aswan** Riverfront Victorian palace with a spa.



Kempinski Hotel Ishtar Dead Sea *Travel* + *Leisure* World's Best hotel perched on the edge of the Dead Sea.



The St. Regis Amman Contemporary luxury hotel that blends heritage with sophistication.

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Deluxe Cabin	Napoleon Suite	Farouk Suite
Jan 7-19, Jan 21-Feb 2, Feb 4-16, Feb 11-23, Feb 18-Mar 2, Feb 25-Mar 9, Mar 4-16, Mar 11-23, Mar 18-30, Mar 25-Apr 6	\$12,495	\$13,495	\$14,495
Single Supplement	\$2,995	\$3,695	\$4,495
Apr 1-13, Apr 8-20	\$13,395	\$14,395	\$15,395
Single Supplement	\$3,395	\$4,095	\$4,895
Apr 15–27, Apr 22–May 4	\$12,495	\$13,495	\$14,495
Single Supplement	\$2,995	\$3,695	\$4,495
	\$12,295	\$13,295	\$14,295
Single Supplement	\$2,895	\$3,595	\$4,395
	\$12,695	\$13,695	\$14,695
Single Supplement	\$3,195	\$3,895	\$4,695
Dec 16-28, Dec 23-Jan 4, 2024	\$13,395	\$14,395	\$15,395
Single Supplement	\$3,395	\$4,095	\$4,895

#### Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,420

Amman/Cairo/Luxor; Aswan/Abu Simbel/Aswan/Cairo

#### Journey Details

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#### Book Your Journey Today

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#### LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Splendors of Morocco

12 days from \$8,495 | Limited to 18 guests

**Essaouira** 4-day Post-Tour Extension from \$2,295

Discover exotic Morocco, from the timeless walled city of Fez to the bustling medina in Marrakech, viewing local Berber life in the ruggedly beautiful High Atlas Mountains and staying at A&K's Exclusive Desert Tented Camp nestled among the towering dunes of the Sahara.

#### A&K ADVANTAGES

- Venture into the Sahara by 4x4 and camelback for an unforgettable overnight stay at A&K's Exclusive Desert Tented Camp that includes dinner and live Moroccan music
- Explore Fez el-Bali, Morocco's cultural heart, on a guided walk through its winding alleyways and past its myriad souks
- Share lively conversation with a female professor over dinner and freely discuss the role of women in modern Morocco
- Tread the ancient Roman paths of Volubilis, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, to marvel at soaring arches and vivid, well-preserved 2,000-year-old mosaics
- Discover Marrakech at its most authentic, taking in the sights, sounds and scents of its UNESCO-listed medina
- Visit local artisans whose works still reflect the influences of Morocco's historic Roman, Moorish and Berber cultures

#### DAY 1: Arrive Casablanca, Morocco

Arrive in Casablanca and transfer to your luxurious accommodations, designed with contemporary styling and traditional Moroccan accents. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure in this exotic setting, the inspiration for the eponymous 1942 Humphrey Bogart film. Four Seasons Hotel Casablanca

DAY 2: **Rabat & Fez** | Ancient Traditions, Rich Heritage Begin the day in the port city of Casablanca, Morocco's largest metropolis and its commercial hub. Visit the stunning Hassan II Mosque, which accommodates up to 25,000 worshipers; its minaret stands as the tallest religious structure in the world. Then, travel to the Moorish city of Rabat, capital of Morocco, to visit the Mohammed V



Mausoleum, dedicated to the founder of modern Morocco, grandfather of the current king. View the Mauresque-style Hassan Tower and Oudaya Kasbah, along with its palmdotted Andalusian garden. Continue to Fez for a special cocktail reception. Then, sit down to a welcome dinner, joined by a female professor who shares her insights on the role of women in modern Morocco, an A&K-exclusive experience. Palais Faraj Suites & Spa | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 3: Fez | Timeless Medieval City

Explore Fez el-Bali (Old Fez), the cultural heart of Morocco. Founded in the eighth century by Moulay Idris I, this imperial capital was a renowned center of medieval learning. Stroll the old quarter, with its 9,000 narrow lanes, alleys and souks, on a market visit of exceeding authenticity. Watching local craftsmen in action — working with bronze and pottery — makes for an engaging artisan visit as well. Proceed to the intricately detailed Karaouine. Built in 859 AD, it is one of the oldest still-functioning universities in the world. You also visit Nejjarine Square before continuing to Fez el-Jadid (New Fez), where you see the Royal Palace, *madrasas* (Islamic schools) and *mellah* (Jewish quarter). Palais Faraj Suites & Spa | Meals: B L

DAY 4: Volubilis | Roman Ruins & Lunch at a Vineyard Journey overland to explore Volubilis, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that is home to some of the best-preserved Roman ruins in North Africa. With its triumphal arches, basilicas and capitals, the Volubilis skyline brims with iconic examples of Roman architecture. Among its greatest treasures, however, are the mosaic floors of former family dwellings, which include depictions of Orpheus charming



animals with his lyre, nine dolphins signifying good luck and a portrait of Amphitrite in a seahorse-drawn chariot. Proceed to a winery outside Meknes for a Chef's Table experience at an on-site restaurant set among the region's sunbathed vineyards and olive groves. Return to Fez, with your evening at leisure. Palais Faraj Suites & Spa | Meals: B L

#### DAY 5: Erfoud | Desert Oasis

Travel to small, desert-fringed Erfoud, pausing for lunch en route and marveling at everyday life as you pass Berber villages, endless date palm plantations and the majestic Atlas Mountains. After the day's scenic drive, settle into your hotel before gathering for dinner this evening. Tonight's meal is prepared with locally sourced, organic ingredients. L'Hotel by Chateau de Sable | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 6: The Sahara | Into the Desert Dunes

This morning, discover the fortified desert town of Rissani. Continue into the desert dunes of the Sahara, at first by fourwheel-drive vehicle, amid stunning reddish-hued sand dunes that reach up to 500 feet high, creating an otherworldly landscape. Then, switch modes of transport and Ride Like





a Local, camelback, to your nomadic tented camp, where a reception with mint tea and pastries awaits you. As the sun sets over the Saharan dunes, celebrate your unforgettable desert foray with a Scenic Sundowner. Return to your camp for a traditional meal before a campfire, along with distinctively Moroccan entertainment. Then, slumber in comfort as the sounds of the desert lull you to sleep. A&K Exclusive Desert Tented Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: **Ouarzazate** | Road of a Thousand Kasbahs Journey overland to Ouarzazate, once a stopping point for African traders travelling to the cities of Morocco and Europe. En route, absorb stunning views of the High Atlas Mountains' southern slopes, intersecting the Dades Valley's flourishing crops, irrigation canals and palm trees. Travel along the "Road of a Thousand Kasbahs" to Ouarzazate and your delightful oasis of a hotel. Le Berbère Palace | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 8: Ouarzazate | Door of the Desert

Begin the day in Ouarzazate, a city originally built as a French garrison in the 1920s. Today, it is a regional trade center, known for its pottery and carpets. See the Kasbah of Tifoultoute, a majestic 17th-century fortress featuring a panoramic view of the valley of Ouarzazate and the scenic High Atlas Mountains. Continue to Ait Benhaddou, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and home of the region's most exotic kasbahs, some of which have been featured in famous films, including *Lawrence of Arabia* and *Gladiator*. Le Berbère Palace | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: **Ouarzazate** | Crossing the High Atlas Mountains Journey over the High Atlas Mountains, observing everyday life in remote rural towns, to the fascinating "Red City" of Marrakech, where you check in to your luxurious hotel. Four Seasons Resort Marrakech | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 10: Marrakech | Exploring the Red City

Today, begin to unearth the secrets of Marrakech, starting in the medina, the old walled section of town that is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Marvel at its architectural jewels, including the soaring Koutoubia Minaret. Then visit Dar Si Said Museum, originally built as a palace in the 19th century. Afterward, visit Djemaa el-Fna, Marrakech's main square, which is filled with orange juice stalls and vendors, along with acrobats, dancers and street musicians performing at every turn. You may also wish to stroll the city's fabled, labyrinthine souks. Four Seasons Resort Marrakech | Meals: B L

#### DAY 11: Marrakech | Design Your Day

Begin your day at Jardin Majorelle, a picturesque garden created by French painter Jacques Majorelle and later restored by design legend Yves Saint-Laurent. Stop at the Yves Saint Laurent Museum nearby for an up-close look at some of the famed designer's creations. This afternoon, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Learn to Cook with Moroccan Spices with a cooking demonstration and tasting.
- Explore the Souks of Marrakech with an expert guide, walking narrow streets lined with centuries-old shops.
- Enjoy a Guided Walk of the Jewish Quarter, once a thriving center of religious freedom and tolerance.

Tonight, attend a special farewell dinner with entertainment by a local *gnaoua* band.

Four Seasons Resort Marrakech | Meals: B D



#### DAY 12: Depart Marrakech

Transfer to the Marrakech airport and board your international flight home, or join an Essaouira Post-Tour Extension. Meals: B

#### **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

This itinerary is available as a private journey, **Signature** Morocco. Priced from \$9,595. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.

#### **EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY**



#### **Essaouira Post-Tour Group Extension**

4 days from \$2,295 | Available on select departures. Journey overland from Marrakech to explore the town of Essaouira, seeing its medina (old town) filled with artisan workshops and boutiques, and drive the dramatic coastline past stunning cliffs and ocean waves to Casablanca.

#### INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



**A&K Exclusive Desert Tented** with en suite facilities.

Four Seasons Resort Marrakech Camp — A nomad-style desert camp Travel + Leisure World's Best hotel in a beautiful Moorish garden setting.

L'Hotel by Chateau de Sable

An oasis in the middle of the desert

with a refreshing swimming pool.



Four Seasons Hotel Casablanca Travel + Leisure World's Best hotel with traditional Moroccan accents.



Palais Faraj Suites & Spa

Boutique hotel set in a former palace featuring Arab-Andalusian design.

Le Berbère Palace Spacious, luxurious desert oasis built with flair in the Moroccan style.

#### DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jan 14-25, Jan 21-Feb 1, Jan 24-Feb 4	\$8,495	\$3,095
Feb 4-15, Feb 7-18, Feb 18-Mar 1, Feb 25-Mar 8	\$9,495	\$3,295
Feb 28-Mar 11, Mar 11-22, Mar 14-25, Mar 22-Apr 2*	\$9,795	\$3,495
Mar 25-Apr 5, Mar 28-Apr 8, Apr 5-16,* Apr 12-23*	\$10,795	\$4,595
Apr 15-26, Apr 18-29, Apr 22-May 3, Apr 25-May 6, Apr 29-May 10, May 2-13, May 6-17, May 9-20, May 13-24, May 20-31, May 27-Jun 7, Jun 3-14, Aug 26-Sep 6, Sep 2-13, Sep 5-16, Sep 9-20, Sep 12-23, Sep 16-27, Sep 19-30, Sep 23-Oct 4, Sep 26-Oct 7, Sep 30-Oct 11, Oct 7-18, Oct 14-25, Oct 22-Nov 2,** Oct 31-Nov 11, Nov 4-15	\$9,795	\$3,495
Nov 14-25, Nov 25-Dec 6, Nov 28-Dec 9, Dec 9-20	\$9,495	\$3,295
Dec 16-27	\$10,795	\$4,595
*Sightseeing on Days 3-4 in Fez is reversed. **Sightseeing on Days 10-11 in Marrakech is revers	sed.	

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements.

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:15 p.m. on Day 1.

Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 11.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

Long drives should be expected on this itinerary. This is the only way to experience the magical scenery that this exotic country has to offer.

#### Book Your Journey Today

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#### LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Jordan & Israel: Ancient Wonders

14 days from \$10,995 | Limited to 18 guests

Journey through two ancient lands, encountering historic sites sacred to three world faiths as you behold magnificent Petra, overnight in Wadi Rum and discover Israel, from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv.

#### 🗸 A&K ADVANTAGES

- Explore Petra, the ancient desert city in Jordan that was carved into solid rock, viewing its famed Treasury and learning its myriad secrets
- Overnight in Jordan's Wadi Rum, dining Bedouin-style amid red sands and towering rock formations and sleeping beneath the sparkling desert sky
- Relax in the buoyant, restorative waters of the mineral-rich Dead Sea
- Experience the contrasts of ancient and modern Israel as you explore the Old City of Jerusalem, where people of three faiths live side by side within ancient walls, in a setting steeped in history
- Learn about modern local life from a Christian family during an A&K-exclusive private lunch at their home in Bethlehem
- Discover additional UNESCO World Heritage Sites, including Bethany Beyond the Jordan, Masada and Acre

#### DAY 1: Arrive Amman, Jordan

Arrive in Amman, transfer to your hotel and enjoy the rest of your day at leisure. Four Seasons Hotel Amman

DAY 2: Amman & Jerash | Ancient Roman Streets Today begins with a visit to Jerash, a city founded by Alexander the Great, to marvel at its Greco-Roman ruins. Walk the Roman *cardo*, viewing grooves made by chariot wheels. Return to Amman and, after lunch at a local restaurant, explore the city and its Citadel and Roman Theater. Tonight, gather for a festive welcome dinner. Four Seasons Hotel Amman | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: Mount Nebo/Madaba | Design Your Day This morning, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.



- Set Out on a Walking Tour of Amman to experience this fascinating, modern capital city from ground level.
- Visit the Royal Automobile Museum, home to King Hussein's personal collection of cars and motorcycles.
- **Relax in the Four Seasons Spa**, indulging in the spa facilities and a 50-minute massage.

After lunch, journey to Mount Nebo, in the footsteps of Moses, for expansive views of the Holy Land. Proceed to Madaba, known as the "City of Mosaics" for its spectacular Byzantine and Umayyad examples. Finish the day with check-in at your hotel in close proximity to Petra. **Mövenpick Resort Petra** | Meals: B L

DAY 4: **Petra** | From the Rose-Red City to Wadi Rum Spend a full day exploring Petra, passing through the Siq to view the majestic Treasury, the Temple of the Winged Lions and the Palace Tomb. Once a rich merchant city and a stop for camel caravans bringing spices, silk and slaves from Arabia to the Mediterranean, Petra was lost for 1,000 years, emerging from antiquity in 1812 when it was rediscovered by the Swiss explorer Johann Ludwig Burckhardt. Later, depart for Wadi Rum — the Valley of the Moon — which, with its immense size, color and awe-inspiring shapes, creates an almost supernatural atmosphere. Tonight, experience a Bedouin dinner and stargazing at your comfortable desert camp. Palmera Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: Wadi Rum | Across the Valley of the Moon This morning, venture into the rose-tinted mountains and marvelous desert vistas where T.E. Lawrence (Lawrence of Arabia) lived with his Bedouin friends and allies during



World War I. Bedouin camps are evident in the *wadi* (valley), which is still home to a number of Bedouin families. Traverse Wadi Rum by four-wheel-drive vehicle, and then Ride Like a Local, on camel back, to take in the stunning landscape in an unforgettable way. This afternoon, travel north to the Dead Sea and settle into your accommodations upon arrival. Kempinski Hotel Ishtar Dead Sea | Meals: B L

DAY 6: **The Dead Sea** | Bethany Beyond the Jordan Today, visit Bethany Beyond the Jordan, known as the place of Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist. This UNESCO World Heritage Site features Roman and Byzantine remains and is a place of pilgrimage for many. Return to your resort hotel for time at leisure and a float in the buoyant, mineral-rich waters of the Dead Sea. Kempinski Hotel Ishtar Dead Sea | Meals: B

DAY 7: **Jerusalem, Israel** | The Garden of Gethsemane Cross into Israel and drive to the Mount of Olives for a view over the Temple Mount (Al Haram el-Sharif). Visit the Garden of Gethsemane, where Jesus is said to have prayed with his disciples before his crucifixion. Stroll Machane Yehuda, Jerusalem's largest food market, which takes up





an entire neighborhood between Yafo and Agripas. Enjoy lunch and experience the market's vibrant energy. After a full day, check in and later, dine at your hotel's restaurant. The King David | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 8: Jerusalem | Epicenter of Faiths

Join your expert local guide for a full day's exploration of the Old City, first stopping at the Western Wall, one of Judaism's most sacred sites. View the Temple Mount area with its Dome of the Rock. After lunch at a local café, walk along the Via Dolorosa, where Jesus carried the cross, arriving at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, traditional site of Jesus' crucifixion, burial and resurrection. Later, visit the Israel Museum's Shrine of the Book to view a portion of the Dead Sea Scrolls and see the Second Temple Model. As your day ends, view the city's skyline with a Scenic Sundowner. The King David | Meals: B L

"Fabulous! I learned so much – and how much I don't know – about the wonderful mix of people who live here."

- Susan; Seattle, WA

DAY 9: **Bethlehem** | Yad Vashem & Lunch in a Family Home Visit Yad Vashem, Israel's memorial to Holocaust victims and witness how its striking art and architecture frame compelling exhibits devoted to remembrance, research and education. Drive to Bethlehem, located in the West Bank, for a lunch served in the home of a local family, providing a unique opportunity to engage in authentic cultural interaction, on an A&K-exclusive Chef's Table experience. Then, visit the Church of the Nativity, a sixth-century basilica that stands over a cave held to be the birthplace of Jesus. Dine tonight at a top restaurant in Jerusalem. The King David | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 10: Masada | Zealot Stronghold

Explore Masada, built by King Herod in 31 BC atop a rocky plateau with views of the Dead Sea. Take a cable car up to this final stronghold, where Jewish Zealots made their last stand against the Romans, ultimately taking their own lives rather than becoming enslaved. Return to Jerusalem for lunch and an afternoon at leisure. The King David | Meals: B L

DAY 11: Acre & Nazareth | Jesus' Boyhood Town Drive to Acre, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the world's oldest ports, to see the Crusader Halls, markets and the old town. Then, journey to Jesus' boyhood town of Nazareth. After lunch, visit the Church of the Annunciation, built on the traditional site of Mary and Joseph's home. Continue to Tiberias and your hotel, which occupies a historic building along the Sea of Galilee. Prior to dinner, experience an artisanal wine talk and tasting organized by a professional sommelier. Scots Hotel | Meals: B L D

DAY 12: Sea of Galilee | In the Footsteps of Jesus Embark on a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee. View the Mount of Beatitudes, site of the Sermon on the Mount, and stop at Capernaum to see the remains of the ancient synagogue where Jesus taught as well as St. Peter's house, which was later converted into a church. After lunch, drive to the



Golan Heights to learn about the rich history and strategic importance of this rugged landscape. A source of the Jordan River, it was home to the Tribe of Dan and has remains dating to the Roman, Hellenistic and Persian periods. Gather tonight for a memorable farewell dinner. Scots Hotel | Meals: B L D

#### DAYS13-14: Tel Aviv & Jaffa | Artist Quarter

Visit Caesarea, built to honor Augustus Caesar and later occupied by the Crusaders. Discover Israel's largest city, Tel Aviv. Located along a beautiful stretch of beach on the Mediterranean, Tel Aviv is Israel's commercial center — a busy metropolis that inspires visitors with a unique and energetic atmosphere. Set out on a walking tour of Jaffa, an ancient port town that has become a noted artists' colony, located just south of Tel Aviv. The next day, transfer to the Tel Aviv airport for your departing flight. Dan Tel Aviv Hotel | Meals: B L (Day 13), B (Day 14)

#### TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K

This itinerary is available as a private journey, **Signature Jordan & Israel**. Priced from \$14,995. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.

#### INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Historic Jerusalem property, a *Travel* + *Leisure* World's Best hotel, with rooms overlooking the Old City, spacious gardens and an outdoor swimming pool.



Scots Hotel Stay in a luxurious room at this unique, historic hotel.



Four Seasons Hotel Amman *Travel* + *Leisure* World's Best hotel set in the heart of Jordan's capital city.



Mövenpick Resort Petra Ideally located just steps from the entrance to Petra.



Dan Tel Aviv Hotel Relaxing accommodations near the beach, shopping and dining.

Kempinski Hotel Ishtar Dead Sea Travel + Leisure World's Best hotel perched on the edge of the Dead Sea.



Palmera Camp Comfortable Martian Domes offering scenic mountain views.

#### DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jan 25-Feb 7, Feb 1-14, Feb 8-21,	\$10,995	\$4,595
Feb 15-28, Feb 22-Mar 7, Mar 1-14,		
Mar 8-21, Mar 15-28, Mar 22-Apr 4,		
Apr 26-May 9, May 3-16, May 10-23,		
Jun 7-20, Aug 30-Sep 12, Oct 4-17,		
Oct 11-24, Oct 18-31, Oct 25-Nov 7,		
Nov 1-14, Nov 8-21, Nov 15-28,		
Nov 22-Dec 5, Nov 29-Dec 12, Dec 6-19	,	
Dec 13-26, Dec 20-Jan 2, 2024;		
Dec 27-Jan 9, 2024		

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:30 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: arrival in Tel Aviv at 5:30 p.m. on Day 13. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

#### Book Your Journey Today

Contact A&K or go online for up-to-date information on dates, pricing, extensions and special offers.

#### LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Israel: Crossroads of History

9 days from \$7,695 | Limited to 18 guests

Discover a land held sacred by three faiths, visiting places where events recorded in the Bible unfolded, from Jerusalem to Nazareth, on a comprehensive journey that reveals the complex history of the land, its people and sacred sites.

#### A&K ADVANTAGES

- Walk the bustling streets of the Old City of Jerusalem, where people of diverse faiths live side by side
- Explore at a relaxed pace, with four days in Jerusalem, visiting the Western Wall, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre and the Via Dolorosa, and personalizing your experience
- Visit Yad Vashem, with its stunning architecture, Israel's memorial to the victims of the Holocaust
- Cruise on the Sea of Galilee, visit Capernaum and view the site of the Sermon on the Mount
- Learn about local life from a Christian family during an A&K-exclusive private lunch at their home in Bethlehem
- Delve into the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Masada, the last stronghold of the Jewish Zealots

#### DAY 1: Arrive Tel Aviv, Israel

Arrive in Tel Aviv, where you are met and transferred to your hotel overlooking the Mediterranean Sea. Dan Tel Aviv Hotel

#### DAY 2: Caesarea & Acre | Capitals & Seaports

Drive to the ancient Roman capital, Caesarea, where Herod laid out a city and constructed a revolutionary, artificial harbor. View a partial inscription mentioning Pontius Pilate, the only secular reference to his existence. Then, visit the UNESCO-listed seaport city of Acre to tour the Knights' Halls, view the El Jazaar Mosque and explore the elaborate covered markets. Gather for a Chef's Table welcome dinner and savor a menu created to highlight Israel's vibrant culinary scene. Scots Hotel | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: **Sea of Galilee** | In the Footsteps of Jesus Begin a day that carries you back in history to the time of Jesus. Cruise the Sea of Galilee and view Tabgha, where the miracle of



the loaves and fishes is said to have occurred, and the Mount of Beatitudes, site of the Sermon on the Mount. Continue to Capernaum, home of St. Peter and the synagogue where Jesus taught. Drive to Banias, a source of the Jordan River where archaeological remains dating back millennia have been discovered. Cap off the day with a sommelier-hosted Israeli wine tasting in the hotel's wine cellar. Scots Hotel | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 4: Nazareth | Sites of the New Testament

Today, discover Nazareth, boyhood home of Jesus, to see the Basilica of the Annunciation and an area below the Church of St. Joseph, thought by some to be the site of Joseph's carpentry shop. Traverse the Jordan Valley to the Decapolis city of Beit Shean. Later, arrive in Jerusalem. The King David | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 5: Jerusalem | Spiritual Epicenter

Begin today at the Mount of Olives for a view of the city, and visit the Garden of Gethsemane, where Jesus prayed with his disciples. Then, explore the fascinating Old City of Jerusalem, built by King David in 1004 BC, and pause at the Western Wall, one of Judaism's most sacred sites. Also view the Temple Mount (Al Haram el-Sharif), with its Dome of the Rock. In the Christian Quarter, walk along the Via Dolorosa, a route walked by Pilgrims for hundreds of years. Your day culminates at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, traditional site of Jesus' crucifixion, burial and resurrection. The King David | Meals: B L

DAY 6: **Jerusalem** | Yad Vashem & Private Family Lunch Visit Yad Vashem, Israel's poignant and moving memorial to Holocaust victims. Continue to the Israel Museum, which houses a portion of the Dead Sea Scrolls and the impressive Second Temple Model. Drive to Bethlehem, located in the West Bank, for an A&K-exclusive private lunch with a local



Christian family in their home, and enter the Church of the Nativity, built upon the birthplace of Jesus. Conclude your day with a Scenic Sundowner that offers inspirational views of the Old City. The King David | Meals: B L

#### DAY 7: Masada | Zealot Stronghold

Ride Like a Local by cable car up to Masada, last stronghold of the Jewish Zealots who held out for three years against the Romans. Float in the Dead Sea before returning to Jerusalem for a special farewell dinner. The King David | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 8: Jerusalem | Design Your Day

If you wish, enjoy an early morning walk of the Temple Mount. Stop for lunch at the Machane Yehuda Market. This afternoon, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Explore the Historic Jewish Quarter for site visits of the stunning new discoveries excavated at the City of David.
- See More of the Christian Quarter, with the opportunity to view the tomb within the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.
- Revisit the Old City to see the Tower of David and wander myriad alleyways, home to local merchants for centuries.

Afterward, return to your hotel. The King David | Meals: B L

#### DAY 9: Depart Tel Aviv

Transfer to Ben Gurion Airport for your flight home.

#### TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K

This itinerary is available as a private journey, **Signature Israel**. Priced from \$8,695. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.

#### INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### The King David

*Travel* + *Leisure* World's Best hotel overlooking the Old City, with spacious gardens and an outdoor pool.





Scots Hotel One-of-a-kind, historic hotel on the shore of the Sea of Galilee. Dan Tel Aviv Hotel Relaxing accommodations near the beach, shopping and dining.

#### DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Feb 12-20, Feb 26-Mar 6, Mar 12-20, Mar 19-27, Mar 26-Apr 3, Apr 30-May 8	\$7,695	\$3,695
May 7-15, May 14-22	\$7,995	\$3,995
Aug 27-Sep 4, Sep 3-11, Oct 8-16	\$7,695	\$3,695
Oct 15-23, Oct 22-30	\$7,995	\$3,995
Oct 29-Nov 6, Nov 5-13, Nov 12-20, Nov 19-27, Nov 26-Dec 4, Dec 3-11	\$7,695	\$3,695
Dec 10-18	\$7,995	\$3,995

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Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements.

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:30 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: end of sightseeing at 5:15 p.m. on Day 8

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

#### Book Your Journey Today

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#### NEW! JOURNEY BY PRIVATE AIR

WINGS OVER THE WORLD JOURNEYS

## Wings Over Australia

13 days from \$39,995 | Limited to 18 guests

On a luxurious journey that spans Australia by private air, from the diverse landscapes of Tasmania to Melbourne's famed winelands and Sydney's eclectic treasures, encounter rare wildlife, view mystical Uluru at sunrise and sunset, privately explore the Great Barrier Reef and cruise iconic Sydney Harbour.

#### A&K ADVANTAGES

- Discover the advantages of private air, flying in comfort between destinations aboard an exclusively chartered aircraft with a dedicated flight crew
- Venture to the island state of Tasmania, where you take in the offbeat art at MONA, get up close to magnificent raptors on an A&K-exclusive experience and meet the endangered Tasmanian devil
- Experience the Great Barrier Reef on a full-day private cruise that also visits renowned Whitehaven Beach
- Enjoy three nights at award-winning Saffire Freycinet, a sophisticated coastal sanctuary in the wilds of Tasmania, and relax on a luxurious two-night stay at Longitude 131° – a five-star tented eco-camp with views of majestic Uluru
- Take in the best of Sydney, embarking on private cruise of Sydney Harbour on a super yacht followed by a private behind-the-scenes visit to the Sydney Opera House

#### DAY 1: Arrive Melbourne, Australia

Arrive in Melbourne, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Explore Melbourne's landmarks before gathering with your fellow guests for a welcome dinner. Park Hyatt Melbourne | Meals: D

#### DAY 2: Melbourne | Yarra Valley Winelands

Set out for the renowned Yarra Valley, stopping at a winery for behind-the-scenes access to the winemaking team. Then, sit down to a private paired-wine master class with canapés, followed by lunch with matched wines introduced by a sommelier. Next, visit another winery, where you delight in an exclusive barrel-room tasting at their vineyard. Park Hyatt Melbourne | Meals: B L



DAY 3: **Tasmania** | MONA & Exclusive Raptor Refuge Visit This morning, fly by privately chartered aircraft to Hobart, the capital of Tasmania. Upon arrival, transfer to Raptor Refuge for an A&K-exclusive insider access experience with the refuge owner. Visit its aviaries and observe wedge-tailed eagles, falcons and owls up close. Later, head to the Museum of Old and New Art (MONA) to view its striking exhibits and savor lunch with paired wine at its restaurant. Drive up Tasmania's dazzling east coast to your luxury boutique lodge located on the Freycinet Peninsula. Tonight, enjoy dinner and drinks at Palate Restaurant while gazing out at the wide expanses of Great Oyster Bay. Saffire Freycinet | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: **Tasmania** | Tasmanian Devils & Oyster Farm Join a local guide at your lodge's open-range Tasmanian devil enclosure for a rare encounter with the world's largest carnivorous marsupial, and learn about the a conservation work being done to save it. Following lunch, visit Freycinet Marine Farm, where you wade waist-deep into the ocean to feast on their freshly shucked, award-winning oysters, sparkling wine in hand, on a memorable Chef's Table experience. Listen as your guides explain this important wetland and the life cycle of the oysters. Saffire Freycinet | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: Tasmania | Design Your Day This morning, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- ▶ Walk with a Guide to the Wineglass Bay Lookout to view its white-sand beaches and diverse flora and fauna.
- Learn the Art of Beekeeping from a horticulturalist and take a hand in extracting honeycomb from the hive.

#### PRIVATE CHARTER AIR INCLUDED

Fly directly between key destinations on flights exclusive to A&K.

#### Aircraft

Fokker 70 VIP or comparable Aircraft and seating configuration subject to change.

#### **Flight Details**

Melbourne-Hobart (1 hr 15 min) Hobart-Uluru (3 hr 30 min) Uluru-Hamilton Island (2 hr 45 min) Hamilton Island-Sydney (2 hr 30 min)



Stroll the sparkling sands of incomparable Whitehaven Beach

Kayak Pelican Bay for Outstanding Bird-Watching, paddling crystal-clear waters with an expert guide.

After lunch back at the lodge, the remainder of the day is at leisure. Saffire Freycinet | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: **Uluru** | The Undeniable Presence of Uluru Fly by private charter aircraft to Uluru (Ayers Rock) and transfer to your luxury tented camp overlooking the UNESCO-listed wilderness of Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. This afternoon, with chilled glass in hand, witness the changing light reflected on Uluru for an unforgettable Scenic Sundowner. Tonight, enjoy exclusive dining among the dunes, set to the sounds of an ancient indigenous culture, and feast on four delicious courses complemented with premium Australian wines. Later, view the Southerly stars with your camp's astronomer. Longitude 131° | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 7: Uluru | Sunrise Over the Olgas

Rise early and set out for Kata Tjuta (the Olgas), stopping to view sunrise over its majestic domes. In the company of your guide, walk through Walpa Gorge and learn how eons of weathering and continental upheaval have shaped





## Tasmania Adds a New Twist to Classic Aussie Adventure

Dangled about 180 miles off the southeast corner of Australia, the island state of Tasmania is an under-discovered jewel. It boasts amazingly diverse landscapes, many of which reside in protected national parks and reserves, including dense rainforests, soaring mountains and rugged coastlines broken by long stretches of white-sand beach.

Tasmania also features its own share of unusual wildlife, most famously the Tasmanian devil, a fierce carnivorous marsupial endemic to the island. Guests on Wings Over Australia enjoy the rare opportunity to observe Tasmanian devils in a recreated habitat during a three-night stay at amazing Saffire Freycinet, a resort set on the island's east coast featuring luxurious suites that offer privacy and easy access to a nearby estuary.

Other accommodations on this wide-ranging adventure echo that same combination of contemporary luxury in a distant setting include Longitude 131° overlooking Uluru in the timeless Outback and InterContinental Hayman Island Resort, which places you squarely in the heart of the magnificent Great Barrier Reef.

Linking remote locales — including surprising Tasmania — with must-see cities like Melbourne and Sydney is the hallmark of a Wings Over the World journey: unique, immersive and unforgettable.



today's stark landscapes. This afternoon, return to Uluru and traverse the Mala Walk, pausing to view cave paintings and sources of bush tucker. Later, see the walls of Kantju Gorge ablaze with the light of the setting sun as you sip sparkling wine and nibble on canapés, savoring the solitude of the gorge as the daylight fades. Longitude 131° | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 8: Uluru | Hayman Island

Early this morning, discover peaceful Mutitjulu Waterhole and the sacred site of Kuniya Piti as the sun lights up ancient Uluru. Walk with your guide, who shares the Anangu creation story of Kuniya and Liru, for a deeper perspective on the striking monolith. After breakfast, board a private charter flight to Hamilton Island, and then Ride Like a Local, embarking by launch to Hayman Island, where your idyllic resort awaits — nestled in the heart of the Great Barrier Reef. InterContinental Hayman Island Resort | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: **Hayman Island** | Exploring the Great Barrier Reef Experience a full day in the Great Barrier Reef on your stylish private vessel. Snorkel the local fringing reefs, observing the riot of color and movement provided by local denizens in the crystal-clear waters. After lunch, visit Whitehaven Beach, located in the heart of the reef. Discover for yourself why this unspoiled shoreline strand is widely considered one of the most beautiful beaches in the world. InterContinental Hayman Island Resort | Meals: B L

DAY 10: Hayman Island | A Day at Leisure Enjoy a day at your leisure, relaxing or choosing from included activities, such as a guided nature walk, fish feeding and kayaking. InterContinental Hayman Island Resort | Meals: B

DAY 11: **Sydney** | The Spectacular Harbour City Early this morning, fly to Sydney by privately chartered aircraft, enjoying a city tour on arrival. Sink your toes in the sand at the surfer's paradise of Bondi Beach and stroll the boutique shops of Paddington, a neighborhood filled with Victorian and Georgian architecture. Transfer to your luxury hotel perfectly set near Sydney Harbour. Four Seasons Hotel Sydney | Meals: B L

DAY 12: **Sydney** | Harbour Cruise & Opera House Visit This morning, embark on a privately chartered luxury yacht to cruise scenic Sydney Harbour, admiring landmarks, including the Sydney Harbour Bridge and the Sydney Opera Houses. Back on shore, stop for lunch at a local restaurant, and then commence your guided behind-the-scenes visit to the magnificent Sydney Opera House. Following some time at leisure in the afternoon, gather for your farewell dinner. Four Seasons Hotel Sydney | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 13: Depart Sydney

After breakfast, transfer to the airport and depart. Meals: B

#### TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K

Customize this itinerary and create the perfect private **Luxury Tailor Made Journey** just for you. Contact A&K for more details.

#### INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Saffire Freycinet Award-winning luxury coastal sanctuary on Tasmania's East Coast.



Longitude 131° Eco-friendly luxury tented camp overlooking UNESCO-listed Uluru.



**InterContinental Hayman** Luxury island resort located in the heart of the Great Barrier Reef.





Four Seasons Hotel Sydney Contemporary luxury hotel with views of the Sydney Harbour.

**Park Hyatt Melbourne** Luxurious hotel ideally situated in the bustling heart of the city.

#### DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Oct 7-19, Nov 4-16, Feb 18-Mar 1, 2024; Mar 24-Apr 5, 2024	\$39,995	\$13,495

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements.

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 2:00 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 6:30 p.m. on Day 12.

#### Book Your Journey Today

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WINGS OVER THE WORLD JOURNEYS

## Wings Over New Zealand

11 days from \$39,995 | Limited to 18 guests

Discover the epic beauty of New Zealand on a fascinating luxury adventure that reveals cultural and natural splendors on both of its unique islands, enjoying amazing food and wine, encountering majestic wildlife and exploring far-flung locales made easily accessible by private chartered air.

#### A&K ADVANTAGES

- Fly in comfort between inspiring destinations throughout New Zealand aboard an exclusively chartered aircraft with a dedicated flight crew
- Privately sail around Auckland's Waitemata Harbour in a luxurious 60-foot catamaran, viewing the iconic skyline
- Indulge in a unique wine and art experience on Waiheke Island, visiting with a local artisan and tasting local wines and food specialties such as oysters, wild honey and olive oils
- Visit Hawke's Bay, site of New Zealand's Art Deco capital of Napier, to savor a wine tasting, view the world's largest mainland colony of gannets and enjoy a sheep-herding demonstration at a working farm
- Privately tour Larnach Castle and its famous gardens led by the current owner, who shares the stories of the castle along with the ideas behind her award-winning gardens, experiencing insider access exclusively for A&K guests
- Glide on a privately chartered wildlife cruise around the South Island's Otago Peninsula and Harbour to see a colony of northern royal albatross, the world's largest flying bird, along with many other wildlife species
- Lift off for a flight-seeing tour by helicopter over magnificent Milford Sound, and then land on a remote glacier to take in its icy marvels
- Customize your travel experience in Queenstown with a choice of Design Your Day options

#### DAY 1: Arrive Auckland, New Zealand

Arrive in Auckland, where you are met and transferred to your luxurious hotel, with your room ready for immediate check in. This afternoon, embark on a privately chartered sailing around Auckland's Waitemata Harbour aboard a



luxurious 60-foot catamaran, gliding under the Harbour Bridge, and viewing volcanic peaks and the impressive city skyline, while nibbling on canapés and savoring fine New Zealand wines. This evening, experience a warm Maori welcome and witness the haka, a fearsome ceremonial dance, followed by a welcome dinner. Park Hyatt Auckland | Meals: D

DAY 2: Auckland | Splendors of the Hauraki Gulf Board a privately chartered ferry as you Ride Like a Local to Waiheke Island. Once your arrive, set out on a guided walk of Connell's Bay Sculpture Garden led by its owners, viewing distinctive works scattered over rolling farmland, while basking in views of the Hauraki Gulf. Sit down to a three-course lunch with wine before an afternoon visit to an award-winning olive oil mill, followed by visits to boutique vineyards each offering a range of gourmet tastes to accompany their wines. Treats may include oysters from Te Matuku Bay, wild honey, artisan cheeses and the renowned local green herb spread. Return to Auckland for an evening at leisure. Park Hyatt Auckland | Meals: B L



Experience an authentic cultural interaction with members of the Maori community in Auckland, who treat you to warm welcome highlighted by the thrilling ceremonial *haka* dance.

DAY 3: Hawke's Bay | Architecture & Private Wine Tastings Fly by privately chartered air to Napier, located in the Hawke's Bay region of New Zealand's North Island. Once there, set out on a city tour that includes a meeting with

#### **PRIVATE CHARTER AIR INCLUDED**

Fly directly between key destinations on flights exclusive to A&K.

#### Aircraft

Fokker 70 VIP or comparable Aircraft and seating configuration subject to change.

#### **Flight Details**

Auckland-Hawke's Bay (1 hr 15 min) Hawke's Bay-Dunedin (1 hr 40 min) Dunedin-Queenstown (1 hr 10 min)



Sail Waitemata Harbor, sipping wine on a private charter

a local artist and time enjoyed wandering among Napier's collection of Art Deco buildings. Continue to a spectacular family-owned winery for a private wine tasting, followed by lunch. Then, visit another local vineyard for a private tasting. Proceed to your luxury lodge set atop rugged cliffs above the sea. Tonight, gather for a refreshing Scenic Sundowner, followed by dinner. The Farm at Cape Kidnappers | Meals: B L D

DAYS 4-5: Hawke's Bay | Getting Up Close to the Gannets Set out on a privately guided tour of the largest mainland colony of gannets in the world, to watch up to 25,000 of these

fascinating sea birds. After lunch, take in a sheep-herding demonstration at your lodge. Join the shepherd as his impeccably trained dogs muster sheep, and witness a sheep being sheared. This evening, savor a Chef's Table experience that utilizes produce grown in your lodge's gardens and specialties from local food artisans. The next day is at your leisure to relax or, for an additional cost, partake of activities available on site. The Farm at Cape Kidnappers | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: Dunedin | Exclusive Castle Garden Visit Board your privately chartered flight for Dunedin on the





# The Maori: Enduring Heart of New Zealand's Culture

Paddling their *wakas* (dugout canoes) over vast expanses of the South Pacific, navigating by the stars from Samoa, Tahiti and other islands in Eastern Polynesia, the ancestors of the Maori people reached New Zealand sometime between 1200 and 1300, becoming its first known human inhabitants.

The Maori were expert hunters, gatherers and growers who wove fishing nets from *harakeke* (flax), and carved fishhooks from bone and stone. They hunted native birds, including the now extinct moa, using ingenious traps and snares, and cultivated land, introducing vegetables such as the sweet potato.

Today, Maori culture remains an integral part of life in New Zealand, influencing its cuisine and customs, while their traditional language, te reo Maori, is still spoken by a small but vital part of the population.

Wings Over the World guests encounter examples of Maori culture as they explore spectacular New Zealand, flying in style by private charter between key destinations on its two main islands.

Book this journey to meet the Maori in the most authentic way, taking part in a traditional welcome ceremony in Auckland that puts you up close to their fierce ceremonial war dance, the *haka*.


South Island. On arrival, transfer to Larnach Castle, the only castle in New Zealand, on the picturesque Otago Peninsula. Upon arrival, meet with Margaret Barker, who purchased the estate with her husband in 1967 and lovingly restored it from a near ruin. Join her to privately explore the castle and its award-winning gardens as she shares the stories of their design. Then, enjoy lunch in the Garden Marquee, before proceeding to your luxurious hotel. Fable Dunedin | Meals: B L

DAY 7: **Dunedin** | The Amazing Wildlife of Otago Peninsula Privately explore the Otago Peninsula, a wilderness region brimming with wildlife. Begin with a guided walk through a wetland forest, watching for the many resident bird species. Following lunch, embark on a privately chartered cruise along the ruggedly beautiful coastline near the entrance to Otago Harbour. View the world's only mainland colony of royal albatross and venture up-close to rocky outcroppings to see the fur seals living below the venerable Taiaroa Head lighthouse. Then, cruise a short way out into the Pacific Ocean where you may spot rarely seen ocean birds such as blue penguins and marine mammals like the dusky dolphin. Tonight, enjoy a special private dining experience at the historic home of an early 20th-century merchant family. Fable Dunedin | Meals: B L D

DAY 8: Queenstown | Private Visit with a Renowned Artist Fly to Queenstown, taking in aerial views of Stewart Island and Fiordland National Park en route. On arrival, privately tour the city's best sights, including AJ Hackett Kawarau Bridge — famous for bungee jumping — as well as historic Arrowtown. Privately visit the home and gallery of a world-renowned local artist, and then check into your hotel. Tonight, savor dinner at a celebrated Queenstown's restaurant. Sofitel Queenstown Hotel & Spa | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: Queenstown | Marvels of Milford Sound by Helicopter Lift off by helicopter for an exciting flight over Milford Sound, viewing the stunning surrounding, including rainforest, lakes, rivers, waterfalls and fjords. Land on a remote glacier to marvel at an area seldom seen by humans. Continue your flight across the top of Lake Te Anau before landing for lunch. Then, embark on a scenic flight back to Queenstown. Sofitel Queenstown Hotel & Spa | Meals: B L

DAY 10: Queenstown | Design Your Day Today, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- Explore Skippers Canyon by 4x4 Vehicle, roaming one of the most adventurous roads in the world.
- Embark on a Jet Boat Safari on glacier-fed rivers, hear Maori legends and walk in an ancient forest.
- e-Bike the Queenstown Trails, following the Arrow River and finishing with a wine tasting.

This evening, celebrate our journey with a three-course

farewell dinner paired with premium New Zealand wines. Sofitel Queenstown Hotel & Spa | Meals: B L D

## DAY 11: Depart Queenstown

After breakfast, privately transfer to the airport to board your departing flight. Meals: B

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## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



The Farm at Cape Kidnappers Luxurious lodge, a Relais & Chateaux property, built of rustic stone and wood, and set on rugged cliffs with vast sea views.



#### Fable Dunedin

Modern, boutique luxury hotel in a four-story Victorian-era building that dates to 1862, now completely refurbished.





Sofitel Queenstown Hotel & Spa Prestige Suite in luxury hotel located steps from scenic Lake Wakatipu.

**Park Hyatt Auckland** New luxury hotel in Auckland, perfectly located on the water's edge.

## DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Feb 13-23, Oct 29-Nov 8	\$39,995	\$9,395

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 2:00 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 6:30 p.m. on Day 10.

## Book Your Journey Today

#### LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

# Australia & New Zealand: The Lands Down Under

17 days from \$16,995 | Limited to 18 guests

#### Tasmania

4-day Pre-Tour Extension from \$3,295

Venture through stunningly diverse natural settings, from Australia's fabled Outback and Great Barrier Reef to New Zealand's dazzling Milford Sound, and experience cultural and culinary wonders in the region's most stylish cities.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Relax during a luxurious stay at Longitude 131°, a five-star tented eco-camp with unparalleled views of majestic Uluru
- Swim and snorkel on the Great Barrier Reef, discovering its many splendors firsthand on a full-day excursion
- See the sights of Sydney Harbour on a private cruise, and then privately explore the iconic Sydney Opera House
- Experience insider access and up-close interaction with Australian animal species, including koalas, on a privately guided visit to Wildlife Habitat Port Douglas
- Privately visit the Oaks Kitchen & Garden on an A&Kexclusive experience hosted by the owners, exploring the garden and art gallery, and savoring a Chef's Table dinner
- Cruise New Zealand's Milford Sound amid soaring, glaciercarved mountain peaks that reflect in its pristine waters
- Discover life in Queenstown as you visit the private home and gallery of a world-renowned local artist and savor a private wine tasting in New Zealand's largest wine cave

#### DAY 1: Arrive Melbourne, Australia

Arrive in Melbourne, where you are met and transferred to your luxurious hotel, with your room pre-registered by A&K for immediate check-in. Roam Melbourne's fine arts and sporting precincts as well as its lush parklands, and view cultural and historic highlights, such as the State Library and the Royal Exhibition Building. Tonight, gather for a welcome dinner. Park Hyatt Melbourne | Meals: D

DAY 2: Melbourne | City of Magnificent Architecture This morning, join a local expert guide as you explore the heart



of Melbourne on foot, and then Ride Like a Local by tram. Take in the city's rich and varied architectural landscape and stroll through its labyrinth of atmospheric arcades and alleyways, home to trendy cafés and eclectic boutiques, not to mention graffiti and street art. Following lunch at a local restaurant, enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. **Park Hyatt Melbourne | Meals: B L** 

DAY 3: **Cairns** | Gateway to the Great Barrier Reef Fly to Cairns, gateway to the Great Barrier Reef and Daintree Rainforest, one of the oldest rainforests in the world. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel, where you dine tonight while enjoying views of the Coral Sea. Crystalbrook Riley | Meals: B D

DAY 4: **Great Barrier Reef** | Exploring Underwater Gems Embark by boat on a full-day exploration of the Great Barrier Reef, a dazzling UNESCO World Heritage Site. Join on-board marine biologists for guided snorkeling expeditions of two different reef locations, and discover the marvelous aquatic wonders inhabiting each, viewing the teeming undersea life — including distinctive coral formations and colorful schools of fish — up close, before an exhilarating cruise back to port. Crystalbrook Riley | Meals: B L

DAY 5: **Daintree Rainforest** | Private Koala Visit Travel overland to Wildlife Habitat Port Douglas, which you explore privately with a park ranger, enjoying access to the koala and wallaby enclosures as well as the opportunity to hold a koala in your arms, on an experience designed exclusively for A&K guests. Next, visit the Wildlife Care Center for rescued wild and injured animals. Explore the park at your leisure before making a private visit to Oaks Kitchen and Garden nestled in four acres of the lush, natural surroundings of Oak Beach — where you'll be hosted by founders Ben and Rachael



Wallace. Venture out into their vast gardens on a guided walk. Meet the resident chickens, taste the delicious herbs and become familiar with the native ingredients Ben will be incorporating into your lunch. Next, stroll Rachael's art gallery, where she'll take you through her process and her awardwinning pieces. Finally, sit down to an eight-course tasting menu with local wine, featuring ingredients grown in their beautiful organic seasonal garden. Afterward, return to Cairns for time at leisure. Crystalbrook Riley | Meals: B L

DAY 6: **Uluru** | An Undeniable Presence Fly to Uluru (Ayers Rock) and visit a local Aboriginal art gallery that celebrates traditional and contemporary works. Transfer to your luxury tented camp — Longitude 131° overlooking the UNESCO World Heritage-listed wilderness of Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park, and enjoy lunch on site. On a Scenic Sundowner, with chilled glass and canapé in hand, witness the changing light reflected on Uluru's surface as the sun slips below the horizon. Tonight, dine among the dunes to the sounds of an ancient indigenous culture and feast on four delicious courses complemented with premium Australian wines. Later, join your camp's resident astronomer to observe the southerly constellations. Longitude 131° | Meals: B L D

 View Uluru from your secluded tented camp

 and explore it with a local exper

Take in New Zealand's Milford Sound on a cruise that reveals its natural wonders



## DAY 7: Uluru | Sunrise Over The Olgas

Rise early and set out for Kata Tjuta (the Olgas), stopping to view sunrise over its majestic domes. In the company of your guide, walk through Walpa Gorge and learn how its stark landscapes were shaped. This afternoon, return to Uluru and journey along the Mala walk at its base, pausing to view cave paintings and sources of bush tucker. Later, see the walls of Kantju Gorge ablaze with the light of the setting sun. Sip sparkling wine and nibble on canapés, savoring the solitude of the gorge as the daylight fades. Longitude 131° | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 8: Sydney | Luxury in the Rocks

Fly to Sydney and settle into your hotel near the historic Rocks District, in the heart of the city's best shopping, dining and attractions. Sydney's appeal is wide-ranging, from its stunning harbor and iconic skyline to its fascinating museums and famed Bondi Beach. It is a world-class city that pulses with the energy of its diverse and cosmopolitan inhabitants. Four Seasons Hotel Sydney | Meals: B D

DAYS 9-10: **Sydney** | Harbor Cruise and Opera House After breakfast, privately cruise Sydney Harbour, viewing the city's inspiring highlights, including the Sydney Opera House and Harbor Bridge. Back on shore, gather for lunch at the iconic Sydney Opera House, followed by a privately guided backstage tour. Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure. The next day is also at your leisure to explore the city until you regroup for the final dinner of your journey in Australia. Four Seasons Hotel Sydney | Meals: B L (Day 9); B D (Day 10)

DAY 11: Wellington, New Zealand | An Eclectic Capital This morning, fly to Wellington, New Zealand's trendsetting capital, where you encounter authentic "Kiwi" life. This afternoon, take in highlights of this buzzworthy center of art and cuisine. Ascend by cable car to a scenic outlook point for incredible views over Wellington Harbour and the city to cap your inspiring day. InterContinental Wellington | Meals: B D

#### DAY 12: Wellington | Design Your Day

Set out on foot to gain an insider's understanding of the locals and sample the city's culinary delights, joining your guide for tastings of coffee, chocolate, gelato and cheeses in foodie hotspots only the locals know. After lunch, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Visit the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa to view its vast collection of cultural and indigenous treasures.
- e-Bike the Wellington Waterfront, learning about key historical figures that shaped the city's heritage as you ride.
- Walk the Wellington Waterfront with a Guide who recounts local legends and stroll to a chic shopping district.

Return to your hotel. InterContinental Wellington | Meals: B L

#### DAY 13: Queenstown | Exploring the City

Fly to Queenstown, located on New Zealand's South Island. Upon arrival, tour the city, visiting the famed bungee-jump site and the Lake Hayes area, and then enjoy lunch. Afterward, check into your luxurious hotel. Tonight, dine at a local restaurant. Sofitel Queenstown Hotel & Spa | Meals: B L D

DAY 14: **Queenstown** | Magnificent Milford Sound This morning, fly to Milford Sound (weather permitting), taking in the stunning alpine views along the way. Upon arrival, board a spacious vessel for a tour of the sound's majestic scenery. Cruise New Zealand's southern fjords amid towering cliffs, viewing sparkling waterfalls while watching for wildlife, such as seals basking on the rocks or dolphins frolicking in the water. Return by air to Queenstown for an evening at leisure. Sofitel Queenstown Hotel & Spa | Meals: B

DAY 15: Queenstown | Private Artist Visit & Wine Tasting Today, privately visit the home and gallery of a worldrenowned local artist to learn about the artist's history and techniques. Stop at a local restaurant for a delicious lunch served with paired wines, and then proceed to a local winery for a tour of the caves, where its vintages are stored for aging, and a wine tasting. Sofitel Queenstown Hotel & Spa | Meals: B L

## DAYS 16-17: Depart Auckland

Fly to Auckland, where you visit the Auckland Museum to enjoy a cultural performance and a guided walk of He Taonga Maori Gallery. This evening, gather for a special farewell dinner. The next day, transfer to the airport and depart. Park Hyatt Auckland | Meals: B L D (Day 16); B (Day 17)

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## EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY



## **Tasmania Pre-Tour Group Extension**

4 days from \$3,295 | Internal air from \$395 Available on select departures.

Learn how MONA helped shape Tasmania into a cultural epicenter, view stunning vistas and stay at MACq 01 Hotel.

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Longitude 131°

Award-winning, eco-friendly luxury tented camp offering a secluded ambience and overlooking majestic, UNESCO-listed Uluru (Ayers Rock).





Four Seasons Hotel Sydney Contemporary luxury hotel with views of the Sydney Opera House.

Park Hyatt Melbourne Luxurious hotel, ideally situated in the bustling heart of the city.



Crystalbrook Riley Chic, contemporary luxury hotel with Luxury accommodation located steps unspoiled views of the Coral Sea.



from scenic Lake Wakatipu.

Sofitel Queenstown Hotel & Spa

InterContinental Wellington Luxury hotel centrally located on the city's waterfront.

Park Hyatt Auckland Luxury hotel in Auckland, perfectly located on the water's edge.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jan 14-30	\$16,995	\$7,495
Jan 23-Feb 8	\$17,595	\$7,695
Feb 6-22, Feb 13-Mar 1, Feb 27-Mar 15, Mar 6-22, Mar 13-29, Mar 20-Apr 5, Apr 17-May 3, Sep 25-Oct 11, Oct 9-25, Oct 16-Nov 1	\$16,995	\$7,495
Oct 30-Nov 15, Nov 6-22	\$17,595	\$7,695

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Dec 11-27	\$18,995	\$7,395

#### Internal Air: Economy class from \$3,950

Melbourne/Cairns/Uluru/Sydney/Wellington/Queenstown/Milford Sound/ Queenstown/Auckland

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 2:00 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 6:30 p.m. on Day 16

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## Book Your Journey Today

# MARCO POLO JOURNEYS

# Papua New Guinea: Mount Hagen Festival

13 days from \$11,795 | Limited to 16 guests

Experience intimate, once-in-a-lifetime access to vibrant tribal cultures that have remained unchanged for centuries, cruising an exotic river and exploring one of the most remote corners of the globe on a scenic journey that culminates with the spectacular celebration of the Mount Hagen Cultural Show.

## 🗸 A&K ADVANTAGES

- Enjoy two days at the world-renowned Mount Hagen Cultural Show as nearly 100 tribes gather to honor their heritage with a dazzling spectacle of song, dance, pageantry and tradition
- Take a three-night cruise on the Karawari River, winding past unspoiled villages where everyday life revolves around the river, and marveling at the diverse landscapes, pristine rainforests and exotic birdlife of the Sepik Region
- Relish intimate interactions with distinctive cultures spanning the lowlands of the Sepik Region and the highlands of Tari and Mount Hagen, including the flamboyant Huli Wigmen, whose dances and songs are fashioned after the mating rituals of the bird of paradise

## DAY 1: Arrive Cairns, Australia

Arrive in Cairns, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Refresh from your travels and prepare for the exciting journey ahead. This evening, enjoy a welcome dinner served at the hotel. Shangri-La The Marina, Cairns | Meals: D

DAY 2: **Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea** | Island Gateway After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight to Papua New Guinea, an island chain of undisturbed indigenous tribes and sweeping natural beauty. Arrive in Port Moresby and visit the Port Moresby Nature Park, where you are introduced to the nation's distinctive cultures and rare wildlife. The park is home to over 350 native animals, including tree kangaroos. Transfer to your hotel nestled in a lush botanical garden. Airways Hotel | Meals: B D



DAY 3: **Tari** | Lush Canopy of the Southern Highlands This morning, board your flight to Tari, soaring over dramatic highland peaks. Upon arrival, transfer to your secluded lodge perched at 7,000 feet in Papua New Guinea's spectacular Southern Highlands. In the afternoon, set out on a guided nature walk through the lush forest, keeping an eye out for exotic birds of paradise. A favorite destination of birders, the rainforests surrounding the lodge have starred in many wildlife documentaries. A staggering 217 species of exotic birds have been recorded here, including 13 different species of birds of paradise. Stroll among a serene oasis of orchids, rhododendrons, vine bridges, mountain streams and secluded waterfalls, logging your exotic sightings as your expert guide shares insights perfect for novices and seasoned birders alike. Ambua Lodge | Meals: B L D



Discover the Huli culture with village tours and local performances, the most vibrant and colorful in the country.

DAY 4: **Tari** | Cultures of the Highland People This morning, embark on the first of two days of cultural immersion among the tribes of the Tari. Learn how the highland people of Tari maintain the cultural traditions of body decoration and face painting, as well as the wearing of decorative wigs, flowers and moss. Ambua Lodge | Meals: B L D



DAY 5: **Tari** | Ancestral Legacy of the Huli Wigmen Embark on another day of exploration revealing the culture of the highland people. Widely regarded as one of the most recognizable of Papua New Guinea's indigenous peoples, the Huli Wigmen captivate with traditional dances fashioned after the mating rituals of birds of paradise. Take in the magic of the scene, absorbing an indelible impression of the vibrant tribal traditions the Huli Wigmen have so carefully preserved for generations. Ambua Lodge | Meals: B L D DAY 6: Sepik Region | Secluded Riverine Wilderness This morning, board your charter flight to a private airstrip secluded deep within the riverine wilderness of the Sepik region. A small boat ferries you on to your lodge, where you are greeted with lunch. After settling in, embark on a river safari exploring the Karawari, a remote tributary of the mighty Sepik. This region is one of the most remote and unspoiled destinations in all of Papua New Guinea. Here, the river is central to daily life, with men paddling narrow dugout canoes full of goods for trade, women fishing or making meals and children joyfully splashing along the



Take in the magnificent rainforest vistas of Mount Hagen





river bank. Watch for examples of tribal art on display; each village boasts a unique style and every villager is an artisan. Notice there are no roads or shops — the people live completely off the land and river, weaving baskets for catching fish and gathering their staple food, the sago palm. This afternoon, visit a nearby village to learn how this vital resource is harvested and prepared for consumption by local tribal members. Karawari Lodge | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 7: Sepik Region | Cast off for Adventure

Today, board 'Sepik Spirit,' your floating home for the next three nights. Settle into life aboard this three-level, 98-foot river cruiser. Onboard amenities include a lounge, dining room, bar, screened-in observation deck, air conditioning and nine comfortable cabins with en suite bathrooms. Your riverboat home is an oasis in this remote jungle, affording an exceptional vantage point on the riverine wilderness around you. After lunch on board, embark on your voyage of discovery along the Karawari River. 'Sepik Spirit' | Meals: B L D

DAY 8: **Sepik Region** | Villages of Black Water Lake After breakfast aboard, disembark for a full-day excursion to the remote villages of Black Water Lake. Bask in your warm island welcome as you observe a way of life that has remained largely unchanged for centuries. Learn about the local rituals, warfare, ceremonies and ancestral beliefs, visiting the various houses of the village. Browse tribal handicrafts such as masks, flutes and spirit figures in the villages' low-pressure markets. Relax with a picnic by the forested banks of the Karawari River, watching as local men gather on their clan's bench, children paddle canoes to school and women fish with hand lines. 'Sepik Spirit' | Meals: B L D DAY 9: Sepik Region | Tribes of the Mumeri & Mindimbit Disembark onto the banks of Mumeri, a remote village whose people have preserved their ancestral traditions for centuries. Take in the same warm village welcome enjoyed here by pioneering anthropologist Margaret Meade over 80 years ago. Next, cruise to the confluence of the Krosmeri and Karawari rivers, where you rendezvous with 'Sepik Spirit' for lunch. Continue on to visit the village of Mindimbit, taking in the spectacular carvings and elaborate coming-of-age rituals of the locals. Rejoin 'Sepik Spirit' for your final night on board, cruising back toward Karawari. 'Sepik Spirit' | Meals: B L D

DAY 10: **Mount Hagen** | Voices of the Sing Sing Festival This morning, fly by private charter to Mount Hagen. On approach, watch the mountains rise and then fall away as you descend into the verdant Wahgi Valley. Upon arrival, enjoy the first of two days at the Mount Hagen Cultural Show, a festive gathering of more than 50 coastal, lowland and highland tribal groups. Gain insider access to a privileged experience few travellers can claim as you immerse yourself in a festival of the locals, for the locals — a bold, joyful proclamation of tribal pride. Rondon Ridge | Meals: B L D



Devote two days to the Mount Hagen Cultural Show, an annual *sing sing* festival and gathering of nearly 100 tribes, where each shares its cultural heritage and customs.

# Asia, India & the Pacific

## DAY 11: Mount Hagen | Spectacular Cultural Show

Enjoy another day experiencing the sing sing festival. Marvel as the participants engage in *sing sings*, lively ancestral songs and dances displaying their diverse and distinctive cultural heritages. Witness an unmatched spectacle of color, music and motion as heirloom feathered headdresses, brilliantly painted faces and dyed grass skirts weave to the driving beat of traditional drums and the rousing voices of the tribesmen. Lose yourself in the sights and sounds of the rollicking festival, gaining a deeper insight into the enduring traditions that help define this unique corner of the world. This afternoon, return to Port Moresby. Airways Hotel | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 12: Cairns, Australia | A Parting Glimpse

Today, fly to Cairns. Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner and recap your amazing experience with your fellow travellers. Shangri-La The Marina, Cairns | Meals: B D

#### DAY 13: Depart Cairns

After breakfast, you are transferred to the airport for your departure. Meals: B

#### **AVAILABLE AGAIN**



#### Papua New Guinea: The Goroka Festival

13 days from \$11,795 | Internal Air from \$5,395 | Sep 7-16 Discover an independence celebration like no other. In response to the overwhelming interest in A&K's Papua New Guinea: The Mount Hagen Festival, we've added back our second exciting festival-themed journey: Papua New Guinea: The Goroka Festival. This itinerary reveals the rarely witnessed spectacle of Papua New Guinea's annual Independence Day celebrations, a vibrant kaleidoscope of song, dance and tradition drawing over 100 local tribes. In addition to your revealing immersion into the seldomseen celebrations, this itinerary affords the opportunity to fly in and out of the festival each day. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for complete details.

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



**'Sepik Spirit'** Deluxe cabin aboard a 98-foot, air-conditioned river cruiser.







Shangri-La The Marina, Cairns Contemporary luxury hotel with Horizon Club guest rooms.



Ambua Lodge Thirty roundhouses embrace ecologically responsible practices.



Karawari Lodge Remote boutique lodge secluded deep within the Sepik wilderness.



Airways Hotel Spacious rooms nestled in the hotel's own botanical gardens.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single	
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement	
Aug 10-22	\$11,795	\$4,995	

Internal Air: Economy class from \$4,595 Cairns/Port Moresby/Tari/Sepik Region/Mount Hagen/Port Moresby/Cairns

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome dinner at 6:00 p.m. on Day 1.

Last group event: farewell dinner at 6:00 p.m. on Day 12. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 8 guests.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum

#### Program Note

Travel in this remote region entails lodging in basic accommodations and active elements such as walking over steep, uneven jungle terrain.

## Book Your Journey Today

#### LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Classic Japan

9 days from \$11,995 | Limited to 18 guests

Hiroshima 3-day Post-Tour Extension from \$3,795

Discover the incredible breadth of Japan's culture and history, from the contemporary flair of Tokyo to the charms of traditional Kyoto, visiting historic temples, overnighting at a sought-after *ryokan* and sampling its culinary treasures.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Behold the exalted flowering cherry trees, known locally as sakura, or view the vivid red leaves of autumn
- Experience neon-lit Tokyo and feel the vitality of this buzzy world capital, playing *taiko* drums and visiting a seafood market
- Stay at Gôra Kadan, one of the country's most exclusive ryokans (traditional inns), thanks to A&K's small group size
- Zoom by bullet train along the classic stretch past majestic Mount Fuji to Osaka, where you savor a foodie experience in the renowned Dotonbori district
- Immerse yourself in the rich cultural heritage of Kyoto as you discover the art of the tea ceremony, witness sumo wrestling and take part in a special geisha dinner

## DAY 1: Arrive Tokyo, Japan

Arrive in Tokyo, Japan's exciting and modern capital. Transfer to your hotel, located near the Imperial Palace. Four Seasons Hotel Tokyo at Otemachi

DAY 2: **Tokyo** | Spiritual Centers & Exclusive Workshop This morning, visit Asakusa Kannon Temple. This colorful pagoda-style temple was completed in 645 and is dedicated to Kannon, the goddess of mercy in several East Asian spiritual traditions. Continue to a family-owned workshop that specializes in Japanese drum making, and try your hand at playing the *taiko*, on an A&K-exclusive experience. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before exploring the Tokyo National Museum, the oldest national museum in Japan and home to a vast collection of Japanese art and antiquities. Continue to Meiji Shrine, a Shinto complex dedicated to an emperor that was rebuilt after World War II. Tonight, gather for a welcome dinner. Four Seasons Hotel Tokyo at Otemachi | Meals: B L D



## DAY 3: Tokyo | Design Your Day

Start your day at a local fish market, a bustling hub of Japanese daily life boasting a dizzying array of seafood. Then, receive a lesson in sushi making, followed by lunch, during a Chef's Table experience. This afternoon, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Explore the Mori Art Museum to take in local contemporary art.
- Learn the Secrets of the Samurai Warriors and test your sword skills during a private class led by a modern-day master samurai.
- Indulge in a Sake Tasting, sampling some of Japan's finest sake and learning about its cultural importance.

Return to your hotel for an evening at leisure. Four Seasons Hotel Tokyo at Otemachi | Meals: B L

"A beautiful country and great A&K service combined to make this an excellent journey."

– Alan; Waban, MA

## DAY 4: Hakone | Traditional Ryokan

Travel to Hakone, among Japan's most popular hot-spring destinations, and view the forested slopes of Hakone National Park, an area encompassing coastlines, mountains, lakes and more than 1,000 volcanic islands. Board an aerial



tram rising above the wooded slopes for inspiring views of Mount Fuji. Savor a lunch of Japan's famed Kobe beef before strolling the grassy hillsides of Hakone's Open Air Museum. Admire the impressive contemporary sculptures and artwork on display, including masterpieces by Henry Moore and Rodin. The museum also features one of the world's finest Picasso exhibits, presenting visitors with some 300 works by the cubist master. Tonight, experience unparalleled service and traditional Japanese cuisine at Gôra Kadan, a toprated *ryokan* (traditional inn), which is also your authentic accommodation for the night. **Gôra Kadan** | **Meals: B L D**  DAY 5: Osaka | Dotonbori District Delicacies After breakfast at your *ryokan*, visit the Okada Museum of Art to view its stunning collection of paintings, ceramics, lacquerware and bronzes from Japan, Korea and China. Then, Ride Like a Local by bullet train to Osaka. Historically known as a merchant city, it is today renowned as Japan's undisputed culinary capital, where diners indulge in everything from octopus dumplings to okonomiyaki, a battered, grilled concoction of chopped cabbage, meat or seafood, and seaweed, topped with mayonnaise. This evening, take in city views, refreshing drink in hand, on a





Scenic Sundowner, before you set out on a foodie tour in the popular Dotonbori District, sampling dishes from the brilliantly lighted and gastronomically creative restaurants that line the street. **The St. Regis Osaka** | Meals: B L

DAY 6: Nara | Insights into a Profoundly Spiritual Heritage Travel to Nara, Japan's first capital, to visit Todai-ji, a temple complex and UNESCO World Heritage Site that contains the largest bronze Buddha statue in Japan. Proceed to Nara Park, home to hundreds of deer, venerated here as divine spirits, which you have the opportunity to feed by hand. Complete your Nara excursion with a visit to celebrated Kasuga Taisha Shrine, and experience a Shinto ceremony firsthand. Pause for lunch at a local restaurant before proceeding to the Kehayaza Sumo Pavilion, where you observe a demonstration of this fabled Japanese sport by two sumo wrestlers. Return to your hotel, where you enjoy dinner. The St. Regis Osaka | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: **Kyoto** | The Golden Pavilion & Bamboo Grove Travel into Kyoto early this morning to contemplate the iconic Zen rock garden at Ryoan-ji, the perfect spot for a meditative moment, and discover the glittering Kinkakuji Temple (Golden Pavilion) — covered with gold leaf and surrounded by green gardens — casting its delicate reflection in the tranquil pond beside it. After lunch, explore the Arashiyama neighborhood, including the garden of Tenryu-ji Temple. Later, bask in the magical atmosphere of Arashiyama Bamboo Grove, strolling along a winding path as sunlight filters down through towering bamboo shoots, considered by many a healing experience. Four Seasons Hotel Kyoto | Meals: B L DAY 8: **Kyoto** | Hillside Views & Tea Traditions Visit Kiyomizu-dera Temple for stunning views of Kyoto. Proceed to a local temple to experience the art of the tea ceremony, noting its refined sense of hospitality and etiquette, which dates to the time of the samurai. Tonight, savor traditional Japanese cuisine, while an attending *geiko* (as a geisha is known in Kyoto) and *maiko* (apprentice geisha) dance, sing, pour sake and share stories about life in modern Kyoto. Four Seasons Hotel Kyoto | Meals: B D

#### DAY 9: Depart Kyoto

After breakfast, transfer to Kansai International Airport or Itami Airport, both located just outside of Osaka, for your flight home, or begin a post-tour extension to Hiroshima. Meals: B

## **CHERRY BLOSSOMS & RED LEAVES**



Springtime in Japan is glorious, with the iconic *sakura* (cherry blossoms) on full display. Likewise, fall's red maple leaves are inspiring to behold. Choose from select departures for the chance to set eyes on them. See Dates & Pricing on next page for specific departures.

## TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K

This itinerary is available as a private journey, **Signature Japan**. Priced from \$15,995. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.





## EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY



## Hiroshima Post-Tour Group Extension

3 days from \$3,795 | Available on all departures.

Journey from Kyoto to the historic town of Uji, and visit the Byodoin Omotesando and Tale of Genji Museum. Proceed to Osaka for an overnight stay. Ride by bullet train to Hiroshima and visit the Peace Memorial Park and Museum, and see the Itsukushima Shrine. Return to Osaka to depart.

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



**Gôra Kadan** Intimate *ryokan* (traditional inn) located in Hakone National Park.



The St. Regis Osaka Luxurious, award-winning hotel located near the city center.



Four Seasons Hotel Tokyo at Otemachi — New, luxurious hotel near the Imperial Palace.



Four Seasons Hotel Kyoto Beautiful and contemporary hotel set among tranquil gardens.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Mar 3-11	\$11,995	\$5,795
Mar 10–18	\$13,495	\$6,295
Mar 17–25*	\$13,995	\$6,595
Mar 20-28,* Mar 24-Apr 1,* Mar 27-Apr 4,* Mar 31-Apr 8, Apr 3-11, Apr 7-15	\$14,495	\$6,795
Apr 10-18	\$13,995	\$6,595
Apr 17-25, May 8-16, May 15-23, Sep 18-26, Sep 25-Oct 3	\$13,495	\$6,295
Oct 2-10, Oct 9-17, Oct 16-24, Oct 23-31, Oct 30-Nov 7,** Nov 6-14,** Nov 13-21**	, \$13,695	\$6,395

\*Best opportunity to see the cherry blossoms of spring. Yearly timing varies slightly. \*\*Best opportunity to view the red leaves of fall. Yearly timing varies slightly.

#### Journey Details

This journey includes long walks.

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 8:00 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 8.

Last group event: farewell dinner at 2:00 p.m. on Day 0. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## Book Your Journey Today

## MARCO POLO JOURNEYS

# South Korea & Japan: Cultural Legacies

11 days from \$15,895 | Limited to 18 guests

Explore two vastly different and evolving national legacies – each steeped in rich heritage and tradition – and each poised on the cutting edge of tomorrow's cultural and technological horizons.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Visit the demilitarized zone (DMZ) separating North and South Korea, including the Third Tunnel
- Discover South Korea's imperial legacy in the temples and monuments of historic Gyeongju
- Take in a dazzling array of exotic seafood in Busan's bustling Jagalchi, the largest fish market in South Korea
- Savor the time-honored tradition of a Japanese tea ceremony in a Kyoto temple
- Learn the finer points of appreciating Japanese sake during a local brewery visit and tasting
- Ride on a high-speed train as you travel along an iconic route passing majestic Mount Fuji
- Experience the art of sushi making with help from a local expert in Tokyo

## DAY 1: Arrive Seoul, South Korea

Upon arrival in Seoul, you are met and transferred to your hotel in the heart of the bustling capital. Four Seasons Hotel Seoul

## DAY 2: Seoul | Echoes of Empires Past

Begin your exploration of this vibrant city with a visit to Gyeongbokgung Palace. Commissioned in the 14th century, the palace has risen from the ashes of conquest several times throughout its storied past. Today, the palace endures as the largest of Seoul's five historic palaces, its compound housing a wealth of museums, gardens and architectural wonders. Next, browse the revealing cultural exhibits of the National Folk Museum. Continue to Bukchon Hanok Village, a collection of hundreds of *hanoks* (traditional houses) dating



back to the 14th century. After a lunch of traditional Korean barbecue, stop at bustling Gwangjang Market, one of the oldest and largest traditional street markets in South Korea, and home to over 5,000 shops. This evening, join your fellow guests for a welcome dinner at the hotel. Four Seasons Hotel Seoul | Meals: B L D



Browse the day's catch – both familiar and exotic – at Busan's vibrant Jagalchi Fish Market.

## DAY 3: Seoul | A Peninsula Divided

Today, head north to join a shared tour of the demilitarized zone (DMZ), a hotly contested border region that has divided the Korean Peninsula since 1953. Delve deeper with a tour of the Third Tunnel, a highly secured, mile-long corridor linking the two countries. At Odusan Unification Observatory, look out across the DMZ line toward North Korea. Then, visit Dorasan Train Station, its (as yet) unused international customs facilities a symbol of hope for the future reunification of north and south. Return to Seoul for an afternoon at leisure, exploring the city on your own or relaxing at the hotel. Later this evening, embark on a street food tour in Seoul's exciting Myeong-Dong neighborhood, sampling everything from Korean egg toast to *hotteok* (sweet Korean pancakes). Four Seasons Hotel Seoul | Meals: B L



#### DAY 4: Busan | Coastal Connections

This morning, take a high-speed train to Busan, South Korea's second largest city and one of the world's busiest ports. After lunch, pay a visit to the UN Cemetery, a solemn memorial marking the final resting place of more than 2,000 Korean War veterans. Continue to Gamcheon Culture Village and explore its colorful narrow lanes. Later, browse Jagalchi Fish Market, taking in a vast array of exotic seafood. Check in to your accommodations and enjoy your Scenic Sundowner overlooking the bay. Park Hyatt Busan | Meals: B L D

## DAY 5: **Gyeongju** | Temples of the Silla Dynasty Travel outside Busan to Gyeongju, former capital of the Silla Dynasty, a kingdom that ruled Korea from 668 to 935. Begin your exploration with a visit to Bulguksa Temple, one of Korea's most iconic structures. Perched atop a series of stone terraces, the temple's 33 steps represent Buddhism's 33 stages to enlightenment. The temple was all but destroyed in a 16th-century conflict with Japan. Lovingly rebuilt, it endures today as the crowning glory of Silla architecture. After lunch, visit Tumuli-gongwon, a large park with 23 tombs of Silla monarchs and family members. Explore further at the nearby





Gyeongju National Museum and its exhibits showcasing treasures discovered within the tombs themselves. Return to Busan for an evening at leisure. Park Hyatt Busan | Meals: B L

DAY 6: Osaka & Kyoto, Japan | Foodie's Adventure Fly to Osaka, Japan, where you enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. Visit Dotonbori, the bustling heart of this foodie capital, where diners indulge in everything from octopus dumplings to *okonomiyaki*, a battered, grilled concoction of chopped cabbage, meat or seafood, and seaweed. Continue on to historic, temple-filled Kyoto, and check in to your beautiful hotel. Four Seasons Hotel Kyoto | Meals: B L D



Stroll Osaka's atmospheric Dotombori, a bustling canal-front promenade of striking neon signs, diverse restaurants and endless people watching.

DAY 7: **Kyoto** | The Golden Pavilion & Bamboo Grove This morning, contemplate Kyoto's iconic Zen rock garden at Ryoan-ji, the perfect spot for a meditative moment, and discover the glittering Kinkaku-ji Temple (Golden Pavilion). Covered with gold leaf, the temple casts its delicate reflection in a tranquil pond. After lunch, explore the Arashiyama neighborhood, including the garden of Tenryu-ji Temple. Dating back to the 14th century, the temple buildings themselves were destroyed and rebuilt over the course of several conflicts, while its stunning garden has survived the centuries in its original glory. Later, bask in the magical atmosphere of Arashiyama Bamboo Grove, strolling along a winding path as sunlight filters down through towering bamboo shoots — considered by many a healing experience. Return to your hotel for an evening at leisure. Four Seasons Hotel Kyoto | Meals: B L

DAY 8: **Kyoto** | Traditional Tea & Sake Tasting This morning, visit a local temple where you experience the art of the tea ceremony, noting its refined sense of hospitality and etiquette, which date to the time of the samurai. Continue to the 10,000 *torii* gates of Fushimi Inari Shrine. The Shinto shrine is renowned for its visually striking tunnel comprised of thousands of vermilion *torii* gates that line a network of trails leading into the wooded forest of Mount Inari. After lunch at a local restaurant, visit a local sake brewery to gain a deeper appreciation of this national spirit and enjoy a tasting. This evening, savor traditional Japanese cuisine while an attending *geiko* (as a geisha is known in Kyoto) and *maiko* (apprentice geisha) dance, sing, pour sake and chat about life in Kyoto. Four Seasons Hotel Kyoto | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: **Tokyo** | Heart of the Great Metropolis This morning, transfer to Kyoto Station and Ride Like a Local as you board a high-speed train bound for Tokyo. Hurtling along in excess of 170 miles per hour, your route affords a glimpse of Mount Fuji's iconic profile. Upon arrival, enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. This afternoon, visit colorful Asakusa Kannon Temple before continuing to a family-owned workshop that specializes in Japanese



drum making, and try your hand at playing the *taiko*, on an A&K-exclusive experience. Check in to your hotel and gather with your fellow guests for dinner at a local restaurant. The Ritz-Carlton, Tokyo | Meals: B L D



Learn to make sushi like a pro with tips from a local expert at a hands-on demonstration in Tokyo.

#### DAY 10: Tokyo | Sushi Making

Start your day at Tsukiji Fish Market, a bustling hub of Japanese daily life where a dizzying array of seafood can be found. Then, embark on a culinary adventure as a local chef leads a hands-on sushi-making class, followed by lunch, for a memorable Chef's Table experience. Explore the Tokyo National Museum, the oldest national museum in Japan and home to a vast collection of Japanese art and antiquities. Next, visit the sacred Meiji Jingu Shrine and stroll along the city's famed Omotesando Street. Tonight, enjoy cocktails and a farewell dinner at your hotel. The Ritz-Carlton, Tokyo | Meals: B L D

#### DAY11: Depart Tokyo

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight home. Meals: B

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Four Seasons Hotel Seoul Contemporary luxury hotel nestled among Seoul's glittering skyline.



Four Seasons Hotel Kyoto Beautiful contemporary luxury hotel set among tranquil gardens.



**Park Hyatt Busan** Deluxe hotel overlooking Busan's bustling harbor and marina.



**The Ritz-Carlton, Tokyo** Luxurious *Travel + Leisure* World's Best hotel in the Roppongi district.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
May 5-15, May 19-29, Oct 13-23, Nov 3-13	3 \$15,895	\$6,495
Internal Air: Economy class from \$455 Busan/Osaka		
Journey Details This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:30 a.m. on Last group event: farewell dinner at 6:30 p.m. on Da	ay 10.	
Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimu		urin a with

Note: The visit to the DMZ is highly regulated, and entails shared touring with non-A&K guests and on non-A&K vehicles.

## Book Your Journey Today

## LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## China & the Yangtze

13 days from \$7,295 | Limited to 18 guests

Discover China's past and present – from historic Beijing to the bustling metropolis of Shanghai. Visit the iconic Terra Cotta Warriors and giant pandas, and explore the storied Yangtze River on an allbalcony river cruiser.

## JA&K ADVANTAGES

- Embark on a three-night cruise on the Yangtze River aboard all-balcony 'Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer' to marvel at the stunning vistas of the famed Three Gorges region
- Go off the beaten path to the less-visited and well-preserved Mutianyu section of the Great Wall of China
- View the astonishing Terra Cotta Warriors with an on-site specialist in Xian, admiring these highly detailed figures, each with a unique face and many holding actual weapons
- Experience an up-close encounter with giant pandas where they roam through a recreated habitat, and learn about their daily routine and diet
- Visit the Shanghai Museum on a special, privately led tour with its curator

## DAY 1: Arrive Beijing, China

Arrive in the capital city of Beijing, China's longtime seat of power, where you are transferred to your luxurious hotel. Four Seasons Hotel Beijing

## DAY 2: Beijing | China's Dynastic Capital

Today, participate in a privately led tai chi lesson taught by a master instructor at the Temple of Heaven, a stunning example of classical Ming period architecture. After lunch, take in the sweep of history at Tiananmen Square before exploring the imperial grandeur of the Forbidden City. Tonight, gather for a special welcome dinner at your hotel. Four Seasons Hotel Beijing | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: **Beijing** | View the World from the Great Wall This morning, Ride Like a Local on a pedicab through a *hutong*, a vast yet intimate neighborhood of small, winding alleyways dating to China's dynastic period. Then, travel to the well-preserved Mutianyu section of the Great Wall of China. Ride a cable car to the top of the wall to take



in sweeping views of the surrounding mountains. After experiencing this wonder of the world, return to Beijing. Four Seasons Hotel Beijing | Meals: B L

## DAY 4: Xian | Key to the Great Silk Road

Fly to Xian, a modern city cloaked in over 3,000 years of history. Once the eastern terminus on the Great Silk Road, Xian has become a melting pot of Middle Eastern and Asian influences. Upon arrival, enjoy a Chef's Table noodlethrowing demonstration, followed by lunch. Visit the old city's Muslim Quarter, with its teeming markets and beautiful Great Mosque, a 14th-century national heritage site. A blend of classic Chinese temple architecture and central Asian embellishments make it one of the most fascinating sites in Xian. The Ritz-Carlton, Xian | Meals: B L

DAY 5: Xian | Terra Cotta Warriors, Army for the Afterlife Today, accompanied by an on-site specialist, visit the excavation site of the Terra Cotta Warriors and Horses, the life-size army created during the Qin Dynasty to protect Qin Shi Huang, China's first emperor, in his afterlife. More than 8,000 remarkably crafted soldiers are spread throughout three dig pits, each revealing a unique face. After lunch, stroll along the impressive ramparts of the City Wall. Tonight, gather for dinner. The Ritz-Carlton, Xian | Meals: B L D

## DAY 6: $Chengdu \mid Exploring People's Park$

Travel by bullet train to Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan Province. For lunch, enjoy a spicy Sichuan hot pot, a regional specialty. Afterward, immerse yourself in local life and culture at People's Park, where area residents play traditional Chinese instruments, practice calligraphy and engage in tai chi. While there, learn about unique, centuries-



old matchmaking techniques still in use today before checking in to your hotel, where you observe a traditional tea demonstration. Waldorf Astoria Chengdu | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: **Chengdu & Chongqing** | Giant Pandas Today, visit the Chengdu Panda Breeding and Research Center. Enjoy the rare opportunity to observe these endangered creatures roaming freely in their specially designed habitat. Then, board a high-speed train for a ride through the Chinese countryside to Chongqing, where you embark on your river cruiser, 'Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer,' for a three-night journey to Yichang. Settle into your cabin as the ship sets a course downstream to the stunning Three Gorges region. 'Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer' | Meals: B L D

DAY 8: **Cruising the Yangtze** | Along Asia's Great River Start with tai chi on the deck before breakfast. Disembark in the small city of Fuling and visit the 816 Nuclear Military Plant, a massive yet unfinished Cold War-era bunker. Back on board, learn about Chinese traditional medicine and reflexology. Tonight, attend the Captain's Reception. 'Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer' | Meals: B L D





DAY 9: **Cruising the Yangtze** | The Three Gorges Early this morning, 'Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer' navigates the Qutang Gorge before docking at Wushan. Disembark and take in the scenic splendor of this rugged yet lush region on an adventure among the high peaks that surround the river. In the afternoon, continue your journey downstream, passing through the majestic Wu and Xiling Gorges. Tonight, savor a "Taste of China" dinner, followed by onboard entertainment. 'Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer' | Meals: B L D

DAY 10: Yichang & Shanghai | Disembark 'Yangzi Explorer' This morning, disembark in Yichang and fly to Shanghai, stopping briefly to photograph the Three Gorges Dam, a project that resulted in the resettlement of 1.2 million residents of the cities submerged behind it. Upon arrival in Shanghai, transfer to your elegant hotel, located on the city's historic Bund. Waldorf Astoria Shanghai on the Bund | Meals: B L

#### DAY 11: Shanghai | Design Your Day

Explore dynamic Shanghai, where stunning modern skylines meet classic street markets and gardens. Head to the observation deck of the Shanghai Tower, where you are treated to a bird's-eye view of the Huangpu River, the Bund and Shanghai's panorama of skyscrapers. This afternoon, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Walk Shanghai's Historic Jewish Quarter and learn how it became a haven for Jews fleeing Europe in World War II.
- Enjoy a Shopping Excursion to the trendy French Concession to browse the superb selection of artisan shops and navigate the maze of *shikumen* homes.

Cycle through Pudong, exploring Shanghai's newest district filled with gleaming skyscrapers.

Then, toast your day with a relaxing Scenic Sundowner. Waldorf Astoria Shanghai on the Bund | Meals: B

DAY 12: **Shanghai** | Curator-Led Museum Experience Today, walk along the Bund, Shanghai's most popular promenade, and then explore the Shanghai Museum accompanied by a curator, viewing exceptional collections of historically significant art and housewares, including bronzes, ceramics, jade, furniture and coins. Savor lunch at a local restaurant and later stroll the streets of Old Town, visiting the 16th-century Yu Garden, with its pavilions and ponds. Waldorf Astoria Shanghai on the Bund | Meals: B L D

## DAY 13: Depart Shanghai

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to depart for home. Meals: B

## **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

This itinerary is available as a private journey, **Signature China & the Yangtze**. Priced from \$8,295. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.



## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Elegant river cruiser featuring the largest cabins on the Yangtze (each with a private balcony) and an excellent staff-to-guest ratio of 1:1.



Waldorf Astoria Shanghai on the Bund — Palatial luxury hotel, superbly located on the Bund.



Asia, India & the Pacific

Four Seasons Hotel Beijing Elegant, luxurious hotel renowned for exceptionally high-quality service.



**The Ritz-Carlton, Xian** Stylish luxury hotel blending classic and modern Chinese decor.



Waldorf Astoria Chengdu Art Deco styled luxury hotel offering stunning city views.

## DATES & PRICING

Main Deck	Xiling Deck	Wu Deck	Wu Deck (Suite)		Jade/ Mandarin/ Celestial/ Imperial (Suite)
\$7,295	\$7,495	\$7,695	\$8,395	\$8,595	\$11,295
\$2,295	\$2,495	\$2,595	\$3,195	\$3,395	\$6,295
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#### Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,080

Beijing/Xian; Yichang/Shanghai

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:30 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 12. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

Please note that multiple groups of 18 A&K guests and other passengers may be travelling on board 'Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer' simultaneously.

#### **Book Your Journey Today**

## NEW!

# MARCO POLO JOURNEYS

# Taiwan: Natural & Cultural Riches

10 days from \$11,595 | Limited to 18 guests

Discover the rugged natural beauty and rich cultural history of the island nation of Taiwan, as you venture from the Qing Dynasty-era temples of Taipei to the lush forests, narrow gorges and alpine peaks of Taroko National Park, learn the intricacies of harvesting tea and meet an expert who explains Taiwan's pivotal place in world politics.

## 🗸 A&K ADVANTAGES

- Delve into Taiwan's fascinating history, exploring the National Palace Museum and learning about the island's political situation from an expert
- Venture between the sheer marble walls of Taroko Gorge to behold landscapes worthy of a Chinese scroll painting
- Traverse the scenic Cross Island Highway, which ascends from sea level through tropical rainforest to alpine heights
- Sample Taiwan's unique culinary culture with a scallion cake making class and a visit to a night market
- Learn about the heritage of Taiwan's Chinese and Aboriginal populations

## DAY 1: Arrive Taipei, Taiwan

Arrive in Taipei, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Mandarin Oriental, Taipei

DAY 2: **Taipei** | A Nation's Place in History & Geopolitics Explore the city, starting at the National Palace Museum, viewing artifacts that span eight centuries. Visit the National Revolutionary Martyrs' Shrine, and then stop for lunch at a local restaurant. Proceed to the Longshan Temple, dedicated to the Bodhisattva Guanyin, and enter the Chiang Kai-shek Memorial before a guided walk of Dihua Street, with its tea and tailor shops. This evening at your hotel, attend a welcome dinner highlighted by a talk on regional geopolitics by a local professor. Mandarin Oriental, Taipei | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: Yilan | Whiskey Tasting & Scallion Making Journey to Yilan County on Taiwan's scenic northeast coast. Enjoy a hands-on lesson in the art of making Yilan's famous scallion cakes, a delicious national tradition. Cap off your Chef's Table experience with a tour of the local Kavalan whiskey distillery and taste a dram or two. Continue to Taroko National Park, taking in coastal landscapes of rugged beauty en route. On arrival, check in to your hotel, where you dine tonight. Silks Place Taroko | Meals: B L D

Sun Moon

Lake

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Tainan

DAY 4: Taroko National Park | Classic Natural Vistas Explore Taroko National Park, home to the soaring, marblewalled Taroko Gorge, where you drive and walk amid magnificent vistas that evoke the images found in Chinese scroll work. Enjoy lunch before continuing to Swallow Grotto and the Tunnel of Nine Turns. Hike to elegant shrines and glittering waterfalls, experiencing an almost ethereal ambience. Silks Place Taroko | Meals: B L

DAY 5: **Sun Moon Lake** | Unexpected Alpine Views Set out early for Sun Moon Lake, crossing the island's towering central mountain range. Ascend through cloud and pine forests to Hehuanshan, savoring breathtaking alpine views. Continue to Sun Moon Lake, set in a lush valley. After lunch at a local restaurant, return to your hotel. This evening, enjoy a Scenic Sundowner, basking in the surrounding grandeur. The Lalu | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: **Sun Moon Lake** | Tea Plantation Visit & Tasting Explore the Sun Moon Lake area, ancestral home of the indigenous Thao people. Visit Wenwu Temple, and then ride a cable car up to an observation tower to marvel at the scenic panoramas. Next, view this beautiful setting by private boat. Back on shore, enjoy lunch at a local restaurant in Ita Thao Cultural Village and gain insight into Thao cultural

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Taroko

National Park



traditions. Proceed to a tea plantation for lessons in planting tea, picking leaves and processing them, and sip a freshly made cup of this organic treasure. The Lalu | Meals: B L

DAY 7: **Tainan** | Savory Secrets of the Night Market After a relaxing morning, enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. Set out for Tainan, a historic city established by the Dutch East India Company as a lucrative hub for trade. Noted for its many temples, Tainan also offers a diverse culinary culture complete with bustling food markets. Tonight, discover this thriving scene on a guided tour of the city's vibrant night market. Shangri-la Far Eastern, Tainan | Meals: B L

DAY 8: **Tainan** | Streets that Reveal Cultural Riches Today, begin at the Anping Fort, a site central to historic events from the Qing Dynasty to World War II. Walk nearby streets, viewing time-worn stalls and shops, and admiring the architecture. Visit exquisitely preserved Shennong Street, before time at your leisure for lunch. Tonight, dine at your hotel. Shangri-la Far Eastern, Tainan | Meals: B D

DAY 9: **Taipei** | The Modern Charms of Taiwan's Capital Board a bullet train and Ride Like a Local to Taipei, arriving in time for lunch. Explore the dazzling Taipei 101, the world's tallest "green structure." Also visit Huashan 1914 Creative Park, once a sake winery and today a dynamic cultural venue. Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner. **Mandarin Oriental, Taipei** | **Meals: B L D** 

## DAY 10: Depart Taipei

Transfer to the airport for your departing flight. Meals: B

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Mandarin Oriental, Taipei Award-winning luxury hotel set in the city's bustling Songshan District.





Silks Place Taroko Deluxe hotel nestled amid soaring mountains in Taroko National Park.



The Lalu Contemporary luxury hotel offering wonderful views of Sun Moon Lake.

Shangri-la Far Eastern, Tainan Contemporary hotel ideally situated in the city center.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
Mar 3-12, Oct 20-29	\$11,595	\$3,395

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 8:00 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 9.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## Book Your Journey Today

## NEW!

## MARCO POLO JOURNEYS

# Nepal & Tibet: From the Jungle to the Roof of the World

12 days from \$8,795 | Limited to 18 guests

Venture from the lofty Himalaya to the wild jungle as you flightsee Mount Everest, track one-horned rhinos in Chitwan National Park, explore Lhasa's Potala Palace and unwind in the lush foothills of Dhulikhel.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Discover the cultural treasures of Kathmandu Valley, Lhasa's Tibetan heritage and the wilds of Chitwan National Park
- Learn what it takes to summit Mount Everest with a firsthand account from an expert climber
- Witness a lively monks' discourse at Sera Monastery in Lhasa
- Seek one-horned rhinos and the elusive Bengal tiger in Chitwan National Park
- Learn to prepare Nepalese cuisine at an exclusive Chef's Table experience
- Explore rural Nepal in Dhulikhel, with the Himalaya providing a magnificent backdrop

## DAY 1: Arrive Kathmandu, Nepal

Upon arrival in Kathmandu, you are met and transferred to your hotel. Dwarika's Hotel, Kathmandu

## DAY 2: Kathmandu | Historic Durbar Square

Ride Like a Local by rickshaw to Durbar Square and Taleju Temple. See the House of the Living Goddess (Kumari), explore the bazaar and old city, and visit the 1,500-yearold *stupa* (Buddhist shrine) of Swayambhunath. Return to your hotel for a welcome cocktail reception and dinner. This evening, hear a gripping firsthand account from a Mount Everest summiteer. Dwarika's Hotel, Kathmandu | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: **Kathmandu** | Among the Soaring Peaks Early this morning, enjoy an awe-inspiring flightseeing tour past Mount Everest, or opt to take a helicopter (at an additional cost) for an up-close experience of the mountain. After breakfast, visit the highly revered Hindu temple of Pashupatinath and the towering Buddhist



stupa of Boudhanath. Here, a local artisan reveals the religious significance of Thangka artwork. Continue to Kopan Monastery and Nunnery for a blessing and private meditation session. Dwarika's Hotel, Kathmandu | Meals: B L

## DAY 4: Chitwan National Park | Into the Wild

Fly to Bharatpur, where you are met and transferred to your luxury lodge in Chitwan National Park. Settle in with time at leisure and an afternoon tea service. If time allows, set out on a thrilling Jeep safari in the park.

Meghauli Serai, Chitwan National Park | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: Chitwan National Park | Where Rhinos Roam Rise early to track one-horned rhinos through the jungle with an expert naturalist, perhaps even stealing a rare glimpse of the elusive Bengal tiger. After lunch, float down the Rapti River, taking in beautiful views of the Himalayan foothills and spotting exotic species along the way. Finish with a Scenic Sundowner on one of the river's banks. Meghauli Serai, Chitwan National Park | Meals: B L D

## DAY 6: Kathmandu | Deep Spiritual Ties

Take in one last morning among the wilds of the park. Then, travel to Bharatpur for your flight to Kathmandu. Upon arrival, continue to historic Patan, seeing Durbar Square, the Golden Temple, Krishna Mandir and the enlightening Patan Museum. Dwarika's Hotel, Kathmandu | Meals: B D

DAY 7: Lhasa, Tibet (China) | Gateway to Tibet Fly to Lhasa this morning for a spectacular flight over Mount Everest and other Himalayan peaks. Upon arrival in Lhasa, transfer to your hotel and spend the rest of the afternoon acclimatizing. The St. Regis Lhasa Resort | Meals: B D



#### DAY 8: Lhasa | Majestic Monasteries

After a leisurely breakfast, proceed to Drepung Monastery. A major pillar of the former theocratic state, this massive enclave once housed over 7,700 monks. Continue to Sera Monastery and listen in as monks engage in a spirited theological debate, a finely honed skill they have practiced over countless generations. The St. Regis Lhasa Resort | Meals: B L

#### DAY 9: Lhasa | Footsteps of the Dalai Lama

Today, venture inside the towering walls of Potala Palace, former winter residence of the Dalai Lama. Next, experience the spiritual heart of Tibet at the sacred Jokhang, a 1,300-yearold temple. Finally, glimpse an enduring hub of everyday life at Lhasa's Barkhor Bazaar. The St. Regis Lhasa Resort | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 10: Dhulikhel | Himalayan Sunset

Fly back to Kathmandu. Upon arrival, explore medieval Bhaktapur before continuing to your luxurious resort set in the foothills of Dhulikhel, a site famed as an ideal vantage point for viewing the Himalayan range. Dwarika's Resort, Dhulikhel | Meals: B D

#### DAY 11: Dhulikhel | A Culinary Encounter

After breakfast, enjoy resort activities such as birdwatching, hiking, yoga, meditation, painting and pottery. Later, gather for a Chef's Table experience revealing the finer points of Nepalese cuisine. Finally, trade stories with your fellow guests at a farewell cocktail reception and dinner. Dwarika's Resort, Dhulikhel | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 12: Depart Dhulikhel

After breakfast, you are transferred to the Kathmandu airport for your departure. Meals: B

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



**Dwarika's Hotel, Kathmandu** Boutique hotel brimming with intricate wood and terra cotta work.





The St. Regis Lhasa Resort Tibetan-inspired hideaway featuring a gilded indoor pool.



**Meghauli Serai, Chitwan** National Park Luxury on the banks of the Rapti.

**Dwarika's Resort, Dhulikhel** Tranquil resort perched high atop a ridge in the Himalayan foothills.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Apr 17–28, Sep 18–29, Oct 16–27,*	\$8,795	\$3,295
Oct 30-Nov 10		

#### Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,475

Kathmandu/Bharatpur/Kathmandu/Lhasa/Kathmandu

\*Days 4-5 at Barahi Jungle Lodge in Chitwan National Park.

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:00 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 11. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

#### Program Note

This journey entails extended scenic drives on unpaved roads; exposure to high altitudes; walking over steep, uneven terrain; and visiting sites with limited accessibility for those with mobility challenges; and an unpredictable climate.

## **STOPOVER PACKAGE**



Spend three days exploring Dubai (from \$2,295) before or after your journey.

## Book Your Journey Today

## MARCO POLO JOURNEYS

# Mongolia: Naadam Festival & the Khan Legacy

11 days from \$12,995 | Limited to 18 guests

On a journey filled with unique cultural experiences, retrace the footsteps of the Khan legacy as you take in a centuries-old Mongolian festival, explore the far-flung wilds of the Gobi Desert and follow Kublai

Khan's influence to the Great Wall in Beijing.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Experience one of the continent's oldest celebrations of skill, strength and daring at the annual Naadam Festival, witnessing the pageantry of the opening ceremonies and taking in the traditional contests of archery, wrestling and horse racing
- Spend three nights in the Gobi at Three Camel Lodge, a boutique property modeled after traditional Mongolian gers
- Ride a camel through Moltsog Els, taking in a vast dunescape seldom seen by Western eyes
- Explore the Flaming Cliffs, a haunting landscape where paleontologists first unearthed fossilized dinosaur eggs

#### DAY 1: Arrive Beijing, China

Arrive in Beijing, where you are transferred to your hotel. Four Seasons Hotel Beijing

#### DAY 2: Beijing | Atop the Great Wall

Take in the sweep of history at Tiananmen Square and explore the imperial grandeur of the Forbidden City. After lunch, travel to the well-preserved Juyongguan section of the Great Wall of China, a vast fortification erected to protect the region from Mongol hordes. Venture to the top of the wall to take in sweeping views of the surrounding mountains. Tonight, gather for a special welcome dinner at your hotel. **Four Seasons Hotel Beijing | Meals: B L D** 

DAY 3: **Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia** | Introduction to an Empire This morning, fly to Ulaanbaatar and transfer to your hotel. After you settle in, explore the National Museum of Mongolian History. Here, a local historian delves into the



saga of Genghis Khan and his Mongol Empire. Shangri-La Hotel, Ulaanbaatar | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 4: Ulaanbaatar | Life of Genghis Khan

Visit Gandan Khiid Monastery with its 75-foot statue made of copper, gold and precious stones, accompanied by a top-ranking lama who discusses monastic life. Return to your hotel for an afternoon at leisure. **Shangri-La Hotel, Ulaanbaatar | Meals: B L D** 

DAY 5: **Gobi Desert** | Dunes, Canyons & Wide-Open Skies Fly to the Gobi Desert, home to Bactrian (two-humped) camels, mountain sheep, golden eagles and many endemic reptiles. In the late afternoon, witness local archers demonstrate a skill that gave rise to the former Mongol empire. After dinner, marvel as the stars paint the vast desert skies. Three Camel Lodge | Meals: B L D



Explore Beijing's Forbidden City, a vast palace complex that remained restricted to all but a precious few for more than 500 years.

## DAY 6: Gobi Desert | Valley of the Eagles

Journey overland to the Yol Valley, a narrow, craggy chasm. Hike the valley for a chance to spot vulture-like lammergeiers, Altai snowcocks, ibex, yaks and Argali mountain sheep. Later, witness the construction of a *ger*, a traditional Mongolian home. In the afternoon, you may opt to hike through the Havsagit Valley to discover petroglyphs atop a mountain. Three Camel Lodge | Meals: B L D



DAY 7: Gobi Desert | Camel Ride & the Flaming Cliffs Ride Like a Local on a Bactrian camel through the dunes of Moltsog Els for insight into a way of life that has endured for centuries. Visit with a local camel-herding family in their home. Afterward, visit the Flaming Cliffs, a site rich with fossils where dinosaur eggs were first found. Savor a Scenic Sundowner atop Bulagtai Mountain, and then return to your lodge for dinner. Three Camel Lodge | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 8: Ulaanbaatar | Past Meets Present

Fly to Ulaanbaatar, where you visit a modern art gallery and meet the local exhibiting artist. This evening, join fellow guests for a performance featuring traditional Mongolian dancers and *khoomi* throat singers. Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant, along with a vodka tasting. Shangri-La Hotel, Ulaanbaatar | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 9: Ulaanbaatar | Naadam Festival

Attend the opening ceremonies of the annual Naadam Festival, where the nation's best athletes compete in tests of strength and skill. Take in all of the pageantry of the elaborate opening ceremony, an event showcasing local dancers, athletes, horse riders and musicians. Shangri-La Hotel, Ulaanbaatar | Meals: B L D

## DAY 10: Ulaanbaatar | A Parting Glimpse

Enjoy a second day at the Naadam Festival, attending a range of events and competitions featuring archery and traditional wrestling. This evening, gather with fellow guests for a farewell dinner. Shangri-La Hotel, Ulaanbaatar | Meals: B L D

## DAY 11: Depart Ulaanbaatar

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight. Meals: B

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Three Camel Lodge

A luxurious take on the traditional Mongolian nomadic lifestyle, the lodge embraces environmentally and culturally sustainable practices.





Shangri-La Hotel, Ulaanbaatar Deluxe accommodations in the city center with Horizon Club access.

Four Seasons Hotel Beijing Sleek, contemporary design with luxurious amenities.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
Jul 3–13, Jul 8–18*	\$12,995	\$3,995

Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,385

Beijing/Ulaanbaatar/Dalanzadgad/Ulaanbaatar

\*Departure has slightly altered itinerary to accommodate the Naadam Festival dates.

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:00 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 10. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

#### Program Note

Travel in this remote region entails extended drives over unpaved roads, visits to sites with limited accessibility for those with mobility challenges, and limited access to Western cuisine.

## Book Your Journey Today

# Images of Indochina & Angkor Wat

13 days from \$8,495 | Limited to 18 guests

Immerse yourself in the historical, cultural and culinary treasures of four countries – Vietnam,

Cambodia, Laos and Thailand – on a single, comprehensive journey through Southeast Asia that includes watching the sun rise over Angkor Wat.

## J A&K ADVANTAGES

- Experience the complex history of Vietnam, north and south, from the infamous "Hanoi Hilton" to the Cu Chi Tunnels, where you meet with a former Vietcong soldier
- Discover a tranquil corner of Ha Long Bay, gliding among its stunning limestone islands and watching sunset and sunrise, on a relaxing overnight cruise
- Rise early for a cyclo ride through Ho Chi Minh City's streets, observing local life, stopping for coffee and savoring sensational pho at a little-known culinary hotspot
- Spend two days in Siem Reap with your expert local guide, exploring Angkor Wat, Bayon Temple and Ta Prohm Temple
- Connect with serene Luang Prabang, joining locals in their home for a *baci* ceremony and taking part in an alms-giving tradition that immerses you in the community's spiritual life

## DAY 1: Arrive Hanoi, Vietnam

Arrive in Hanoi, the capital of Vietnam, and transfer to your colonial-style hotel. Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi

DAY 2: Hanoi | Exploring the Historic Old Quarter Hanoi is the country's cultural heart, bearing traces of centuries of changing dynasties. Visit Ho Chi Minh's house, a simple structure that served as home to the revolutionary guerrilla leader. After lunch, visit the infamous "Hanoi Hilton" prison, where American prisoners of war were once confined, and hear from a war veteran about his first-hand experiences. Ride Like a Local by *cyclo* through the city's Old Quarter. This evening, gather with your fellow guests for a welcome dinner. Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: Ha Long Bay | Cruising Among the Karsts Travel to Hai Phong, where you board 'Orchid' for a cruise of



picturesque Ha Long Bay. Relax on deck as 'Orchid' snakes her way past countless islets, their striking karsts (limestone formations) rising dramatically from the emerald waters. Disembark on Cat Ba Island and discover Trung Trang Cave's intricate features, formed over millennia. Back on board 'Orchid,' view the sunset framed against the Gulf of Tonkin shoreline, followed by dinner aboard. 'Orchid' | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: Ha Long Bay & Ho Chi Minh City | Sunrise Tai Chi Greet the day on deck with sunrise tai chi overlooking the bay. Set out for an early morning kayak excursion among the towering limestone pinnacles. Return for brunch on board as 'Orchid' sails home to port in Hai Phong. Back on terra firma, proceed to Hang Kenh temple and take in a local water puppet show. Later, fly to Ho Chi Minh City, the former Saigon, where you settle in at your hotel. The Reverie Saigon | Meals: B L

DAY 5: Ho Chi Minh City | Vibrant, Evocative Saigon Recently experiencing a resurgence of art and culture, Ho Chi Minh City is a lively, evocative hub of activity. Rise early for a carefully curated, A&K-exclusive experience that starts with a *cyclo* ride through the streets as the city slowly comes to life. Stroll through Tao Dan Park, a neighborhood gathering place, and then enjoy specialty Vietnamese coffee at a local shop. Continue along Nguyen Dinh Chieu Street to visit a little-known, hard-to-find weapons bunker. Round out your morning exploration of local life by sampling some of the city's most sensational *pho* at one of its best-kept-secret restaurants. Return to your hotel to enjoy the rest of the morning at leisure. At lunch, participate in a Chef's Table experience where you try your hand at making *banh khot*,



a savory Vietnamese pancake. This afternoon, view examples of the city's colonial legacy, including Reunification Palace and the Central Post Office, and then explore a Cao Dai temple to get in touch with southern Vietnam's spiritual side. Tonight, gather for dinner at a local culinary hot spot. The Reverie Saigon | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: Ho Chi Minh City | Design Your Day Today, venture outside of the city to explore the Cu Chi Tunnels and speak with a former Vietcong soldier, learning how this vast subterranean network was used to conceal and support a stealthy underground fighting force. This afternoon, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Visit the War Remnants Museum to view photographs from Bunyo Ishikawa, a Vietnam War photojournalist, followed by a walking tour of a historic neighborhood.
- Explore the City's Bustling Culinary Scene, sampling traditional dishes prepared by local street-food vendors.
- Cycle the Countryside around the Cu Chi Tunnels, passing through local villages to observe daily life.





Return to your hotel, where the rest of your afternoon and evening are at leisure. The Reverie Saigon | Meals: B

DAY 7: **Siem Reap, Cambodia** | Mysterious Ta Prohm Fly to Siem Reap, the town nearest to Angkor Thom and Angkor Wat. Begin your exploration at Ta Prohm, where the roots of great trees seem to have spilled over the roof of this iconic stone temple. Enjoy an evening at leisure. La Résidence d'Angkor, A Belmond Hotel, Siem Reap | Meals: B L

DAY 8: Siem Reap | Sunrise Over Angkor Wat Rise early this morning to experience the incomparable serenity and inspiration of watching the sun rise over mystical Angkor Wat before exploring the vast temple complex with your expert local guide. Return to your hotel for breakfast and time to relax. This afternoon, visit Angkor Thom, the last capital of the Khmer kingdom, and Bayon Temple, its 172 large-scale faces — bearing beguiling smiles — representing gods, goddesses, and other beings from classical poems and mythology. This evening, take a tranquil gondola cruise on the Angkor Thom moat while sipping a cool drink on a Scenic Sundowner.

La Résidence d'Angkor, A Belmond Hotel, Siem Reap | Meals: B D

DAY 9: Siem Reap | Hidden Temples & Treasures Today, explore a less-visited temple: Banteay Srei, known as the "Citadel of Women." & Learn about the essential work of the Cambodia Clean Water Project, an Abercrombie & Kent Philanthropy project that builds pumping wells in rural communities throughout the country. After lunch at a local restaurant, bid farewell to Cambodia as you fly to Luang Prabang.

La Résidence Phou Vao, A Belmond Hotel, Luang Prabang | Meals: B L

DAY 10: Luang Prabang, Laos | Living Temples Step back in time for a day as you explore charming Luang Prabang and its tranquil streets. Begin with a visit to the National Museum, once a royal palace. Then, follow quiet back lanes to the beautiful Heuan Chan Heritage House. After a refreshing tea in the gardens, proceed to the enchanting Wat Xieng Thong, a Buddhist Temple noted for its "Tree of Life" wall mosaic, and then visit Wat Khili. Later, join your fellow guests for a relaxing sunset cruise along the tranquil and iconic Mekong River before dinner. La Résidence Phou Vao, A Belmond Hotel, Luang Prabang | Meals: B D

#### DAY 11: Luang Prabang | Giving & Receiving

Rise very early to give alms to Buddhist monks, putting you in touch with the local culture and community. Return to your hotel with some time to relax and pack. After lunch, join locals in their home for a *baci* ceremony — a good-luck ritual for a safe journey that is part of the local culture before flying to Bangkok. The Peninsula Bangkok | Meals: B L

DAY 12: **Bangkok, Thailand** | Along the Chao Phraya River Visit the sprawling Grand Palace, a complex that is the historic Siamese court and home to Thailand's most important shrine, the green-jade Emerald Buddha. Continue by *tuk-tuk* to the 150-foot-long reclining Buddha at Wat Pho. Your afternoon is at leisure. Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner of Thai specialties. The Peninsula Bangkok | Meals: B D

## DAY 13: Depart Bangkok

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to depart for home. Meals: B



## **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

This itinerary is available as a private journey, **Signature Indochina & Angkor Wat**. Priced from \$7,695. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.

## **INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS**



La Résidence d'Angkor, A Belmond Hotel, Siem Reap Luxury hotel near the temple ruins.



La Résidence Phou Vao, A Belmond Hotel, Luang Prabang Tranquil boutique luxury hotel.



The Reverie Saigon Travel + Leisure World's Best hotel with beautiful river views.



**Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi** French-colonial style luxury hotel with Grand Premium Rooms.



**The Peninsula Bangkok** Elegant luxury hotel situated on the Chao Phraya River.



**'Orchid'** All-balcony traditional junk with superb onboard service.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jan 5-17, Jan 8-20, Jan 12-24, Jan 29-Feb 10, Feb 2-14, Feb 5-17, Feb 9-21, Feb 16-28, Feb 23-Mar 7, Mar 2-14, Mar 9-21, Mar 23-Apr 4, Apr 6-18, Sep 28-Oct 10, Oct 5-17, Oct 12-24, Oct 19-31, Oct 26-Nov 7, Nov 2-14, Nov 9-21, Nov 30-Dec 12, Dec 7-19	\$8,495	\$3,395
Dec 14-26	\$9,995	\$4,495
Dec 21-Jan 2, 2024	\$11,795	\$4,895

Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,680 Hai Phong/Ho Chi Minh City/Siem Reap/Luang Prabang/Bangkok

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:30 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 12. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## AVAILABLE STOPOVER PACKAGES



Spend three days exploring Dubai (from \$2,295) or Hong Kong (from \$2,495) before or after your journey.

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## LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

# Cruising the Mekong: Siam, Saigon & Angkor Wat

12 days from \$7,995 | Limited to 24 guests

Luang Prabang 4-day Pre-Tour Extension from \$1,995

Discover astonishing Angkor Wat and cruise for seven nights on an exclusive charter along the Mekong River to experience its varied cultures in rural settings not easily reached by land, on a journey that includes vibrant Bangkok and Ho Chi Minh City, the former Saigon.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Cruise for seven nights on an exclusive charter of 24-guest 'Mekong Princess,' a luxurious, all-suite boutique riverboat able to access lesser-known ports, ushering you into the midst of authentic rural cultures
- Explore magnificent Angkor Wat at sunset with an expert guide, capping a full day among timeless ruins that include Bayon Temple and Ta Prohm Temple
- Gain deeper insight into Southeast Asia's varied, intertwined river cultures through interactions with local villagers, families in their homes and monks in pagodas
- Cruise straight into the heart of old Saigon and select from an array of active, cultural and culinary options that reveal the diverse appeal of today's Ho Chi Minh City

## DAY 1: Arrive Bangkok, Thailand

Arrive in Bangkok, the capital of Thailand, and transfer to your luxurious hotel. The Peninsula Bangkok

DAY 2: **Bangkok** | Gliding on the Serene Chao Phraya River Discover Wat Pho temple, with its massive Reclining Buddha statue, and listen to the musical sound of coins dropping into brass offering bowls. Then, travel by *tuk-tuk* to the sprawling Grand Palace to view the royal Siamese court, home to Thailand's most important shrine, the green-jade Emerald Buddha. Next, gather for a light lunch aboard a traditional wooden rice barge. Cruise the Chao Phraya River in a



relaxed atmosphere, taking in sights along the waterfront, including glittering Wat Arun. Later, fly to Siem Reap, Cambodia, where you transfer to your Khmer-style hotel and enjoy a welcome dinner.

La Résidence d'Angkor, A Belmond Hotel, Siem Reap | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: **Siem Reap, Cambodia** | Sunset At Angkor Wat Set off to explore the extraordinary temples of Angkor, a breathtaking city lost in the jungle and Cambodia's most prized national treasure. Enter the monumental gates of Angkor Thom and visit the Bayon Temple, with its 172 largescale faces wearing enchanting smiles. Continue to Ta Prohm Temple to see crumbling towers embraced by massive tree roots. This afternoon, visit magnificent Angkor Wat, where you stay until sunset, marveling as the diminishing, moody light washes over this unforgettable, faraway world. La Résidence d'Angkor, A Belmond Hotel, Siem Reap | Meals: B L

DAY 4: **Cruising the Mekong** | Board Your All-Suite Cruiser Drive through the lush and scenic Cambodian countryside to Kampong Cham, where you board A&K's private charter of all-suite 'Mekong Princess,' your boutique river cruiser for the next seven nights. Tonight, enjoy a Khmer-inspired dinner. 'Mekong Princess' | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: **Cruising the Mekong** | Life in a Local Village Explore the charming town of Angkor Ban, where you enjoy glimpses into the lives of local people, starting with a visit to a family home. Stroll through a small market frequented by locals and stop briefly at a monastery complex. Then, board 'Mekong Princess' and cruise to Phnom Penh, where you Ride Like a Local through Cambodia's lush and alluring capital city on an engaging *cyclo* tour. Discover



the ornate Royal Palace, and wander past huge *stupas* (Buddhist monuments) and spirit houses en route to the Silver Pagoda, home of Cambodia's Emerald Buddha and the diamond-encrusted Maitreya Buddha. Visit the National Museum before returning to the ship to enjoy a professional exhibition of traditional folk dances. 'Mekong Princess' | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: Cruising the Mekong | Phnom Penh

This morning, learn about Cambodia's darker days as you visit the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum, and then walk the

notorious killing fields of Choeung Ek, one of history's most infamous places. Your afternoon is free for you to relax on your own. 'Mekong Princess' | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: **Cruising the Mekong** | Crossing Into Vietnam Cruise into Vietnam early this morning and continue downstream to little-known Hong Ngu, which nimble 'Mekong Princess' can enter with ease. In this place where few Westerners have ever been, experience an especially friendly welcome, followed by a visit to a local family home, where you watch the weaving of *kromas* (traditional Khmer





scarves). Later, explore a local temple dedicated to Hoa Hao, a unique Vietnamese religion. In the afternoon, board a *sampan* (wooden boat) to Gieng Island, where hundreds of the vessels are built each day. Cruise a canal past orchards and rice fields. Continue to a historic Christian monastery built by the French in 1879. 'Mekong Princess' | Meals: B L D

DAY 8: **Cruising the Mekong** | Meet a Local Family Disembark at the village of Hoa An, well known for its floral and craft industries. See how locals grow and use flowers, and meet a family in their home. Later, reboard the ship and cruise downstream toward Can Tho, where you disembark to visit Zihuang Pagoda. Back on board, relax on a Scenic Sundowner this evening, observing local life at the close of day along the delta. 'Mekong Princess' | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: **Cruising the Mekong** | Floating Market Visit Rise early for a *sampan* cruise through a fascinating floating market near Can Tho, weaving between boats that sell goods and produce. Fresh coconut water, the Vietnamese "anti-aging drink," refreshes you before a stop at a local factory to see the making of traditional noodles. Back on board 'Mekong Princess,' cruise deeper into parts of the Mekong Delta rarely touched by travellers to see the fourth-century Phuoc Hau Pagoda, where you interact with local monks to learn about their daily life and practices. 'Mekong Princess' | Meals: B L D

DAY 10: **Cruising the Mekong** | Life among the Mangroves Today, board a *sampan* to wend your way through a channel lined with mangroves, whose tangled roots provide a sheltered habitat for the smallest denizens of the river's ecosystem. Pause to see an artisan produce coconut candy, a favorite local snack. Next, board an intimate, two-seater boat for a cruise through lush, narrow creeks lined with nipa palms, a native species and the only one of its kind adapted to the mangrove habitat. Participate in a Chef's Table cooking demo this afternoon, led by your onboard chef. 'Mekong Princess' | Meals: B L D

## DAY 11: Ho Chi Minh City | Design Your Day Unlike other river ships that are forced to dock outside of Saigon, 'Mekong Princess' takes you right into the heart of this lively, evocative metropolis, now known as Ho Chi Minh City. Disembark your river cruiser to enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- Visit the War Remnants Museum to view photographs by Bunyo Ishikawa, a Vietnam War photojournalist, and then explore Reunification Palace.
- Sample Local Specialties, experiencing the culinary treasures to be found on a Saigon street-food tour.
- Cycle the Countryside, exploring the nearby Thanh Da Peninsula.

Tonight, gather for a special farewell dinner. The Reverie Saigon | Meals: B D

## DAY 12: Depart Ho Chi Minh City

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to depart. Meals: B

## TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K

For a private journey consider **Tailor Made Vietnam & Cambodia: The Mekong & Angkor Wat**. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.

## **EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY**



Luang Prabang Pre-Tour Group Extension 4 days from \$1,995 | Internal air from \$1,050

Available on all departures.

Explore the Royal Palace, enjoy a baci ceremony, make offerings to monks, visit a farm and take a sunset cruise.

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



'Mekong Princess' Exclusively chartered all-suite river cruiser limited to just 24 guests.



The Peninsula Bangkok Elegant luxury hotel set on the Chao Phraya River.



La Résidence d'Angkor, A Belmond Hotel, Siem Reap Luxury hotel nearby the temple ruins. with beautiful river views.



The Reverie Saigon Travel + Leisure World's Best hotel

## **DATES & PRICING**

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Saigon Suite	Apsara Suite	Tonle Suite	Angkor Suite
Jan 30-Feb 10, Feb 13-24, Feb 27-Mar 10, Mar 13-24, Oct 9-20, Oct 23-Nov 3, Nov 6-17, Nov 20-Dec 1	\$7,995	\$8,595	\$9,595	\$10,595
Single Supplement	\$995	\$1,295	\$2,095	\$3,095
 Dec 18-29	\$8,995	\$9,595	\$10,595	\$11,595
Single Supplement	\$1,095	\$1,395	\$2,195	\$3,195

Internal Air: Economy class from \$650 Bangkok/Siem Reap

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:30 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 11. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## AVAILABLE STOPOVER PACKAGES



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## LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

# Vietnam: A Nation Revealed

12 days from \$7,795 | Limited to 18 guests

Discover the many faces of a dynamic nation as you explore Vietnam's iconic cities and rural villages, take in its lush yet rugged scenery, sample its delightful cuisine and immerse yourself in its enduring cultural traditions.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Experience the contrast of Vietnam's two largest cities: traditional Hanoi and modern Ho Chi Minh City
- Sail through breathtaking seascapes on an overnight cruise through stunning, karst-dotted Ha Long Bay
- Discover traditional ways of life in rural Vietnam as you explore villages and rice fields in Mai Chau by bicycle
- Gather for dinner at a local family's home in Hue, where you learn traditional recipes and the art of incense-stick making, on an experience exclusively for A&K guests
- Savor local cuisine during a guided culinary exploration of street food in Hoi An
- Connect with the history of the Vietnam War during visits to the 'Hanoi Hilton,' China Beach and the Cu Chi Tunnels

## DAY 1: Arrive Hanoi, Vietnam

Arrive in Hanoi, the capital of Vietnam, and transfer to your French Colonial-style hotel. Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi

## DAY 2: Hanoi | Echoes of the Past

Hanoi is the country's cultural heart, bearing traces of centuries of changing dynasties. Visit Ho Chi Minh's house, a simple structure located among banyan and milkweed trees, which served as home to the revolutionary guerrilla leader who pursued independence for Vietnam. Continue to the lotus-shaped One Pillar Pagoda, dating back to the first Vietnamese empire independent from China. Next, visit the Temple of Literature, Hanoi's first university. After lunch at a local restaurant, reflect at Hoa Lo Prison, the infamous "Hanoi Hilton," where American prisoners of war were once confined, and hear from a war veteran about his firsthand experiences. Next, Ride Like a Local by *cyclo* through the



Old Quarter. Later this evening, gather with your fellow guests for a welcome cocktail reception and dinner. Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: Ha Long Bay | Cruising among the Karsts Travel to Ha Long Bay, where you board 'Orchid,' the traditional junk-style vessel that is your home for the evening. Cruise into the picturesque seascape of Ha Long Bay and lesser-visited Lan Ha Bay, setting course for Da Chong islet, then watching as its century-old French colonial lighthouse drifts by. Settle into your deck chair as 'Orchid' snakes her way past the islets of Con Vit and Gia Luan, their karsts (limestone formations) rising dramatically from the bay. Disembark on Cat Ba Island and travel overland through a landscape cloaked in verdant forests on your way to Trung Trang Cave. Admire the cave's intricate features, formed over millennia. Step back aboard 'Orchid' as she maneuvers for the best vantage of a sunset framed against the Gulf of Tonkin shoreline. Join a cooking demonstration featuring traditional Vietnamese cuisine, followed by dinner on board. Retire to your cabin to enjoy a restful night's sleep as the waves lap gently against the hull. 'Orchid' | Meals: B L D

Enjoy the option to pedal through lush, rolling countryside to explore the enduring cultural traditions of Mai Chau's hill tribes.

DAY 4: Ha Long Bay & Mai Chau | A Journey into the Hills Greet the day with sunrise tai chi overlooking the bay from


'Orchid's' deck. Set out for an early morning kayak excursion among the towering limestone pinnacles. Return for brunch on board as 'Orchid' makes her way back to port. Disembark and set out on a half-day journey to Mai Chau, pausing for breaks along the way. This evening, settle into your accommodations, and then gather for dinner and a traditional dance performance. Mai Chau Ecolodge | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 5: Mai Chau | Cycling the Countryside

After a leisurely breakfast, you may opt to set out on a cycling or electric-cart tour of the local valleys. Your 12-mile ride snakes

its way through Chieng Chau, Van Mai, Cun and Mai Hich, passing villages, lush rice paddies and seldom-seen countryside. En route, pause to meet a local hill tribe community and learn about their enduring cultural traditions. 🗞 Visit a local school and learn how the A&K-Philanthropy-supported Safe Water for Schools program is providing clean filtered drinking water to students. Then, enjoy lunch and a cooking demonstration at a local home before returning to your lodge by late afternoon. Later, visit a home filled with precious Vietnamese antiques. Mai Chau Ecolodge | Meals: B L D







#### DAY 6: Hue | Perfume River Vistas

This morning, transfer to Hanoi. After lunch at a local restaurant, transfer to the airport for your flight to Hue. Upon arrival, continue to your boutique hotel fronting the banks of the Perfume River. Enjoy the remainder of your evening at leisure. Azerai La Residence, Hue | Meals: B L

Gain an exclusive glimpse into modern Vietnamese life and culture when you visit a local family who welcome you into their home for a Chef's Table experience and dinner, and then share their spiritual beliefs with you at their family's temple.

## DAY 7: $Hue \mid$ Revealing an Imperial Legacy

Today, discover the legacy of the Nguyen dynasty, a powerful family that ruled Vietnam from 1802 to 1945. Their reign witnessed the construction of Hue's Imperial Citadel, which served as the nation's political capital and religious hub. Venture inside it to discover the Imperial City, a walled palace that mirrors the grandeur of China's Forbidden City. Next, explore the tomb of Emperor Tu Duc, the dynasty's longest reigning ruler. Stroll among the citadel's other monuments, noting the scars of war still remaining from the conflicts of the last century. After lunch at a local restaurant, return to your hotel for time at leisure. Later, hop on a Vespa for a ride to a nearby home, where you are welcomed in by a local family that introduces you to the craft of making incense sticks. Continue to another nearby family's home, stepping into their family kitchen for a Chef's Table demonstration, and then gathering round the table for dinner with your newfound friends. Next, they invite you into their temple to learn more about their traditions and beliefs, on this A&Kexclusive experience. Return to your hotel with a deeper understanding of local life.

Azerai La Residence, Hue | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 8: Hoi An | Leisurely River Cruise

Enjoy a leisurely boat trip along Hue's Perfume River, and stop at local Thien Mu Pagoda. Transfer to Hoi An via the stunningly scenic Hai Van Pass. Also known as the "Cloudy Pass," this winding mountain road overlooks lush countryside, sandy beaches and the blue waters of the sea. Pause in Danang for a photo stop of My Khe Beach, nicknamed "China Beach" by American troops serving here during the Vietnam War and made famous by the television series of the same name. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before continuing to your hotel, where you enjoy an evening at leisure. Four Seasons Resort The Nam Hai | Meals: B L

DAY 9: Hoi An | Authentic Flavors of the Market Set out on a walking tour of Hoi An, a UNESCO World Heritage Site retaining a diverse mix of architecture influenced by the many nations that traded in this historic port of call. Begin at a local market, and then explore the Old House of Tan Ky, the Fujian Assembly Hall and the 400-yearold covered bridge. Enjoy lunch and a fun, guided culinary exploration of local street food. Return to your resort for an afternoon at leisure. Later, gather for a Scenic Sundowner on the beach, as the warm glow of twilight paints the sky over the palms. Four Seasons Resort The Nam Hai | Meals: B L D



DAY 10: Ho Chi Minh City | Vibrant, Evocative Saigon Fly to Ho Chi Minh City (formerly Saigon). Resurgent in art and culture, this evocative city is a hub of activity — a sharp contrast to the traditional ambience of Hanoi. View examples of the city's colonial legacy, including the Reunification Palace and a Cao Dai Temple. The Reverie Saigon | Meals: B L

#### DAY 11: Ho Chi Minh City | Design Your Day

Today, explore the Cu Chi Tunnels, learning how the Vietcong used this vast subterranean wartime network. This afternoon, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- Explore the City's Bustling Culinary Scene, sampling traditional dishes prepared by local street food vendors.
- Visit the War Remnants Museum to view photographs from Bunyo Ishikawa, a Vietnam War photojournalist, followed by a walking tour of a historic neighborhood.
- Cycle the Countryside around the Cu Chi Tunnels, passing through local villages to observe daily life.

This evening, gather at a culinary hotspot for a cocktail reception and farewell dinner. The Reverie Saigon | Meals: B D

#### DAY 12: Depart Ho Chi Minh City

After breakfast, transfer to the airport and board your homebound flight. Meals: B

#### **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

For a private journey consider Tailor Made Vietnam: North to South. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Four Seasons Resort The Nam Hai Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi Exotic resort boasting luxury villas located near the beach.



The Reverie Saigon Travel + Leisure World's Best hotel with views over the Saigon River.



Mai Chau Ecolodge An airy, pastoral hideaway set among verdant hills and rice paddies.



French Colonial-style luxury hotel, well-located in the center of Hanoi.



'Orchid' All-balcony junk-style vessel ideal for cruising on Ha Long Bay.



Azerai La Residence, Hue A boutique hotel overlooking the Perfume River and Imperial Citadel.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Feb 8-19, Feb 26-Mar 9, Mar 15-26,	\$7,795	\$3,595
Oct 8-19, Oct 22-Nov 2, Nov 5-16,		
Nov 26-Dec 7, Dec 10-21		

Internal Air: Economy class from \$405 Hanoi/Hue; Danang/Ho Chi Minh City

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:30 a.m. on Day 2 Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 11. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## **AVAILABLE STOPOVER PACKAGES**



Spend three days exploring Dubai (from \$2,295) or Hong Kong (from \$2,495) before or after your journey.

## Book Your Journey Today

Contact A&K or go online for up-to-date information on dates, pricing, extensions and special offers.



### MARCO POLO JOURNEYS

# Singapore & Malaysia: Tapestry of Cultures

11 days from \$9,895 | Limited to 18 guests

Immerse yourself in two sumptuous destinations, each with diverse cultures, that have been at the crossroads of international trade for centuries, getting to know their many peoples and cuisines on a unique journey that reveals the rich contrast between the soaring architecture of major cities and the tropical beauty of highland landscapes.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Experience Singapore and Malaysia's rich culinary diversity with lunch at the famed Newton Food Centre, a Malay cooking lesson, and a traditional English afternoon tea
- Wander the colonial streets of Penang and learn to play mahjong with an expert in the city's historic Blue Mansion, a location featured in Crazy Rich Asians
- Explore two highly diverse cities, Singapore and Kuala
  Lumpur, from the Gardens of the Bay to the Petronas Towers
- Marvel at the profusion of contemporary street art in lpoh and try your hand at picking tea leaves in the picturesque Cameron Highlands

## DAY 1: Arrive Singapore

Arrive in Singapore, where you are met and transferred to your legendary hotel. **Raffles Singapore** 

DAY 2: **Singapore** | Chinese Culture, Then and Now Begin exploring Singapore with a walking tour of the Chijmes, a historic building complex and former convent. Continue to the city's lush Botanical Gardens, including its renowned National Orchid Garden. Enjoy lunch at hawkerfilled Newton Food Centre before proceeding to spectacular Gardens by the Bay, observing the resident flora and fauna and experiencing the futuristic Supertree Observatory. Discover Singapore's Chinatown and learn about the city's legacy as a center for the spice trade on a visit to Ang Siang Hill. Return to your hotel, where you sample an authentic Singapore Sling. This evening, gather for a welcome dinner. Raffles Singapore | Meals: B L D



DAY 3: **Penang, Malaysia** | Foodie Fantasies Come True After a morning at leisure, fly to the island state of Penang, checking into your hotel on arrival. This evening, seek out culinary treasures on a foodie tour of the Gurney Drive Hawker Centre, the city's go-to hub for mouthwatering street food. **Eastern & Oriental Hotel** | **Meals: B** D

DAY 4: **Penang** | Exploring Historical Georgetown Today, Ride Like a Local by rickshaw through UNESCOlisted colonial Georgetown, a multicultural enclave. Visit Pinang Peranakan Mansion, a museum devoted to preserving the culture of the Peranakans. Then, proceed to the Cheong Fatt Sze Mansion (the Blue Mansion) to take in its distinctive architectural features. After lunch, enjoy a lesson from a master in the game of mahjong, on an A&Kexclusive experience. Later at your hotel, gather for a proper afternoon tea. Eastern & Oriental Hotel | Meals: B L

DAY 5: **Penang** | Treasures of a Hidden Rainforest Experience the natural splendors of Tropical Spice Garden, a rainforest home to hundreds of species. Take a break from exploring for a Malay cooking class, helping a local chef concoct the dishes you enjoy for lunch on a Chef's Table experience. Visit Penang Hill Biosphere Reserve, home to soaring tropical trees and over 100 species of birds, taking a funicular to the summit of the hill. Eastern & Oriental Hotel | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: **Ipoh** | A Flourishing Center for Street Art Drive to Ipoh to walk the Ipoh Mural Art Trail, taking in amazing street art that adorns everything from storefronts to alleyways. Savor a dim sum lunch at a local restaurant, before continuing to the rolling, green Cameron Highlands



and your colonial bungalow-inspired resort hotel, where you enjoy dinner. Cameron Highlands Resort | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: Cameron Highlands | Tea Plantation Visit Set out for Boh Tea Plantation, where you try your hand at picking tea leaves, observe the artful work of processing tea and sip a freshly brewed cup yourself. Then, stroll among the fragrant blossoms of the terraced Mrs. Robertson Rose Garden before lunch at a local restaurant. This afternoon, choose to explore this scenic area during a hike through a cloud forest, or relax at your hotel savoring a traditional high tea. Cameron Highlands Resort | Meals: B L D

DAY 8: Kuala Lumpur | Life in an Indigenous Village Visit an Orang Asli village for the opportunity to mingle with indigenous people of Malaysia, some of whom demonstrate their blow dart skills. Then, journey overland to the nation's dazzlingly modern capital city, Kuala Lumpur. On arrival, check in to your luxurious hotel, where you partake of a Scenic Sundowner overlooking the city's dazzling skyline, before dinner at a local restaurant. Four Seasons Hotel Kuala Lumpur | Meals: B D

DAY 9: Kuala Lumpur | Malaysia's Islamic Heritage Start your exploration of the city from the incredible vantage point of the skybridge of the soaring Petronas Twin Towers. Next, discover another facet of Malaysia's cultural mix with a visit to the Islamic Arts Museum, the largest of its kind in southeast Asia. Peruse the city's Central Market, where local artists and craftsman sell their goods. After lunch at a local restaurant, your afternoon is at leisure for relaxing or exploring. Four Seasons Hotel Kuala Lumpur | Meals: B L

#### DAY 10: Malacca | Fusion of East and West

Venture to historic Malacca, a city whose architecture reflects a mix of Chinese, Dutch and Portuguese colonial influences. Privately cruise the Malacca River to visit St. Paul's Church, the Sultanate Palace, Stadthuys (city hall) and Old Town. After lunch at a local restaurant, see the magnificent Malacca Straights Mosque. Known as the "floating mosque," it is built on stilts over the water. Tonight at your hotel, gather for a farewell dinner. Four Seasons Hotel Kuala Lumpur | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 11: Depart Kuala Lumpur

After breakfast, transfer to the Kuala Lumpur airport for your departing flight. Meals: B

### **INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS**





**Raffles Singapore** 

Iconic luxury hotel, recently refurbished Classic luxury hotel with stunning and ideally situated in the city.

Four Seasons Hotel Kuala Lumpur city and park views.





**Cameron Highlands Resort** Comfortable, colonial bungalow-style Historic and iconic hotel close to the hotel set amid the scenic highlands.

Eastern & Oriental Hotel heart of action in Penang.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
Jun 9-19, Dec 1-11	\$9,895	\$2,995

Internal Air: Economy class from \$350 Singapore/Penang

#### Journey Details

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## Book Your Journey Today

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WINGS OVER THE WORLD JOURNEYS

Wings Over India

12 days from \$34,495 | Limited to 17 guests

Explore India's treasures, from the splendidly beautiful Taj Mahal to the palaces of Jaipur, witness the sacred *aarti* ceremony on the banks of the Ganges in Varanasi and seek out the elusive Bengal tiger in Ranthambore National Park, all while staying in some of the country's most iconic and luxurious hotels.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Fly in comfort and style between India's iconic cities aboard private aircraft exclusively chartered for your journey
- Stay in exceptional luxury at Oberoi hotels, including The Oberoi Rajvilas, Jaipur and The Oberoi Vanyavilas, Ranthambore
- Experience the glorious Taj Mahal during a visit to Agra, witnessing its jewel-like radiance
- Enjoy private Jeep safaris in Ranthambore National Park, home of the elusive Bengal tiger
- In Varanasi, visit the banks of the Ganges, the most holy site in Hinduism, before seeing Sarnath, one of Buddhism's most holy sites
- Join a pandit (Hindu priest) for an exclusive Hindu blessing ceremony in Jaipur

## DAY 1: Arrive Mumbai, India

Arrive in Mumbai, the illustrious gateway of India, where you are met and privately transferred to your luxurious hotel. The Oberoi, Mumbai

#### DAY 2: Mumbai | Five-Senses Walking Tour

Explore Mumbai on a visit that appeals to all of your senses, heading to a railway station to watch the famous *dabbawalas*, who deliver thousands of hot home-cooked meals in time for lunch. Visit the Prince of Wales Museum. After savoring lunch at a local restaurant, visit a local spice market. Return to your hotel where this evening you enjoy a welcome cocktail and dinner. **The Oberoi, Mumbai | Meals: B L D** 

DAY 3: **Ranthambore National Park** | Rural Rajasthan Fly by private charter to Jaipur in the heart of Rajasthan.



Travel to the southeast toward Ranthambore National Park. Along the way, stop for an exciting camel cart ride in the Rajasthani countryside followed by lunch at Talabgoan Castle. This evening at your hotel, listen to a special talk on Ranthambore's wildlife and enjoy a Scenic Sundowner. The Oberoi Vanyavilas, Ranthambore | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: **Ranthambore National Park** | Into the Wild Explore Ranthambore National Park on two thrilling game drives, spotting crocodiles, sloth bears, leopards or perhaps the rare and majestic Bengal tiger. Alternatively, you may choose to visit Ranthambore Fort this afternoon, which offers panoramic views of these former royal hunting grounds. The Oberoi Vanyavilas, Ranthambore | Meals: B L D

## DAY 5: Jaipur | The Pink City

Travel overland to Jaipur, where you settle into your stunning room set in a beautiful garden and featuring exotic design touches, such as local textiles, in a fantasy of pinks, purples and greens. Later this afternoon, visit the local bazaar, taking in the colors and vibrancy of local life. The Oberoi Rajvilas, Jaipur | Meals: B D

DAY 6: **Jaipur** | The Amber Fort & Astronomical Wonders Explore the Amber Fort, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Built of red sandstone and overlooking a lake, it features opulent and influential design flourishes worthy of the Rajput rulers who once called it home. Savor lunch at a local restaurant, and then visit the City Palace and Jantar Mantar Observatory, an open-air array of astronomical instruments built by Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh II that includes the world's largest stone sundial. The Oberoi Rajvilas, Jaipur | Meals: B L D

## PRIVATE CHARTER AIR INCLUDED

Fly directly between key destinations on flights exclusive to A&K.

#### Aircraft

Dassault Falcon 2000 or comparable Aircraft and seating configuration subject to change.

#### **Flight Details**

Mumbai-Jaipur (1 hr 15 min) Jaipur-Agra (30 min) Agra-Varanasi (1 hr) Varanasi-Delhi (1 hr 15 min)



Watch daily life unfold along the Ganges, on a private sunrise cruise

#### DAY 7: Jaipur | Design Your Day

Join the pandit (Hindu priest) for a Hindu blessing ceremony at a 300-year-old temple in the hotel. Savor lunch and a Chef's Table cooking demonstration, learning about the use of Indian spices in local specialties. Then, enjoy one of these Design Your Day options.

- ▶ Partake in a private yoga session at your luxurious hotel.
- ▶ Interact with the students and teachers at Digantar Vidyalay, a school supported by A&K Philanthropy.

Learn how Rajasthan has historically managed water resources during a walk outside of Nahargarh Fort.

Return to your luxurious hotel for an evening at leisure. The Oberoi Rajvilas, Jaipur | Meals: B L

DAY 8: Agra & Varanasi | Visions of the Taj Mahal Today, fly to Agra via private charter. Upon arrival, explore the peerless Taj Mahal, a travel moment that never fails to amaze. Later, reboard your jet for a flight to Varanasi, a city of more than a thousand temples and shrines sacred to Hindus and Buddhists. Taj Ganges, Varanasi | Meals: B L D





## Experience the Many Wonders of India

Whether it's the sinewy shape of a Bengal tiger slipping from the bush into the dappled sunlight of the forest floor or the iconic silhouette of the Taj Mahal seemingly painted against the evening sky, India's wonders come in many forms.

There are architectural wonders, like the imposing Amber Fort and the delicate Palace of the Winds in Jaipur. There's also the inspiring beauty of countless temples in Varanasi, places where structural design intersects with the everyday life of locals and pilgrims.

India's culinary wonders are on display throughout your journey as well, never more so than during a Chef's Table experience that immerses you in the intoxicating scents and colorful sights of the sub-continent's spices.

Perhaps India's most extraordinary wonders are its people, from the white-suited *dabbawalas* of Mumbai to the saffron-robed priests who guide the *aarti* ceremony and your rickshaw driver in Delhi's Chandni Chowk bazaar. Their warmth, kindness and gracious reverence for life are unmistakable wonders of their own.

The wonder of it all is your ability to experience all of this in just 12 days. Such is the power of private chartered air to weave the sprawling majesty of India into a single, intimate travel experience.





#### DAY 9: Varanasi | Sacred Sarnath

Discover Sarnath, the place chosen by Buddha to deliver his first sermon. Explore the ruins of a once-flourishing Buddhist monastery and look around a museum of Buddhist art and sculpture. At dusk, beside the Ganges River, witness the *aarti* ceremony, as lantern-bearing priests bid the gods a restful slumber. Taj Ganges, Varanasi | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 10: Varanasi | Sunrise on the Ganges

Rise early for a private sunrise cruise on the Ganges River to observe activity along the *ghats* (stone steps leading down to the river), where locals and pilgrims cleanse themselves, literally and spiritually. Later, fly to Delhi for a farewell dinner. The Oberoi, New Delhi | Meals: B D

#### DAY 11: Delhi | A City's Timeless Treasures

Set out to explore Delhi, both old and new. Visit Jama Masjid, the most important mosque in India. Ride Like a Local by rickshaw through Chandni Chowk bazaar and encounter Humayun's Tomb — an architectural precursor to the Taj Mahal. Return to your hotel by late afternoon. The Oberoi, New Delhi | Meals: B L

#### DAY 12: Depart Delhi

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your departing flight. Meals: B

#### **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

Customize this itinerary and create the perfect private Luxury Tailor Made Journey just for you. Contact A&K for more details.

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



The Oberoi, New Delhi Iconic luxury hotel conveniently located in the heart of the city.





The Oberoi Vanyavilas, Ranthambore Luxury permanent-tented camp.







The Oberoi, Mumbai Luxury hotel with stunning views of the Arabian Sea.

Taj Ganges, Varanasi Contemporary hotel set on 12 acres of elegantly landscaped gardens.

#### DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Oct 11-22, Nov 8-19	\$34,495	\$3,795

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements.

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 9:00 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: end of sightseeing at 5:00 p.m. on Day 11.

## Book Your Journey Today

Contact A&K or go online for up-to-date information on dates, pricing, extensions and special offers.

## LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

# Taj Mahal & the Treasures of India

14 days from \$9,495 | Limited to 18 guests

## Nepal & Kathmandu

4-day Post-Tour Extension from \$1,695

Explore India's greatest treasures as you visit the timeless Taj Mahal, seek the graceful Bengal tiger and witness a holy rite beside the sacred Ganges – all while staying in royal palaces-turned-luxury hotels.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Stay in former palaces, including iconic royal residences such as the lavish Taj Lake Palace in Udaipur and the grand Rambagh Palace in Jaipur
- Embark on a private sunset boat cruise on Lake Pichola, your palace hotel seemingly floating on the water beneath an orange-hued sky, and cap it off with a refreshing cocktail
- Behold the glorious Taj Mahal at sunrise and sunset
- Set out on private safaris in Panna National Park, home to the elusive Bengal tiger, and enjoy an exclusive talk on conservation by a member of the local Pardhi community
- Observe priests performing an *aarti* ceremony on the banks of the Holy Ganges in Varanasi
- Experience the diverse appeal of India's great cities, from colorful, fast-paced Mumbai, the innovative commercial heart of the country, to Delhi, a center for politics and, with its enduring British influence, a blend of old and new

## DAY 1: Arrive Mumbai, India

Arrive in Mumbai, where an A&K representative meets and transfers you to your iconic hotel. The Taj Mahal Palace, Mumbai

#### DAY 2: Mumbai | The Gateway of India

Explore the city's classic sites, including the Gateway of India, an 85-foot-high arch whose design reflects India's Muslim and Hindu traditions. Visit the Prince of Wales Museum and Mani Bhawan, a museum dedicated to the life and works of Mahatma Gandhi. Next, see the Dhobi Ghat, the largest open-air laundry in the world and a wonderfully colorful spectacle to behold. Tonight, enjoy a welcome dinner. The Taj Mahal Palace, Mumbai | Meals: B D



## DAYS 3-4: Udaipur | Cruise to Jag Mandir

Fly to Udaipur and settle into your stunning palace hotel set in the middle of scenic Lake Pichola. Relax this afternoon before embarking on a private cruise past Jag Mandir, a marble palace on an island in Lake Pichola. Then, admire the vibrant sunset from your island hotel on a Scenic Sundowner followed by dinner. The next morning, visit the stunning City Palace, a marble complex that offers unforgettable views of the lake and its surroundings. Continue to the Crystal Gallery in Fateh Prakash Palace. Stroll through the Sahelion Ki Bari (Garden of the Maids of Honor) before returning to the hotel. Taj Lake Palace, Udaipur | Meals: B D (Day 3); B L (Day 4)

#### DAYS 5-6: Jaipur | Design Your Day

Fly to Jaipur and check in to your hotel, the former residence of the Maharajah of Jaipur. Later, explore the City Palace, a unique and arresting complex of several palaces, pavilions, gardens and temples. Located within the palace's gates is the Mubarak Mahal, or "Auspicious Palace," which contains textiles including the royal formal costumes, Sanganeri block prints, Kashmiri pashminas and silk saris. Then, visit Jantar Mantar, an open-air array of astronomical instruments. The next day, view the Palace of the Winds built so the women of the royal household could observe street life without being seen. Proceed to explore the beautiful Mughal-style Amber Fort. This red sandstone and marble palace is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. This afternoon, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

Practice Yoga During a Private Session at Rambagh Palace.



- Visit Digantar Vidyalay to interact with the students at an innovative school supported by A&K Philanthropy.
- **Discover the Bazaars of Jaipur**, taking in the vibe of local life and shopping for keepsakes from your journey.

Return to your hotel for an evening at leisure. Rambagh Palace, Jaipur | Meals: B D (Day 5); B L (Day 6)

#### DAYS 7-8: Agra | Visions of the Taj Mahal

Drive to Agra, observing the colorful rural life of Rajasthan on your journey. Upon arrival, catch your first glimpse of the breathtaking Taj Mahal from your luxurious room. Visit the Taj Mahal in the late afternoon, as the setting sun bathes it in a soft orange glow. Return the next morning, when the rising sun lends a warm pink tint to its marble face. Visit the Agra Fort, once the prison of Mughal emperor Shah Jahan, who built the Taj Mahal after the death of his beloved wife. The Oberoi Amarvilas, Agra | Meals: B L (Day 7); B D (Day 8)

## DAY 9: Panna National Park | Into the Wild

Depart by express train to Jhansi. After lunch, continue to remote Panna National Park, a haven for India's wildlife,







and check in to your wilderness lodge. Then, on an A&Kexclusive experience, meet with a member of the nomadic Pardhi community to learn about their role in the continuing effort to repopulate Panna National Park with the majestic Bengal tiger. Pashan Garh, Panna National Park | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 10: Panna National Park | Tiger Tracking

Rise early for a game drive in Panna National Park aboard a four-wheel-drive vehicle, spotting crocodiles or perhaps the elusive Bengal tiger. Learn how a successful conservation program has grown the park's tiger population, increasing the odds of a sighting. Return to the lodge to savor a Chef's Table experience featuring an Indian cooking demonstration, as your lodge's chef prepares local delicacies for lunch. Enjoy an afternoon game drive before returning to Pashan Garh for dinner. Pashan Garh, Panna National Park | Meals: B L D

DAY 11: Khajuraho & Varanasi | India's Holiest City Drive to Khajuraho to see all of life — joy, love, divinity, war — depicted in detail on every inch of its 85 Hindu and Jain temples. Then, fly to Varanasi, a city of more than a thousand temples and shrines, sacred to Hindus and Buddhists. At dusk, beside the Ganges River, witness the *aarti* ceremony. Chanted prayers and rhythmic drumming fill the air as you watch lantern-bearing priests bid the gods and goddesses a restful slumber. Taj Ganges, Varanasi | Meals: B L D

DAY 12: Varanasi & Delhi | Private Sunrise River Cruise Rise early for a private sunrise cruise on the Ganges River to observe activity along the ghats (stone steps leading down to the river), where locals and pilgrims cleanse themselves, literally and spiritually. Later, fly to Delhi for a farewell dinner. The Oberoi, New Delhi | Meals: B D DAY 13: **Delhi** | Exploring the Old & the New Visit the great Jama Masjid, the most important mosque in India. Completed in 1656, its two minarets each stand 131 feet tall. Then, Ride Like a Local by rickshaw through the narrow alleys and stalls of Chandni Chowk bazaar, one of the oldest and busiest markets in Old Delhi. Like Jama Masjid, it dates to the era of Shah Jahan and today is a vital part of everyday life here — frequented by locals and a mustsee destination for visitors. After lunch, tour New Delhi,

including Humayun's Tomb, the last resting place of an esteemed 16th-century Mughal emperor and an architectural precursor of the Taj Mahal. The Oberoi, New Delhi | Meals: B L

## DAY 14: Depart Delhi

Transfer to the airport early this morning for your flight home, or begin your post-tour extension to Kathmandu. Meals: B

## CELEBRATE THE PUSHKAR FAIR



Experience India at its most vibrant on two special departures that feature two extra nights in Pushkar to attend the Pushkar Fair, a beloved and colorful festival centered around an annual livestock sale. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.

## TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K

This itinerary is available as a private journey, **Signature India & the Taj Maha**l. Priced from \$10,495. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.



## **EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY**



Nepal & Kathmandu Post-Tour Group Extension 4-days from \$1,695 | Internal air from \$795 Available on select departures.

Fly to Kathmandu, Nepal. Discover its mix of Hindu and Buddhist heritage, visiting sites key to each faith. Immerse yourself in local life with a cooking lesson in a local home. Board an aircraft for awe-inspiring views of Mount Everest.

## **STOPOVER PACKAGE**



Spend three days exploring Dubai (from \$2,295) before or after your journey.

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Taj Lake Palace, Udaipur

Historic palace on Lake Pichola, a Travel + Leisure World's Best hotel.



The Oberoi Amarvilas, Agra Travel + Leisure World's Best hotel with views of the nearby Taj Mahal.



Iconic luxury hotel conveniently

located in the heart of the city.

Pashan Garh, Panna National Park A luxury lodge with 12 cottages in Panna National Park.

Once residence of a maharajah, now a

Travel + Leisure World's Best hotel.

Rambagh Palace, Jaipur



The Taj Mahal Palace, Mumbai Iconic, historic hotel located next to the Gateway of India.

Taj Ganges, Varanasi Contemporary hotel set on 12 acres of elegantly landscaped gardens.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jan 15-28, Jan 18-31, Jan 29-Feb 11, Feb 1-14, Feb 5-18, Feb 12-25,* Feb 19-Mar 4, Mar 8-21, Mar 19-Apr 1	\$10,995	\$5,295
Apr 2-15, May 3-16	\$9,495	\$3,495
Oct 8-21, Oct 15-28, Oct 18-31, Oct 22-Nov 4, Oct 29-Nov 11, Nov 1-14, Nov 5-18, Nov 12-25, Nov 26-Dec 9, Dec 3-16*	\$10,995	\$5,295
Dec 13-26	\$12,995	\$6,995
Dec 20-Jan 2, 2024	\$14,295	\$7,995
Pushkar Fair Departures: Nov 12–27,** Nov 14–29**†	\$12,995	\$6,695

Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,380

Mumbai/Udaipur/Jaipur; Khajuraho/Varanasi/Delhi

\*Days 5-6 at The Leela Palace Jaipur. \*\*Departure operates in reverse.

<sup>†</sup>Days 8-9 at The Leela Palace Jaipur.

Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 12:00 p.m. on Day 2. Last group event: end of sightseeing at 5:00 p.m. on Day 13

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## Book Your Journey Today

Contact A&K or go online for up-to-date information on dates, pricing, extensions and special offers.

#### MARCO POLO JOURNEYS

## India Wildlife Safari

11 days from \$8,995 | Limited to 18 guests

Explore some of the world's most treasured architectural and natural wonders, from the iconic Taj Mahal to India's biodiverse jungles and dry forests, where you track elusive leopards and tigers and sight incredible birdlife.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Discover Bandhavgarh National Park, home to exotic birds and the world's largest concentration of elusive Bengal tigers
- Set out on morning and afternoon game drives in Kanha National Park, the lush, teeming inspiration for Kipling's *The Jungle Book* and home to more than 1,300 species of birds
- In Agra, experience the glorious Taj Mahal, gaining insight into the moving story of this grand mausoleum
- Become one with nature at authentic accommodations that put you in the heart of India's jungles and wildlife
- Begin and end your journey in culturally diverse Delhi, exploring vibrant Chandni Chowk bazaar by rickshaw

#### DAY 1: Arrive Delhi, India

Arrive in Delhi this evening, where you are met and transferred to your iconic hotel. Taj Palace, New Delhi

## DAY 2: Delhi | Exploring Old & New

Begin your exploration of Delhi with a visit to the great Jama Masjid, the largest and most important mosque in India. Move among locals engaged in daily prayer, taking in its two minarets, each over 130 feet tall. Then, Ride Like a Local by rickshaw through the alleys of Chandni Chowk bazaar — one of the oldest and busiest markets in Delhi. After lunch, discover New Delhi, including Humayun's Tomb, an architectural precursor of the Taj Mahal. Also view the India Gate, a triumphal arch more than 130 feet tall; drive along the Rajpath, or King's Way, a broad ceremonial boulevard; and see the presidential residence of Rashtrapati Bhawan. This evening, gather for a welcome cocktail reception and dinner at the hotel. Taj Palace, New Delhi | Meals: B L D



## DAY 3: $\operatorname{Agra}|$ Stunning Taj Mahal

Embark on an overland day trip to Agra. Here, drive past the city's 16th-century fort, fascinating monuments and vibrant *chowks* (markets) en route to visit the Taj Mahal. Perhaps the world's most perfectly proportioned monument, this stunning mausoleum and testament of love built by Indian artisans from neighboring Islamic countries immortalized the name of Shah Jahan's last wife, Mumtaz Mahal, as the "light of the palace." Return to Delhi for an evening at leisure. Taj Palace, New Delhi | Meals: B L

DAY 4: Kanha National Park | Journey into the Jungle After breakfast, fly to Jabalpur. After pausing for lunch at a local restaurant, continue several hours overland into the jungles of Kanha, where your luxury camp overlooks the lush forests and grassy meadows of Kanha National Park. Banjaar Tola, Kanha National Park | Meals: B L D



Spot the colorful Indian Roller, along with hundreds of other spectacular exotic birds, at Kanha National Park.

## DAYS 5-6: Kanha National Park | Jungle Safari

Each day, take in an early morning and afternoon of game viewing in Kanha, one of India's most famous national parks. Among the *sal* (resin tree) and bamboo forests and grassy meadows, search for the elusive Bengal tiger. You may also



encounter chital, blackbucks, gaurs, leopards, hyenas, sloth bears, barasingha and a host of exotic bird species. On Day 5 at your lodge, enjoy a refreshing Scenic Sundowner, taking in views of the river and forest.

Banjaar Tola, Kanha National Park | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: **Bandhavgarh National Park** | Seeking The Tiger After breakfast, drive several hours to Bandhavgarh National Park. One of India's most beautiful national parks, it is nestled among the tropical forests, woodlands, rocky hills and flat grasslands of the Vindhya and Satpura ranges. While renowned for its tiger reserve, the park also harbors dense populations of gaurs, leopards, wild boars, Indian gazelles, common langurs, rhesus monkeys and sloth bears. Mahua Kothi, Bandhavgarh National Park | Meals: B L D

DAYS 8-9: **Bandhavgarh National Park** | Vast Biodiversity Enjoy early morning and afternoon game drives, looking out for the Bengal tiger as well as leopards and wild boars. Keep an eye on the canopy, as it is frequented by a vast diversity of exotic bird species. Take part in a Chef's Table experience led by your lodge's chef, learning about and sampling local popular dishes. On Day 9, toast your Indian safari with fellow guests over farewell cocktails, followed by dinner at the lodge. Mahua Kothi, Bandhavgarh National Park | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 10: Delhi | Return to India's Capital City

After breakfast, travel several hours to Jabalpur airport for a flight to Delhi. On arrival, transfer to your hotel for an evening at leisure. Taj Palace, New Delhi | Meals: B L

#### DAY 11: Depart Delhi

Early this morning, transfer to the airport and depart. Meals: B

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Mahua Kothi, Bandhavgarh National Park A vast, 40-acre property bringing impeccable service and luxurious amenities to the lush tropical forests of Bandhavgarh National Park.



**Banjaar Tola, Kanha National Park** Set amid grassland and forest, this luxury permanent tented camp is a remote riverfront oasis complete with floating verandas.



#### Taj Palace, New Delhi

Favored by distinguished world travellers and heads of state, this iconic grand luxury hotel is set in a prestigious area of New Delhi.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Apr 27-May 7	\$8,995	\$4,995
Oct 9-19	\$9,995	\$5,895

Internal Air: Economy class from \$615 Delhi/Jabalpur/Delhi

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:00 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: arrival at hotel in Delhi at 7:30 p.m. on Day 10. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

#### Program Note

Travel in this remote region entails extended drives over unpaved roads, visits to sites with limited accessibility for those with mobility challenges, and limited access to Western cuisine.

## **STOPOVER PACKAGE**



Spend three days exploring Dubai (from \$2,295) before or after your journey.

## Book Your Journey Today

Contact A&K or go online for up-to-date information on dates, pricing, extensions and special offers.

## LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

# Bhutan & Nepal: Heart of the Himalaya

11 days from \$9,295 | Limited to 18 guests

Discover Bhutan and Nepal, two Himalayan countries little touched by the passage of time, as you ascend to stunning "Tiger's Nest" Monastery, stroll through Kathmandu's Durbar Square and enjoy a meal in the home of a local Nepali family.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Absorb the grace, beauty and remoteness of Punakha, where you visit the ornately designed Dzong and wander in hand-painted courtyards among crimson-robed monks
- Feel the spirit of remote Bhutan on a pilgrimage hike to the revered "Tiger's Nest" Monastery, perched high on a sheer rock face, followed by a celebratory Champagne toast
- Explore Kathmandu's storied Durbar Square, and connect with Nepal's rich spiritual heritage during a guided meditation at Kopan Monastery
- Hear firsthand from a Mount Everest summiter about his experiences scaling the world's tallest peak
- Savor a lesson in Nepalese cuisine during a visit with a local family in their home

## DAY 1: Arrive Bangkok, Thailand

Arrive in Bangkok, where you are met and transferred to your airport hotel. Novotel Bangkok Suvarnabhumi Airport

DAY 2: Paro & Thimphu, Bhutan | Among Towering Peaks Fly to Paro, your gateway to Bhutan, a nation whose cultural traditions remain well preserved. Travel to Thimphu, admiring the mountain scenery, before visiting the National Memorial Chorten. Later, see Tashichho Dzong, a 13th-century Buddhist monastery and fortress. Then, gather for your welcome dinner. Taj Tashi, Thimphu | Meals: B L D

## DAY 3: Punakha | The Divine Madman

Drive over the Dochula Pass, seeing the colorful prayer flags en route to Punakha. Stop at Chimi Lhakhang (Temple of the Divine Madman), a storied fertility temple, continuing to Punakha Dzong, also called the "Palace of Great Happiness." Taj Tashi, Thimphu | Meals: B L



## DAY 4: Thimphu | Design Your Day

Today, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- Hike Wangditse Nature Trail, a two-hour scenic walk through fields to Wangtse Monastery, with stunning views.
- Offer Butter Lamps at a Monastery in Thimphu, and explore the Folk Heritage and National Textile museums.
- Visit Pangrizampa, where you meet with a local astrologer and practice meditation with an expert.

Tonight, gather for dinner at a local restaurant. Taj Tashi, Thimphu | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 5: Paro | Monasteries, Rivers & Relics

Journey overland to Paro, stopping to visit local farmers at their farmhouse to better understand their traditional way of life. Once in Paro, view the religious *thangka* (scroll) paintings and the natural history collection at the National Museum of Bhutan. Proceed to Rinpung Dzong, a monastery and fortress on a mountain river. Zhiwa Ling Heritage | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 6: Paro | Ascent to the "Tiger's Nest"

Today, you may choose to attempt the climb to Taktsang Monastery ("Tiger's Nest"). This hike is intentionally difficult, intended as an arduous pilgrimage for Buddhist devotees. Upon your descent, celebrate your trek with a Champagne toast and a specially arranged picnic breakfast with local entertainment. Later, try your hand at archery, Bhutan's national sport. Zhiwa Ling Heritage | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: **Kathmandu, Nepal** | Historic Durbar Square Fly to Kathmandu. Ride Like a Local by rickshaw to Kathmandu Durbar Square and Taleju Temple, see the



Visit Boudhanath, a highly venerated Buddhist shrine in Kathmandu

House of the Living Goddess (Kumari), and stroll through the bazaar and old city. Continue to Swayambhunath, one of the most sacred shrines for Tibetan Buddhists. Later, hear a lecture by a summiter on the epic challenge of scaling Mount Everest. Dwarika's Hotel, Kathmandu | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 8: Kathmandu | A Guided Meditation

Visit Pashupatinath, a sacred Hindu temple built in a pagoda style. Then, on an experience exclusively for A&K guests made possible by our local office, enter Kopan Nunnery and Monastery, where a monk or nun leads you in a private guided meditation session. Continue to Boudhanath, home to one of the world's largest Buddhist shrines, and enjoy a Scenic Sundowner. Dwarika's Hotel, Kathmandu | Meals: B L

DAY 9: Kathmandu | A Lesson in Nepalese Cuisine Explore Patan to see Durbar Square and the former royal palace. Participate in a Chef's Table cooking class at a local family's home, learning about local cuisine and daily life in Nepal. Later, savor a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. Dwarika's Hotel, Kathmandu | Meals: B L D

#### DAYS 10-11: Depart Bangkok

On Day 10, fly to Bangkok, where you enjoy the use of an executive room, available through Day 11, when you depart on your flight home.

Novotel Bangkok Suvarnabhumi Airport | Meals: B

#### **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

Customize this itinerary and create the perfect private Luxury Tailor Made Journey just for you. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



**Dwarika's Hotel, Kathmandu** A destination in itself, rich in the local history of Kathmandu.



**Taj Tashi, Thimphu** Centrally located property inspired by Himalayan architecture.





**Zhiwa Ling Heritage** A cultural gem inspired by Bhutanese architecture and art.

Novotel Bangkok Suvarnabhumi Airport Conveniently located at the airport.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
Mar 8-18, Mar 15-25, Mar 29-Apr 8, Apr 19-29, May 3-13, Sep 20-30, Oct 11-21, Oct 18-28, Oct 25-Nov 4, Nov 8-18, Nov 15-25	\$9,295	\$3,495

Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,620 Bangkok/Paro/Kathmandu/Bangkok

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: flight to Paro at 6:50 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: return flight to Bangkok arriving at 6:30 p.m. on Day 10. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## AVAILABLE STOPOVER PACKAGES



Spend three days exploring Dubai (from \$2,295) or Hong Kong (from \$2,495) before or after your journey.

## Book Your Journey Today

Contact A&K or go online for up-to-date information on dates, pricing, extensions and special offers.

JOURNEY BY PRIVATE AIR

WINGS OVER THE WORLD JOURNEYS

# Wings Over Italy & Its Islands

11 days from \$38,995 | Limited to 13 guests

Immerse yourself in Italy's sun-splashed Mediterranean vibe on an easy-going luxury journey from Rome's Renaissance art and classic cuisine to rural Puglia and the storied islands of Sardinia and Sicily, exploring local cultures, wines and favorite dishes along the way, and smoothly accessing these far-flung locales via exclusive private flights.

## J A&K ADVANTAGES

- Journey seamlessly between some of Italy's most beguiling mainland and island destinations, with an ease only made possible by private charter air
- Indulge in fettuccine Alfredo at the Roman restaurant where the recipe was created
- Enjoy a full day in the rugged back country of Sardinia, with lunch in a traditional farmhouse overlooking the scenic coast
- Partake of the culinary pleasures of Sicily wine, chocolate and gastronomy – and visit the famous markets of Catania
- Savor three days of exploration in Puglia, including an eclectic choice of Design Your Day experiences

#### DAY 1: Arrive Rome, Italy

Arrive in Rome, the Eternal City, where you are met and transferred to your hotel in the city center. Tonight, join your Resident Tour Director and fellow guests for a welcome reception and dinner. Sina Bernini Bristol | Meals: D

DAY 2: **Rome** | Ancient Wonders & Renaissance Splendors Dive into the history of Rome as you explore some of its most iconic sights and view the great Ara Pacis of Augustus, an altar dedicated to Pax, goddess of peace, adorned with detailed stone friezes depicting ancient Roman life. Indulge in lunch at Alfredo alla Scrofa, where the classic dish fettuccine Alfredo was originally created. Afterward, on an A&K-exclusive experience, gain private entry to the Villa



Farnesina, a 16th-century suburban estate noted for its sumptuous Renaissance frescoes. Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure, free to explore the city your own way. Sina Bernini Bristol | Meals: B L

#### DAY 3: Sardinia | Prehistoric Settlement

Fly by chartered air to Sardinia, Italy's mountainous island resting in the heart of the Mediterranean. Arrive in time for lunch, and then tour the prehistoric site of Nuraghe La Prisgiona, dating back to the 14th century BC. Continue to your hotel for check-in, and later gather for dinner at a local restaurant. CPH Pevero Hotel | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 4: Sardinia | Rural Traditions

Set out on a full-day 4x4 Jeep safari into rural Sardinia, absorbing breathtaking views of the ocean from rocky heights while wandering through country landscapes and rural villages. Stop for a traditional lunch of Sardo specialties in a local farmhouse perched above the scenic coastline. CPH Pevero Hotel | Meals: B L

#### DAY 5: Catania | Sampling a City's Cuisine

Fly to Catania, in Sicily, noting the contrasts of the port and its Baroque architecture upon arrival. Set out on a foodie tour of the city and explore its bustling markets. Enjoy time for lunch at leisure before continuing to Noto to check in to your stunning hotel, where you refresh with a Scenic Sundowner before dinner. Il San Corrado di Noto | Meals: B D

DAY 6: **Ragusa & Modica** | Gems of the Baroque Journey to nearby Ragusa, a town rebuilt after a great earthquake in 1693 — now a UNESCO World Heritage Site

NEW!



Rome-Olbia (45 min) Olbia-Catania (1 hr 20 min)

Catania-Bari (1 hr 10 min)

Visit the village of Alberobello to view the distinctive trull

- that exemplifies the Sicilian Baroque style. Afterward, continue to another UNESCO-listed site, Modica, for an introduction to their chocolate crafting skills: a molto dolce Chef's Table experience that includes a demonstration and tasting workshop. Later, relax with an evening at leisure at your hotel. Il San Corrado di Noto | Meals: B

DAY 7: Avola | Wine Tasting in the Countryside Venture into the countryside this morning as you Ride Like a Local by e-bike to a winery in the Avola area, home of the

famous Nero d'Avola grape, one of Sicily's most important indigenous varieties. Taste the fruit of the vine and take advantage of time at leisure to stroll in this charming coastal town. After time to relax and enjoy your hotel, join the traditional passegiatto (pre-dinner stroll) in beautiful Noto before dinner at a local restaurant. Il San Corrado di Noto | Meals: B L D

DAY 8: Syracuse & Puglia | Legacies of the Greeks Travel to Syracuse, one of the earliest and most powerful



## Discovering Italy Through Its Richly Varied Cuisine

There is no better way to appreciate the amazing culture of Italy than through its marvelous cuisine, a Mediterranean tradition that informs the way we eat right down to the present day. Think pasta, tomato sauce, olive oil and a passion for living. Each new destination on Wings Over Italy presents you with a delectable array of food and wine, and a feast for your other senses as well.

Starting in Rome, indulge in fettuccine Alfredo at the restaurant where the creamy dish originated. There's a traditional farmhouse lunch on Sardinia that lets you sample the recipes of rural Italy as well as a foodie walking tour and market visit in Catania that immerses you in the everyday life of locals looking for a quick bite or fresh ingredients for a slowly savored meal.

A chocolate workshop in Modica finds you crafting your own dessert and, before leaving Sicily, a winery visit reveals the Italian love of relaxation and celebration. History comes full circle in Puglia, where you stop at an olive oil mill dating to ancient times.

Italy's beloved culinary heritage is yours to enjoy with ease, thanks to privately chartered flights, on this delicious adventure cooked up by the experts at Abercrombie & Kent.



colonies of Ancient Greece. Join a local expert who reveals the many-layered history of this old city, and then take time for lunch at leisure. Transfer to the airport in Catania for your private flight to Puglia, Italy's mythic southern region, where you check in to your hotel. Il Melograno | Meals: B D

DAY 9: Locorotondo & Alberobello | Trulli Houses

Visit Locorotondo, considered one of the most beautiful villages in Italy. After some time for lunch at your leisure, proceed to fascinating Alberobello and see its traditional trulli houses. Built entirely of stone without mortar, only a handful of people remain who can still create these distinctive structures. Explore the town with a local expert, and then return to your hotel. Il Melograno | Meals: B

DAY 10: Monopoli | Design Your Day

This morning, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- Take a Cooking Class at a Local Masseria, making pasta and foccacia on an experience that includes lunch.
- ▶ Hike in scenic Alto Salento with a Guide, and break for a classic picnic lunch.
- Set Out on an E-bike Tour on an active experience that includes lunch in Ostuni

Afterward, drive to Ostuni, a region famed for its massive, gnarled olive trees — some over 3,000 years old — to visit a local olive oil producer with an ancient underground mill. Learn how the production of oil, a staple of the region's culture, has evolved from Roman times to present day. Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner. Il Melograno | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 11: Depart Puglia

After breakfast, privately transfer to Bari or Brindisi airport for your departing flight. Meals: B

## **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

Make this a private journey, for just you and your party, or create your own completely customized Luxury Tailor Made Journey by private air. Contact A&K for more details.

## **INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS**



Sina Bernini Bristol

Iconic luxury hotel in Rome, newly reopened after a complete renovation, with decor that celebrates Baroque art, located near the Trevi Fountain.



#### Il San Corrado in Noto

Luxurious boutique resort with 26 suites and eight villas situated in the former masseria (fortified farmhouse) of a prince.





Il Melograno Luxury boutique hotel nestled amid

**CPH Pevero Hotel** Contemporary luxury resort hotel olive-tree-dotted Puglian countryside. with a private Mediterranean beach.

## DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jun 19-29, Sep 11-21	\$38,995	\$5,295

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 12 years. First group event: welcome briefing on Day 1 at 6:00 p.m. Last group event: farewell dinner on Day 10 at 7:30 p.m.

## Book Your Journey Today

Contact A&K or go online for up-to-date information on dates, pricing, extensions and special offers.

#### LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Italian Treasures: Rome, Florence & Venice

8 days from \$9,395 | Limited to 18 guests

On this quintessential journey to Italy's most sought-after destinations, view legendary masterpieces firsthand, experience unrivaled insider access to historic sites, savor amazing food and wine, and meet with artisans devoted to timeless romantic traditions.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Explore the Vatican Museums in the early morning hours, and view the Sistine Chapel, at this cooler, less-crowded time of day
- Set out on a walking tour of Florence, visiting the Accademia to view great works, such as Michelangelo's *David*, led by a local art specialist
- Dine at a farm-to-table restaurant in Florence, savor a wine tasting in Tuscany and try your hand at pizza-making in Rome for a well-rounded sampling of Italy's culinary delights
- Enjoy exclusive access to an architectural restoration project in Florence that is supported by A&K Philanthropy

#### DAY 1: Arrive Rome, Italy

Arrive in Rome, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Tonight, join your Resident Tour Director for dinner. Hotel de la Ville | Meals: D

#### DAY 2: Rome | Essence of the Eternal City

This morning, begin with early access to the Vatican Museums before visiting St. Peter's Basilica. After lunch, discover the Eternal City, starting at the Palatine Hill, where your local guide brings to life the city's origin. Pass the Arch of Constantine to visit the mighty Colosseum, opened in AD 80. Hotel de la Ville | Meals: B L

#### DAY 3: Rome | Artistic Masterpieces

Today, explore the Montemartini Museum, set in a building that once housed Rome's first electric power station, to view a grand collection of classical statues depicting early Roman life, all displayed in thought-provoking juxtaposition with the extraordinary industrial architecture surrounding them.



Pause in Rome's Eataly emporium to taste local specialties. This afternoon, enjoy time at leisure. Later, get a hands-on feel for an Italian culinary tradition, when you take part in a pizza-making class in a top Roman neighborhood pizzeria. Hotel de la Ville | Meals: B D

DAY 4: **Florence** | Tuscan Landscapes & Wine Tasting Drive to Florence, roaming through the sun-splashed Tuscan countryside. Along the way, stop at a distinctive winery for a guided tasting of Brunello di Montalcino and a light lunch. Continue to Florence and check in to your historic hotel in the city center. Hotel Savoy | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: **Florence** | Accademia & Farm-to-Table Dinner Walk the lively streets of Florence with your local guide, an art specialist, who accompanies you to fascinating sites, including the Accademia, where you behold striking masterworks such as Michelangelo's incomparable *David*. Next, visit the Cappella di San Luca of the Basilica della Santissima Annunziata to meet with a restorer working on the precious Renaissance art within, a project supported by A&K Philanthropy. Dine at a local Tuscan-style restaurant on a delectable Chef's Table experience. Hotel Savoy | Meals: B D

DAY 6: Venice | Mountain Views & Wondrous Mosaics Today, cross the Appennines by express train to the valley of the Po and onward to Venice. Upon arrival, Ride Like a Local in a water taxi along the Grand Canal, and then board a gondola for a quintessential Venetian experience. Break for lunch, before visiting St. Mark's Square; St. Mark's Basilica, beholding its mosaics; and the Doge's Palace. Later, check in to your hotel. Cipriani, A Belmond Hotel, Venice | Meals: B L



DAY 7: Venice | Design Your Day Today, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- Visit One of the City's Last Gondola Workshops to learn about this time-honored boat-building craft.
- Marvel at the Textile Weavers of Tessitura Bevilacqua and take a walking tour of Venice's historic Jewish ghetto.
- Learn the Art of Venetian-Style Rowing from the city's most decorated female rowing champion.
- Explore Sites Featured in Famous Films, visiting the shooting locations of scenes from *Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade, The Italian Job* and others.

Follow up your exciting experience with an afternoon at leisure, free to relax or further explore the city. Tonight, savor a Scenic Sundowner overlooking the Venetian Lagoon, setting the mood for your farewell dinner. Cipriani, A Belmond Hotel, Venice | Meals: B D

#### DAY 8: Depart Venice

Transfer by boat to the airport and depart. Meals: B

#### **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

For a private journey consider **Tailor Made Italy: The Vatican to Venice**. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Cipriani, A Belmond Hotel, Venice

Lagoon View room overlooking the water and cityscape in this luxury hotel on the *Condé Nast Traveler* Gold List, minutes from St. Mark's Square.





Hotel Savoy Grand and historic luxury hotel, set in the heart of Florence. Hotel de la Ville Luxury hotel in a historic palazzo, ideally set atop the Spanish Steps.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Apr 14–21, Apr 21–28	\$9,395	\$3,495
May 5-12, May 12-19, May 26-Jun 2, Jun 16-23, Jun 30-Jul 7, Jul 14-21, Sep 8-15, Sep 22-29, Oct 6-13	\$9,795	\$3,795
Oct 13-20, Oct 20-27	\$9,395	\$3,495

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:30 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 7.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## Book Your Journey Today

Contact A&K or go online for up-to-date information on dates, pricing, extensions and special offers.

JOURNEY BY PRIVATE AIR

WINGS OVER THE WORLD JOURNEYS

## Wings Over the Mediterranean

13 days from \$35,495 | Limited to 13 guests

Discover ancient and modern wonders throughout the Mediterranean, from the art and history of Portugal and Spain to the seaside charms and delights of the Amalfi Coast, and sojourn on a three-night stay in scenic Dubrovnik.

## **A&K ADVANTAGES**

- Fly in comfort between four countries throughout the Mediterranean aboard an exclusively chartered aircraft, with a dedicated flight crew
- Discover the wonders of Portuguese royalty during a day at Sintra, a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Explore the life and works of surrealist master Salvador Dalí on a day trip to Figueres
- Relax along the incomparable Amalfi Coast, indulging in a hands-on cooking lesson above the sparkling sea
- Roam the ancient ruins of Pompeii, witnessing a moment frozen in time by a volcanic eruption
- Customize your travel experience in Dubrovnik, with a choice of Design Your Day options

#### DAY 1: Arrive Lisbon, Portugal

Arrive in Lisbon, where you are met and transferred to your hotel in the city center. Tonight, join your Resident Tour Director and fellow guests for a welcome reception and dinner. Four Seasons Hotel Ritz Lisbon | Meals: D

DAY 2: Lisbon | Private Dinner with Fado Performance Begin your day with a visit to the National Coach Museum to see ceremonial and promenade vehicles from the 17th to 19th centuries. Proceed to the Jeronimos Monastery to admire its Manueline-style architecture, and then explore the Calouste Gulbenkian Museum. Tonight, experience the magic of Portugal's ancient Fado tradition over dinner. Four Seasons Hotel Ritz Lisbon | Meals: B D

DAY 3: **Sintra** | Romantic Castles by the Sea Travel just outside Lisbon today to Sintra, designated a



UNESCO World Heritage Site for its stunning 19th-century monuments. Explore the National Palace of Portugal, the best-preserved medieval royal residence in the country, and then proceed to the Pena Palace, decorated with vivid colors and evocative stone carvings. Return to Lisbon for time at leisure. Four Seasons Hotel Ritz Lisbon | Meals: B

DAY 4: **Barcelona, Spain** | A City Rich in History Leave Lisbon for a private exploration of one of Portugal's oldest wineries. After lunch, drive to Beja, and then fly by private charter aircraft to sunny Barcelona. Take in the views from the hill of Montjuïc, and then ride the cable car to the port and savor dinner beside the sea, before checking in to your hotel. The One Barcelona | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 5: Barcelona | Gaudi's Magnificent Wonder

View the Barcelona Pavilion, and then discover the Sagrada Família, a spectacular basilica designed by Catalan architect Antoni Gaudí. Enjoy your afternoon at leisure, perhaps stopping for lunch in the Central Market, also known as La Boqueria. Tonight, gather for a flavorful tapas experience and a flamenco performance. **The One Barcelona | Meals: B D** 

DAY 6: Figueres | Birthplace of Salvador Dalí

Travel overland to Figueres, where you are guided through the Salvador Dalí Theater-Museum, designed by Dalí himself and considered the world's largest surrealist object. Continue to Girona, a city that boasts Romanesque towers, medieval stone ramparts and a cathedral with the widest Gothic nave in the world. Explore the charming old Jewish Quarter and visit the medieval Arab baths before returning to Barcelona. The One Barcelona | Meals: B D



**PRIVATE CHARTER AIR INCLUDED** Fly directly between key destinations on flights exclusive to A&K.

#### Aircraft

Bombardier Challenger 850 or comparable Aircraft and seating configuration subject to change.

#### **Flight Details**

Lisbon-Barcelona (1 hr 45 min) Barcelona-Naples (1 hr 45 min) Naples-Dubrovnik (55 min)



Europe

Enjoy a seaside drive along Italy's sparkling Amalfi Coast

DAY 7: **Naples, Italy/Sorrento** | A Glimpse into History Fly by private charter aircraft to Naples. On arrival, enter the historic city center for lunch at a traditional Neopolitan pizzeria. Afterward, visit the National Archaeological Museum to view many of the treasures excavated from Pompeii and Herculaneum. Later, travel to the coastal town of Sorrento and settle into your hotel, where you enjoy a relaxing Scenic Sundowner experience overlooking the glittering Gulf of Naples.

Grand Hotel Excelsior Vittoria | Meals: B L D

DAY 8: **Amalfi Coast** | A Lesson in the Local Cuisine Indulge in the many splendors of the Amalfi Coast, starting with a seaside drive. Proceed to the hilltop town of Ravello, where you take part in a cooking class, and then sample the local dishes you've helped create for lunch. Later, descend to Amalfi itself and return to Sorrento by boat on a cruise along the scenic coast. **Grand Hotel Excelsior Vittoria** | **Meals: B** L

#### DAY 9: Sorrento | A Time in the Sun

This morning, visit a local organic farm, strolling through their garden to see how it showcases the local biodiversity



## Ancient Cultures Linked by the Sea

Few bodies of water on earth have played a more central role in the development of human civilization than the Mediterranean Sea. It was here that the ancient Phoenicians, Greeks and Romans sailed forth to explore new lands, do battle and conduct trade, spreading aspects of their distinctive cultures into Europe, Asia, North Africa and the Middle East as they went.

Time and tide rolled on, and new dynasties arose. The Moors conquered the northern coast of Africa and ruled Iberia for seven centuries, until the crusader knights overcame them, leaving their own mark on Mediterranean history. Later still came the Venetians, who used their economic, cultural and naval might to dominate life on and around the sea.

Wings Over the Mediterranean is designed to reveal the common threads these bygone peoples wove throughout the entire region during their travels, and to discern remnants of their faded cultures that still linger today in the destinations you visit.

Only A&K's ability to craft one-of-a-kind itineraries utilizing privately chartered flights offers you this comprehensive perspective in a shorter time than ever before possible, on a single luxurious journey.



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and basking in the sun-warmed scents of aromatic herbs. Then, gather in the on-site dairy to learn how traditional fresh mozzarella is crafted by hand. Taste the delicious results before returning to Sorrento for an afternoon at leisure, free to hike the rugged hills, visit the lyrical island of Capri or simply relax. Grand Hotel Excelsior Vittoria | Meals: B

#### DAY 10: Pompeii & Dubrovnik, Croatia | Adriatic Crossing

Journey to historic Pompeii to explore this UNESCO World Heritage Site, where the daily life of ancient Italy was frozen in time by ash and debris from an eruption of nearby Mount Vesuvius in AD 79. Then, fly by privately chartered aircraft to Dubrovnik, where you settle into your luxurious hotel, and then enjoy dinner. Hotel Excelsior Dubrovnik | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 11: Dubrovnik | Silk Weavers Visit

Stroll in Dubrovnik with your local guide to see the Franciscan monastery, Dubrovnik Cathedral and the Rector's Palace, a masterpiece of secular architecture. After lunch, watch silk weavers at work in Konavle, before enjoying the rest of your day at leisure. Hotel Excelsior Dubrovnik | Meals: B L

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#### DAY 12: Dubrovnik | Design Your Day

Today, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- Attend a Cooking Class with a Wine Tasting and then savor what you created for lunch.
- Embark by Sea Kayak on a refreshing, tranquil paddle around Dubrovnik's picturesque Old Town and Lokrum Island.
- Visit Game of Thrones Shooting Locations on a walking tour, led by a local who worked as an extra on the celebrated television series.

Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner. Hotel Excelsior Dubrovnik | Meals: B D

#### DAY 13: Depart Dubrovnik

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to board your departing flight. Meals: B

#### **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

Make this a private journey, for just you and your party, or create your own completely customized Luxury Tailor Made Journey by private air. Contact A&K for more details.

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Four Seasons Hotel Ritz Lisbon

Landmark luxury hotel situated atop one of Lisbon's seven hills and offering striking vistas of local historic sites.



#### The One Barcelona

Newly opened luxury hotel offering easy access to sunny Barcelona's top shopping, and cultural and culinary attractions.





**Grand Hotel Excelsior Vittoria** Historic luxury hotel set in lush gardens with Bay of Naples views. Hotel Excelsior Dubrovnik Iconic landmark luxury hotel, with magnificent view of the city and sea.

## DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jun 13-25, Sep 5-17	\$35,495	\$6,995

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 5:30 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 12.

## Book Your Journey Today

Contact A&K or go online for up-to-date information on dates, pricing, extensions and special offers.

JOURNEY BY PRIVATE AIR

WINGS OVER THE WORLD JOURNEYS

# Wings Over Spain & Morocco

13 days from \$39,995 | Limited to 13 guests

Explore two countries forever linked to the Moorish culture, flying between destinations via exclusive chartered flights to discover how the Moors shaped the region's iconic architecture and incredible cuisine on a luxury journey that features several UNESCO World Heritage Sites, a stay at A&K's Exclusive Desert Tented Camp and a private flamenco performance at a palace in Seville.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Experience the time-saving convenience of travelling between destinations on a private chartered aircraft
- Marvel at the fortress-like Alhambra, a fine example of Islamic architecture in Granada
- Ride a camel and experience the Sahara in style at A&K's Exclusive Desert Tented Camp
- Discover the well-preserved mosaics of Roman villas at Volubilis and the medieval-era Medina of Fez, both UNESCO World Heritage Sites
- Behold the mastery of Yves Saint Laurent at a museum devoted to his works in Marrakech
- Customize your travel experience on an afternoon in vibrant Marrakech, taking advantage of A&K's diverse Design Your Day feature
- Explore Seville's monumental Royal Alcázar palace on a special after-hours visit
- Walk the whitewashed medieval streets of Córdoba, once known as a city of three cultures – Muslim, Jewish and Christian

#### DAY 1: Granada, Spain

Arrive in Granada, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Tonight, join your Resident Tour Director and fellow guests for a cocktail, followed by a welcome dinner at your hotel. **Hotel Alhambra Palace** | Meals: D

DAY 2: **Granada** | The Incomparable Alhambra Discover the Alhambra, a medieval Muslim palace and



UNESCO World Heritage Site, led by a top local guide. See the delicate beauty of the Nazaries Palace, the Court of Myrtles and the intricately decorated Court of the Lions. Then, stroll the gardens of the Generalife, a palace from the days of Granada's last Arab kings. Hotel Alhambra Palace | Meals: B D

#### DAY 3: Fez, Morocco | Land of Rich Heritage

Board your private chartered flight to Morocco, landing in Fez. Transfer to your hotel, a refurbished former palace, where you stay for lunch. This afternoon, explore Fez el-Jedid (modern Fez). See the Royal Palace, *madrasas* (school mosques), the city wall and the *mellah* (Jewish quarter). Tonight at your hotel, attend a cocktail reception and dinner, joined by a guest speaker who reveals fascinating aspects of Moroccan culture. Palais Faraj Suites & Spa | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 4: Volubilis | Roman Ruins & Vineyards

Journey overland to explore the Roman ruins of Volubilis, a UNESCO World Heritage Site brimming with iconic architecture and mosaics depicting mythical scenes. Venture to a local winery outside of Meknes for a special Chef's Table experience set among the region's sun-bathed vineyards and olive groves. Sample some of the wine produced here along with a gourmet meal made from locally sourced, organic ingredients. Palais Faraj Suites & Spa | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 5: Fez | Timeless Medieval City

Explore Fez el-Bali (Old Fez), the cultural heart of Morocco. Stroll the labyrinthine old quarter, with its 9,000 narrow lanes, alleys and lively *souks*. View the 14th-century Karaouine — one of the world's oldest universities — and visit Nejjarine Square. Palais Faraj Suites & Spa | Meals: B L



Flight Details Granada-Fez (55 min) Fez-Erfoud (40 min) Erfoud-Marrakech (50 min) Marrakech-Seville (1 hr 20 min)

Stroll the *souks* of Marrakech and vibrant Djemaa el-Fna Square

Europe

DAY 6: Sahara Desert | Camel Ride to Desert Camp Fly to Er-Rachidia Moulay Ali Cherif, and then transfer overland, stopping for lunch, before rolling out into the Sahara Desert, amid towering red sand dunes, in a 4x4 vehicle. Change modes of transport as you Ride Like a Local by camel to complete your journey to A&K's exclusive nomadic tented camp. As the sun sets over the dunes, toast your desert sojourn with a Scenic Sundowner. Later, relax to the sounds of authentic Moroccan entertainment beside a campfire, before adjourning to a nearby tent for a dinner of

regional dishes with wine. Slumber tonight in comfort, in the silent Sahara. A&K Exclusive Desert Tented Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: Marrakech | Arabian Horses & Moroccan Cuisine Fly by private charter to Marrakech, saving hours of overland travel time. Upon arrival, stop for lunch, and then marvel at a horse show featuring stunning Arabian stallions. Then, check in to your exquisite hotel - and your elegant riad room. Tonight, gather for a traditional Moroccan dinner prepared by an award-winning chef at the hotel's restaurant. Royal Mansour Marrakech | Meals: B L D





## Legacy of the Moors

Spain and Morocco are both nations with rich and colorful histories influenced by many cultures down through the centuries — but perhaps by none more so than that of the Moors. The Moorish presence here began when Muslims from eastern North Africa, including Berbers and Arabs, expanded westward and northward across the Mediterranean Sea. In 711 they conquered Visigothic Hispania (the Iberian Peninsula). Later, the Berber Revolt in the Maghreb — a region that includes modern-day Morocco — led to eventual Moorish rule along the southern coast of the Mediterranean.

Over the next 700 years, the Moors developed a culture devoted to Islam, while remaining comparatively tolerant of other religions. They built magnificent mosques and impressive seats of learning, including some of the oldest continuously operating universities in the world. Christian Europeans waged a centurieslong war dubbed the Reconquista to reclaim Iberia, which culminated in 1492. Moorish power later faded across Morocco as well.

Today, A&K's superb Resident Tour Directors and local guides excel at providing visitors with an in-depth understanding of the Moors' legacy of lyrical architecture, tantalizing cuisine and commitment to education, which still influences life throughout the region.



DAY 8: **Marrakech** | Historic Gardens & Design Your Day Visit the Jardin Majorelle, a picturesque garden created by French painter Jacques Majorelle and later restored by design legend Yves Saint Laurent. Tour the on-site Pierre Bergé Museum of Berber Arts and the Yves Saint Laurent Museum nearby, which reveals his vast portfolio. This afternoon, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Learn to Cook with Moroccan Spices during a hands-on cooking class with a local chef.
- Explore the City's Souks with an expert guide, walking narrow streets lined with shops plying local food and crafts.
- ▶ Walk the Historic Jewish Quarter (*Mellah*) with a guide, a place once known as a bastion of religious tolerance.

Afterward, return to your hotel with your evening at leisure. Royal Mansour Marrakech | Meals: B

DAY 9: Marrakech | Exploring the Red City

Explore Marrakech, starting at Bahia Palace, an exemplary example of privileged life here in the 19th century. Then visit the Dar El Bacha Palace or the Dar Si Said Museum. Savor lunch at a local restaurant, followed by an opportunity to discover the meandering *souks* and colorful Djemaa el-Fna, Marrakech's main square, filled with orange juice stalls, mime artists and street musicians performing at every turn. Later, gather for a special dinner featuring entertainment by a *gnaoua* band. Royal Mansour Marrakech | Meals: B L D

DAY 10: **Seville, Spain** | After-Hours at the Royal Alcázar Board a privately chartered flight to Seville, Spain, where you check in to your hotel, and then walk with your guide to the Royal Alcázar — a monumental palace — for a special afterhours visit. Finish the evening with a dinner of authentic Spanish tapas. Hotel Alfonso XIII | Meals: B L D

DAY 11: Seville | Private Visit to Hospital de la Caridad Today, explore the Seville Cathedral with a guide, and then visit the Casa de Salinas, where you meet a member of the family that owns this small, private 16th-century palace. Tonight, after dinner at a local restaurant, experience a private, after-hours visit to Baroque Hospital de la Caridad and hear Gregorian chant performed live. Hotel Alfonso XIII | Meals: B D

DAY 12: **Córdoba & Seville** | A Vibrant Flamenco Finale Venture by train to Córdoba, in Spain's Andalusia region, for a walking tour of its whitewashed medieval streets. Stroll to its heart: the old Jewish quarter, part of the historic center of Córdoba, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Then, discover the magnificent Mezquita, viewing its 10th-century splendors, and continue to Medina Azahara, one of the main archaeological sites in Spain, before returning to Seville. Later this evening, ride by horse-drawn carriage to a private reception and farewell dinner, followed by a performance of flamenco dancing and singing — a fitting coda to your amazing Moorish adventure. Hotel Alfonso XIII | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 13: Depart Seville

After breakfast, transfer to the airport and depart. Meals: B

#### **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

Customize this itinerary and create the perfect private **Luxury Tailor Made Journey** just for you. Contact A&K for more details.



#### A&K Exclusive Desert Tented Camp

Nomad-style desert camp with en suite facilities situated in the magical dunes of the Sahara.



Royal Mansour Marrakech Palatial classic luxury hotel and spa featuring private *riads*.



Former Arab Moorish palace in the

heart of Fez, overlooking the medina.

Palais Faraj Suites & Spa

Hotel Alhambra Palace Landmark luxury hotel and palace in Granada, with inspiring city views.

Hotel Alfonso XIII The most iconic hotel in Seville, in the historic Santa Cruz neighborhood.

## DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Mar 7-19, Oct 10-22	\$39,995	\$8,795

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 7:00 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 12.

## Book Your Journey Today

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#### LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

# Spain & Portugal: A Journey Across Iberia

14 days from \$11,595 | Limited to 18 guests

#### Porto

4-day Pre-Tour Extension from \$3,495

Explore the best of the entire Iberian peninsula on one spectacular journey, discovering how Moors, Jews and Europeans influenced the culture, cuisine and arts of Spain and Portugal.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Experience two Gehry-designed architectural masterpieces, exploring the Guggenheim Museum Bilbao and staying for two nights at the Hotel Marqués de Riscal
- Savor a private dinner and a superb flamenco performance at a palace in Seville, on an A&K-exclusive experience
- Roam the medieval streets of Córdoba's Jewish Quarter and view the stunning interior of the city's Grand Mosque
- Taste a variety of culinary treats on a tapas adventure in Madrid, partaking in a delectable Spanish cultural tradition
- Create your own memento of Portugal when you take part in a private tile-painting workshop in Lisbon

#### DAY 1: Arrive Lisbon, Portugal

Arrive in Lisbon, capital of Portugal, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Settle in and then join your A&K Resident Tour Director for a welcome drink followed by dinner at your hotel. Olissippo Lapa Palace | Meals: D

#### DAY 2: Lisbon | Private Tile-Painting Workshop

This morning, discover the National Tile Museum — set in the 16th-century Convent of Madre de Deus — admiring its impressive displays of the beautifully detailed painted tiles for which Lisbon is renowned. Then, attend an interactive private tile-painting workshop and take home your creation. The rest of your day is at leisure. Olissippo Lapa Palace | Meals: B

#### DAY 3: Évora | Walled Medieval City

Journey to Évora, a beautifully preserved medieval city, stopping for a wine tasting en route. On arrival, visit the historic town center, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, to



view an ancient Roman Temple, the Gothic 13th-century Sé Cathedral with its Romanesque architectural influences, and the striking city walls. Convento do Espinheiro | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: **Mérida, Spain & Seville** | Ancient Mérida Today, drive eastward into Spain, stopping in Mérida to view its Roman amphitheater, inaugurated in 8 BC to host theatrical performances and gladiatorial combat. Also see an ancient 82-foot-tall aqueduct built from stone and brick. Afterward, continue into Spain's storied Andalusia region for a two-night stay in vibrant Seville. Once there, ride a horse-drawn carriage to a palace where the owners host your private dinner, followed by a performance of flamenco dancing and singing on the patio of this historic home. Hotel Palacio de Villapanes | Meals: B D

DAY 5: **Seville** | Gothic Cathedral & Jewish Quarter Set out on a guided excursion through Seville, including a visit to the largest Gothic cathedral in the world. Proceed to the Jewish Quarter, with its labyrinth of narrow streets dating to the time of Moorish rule. Then, relax during an afternoon and evening at leisure. Hotel Palacio de Villapanes | Meals: B

DAY 6: **Granada** | The Moorish Architecture of Alhambra After breakfast, travel to Granada and take in the city. Visit Alhambra, a vast palace and UNESCO World Heritage Site that exemplifies Moorish architecture. Tonight, dine at a local restaurant overlooking the site. Hotel Palacio de Santa Paula | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: Córdoba & Madrid | Jewish Quarter & Mezquita Travel to Córdoba, where you visit this city's historic Jewish neighborhood and roam its narrow streets, and then enter



the former Great Mosque, now known as the Mezquita, to view its breathtaking Moorish-influenced interior. Enjoy time to explore before boarding a high-speed AVE train, as you Ride Like a Local to Madrid. Upon arrival, check in to your hotel. Cap off your day of exploring with a fun tapas tour for dinner. Palacio de los Duques Gran Meliá | Meals: B D

#### DAY 8: Madrid | Royal Splendor

Set out on a city tour that includes the Royal Palace, with its rich decor comprised of marble, stucco and mahogany. Break for lunch at a local restaurant. Enjoy the afternoon and evening at leisure. Palacio de los Duques Gran Meliá | Meals: B L

DAY 9: Madrid & Toledo | Design Your Day Today, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- See Madrid on a Parks & River Bike Tour, cycling in a vast, beautiful city park and along the Manzanares River.
- Discover Toledo, a place in medieval Europe where Muslim, Jewish and Christian communities coexisted.





Tour the Prado Museum, viewing works by El Greco, Velázquez and Goya, guided by a local expert.

Spend your evening at leisure in Madrid, free to sample the city's many culinary attractions. Palacio de los Duques Gran Meliá | Meals: B

DAY 10: Elciego | An Enchanting Food & Wine Experience Today, journey to La Rioja, stopping en route for a tour, followed by a Chef's Table experience featuring a gourmet lunch with wine pairings at the Vivanco Museum of Wine Culture. Proceed to Elciego and check in to the Hotel Marqués de Riscal. Settle into your luxurious room and admire the hotel's amazing design, created by master architect Frank Gehry. Gaze out upon the vineyard-covered hills surrounding this contemporary retreat from one of its eight terraces and perhaps enjoy the on-site Michelin-starred restaurant for dinner at your leisure. Hotel Marqués de Riscal | Meals: B L

#### DAY 11: **Elciego** | Tasting the Fruits of the Rioja This morning, explore Spain's storied Rioja region, visiting an olive oil mill and sampling their oils, walking through Laguardia, and tasting wine with tapas in one of the village cellars. Return to your hotel to relax in the lush surroundings before dinner. Hotel Marqués de Riscal | Meals: B L D

DAY 12: **Bilbao** | Guggenheim Museum Tour Drive to Bilbao today, where you tour galleries devoted to modern and contemporary art, including the monumental sculpture *The Matter of Time*, at the Frank Gehry-designed Guggenheim Museum Bilbao. After lunch at a local restaurant, fly to Barcelona, settle into your hotel, and then enjoy a light dinner. Almanac Barcelona | Meals: B L D DAY 13: **Barcelona** | Gaudí's Unfinished Masterpiece This morning, set out on a panoramic city tour. See the Barcelona Pavilion, a study in minimalism built for the 1929 International Exposition, and then explore the Sagrada Familia, a spectacular basilica designed by Catalan architect Antoni Gaudí. This amazing structure features eight towering spires outside and an incomparably detailed vaulted ceiling inside. Begun in 1882, parts of it are still under construction. Enjoy time for lunch at leisure in the Central Market, also known as La Boqueria, one of the city's many vital marketplaces for fish, meat and produce. Spend your afternoon with time to relax or explore this colorful, vibrant city on your own. Tonight, join your Resident Tour Director and fellow guests for a Scenic Sundowner followed by a festive farewell dinner. Almanac Barcelona | Meals: B D

#### DAY 14: Depart Barcelona

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your departing flight. Meals: B

## TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K

For a private journey consider Tailor Made Spain: Inspiring Iberia and Tailor Made Portugal. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.



## **EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY**



## Porto Pre-Tour Group Extension

4 days from \$3,495 | Available on select departures. Cruise the Douro River in a traditional rabelo boat and enjoy a full-day winery tour of the Douro Region.

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Hotel Marqués de Riscal

Spectacular contemporary luxury retreat designed by Frank Gehry as a work of art, featuring rooms with cathedral-height ceilings and an on-site winery.



Almanac Barcelona Intimate new modern luxury hotel in Luxurious 19th-century retreat in a the heart of the city.



**Olissippo Lapa Palace** tranquil historic neighborhood.



Hotel Palacio de Santa Paula Historic luxury hotel in central Granada, set in a renovated convent.



Palacio de los Duques Gran Meliá Hotel Palacio de Villapanes Luxury hotel in a former palace, ideally located in Madrid.



Convento do Espinheiro Beautiful, historic luxury hotel built from a former convent in Évora.



Luxurious hotel combining classical style with Andalusian culture.

#### DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Apr 28-May 11, May 5-18, May 26-Jun 8, Jun 9-22, Jun 23-Jul 6	\$11,995	\$3,695
Jul 14-27, Jul 21-Aug 3	\$11,595	\$3,495
Sep 1-14, Sep 8-21, Sep 29-Oct 12, Oct 6-19, Oct 13-26	\$11,995	\$3,695

Internal Air: Economy class from \$220 Bilbao/Barcelona

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 7:00 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 13 Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## Book Your Journey Today

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#### MARCO POLO JOURNEYS

## Bilbao to Bordeaux: Cuisine & Culture

9 days from \$9,795 | Limited to 18 guests

Immerse yourself in a cultural and culinary exploration of Spain's vibrant Basque country and France's celebrated Bordeaux region, two spectacularly scenic destinations renowned the world over for their fine food and wine.

## **A&K ADVANTAGES**

- Tour the Guggenheim Museum Bilbao, a Frank Gehrydesigned architectural icon
- Visit Guernica, the city that inspired Pablo Picasso's most celebrated masterwork, delving in to its famed local market, and discover an offshore wine cellar like no other
- Savor Basque cuisine and culture on an exclusive experience at a local culinary club in San Sebastián
- Go behind the scenes in some of Bordeaux's finest châteaux, savoring a day of private cellar tours and tastings
- Cruise the coastal waters of Arcachon Bay, enjoying oysters plucked fresh from the sea

#### DAY 1: Arrive Bilbao, Spain

Arrive in Bilbao, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. This evening, gather for cocktails and a welcome dinner at the hotel. **Gran Hotel Domine** | **Meals: D** 

DAY 2: **Guernica & the Coast** | A Legacy of Remembrance Start your day with a visit to nearby Guernica, a city inextricably linked to the brutality of war and nationalism as vividly portrayed in Pablo Picasso's masterwork, *Guernica*. Delve into the poignant history that inspired the master, seeing ground zero of the infamous bombing raid that leveled the city in 1937. Next, explore Guernica's renowned market, one of the finest in all of Basque Country, where growers from across the province display their freshly harvested produce for locals and visitors alike. Then, return to Bilbao to explore the fascinating streets of its Old Town, followed by a relaxing evening at leisure. **Gran Hotel Domine** | Meals: B

DAY 3: **Bilbao** | Masterworks of the Guggenheim Explore the Frank Gehry-designed Guggenheim Museum



Bilbao and its world-class collection of modern and contemporary art. Next, embark on a private boat trip to a wine cellar sunken more than 60 feet below the surface of the sea, and enjoy local wines paired with lunch on board. Proceed to San Sebastián for an A&K-exclusive dining experience at a local gastronomic society, a members-only social club where Basque cuisine and culture are passed from one generation to the next. Hotel Maria Cristina | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 4: San Sebastián | Sun, Surf & Cider

Explore San Sebastián's local cider culture, learning how this delightful regional staple is brewed, poured and quaffed in the Basque tradition. After some time at leisure to relax or explore, join a Chef's Table experience, preparing and tasting regional favorites. Hotel Maria Cristina | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 5: Pamplona | Hemingway's Haunts

Visit a family-run dairy farm and taste their fresh cheeses. Continue to Pamplona — home to the annual festival of San Fermín (the running of the bulls) that inspired Hemingway's classic *The Sun Also Rises*. After time for lunch at leisure, stroll the city's medieval lanes with a local expert, and then return to San Sebastián. Tonight, you may opt to explore the city's world-renowned culinary scene independently, with advice from A&K if you like. Hotel Maria Cristina | Meals: B

DAY 6: **Bordeaux, France** | Duet of Spicy & Sweet Cross the border into France, pausing to take in the scenic fishing village of Saint-Jean-de-Luz. Continue into the foothills of the Pyrénées, stopping to try the local peppers of Espelette, an ingredient prized by chefs the world over. Proceed to coastal Bayonne for an expert-led chocolate tasting. Continue northward to Bordeaux, where your guide


reveals the city as you walk to a local restaurant for dinner. InterContinental Bordeaux - Le Grand Hotel | Meals: B D

DAY 7: Bordeaux | Wines of the Châteaux's Cellars Today, explore some of Bordeaux's iconic châteaux, enjoying privileged access to areas otherwise closed to the public. Savor expertly curated tastings of some of the world's most coveted wines, and pause for lunch at one of the châteaux. InterContinental Bordeaux - Le Grand Hotel | Meals: B L



Delve into the culture of Bordeaux's most celebrated export at The City of Wine.

# DAY 8: Bordeaux | Delicacy of the Coast

Travel to Arcachon, a charming seaside town renowned for its oysters. Join an oysterman to Ride Like a Local around his beds, savoring fresh oysters plucked straight from the sea. After lunch on board, head to shore for a guided tour of The City of Wine, celebrating the region's deeply rooted wine culture with a Scenic Sundowner. Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner in a private salon of your hotel overlooking the opera house. InterContinental Bordeaux - Le Grand Hotel | Meals: B L D

# DAY 9: Depart Bordeaux

After breakfast, you are transferred to the airport for your departure flight. Meals: B

# INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



InterContinental Bordeaux - Le Grand Hotel Classic landmark luxury hotel.





Hotel Maria Cristina Landmark luxury grand hotel gracing This contemporary luxury hotel fronts San Sebastián's city center since 1912. the Guggenheim Museum Bilbao.

# DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
Jun 11–19, Aug 20–28, Sep 17–25, Oct 1–9, Oct 8–16	\$9,795	\$2,995

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:00 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 8

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

# Book Your Journey Today

# Treasures of Croatia

8 days from \$6,495 | Limited to 18 guests

**Slovenia & Zagreb** 5-day Pre-Tour Extension from \$3,495

Montenegro 3-day Post-Tour Extension from \$1,495

Discover the best of Croatia's Adriatic coast and the romantic island of Hvar, taking in spectacular scenery and savoring local delicacies, and experience the historic walled city of Dubrovnik, walking its medieval ramparts, meeting with locals and viewing the city from the sea.

# σ A&K ADVANTAGES

- Stroll Split's lively daily market to experience life as locals do, and ponder history on a visit to the majestic ruins of Diocletian's Palace
- On a Chef's Table culinary experience in Hvar, visit a familyowned winery for a tasting accompanied by a variety of locally produced foods
- Explore the charming fishing town of Ston and sample some of its famous oysters
- Soak in the ambiance of historic Dubrovnik, walk the ramparts of its medieval walls and view the city by water on a private cruise
- Learn about daily life during wartime from a civilian survivor of the siege of Dubrovnik who shares memories of the costly battle for Croatian independence

# DAY 1: Arrive Split, Croatia

Arrive in Split, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. This evening, join your Resident Tour Director and fellow guests for a welcome dinner. Hotel Park | Meals: D

# DAY 2: Split | Palace of Diocletian

Explore Split, starting with the Palace of Diocletian and its synagogue, and view St. Domnius Cathedral. Stroll Split's old town and harbor-front promenade. Visit the daily market, and then enjoy your afternoon at leisure, before dinner with a *klapa* (a capella singing) concert. **Hotel Park** | **Meals: B D** 



DAY 3: **Hvar** | Wine Tasting at a Family-Owned Winery Ride Like a Local by public ferry along the stunning Dalmatian coastline to picturesque Hvar, a lush, mountainous island where Venetian palaces grace narrow backstreets and secluded coves beckon. Upon arrival, visit the family-owned winery of renowned winemaker Andro Tomic for a Chef's Table experience that includes a wine tasting. Later, on the scenic drive back to Hvar Town, stop to view the gleaming limestone Spanjol Fortress. Tonight, enjoy fine dining, while overlooking the waterfront. Palace Elisabeth | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: **Hvar** | A Stroll Through Historic Streets This morning, walk the historic center of Hvar Town, pausing to take in the Cathedral, the Arsenal and the Benedictine Nunnery where resident nuns produce the world-famous agave lace. Palace Elisabeth | Meals: B

# DAY 5: Dubrovnik | Oysters & the Old City

Head to Dubrovnik, the "Pearl of the Adriatic," stopping en route in Ston, renowned for its oysters, which you may wish to sample when you enjoy lunch in a typical Dalmatian restaurant. **Hotel Excelsior Dubrovnik** | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: **Dubrovnik & Konavle** | Walking Tour & Silk Weaving Stroll through Dubrovnik with your local guide to see the Dominican Monastery, the Rector's Palace and Dubrovnik Cathedral. Mingle with local traders and craftspeople in its markets. Then, listen as a survivor of the Balkan War shares memories of the conflict that secured Croatia's independence from the former Yugoslavia. Hear about daily life in a city under siege and gain insights into how community members



supported one another during their darkest hour. Later, watch silk weavers at work on a fascinating artisan visit in Konavle. Return to Dubrovnik for a private cruise, enjoying a Scenic Sundowner and taking in the fantastic city views. Hotel Excelsior Dubrovnik | Meals: B L

#### DAY 7: Dubrovnik | Design Your Day

Today, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- ► Take Part in a Cooking Class with Wine Tasting, and then savor what you created for lunch.
- Embark by Sea Kayak on a refreshing, tranquil paddle around Dubrovnik's Old Town and Lokrum Island.
- Visit Game of Thrones Shooting Locations on a walking tour, led by a local who worked as an extra on the series.

Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner in a fine local restaurant. Hotel Excelsior Dubrovnik | Meals: B D

#### DAY 8: Depart Dubrovnik

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to depart. Meals: B

# **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

Customize this itinerary to create the perfect private Luxury Tailor Made Journey just for you. Contact A&K for more details.

# EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY



**Slovenia & Zagreb Pre-Tour Extension** 5 days from \$3,495 | Available on all departures. From Ljubljana, visit Lake Bled, set in the

stunning Julian Alps of Slovenia, and then proceed to Croatia to walk its capital, Zagreb, and view the National Theater, followed by an excursion to the lovely Plitvice Lakes.



Montenegro Post-Tour Extension

3 days from \$1,495 | Available on all departures. Boat to tiny Our Lady of the Rocks, visit UNESCO-listed Kotor, tour medieval Budva and soak up the Adriatic sun.

# INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Hotel Excelsior Dubrovnik

An iconic landmark. Uniquely located on a cliffside, with magnificent views from every floor, over to the island of Lokrum and the Old Town.





Hotel Park Lavish, centrally located seaside hotel with Mediterranean flair.

Palace Elisabeth Perched on the promenade with views of the Venetian piazza and bay.

# DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
May 14-21, May 28-Jun 4,	\$6,495	\$2,195
Jun 4-11, Jun 11-18, Jun 25-Jul 2, Jul 16-23, Sep 3-10, Sep 10-17, Sep 14-21, Sep 17-24, Sep 24-Oct 1	\$6,995	\$2,595
Oct 1-8, Oct 8-15	\$6,495	\$2,195

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:30 p.m. on Day 1.

Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 7.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

# Book Your Journey Today

JOURNEY BY PRIVATE AIR

WINGS OVER THE WORLD JOURNEYS

# Wings Over Greece & Turkey

12 days from \$36,495 | Limited to 13 guests

Explore the historic and cultural riches of the ancient world, from the glories of Athens and Istanbul, to the Minoan culture of idyllic Crete and the wonders of Cappadocia, flying by private chartered air around this fascinating region, and walking historic paths to experience the local life of yesterday and today, up close.

# ZA&K ADVANTAGES

- Fly in comfort between iconic locales throughout Greece and Turkey aboard an exclusively chartered aircraft, with a dedicated flight crew
- Explore Athens, the birthplace of democracy, learning about Greek civilization at the Acropolis Museum and viewing the iconic Parthenon
- Discover Crete, where you visit the Palace of Knossos archaeological site, savor lunch at a winery and set out on an exhilarating Jeep safari
- In Turkey, journey to the ruins of Ephesus, one of the bestpreserved ancient cities in the world, arriving at, exploring and departing from this legendary site on the same day, thanks to the convenience of privately chartered flights
- Enter Cappadocia's incredible underground city of Kaymakli, view volcanic stone "fairy chimneys" and discover the restored Dark Church
- Stay four nights in historic, legendary Istanbul, as you visit the famed Topkapi Palace and magnificent Hagia Sophia, view spectacular examples of Ottoman architecture and ferry across the Bosphorus to experience life on its Asian bank

# DAY 1: Arrive Athens, Greece

Arrive in Athens, where you are met and transferred to your hotel in the city center. Tonight, join your Resident Tour Director and fellow guests for a welcome dinner. Hotel Grande Bretagne | Meals: D

DAY 2: Athens | Private Rooftop Dinner This morning, set out on a foodie walking exploration of



Athens, visiting some of the oldest neighborhoods in the city and experiencing its charming streets, street food and traditional dishes. Devote your afternoon to leisure, perhaps setting out to explore Athens on your own. Later, view the Parthenon in the early evening light, and then savor a private dinner with stunning views on the rooftop of the Acropolis Museum. Hotel Grande Bretagne | Meals: B D

#### DAY 3: Crete | Minoan Treasures

Board your private aircraft for the short flight to Crete. On arrival, enjoy lunch before visiting the Heraklion Archaeological Museum, viewing items collected from across the island that date back 5,500 years and offer glimpses into the ancient Minoan civilization. Afterward, proceed to your hotel on the eastern shore of the island. Daios Cove | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: **Heraklion** | A Triumph of the Bronze Age Today, explore the Palace of Knossos, the largest Bronze Age archaeological site on Crete. As you do, learn more about the Minoans, the people who built the palace sometime in the 17th century BC and who were named by historians for the mythical King Minos, remembered for constructing the labyrinth that imprisoned the monstrous Minotaur. After lunch at a Cretan winery, return to your hotel to enjoy its many amenities. Daios Cove | Meals: B L

# DAY 5: Crete | Roaming the Countryside

Today, set out on an exhilarating off-road safari to absorb fun information about Greek mythology as well as breathtaking views. Visit a local village and take in majestic vistas over Mirabello Bay. Journey to the plateau of Katharo, along winding dirt tracks, passing through the biggest forest on the island, where the mountains soar to nearly 5,000 feet



Fly directly between key destinations on flights exclusive to A&K.

#### Aircraft

Bombardier Challenger 850 or comparable Aircraft and seating configuration subject to change.

#### Flight Details

Athens-Heraklion (50 min) Heraklion-Izmir (55 min) Izmir-Cappadocia (1 hr 15 min) Cappadocia-Istanbul (1 hr 10 min)



above the sea, perhaps stopping at a *kafenio* (café) for a refreshment. Later, wind down the mountainside to another plateau, where you savor an al fresco barbecue lunch, served with wine. Afterward, visit Zeus's Cave, where legend holds the father of all the Greek gods was born. Continue along roads that can only be accessed by four-wheel-drive vehicle, crossing rivers and admiring the rugged terrain, until you reach the village of Krassi. Head back to your hotel, passing en route through the Selinari, an area noted for endangered vultures, which you may spot soaring overhead. Daios Cove | Meals: B L

# DAY 6: Izmir, Turkey | Ancient Ephesus

Depart for Turkey this morning on an illuminating day trip made possible by privately chartered flights. Touch down in Izmir, where you visit the ruins of ancient Ephesus, some of the most well-preserved remains of an ancient civilization anywhere in the world. Founded in the fourth century BC, the city has at times been ruled by the Persians and the Romans as well as the Greeks. It was home to Saint Paul for more than three years, and it was here he established the church that became the head of the Seven Churches in Asia Minor. After your exploration of this history-laden site, with



# At the Crossroads of Empires

The lands of present-day Greece and Turkey have been trod by many peoples of many eras, sometimes linking East with West, and at other times dividing them. The armies of vast empires have swept across these crossroads again and again, driven by the ambitions of legendary leaders and bringing with them immeasurable cultural change.

As the birthplace of democracy and the ancient home of philosophy, mathematics, theater and more, Greek culture was once without peer. In the Bronze Age, circa 3000 BC, the Greek island of Crete was home to the Minoan culture, a progenitor of Classical Greece and, by extension, Western Civilization itself. Your visit to the ruins of the palace of Knossos reveals the grace of Minoan architecture and art.

Turkey has witnessed its own share of momentous historical turning points, from the first establishment of Christianity as an organized religion in Constantinople to its role as the hub of the vast Ottoman empire that ruled the region for 600 years. Whether ballooning over Cappadocia or appreciating the majesty of the incredible Hagia Sophia, Turkey holds an inimitable appeal.

This amazing journey by private air takes you in a matter of days across two countries steeped in a shared history that took centuries to unfold.



Europe

its ruins of temples, roads, baths, fountains and far more, re-board your aircraft and continue to Cappadocia. Argos in Cappadocia | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: **Cappadocia** | Ballooning Over Cappadocia This morning, lift off on an inspiring hot air balloon excursion over Cappadocia, and explore the area's volcanic stone "fairy chimneys." View frescoes at the rock-carved churches of Goreme, and discover the stunningly restored Dark Church. Then, sit down to a private barbecue lunch, while taking in views of the incredible Cappadocian landscape. Afterward, visit a pottery in Avanos to learn how the renowned earthenware of the region is created and observe master potters at their craft. **Argos in Cappadocia** | **Meals: B L** 

# DAY 8: Istanbul | Lunch with a Local Family

Explore the fascinating underground city at Kaymakli, which dates to as early as the eighth century BC and includes chapels, kitchens, air vents and living quarters carved out of volcanic rock. Then, get to know the Goreme Weavers Association on an engaging artisan visit. Next, meet with a local family and join them for lunch in their home. This afternoon, fly by private charter to Istanbul, and settle into your luxuriously appointed hotel.

Four Seasons Hotel Istanbul at the Bosphorus | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 9: Istanbul | Hagia Sophia & Topkapi Palace

Rise early for a private, before-hours opening of the Basilica Cistern, with its marble columns still standing since the sixth century. Continue to the timeless Hagia Sophia for a visit, marveling at the structure's imposing façade, matched only by the grandeur of its towering, vaulted ceilings. Next, revel in the ornately decorated ceilings and spectacular tile work of Topkapi Palace, the one-time imperial residence of Ottoman sultans. This evening, privately cruise the glittering Bosphorus, toasting its beauty on a Scenic Sundowner. Four Seasons Hotel Istanbul at the Bosphorus | Meals: B L

#### DAY 10: Istanbul | Design Your Day

Set out this morning to explore the magnificent Dolmabahce Palace. This afternoon, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Ferry to the Asian side of the City, strolling its vibrant food markets and staying for lunch.
- Explore Cultural Istanbul at the Pera Museum, the Galata shopping district and Karakoy's coffeehouses.
- Indulge in a Historic Hammam Experience or simply relax in the spa at your hotel.

This evening is at leisure. Four Seasons Hotel Istanbul at the Bosphorus | Meals: B L DAY 11: **Istanbul** | Legacy of a Magnificent Ruler Explore Suleymaniye Mosque and Istanbul's fabled Grand Bazaar, meeting local craftspeople along the way. Enjoy your afternoon at leisure, free to explore the city on your own. This evening, gather with fellow guests for a farewell dinner. Four Seasons Hotel Istanbul at the Bosphorus | Meals: B D

#### DAY 12: Depart Istanbul

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to board your departing flight. Meals: B

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# INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



at the Bosphorus



Daios Cove Tranquil luxury resort hotel nestled in a secluded cove on sunny Crete.



Luxury hotel in an Ottoman palace.

Hotel Grande Bretagne Classic luxury hotel in the heart of Athens, with views of the Acropolis.



Argos in Cappadocia Contemporary luxury hotel set on the hillside site of a historic monastery.

# **DATES & PRICING**

Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
May 8-19, Sep 4-15	\$36,495	\$5,295

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 6:00 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 11.

# Book Your Journey Today

# MARCO POLO JOURNEYS

# Turkey: A Journey Through History

11 days from \$7,995 | Limited to 18 guests

Discover the rich and diverse historical landscape of Turkey, exploring the best the nation has to offer, from exquisite Istanbul to archaeological wonders that date from ancient Greece to the Ottoman Empire, enjoying privileged access and scholarly guiding throughout your journey.

# A&K ADVANTAGES

- Explore Topkapi Palace and the magnificent Hagia Sophia, and stroll the fabled Grand Bazaar, in Istanbul
- On a day trip to ancient Ephesus, learn firsthand about the amazing archaeological discoveries made in this one-time home of Saint Paul
- Discover Turkey's rich culinary heritage, as you visit a traditional farmers market on the sparkling coast in Bodrum, savor a cooking demonstration in the countryside and stroll a spice market in Istanbul
- Privately cruise the Bosphorus, passing magnificent palaces, mansions and gardens along the shore
- Experience authentic Cappadocian culture when you join a local family for lunch in their home, set amid the stunning "fairy chimney" landscape

# DAY 1: Arrive Istanbul, Turkey

Arrive in Istanbul, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Four Seasons Hotel Istanbul at Sultanahmet

DAY 2: **Istanbul** | Hagia Sophia & Private Bosphorus Cruise Rise early for a private, before-hours opening of the Basilica Cistern, with its marble columns dating to the sixth century. Continue to the timeless Hagia Sophia, marveling at the structure's imposing façade and towering vaulted ceilings. Delve into the distinctive Pera district and visit a coffeehouse, learning the story of this uniquely Turkish tradition. After lunch, embark on a private cruise of the Bosphorus. Later this evening, gather with your fellow guests for a welcome dinner.

Four Seasons Hotel Istanbul at Sultanahmet | Meals: B L D



DAY 3: **Istanbul** | Wonders of Topkapi Palace Revel in the ornately decorated ceilings and spectacular tile work of Topkapi Palace, the one-time imperial residence of Ottoman sultans, and then view the ancient city walls, standing since the time of Constantine. Fly to Bodrum and check in to your hotel to relax before dinner. **The Marmara Bodrum** | **Meals: B D** 

DAY 4: **Bodrum** | Oldest Shipwreck & Exclusive Access Stop by the ancient Theater of Halicarnassus before visiting the Bodrum Underwater Archaeology Museum in the Castle of St. Peter, which houses the oldest shipwreck ever discovered. Gain A&K-exclusive private access to their research and conservation labs. Next, savor a Chef's Table cooking demonstration showcasing local dishes and explore the local farmers market's vibrant produce stalls. Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure. The Marmara Bodrum | Meals: B L

DAY 5: **Euromos** | Temples of Zeus, Apollo & Athena Journey to Euromos to explore the ruined yet magnificent Temple of Zeus. Continue to Didyma to discover the Temple of Apollo, dating to at least 300 BC. Stop for lunch at a local seaside restaurant. Then, proceed to Priene for a walking tour at the ageold Temple of Athena before continuing to Izmir, where you enjoy dinner overlooking the sea. Swissotel Buyuk Efes | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: **Ephesus** | Historic Archaeological Dig Embark on a day trip to Ephesus, where Saint Paul once lived. Explore the renowned archaeological park and museum here before enjoying a special lunch in a nearby village. Return to Izmir for an afternoon and evening at leisure. Swissotel Buyuk Efes | Meals: B L



DAY 7: Cappadocia | Fairy Chimneys & Frescoes Fly via Istanbul to Kayseri and explore the nearby volcanic stone "fairy chimneys," which also provide the setting for a refreshing Scenic Sundowner. Next, on an A&K-exclusive experience, enjoy private, after-hours access to the rockcarved churches of Goreme, and visit the Dark Church, before dining at your hotel. Argos in Cappadocia | Meals: B D

DAY 8: Cappadocia | The Ancient Art of Weaving This morning, enjoy an optional hot air balloon excursion over Cappadocia. Then, visit the Goreme Weavers Association on an engaging artisan visit. Next, sit down with a local family for lunch in their home. In the afternoon, explore the fascinating underground city at Kaymakli, which dates to as early as the eighth century BC and includes chapels, kitchens, air vents and living quarters carved out of volcanic rock. Argos in Cappadocia | Meals: B L

# DAY 9: Istanbul | Seat of a Mighty Empire

Today, fly back to Istanbul. This afternoon, visit Dolmabahce Palace, once a seat of Ottoman power, and see the collection of Ottoman royal barges, a hidden gem of the city. Shangri-La Bosphorus, Istanbul | Meals: B

DAY 10: Istanbul | Ottoman Architecture & The Grand Bazaar Explore Suleymaniye Mosque and the Grand Bazaar. After lunch at a local restaurant, stroll the fragrant spice market. Ride Like a Local on a public ferry across the Bosphorus to explore the food markets of the Asian side. Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner. Shangri-La Bosphorus, Istanbul | Meals: B L D

# DAY 11: Depart Istanbul

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to depart. Meals: B

# INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Shangri-La Bosphorus, Istanbul Enchanting contemporary luxury hotel elegantly set on the Bosphorus.



Four Seasons Hotel Istanbul at Sultanahmet — Historic luxury hotel Distinctive accommodations nestled on the Condé Nast Traveler Gold List.



Swissotel Buyuk Efes Modern luxury hotel set among lush gardens in the heart of Izmir.



Argos in Cappadocia within a former monastery.



The Marmara Bodrum Chic luxury hotel perched on a hilltop overlooking Bodrum Bay.

# DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
Apr 24-May 4, May 8-18, May 22-Jun 1, Jun 5-15, Sep 4-14, Sep 18-28, Sep 25-Oct 5, Oct 2-12, Oct 9-19, Oct 16-26	\$7,995	\$4,195

Internal Air: Economy class from \$575 Istanbul/Bodrum; Izmir/Kayseri/Istanbul

Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 7:30 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 10 Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

# Book Your Journey Today

JOURNEY BY PRIVATE AIR

WINGS OVER THE WORLD JOURNEYS

# Wings Over Northern Europe

12 days from \$36,495 | Limited to 13 guests

Experience historic, cultural and natural splendors across England, Iceland, Germany and Sweden, travelling in comfort between destinations by privately chartered air, as you visit a private farm that raises Icelandic horses, and enjoy special private access to the Vasa Museum in Stockholm.

# A&K ADVANTAGES

- Discover the diverse appeal of northern Europe, travelling in comfort and style between destinations aboard privately chartered flights
- Learn about and ride Icelandic horses on an exclusive visit to a private farm
- Explore London like a local, taking a ferry across the Thames, exploring Southwark's Borough Market and the river's South Bank
- Enjoy evening access to the striking Reichstag Dome, indulging in a private dinner and drinks in this iconic location
- Delve into Swedish culture with special after-hours visits to the Vasa Museum as well as ABBA The Museum
- Spend the day privately cruising on a vintage steamship through the Stockholm Archipelago, enjoying lunch on board
- Experience a day in London your way, with a choice of A&K's Design Your Day options

# DAY 1: Arrive London, United Kingdom

Arrive in London, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Tonight, join your Resident Tour Director and fellow guests for a welcome dinner in the hotel's Michelin-starred restaurant. Four Seasons Hotel London at Ten Trinity Square | Meals: D

DAY 2: London | Local Sights & Culinary Delights Explore the Household Cavalry Museum and enjoy an escorted viewing of the daily Mounted Guard Change. Then, stroll to Westminster Pier, passing Downing Street, the Houses of Parliament and Big Ben along the way. Board a ferry to the Bankside Pier to sample delicacies at the Borough



Market on a foodie walk. And ascend the Shard, with fasttrack entry and a glass of Champagne before dinner. Four Seasons Hotel London at Ten Trinity Square | Meals: B D

# DAY 3: London | Design Your Day

Today, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- Visit Majestic Windsor Castle, one of the official residences of England's beloved Queen Elizabeth II.
- Explore the Royal Horticultural Society Home Garden at Wisley with its formal and model gardens, laboratory and arboretum.
- Savor a Gin-Focused Walking Tour through the neighborhoods of old London, stopping for tastings of the "white satin."
- Bike Through London on an Active, Guided Excursion, peddling past Big Ben, Buckingham Palace and Westminster Abbey.

All choices include a traditional Sunday pub lunch. Four Seasons Hotel London at Ten Trinity Square | Meals: B L

DAY 4: **Reykjavik, Iceland** | Local Culture & Cuisine Fly by private aircraft to Reykjavik, the cultured coastal capital of Iceland, where you have lunch upon arrival. Then, explore the city, viewing Hallgrimskirkja church, the Harpa performance center and Iceland's parliament building. Later, roam through the National Museum of Iceland to learn how this island nation was built. Tonight, dine on Icelandic cuisine. Reykjavik Konsulat Hotel | Meals: B L D



#### DAY 5: South Iceland | Private Horse Farm Visit

Drive along Iceland's scenic south shore, en route to a private farm that specializes in the famed Icelandic horse. This small native breed has two more gaits (such as a trot, canter or gallop) than most horses — the smooth-riding *tolt* and the speedy *skeio*. Learn about day-to-day life here, ride the horses if you wish and join your host family in their home for a bountiful farm lunch on this exclusive experience. Return to Reykjavik, stopping to view waterfalls and stunning black-sand beaches as you go. **Reykjavik Konsulat Hotel | Meals: B L**  DAY 6: **Reykjavik & Berlin, Germany** | The Blue Lagoon Experience the Retreat, an exclusive enclave on the edge of the famed Blue Lagoon. Bathe in the thermal waters, just relax or take advantage of the many available treatments. After a relaxing lunch, depart by private charter air to Berlin, Germany. Check in to your hotel upon arrival. Later, enjoy independent reservations for dining, arranged by A&K. Hotel de Rome | Meals: B L D

Enjoy a memorable dinner in Berlin

# DAY 7: **Berlin** | Exploring the Historic City Start your visit of Germany's capital with a morning city tour,





# A Comprehensive Journey with Cosmopolitan Appeal

While no single destination could encompass everything Northern Europe has to offer, by combining insider-access experiences in London, Reykjavik, Berlin and Stockholm, this itinerary paints a compelling portrait of the region. And by utilizing privately chartered flights, four disparate locales are pulled together into a singularly appealing luxury journey.

Strolling with an expert guide past London's iconic landmarks, visiting a horse farm in the rugged countryside of Iceland, dining at the historic Reichstag in Berlin and privately touring Stockholm's Vasa Museum, you get a feel for the diversity of the cultures you encounter. Whether you're discovering the enduring legacy of the Gustafs in Sweden or floating in the geothermal warmth of Iceland's Blue Lagoon, you'll be immersed in a cosmopolitan blend of adventures, which include extraordinary culinary moments that culminate in a complete recreation of the gala Nobel banquet.

Even the Design Your Day options available one day in London — with choices that range from a visit to the Royal Horticultural Society Home Garden to a gin-focused walking tour — represent the diversity of Northern European life. Experience it in style on this luxurious, comprehensive adventure.



viewing historic sights such as Potsdamer Platz, Topography of Terror and Checkpoint Charlie. Your afternoon and evening are at leisure. Relax or explore on your own with a pass arranged by A&K that allows you entry into many of the city's major museums, such as the Pergamon Museum or the Jewish Museum. Hotel de Rome | Meals: B

### DAY 8: Berlin | Exploring Potsdam

Drive to Potsdam to view the Glienicke Bridge, site of Cold War spy exchanges. Explore Sanssouci Palace, visit a former KGB prison and enjoy a guided tour of Cecilienhof Palace, site of the historic Potsdam Conference attended by Harry S. Truman, Winston Churchill and Joseph Stalin. Savor a Scenic Sundowner before gathering for dinner in the German Reichstag (Parliament). Hotel de Rome | Meals: B L D

# DAY 9: Stockholm, Sweden | Sunken Warship

Relax with time at leisure this morning before you fly by private charter to Stockholm and check in to your hotel. Later, enjoy a private after-hours reception and tour at the Vasa Museum, before strolling the cobbled streets of historic Gamla Stan to a local restaurant. **Grand Hôtel | Meals: B D** 

# DAY 10: Stockholm | Sparkling Archipelago

Today, embark on a vintage steamship chartered exclusively for your group for a leisurely cruise among the 30,000 islands of the Stockholm Archipelago, with lunch on board. Return to the city for a private after-hours experience at ABBA The Museum, before an evening at leisure. **Grand Hôtel | Meals: B L** 

# DAY 11: Stockholm | Nobel Grandeur

This morning, join a local expert for an introduction to Stockholm's highlights. Visit the City Hall, where the annual Nobel Prize gala takes place. Later, have your own Nobel experience as you tour the Nobel Museum after hours, followed by the opportunity to be the guests of honor at your own Gala Dinner. Enjoy a picture-perfect replica of a real Nobel banquet, from the menu and wines right down to the china and silver — an unforgettable capstone to your European adventure. Grand Hôtel | Meals: B D

# DAY 12: Depart Stockholm

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to board your departing flight. Meals: B

# **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

Make this a private journey, for just you and your party, or create your own completely customized Luxury Tailor Made Journey by private air. Contact A&K for more details.

# INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Four Seasons Hotel London at Ten Trinity Square Contemporary luxury hotel with classical styling, overlooking the Tower of London and featuring Michelin-starred dining and a luxurious spa.



Hotel de Rome

Prestigious luxury hotel housed in a former bank, featuring elegant, contemporary styling and situated in the heart of Berlin.





**Grand Hôtel** Luxury waterfront hotel overlooking the Royal Palace and Gamla Stan. **Reykjavik Konsulat Hotel** Boutique luxury hotel featuring historical, 19th-century decor.

# DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Sep 8–19, Sep 22–Oct 3	\$36,495	\$4,995

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 6:00 p.m. on Day Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 11.

# Book Your Journey Today

# IUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS Finland & Sweden: Adventure Across Lapland

11 days from \$13,795 | Limited to 18 guests

Experience an exhilarating winter adventure filled with fun outdoor activities like snowmobiling, snowshoeing and ice fishing as you roam across Finland and Sweden, from cosmopolitan Helsinki and Stockholm to the far-north wilds of Lapland, learning the ways of the indigenous Sami people on an exclusive visit to a reindeer farm, venturing above the Arctic Circle for a sled-dog safari and searching for the wondrous northern lights.

# JA&K ADVANTAGES

- Explore two great Scandinavian capitals, starting in charming Helsinki and finishing in magnificent Stockholm
- Visit a Finnish family in their private forest home to learn about their life as moose hunters
- Join a young Sami couple in the small Swedish village of Jokkmokk, where they reveal the traditions, spirituality and history of their people, who range across the Arctic
- Relax in some of Scandinavia's most exclusive and unusual accommodations: a hotel built over an Arctic river, glassdomed Aurora Cabins and suites set in the Finnish forest
- Savor dinner in a snow castle, newly created each winter

# DAY 1: Arrive Helsinki, Finland

Arrive in Helsinki, where you are met and privately transferred to your hotel. This evening, gather with your fellow guests for a welcome dinner. Hotel Kamp | Meals: D

DAY 2: Helsinki | Rock Church & Bustling Food Market This morning, explore the sights of Helsinki. Enter the famous Temppeliaukio Church; built directly into solid rock, it is fittingly known as Rock Church. Experience the Helsinki Food Market, before enjoying lunch at a local restaurant, and then spend the afternoon at leisure, free to relax or explore the city at your own pace. Hotel Kamp | Meals: B L



DAY 3: **Kittila** | Adventure above The Arctic Circle Today, fly to northern Kittila, landing far above the Arctic Circle, to begin your immersive Lapland experience. Start with a thrilling snowmobile safari that reveals the true spirit of this remote natural region as you bask in stunning views over the vast Lappish wilderness. Stop for a light barbecue snack served up fresh from the fire, before completing your rousing ride to your hotel in Levi. Upon arrival, settle into a specially designed aurora cabin, its glass dome allowing you to search the skies for the northern lights as you drift asleep from the reclined vantage point of your bed. Northern Lights Village | Meals: B D



Meet passionate dogsledders devoted to the wellbeing of their animals and embark on an unforgettable safari into the Lappish wilderness, pulled by a well-trained team of huskies.

# DAY 4: Levi | Mush like a Master Sledder

Visit a local reindeer farm to meet the family living there and hear stories of the seven generations that have worked this land. Then, ride a reindeer sled through the forest and enjoy lunch with the family. Afterward, continue to a nearby husky farm owned by a couple who sustainably raise top sled dogs. Receive an introduction to sled-driving before setting out on a husky safari into the Lappish wilderness, pulled by an eager dog team. Return to the farm to sip hot berry juice by an open fire while listening



to fascinating stories about these lovable canines. This evening, join a privately guided snowshoe trek into the darkness surrounding your resort as you scan the sky for a possible appearance of the northern lights. Northern Lights Village | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 5: Rovaniemi | Design Your Day

Journey overland to Rovaniemi, nestled on the Arctic Circle and renowned as the "home of Santa Claus." En route, stop at a private cabin, set in the woods beside a secluded lake, to enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- ▶ Try Your Hand at Ice Fishing, learning tricks from the locals about catching fish through a hole in the frozen lake.
- Snowshoe Through the Surrounding Woods, immersed in the quiet beauty of the untouched wilderness.
- Experience Ice Floating, donning a survival suit for a surreally relaxing float in the lake's icy Arctic waters.

Reenergize with a lunch of salmon cooked over a fire before continuing to your hotel. Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure, free to relax or perhaps join your Resident Tour





Director for a fun, all-ages visit to "Santa's" house. Arctic TreeHouse Hotel | Meals: B L

DAY 6: Rovaniemi | Two Exclusive Experiences Experience traditional life in Lapland up close when you visit Palovaara Farm, situated on 500 acres of private forest. Meet the family who lives there and learn how they provide for themselves by hunting moose. Then, savor a homemade lunch prepared by your hosts, featuring fish caught from their own lake and meat from the moose they've hunted. Follow this A&K-exclusive experience with another as you proceed to Villa Vinkkeli, studio of renowned photographer Kaisa Sirén, to view an exhibition of her works and hear her share her passion for the Arctic, an insider-access opportunity arranged exclusively for A&K guests. This evening, stop for dinner at the magical Snowland's igloo restaurant, an ice structure freshly rebuilt every year to incorporate new layouts and decor. Take a drink in the ice bar and dine in this unique setting before embarking on a hunt for the aurora borealis, accompanied by a professional photographer who helps you get the best shot should you happen to spot this rare, awe-inspiring phenomenon. Arctic TreeHouse Hotel | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: Harads, Sweden | Historic Gammelstad Cross a far-north frontier this morning as you pass from Finnish Lapland into Swedish Lapland. Join your Resident Tour Director to explore Gammelstad, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, walking through its labyrinth of narrow streets among hundreds of charming 400-year-old cottages to the impressive Gammelstad Church. Later, pause for lunch at nearby Brandon Lodge, nestled on the edge of the Gulf of Bothnia and overlooking the islands of the Lulea Archipelago. Continue to Arctic Bath, your home for the next two nights, where rooms rest suspended over a frozen wilderness river. Arctic Bath | Meals: B L D



Make a personal connection with Lapland's Sami culture, past and present, when you gather with a young local couple by their fireside for engaging conversation and a round of traditional storytelling.

DAY 8: Jokkmokk | Discovering the Sami Culture Travel today to Jokkmokk, a village that is a center for the Sami people and culture in Sweden, which houses an office of the Sami Parliament. Meet a young Sami couple who introduce you to the modern realities of life for this traditionally nomadic people whose main activity is reindeer herding and who range throughout the Arctic region of Europe. Gather around the fire with them to listen to *joik*, the ancient Sami practice of storytelling through music. Learn about the Sami language and traditional cuisine, and then meet the couple's reindeer up close and enjoy the opportunity to hand-feed them. Return to Arctic Bath with time to relax and enjoy the saunas and spa, or just bask in the tranquility of the pristine natural surroundings. Arctic Bath | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: **Stockholm** | Sweden's Elegant Capital After a leisurely morning, transfer to nearby Lulea for a short



flight to Stockholm, a colorful capital city built on a 14-island archipelago and graced with charming architecture. Upon arrival, set off on a guided stroll through Gamla Stan — the most historic area of the city, contained on its own island — walking its cobblestone streets past shops, museums and galleries as well as the Royal Palace. Grand Hôtel | Meals: B

#### DAY 10: Stockholm | Home of the Nobel Prize

This morning, join a local expert who reveals authentic Stockholm to you. Visit the Vasa Museum and City Hall, where the annual Nobel Prize ceremony takes place. Enjoy time at leisure in the city, then gather with your fellow guests for a special farewell dinner as you recall the adventures of your Lapland journey. **Grand Hôtel | Meals: B L D** 

#### DAY 11: Depart Stockholm

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your departing flight. Meals: B

# **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

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# **INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS**



Arctic Bath

Unique, contemporary luxury retreat built over an Arctic river.



Arctic TreeHouse Hotel Tranquil hotel designed in harmony with its natural surroundings.



Hotel Kamp Traditional luxury grand hotel set in the stylish heart of Helsinki.



Grand HôtelNoLuxury waterfront hotel overlookingUnithe Royal Palace and Gamla Stan.ove



Northern Lights Village Unique glass-domed cabins with overhead views of the night sky.

# DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
Jan 12-22, Jan 19-29, Feb 2-12, Feb 16-26, Mar 2-12, Mar 9-19, Mar 16-26	\$13,795	\$4,895

Internal Air: Economy class from \$600 Helsinki/Kittila; Lulea/Stockholm

### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 7:00 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 10. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 4 guests.

# Book Your Journey Today

# Splendors of Budapest, Vienna & Prague

10 days from \$8,995 | Limited to 18 guests

Warsaw & Krakow 6-day Pre-Tour Extension from \$3,995

Discover the three most radiant cities in Central Europe and experience the grand architectural, artistic and cultural heritage of the Old World, exploring Baroque-era treasures with the finest local experts.

# A&K ADVANTAGES

- Absorb the imperial grandeur of Budapest, a city that has survived the passing of empires and kept its romantic allure, where you savor an exclusive garden lunch at a private villa
- Take in the dazzling beauty of Budapest illuminated at night, viewing impressive examples of architecture along the way, on a private evening cruise on the Danube
- Attend an intimate concert at the Mozarthaus in Vienna, which was a mecca for great composers, including Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert and Strauss, for more than a century
- Savor local wines on a visit to an award-winning winery in Moravia, set on vineyards dating back to the 13th century
- Privately explore the library of the Strahov Monastery in Prague, gaining access to an area usually closed to the public, on a guided visit exclusively for A&K guests

# DAY 1: Arrive Budapest, Hungary

Arrive in Budapest, a city occupying both sides of the Danube River and founded in 1873, when right-bank Buda and Obuda joined left-bank Pest. Budapest's broad avenues and turn-of-the-century architecture have earned it the name "the Paris of Eastern Europe." Like Paris, it is a cultural mecca for writers, artists and musicians. Transfer to your hotel, where you join your fellow guests for a welcome dinner. Four Seasons Hotel Gresham Palace Budapest | Meals: D

DAY 2: **Budapest** | Matthias Church & Fisherman's Bastion This morning, cross the Danube River to explore the Buda side of the city. Visit Matthias Church, the 13th-century coronation cathedral of Hungarian kings, and Fisherman's Bastion, offering spectacular views of the city. Built in neo-



Gothic and neo-Romanesque styles, the bastion is named for the guild of fishermen who defended this part of the city during the Middle Ages. Then, meet a Buda resident for lunch in the gardens of her villa, an experience specially planned for A&K guests. Enjoy your afternoon at leisure, relaxing in your luxurious accommodations or exploring this romantic city on your own, perhaps dining at one of Budapest's fine restaurants.

Four Seasons Hotel Gresham Palace Budapest | Meals: B L

DAY 3: **Budapest** | Across the Bridge in Pest Today, discover Pest, starting with a private visit to the Liszt Academy of Music. Continue exploring the city as you view Heroes' Square and stop to see the Great Synagogue as well as St. Stephen's Basilica, whose south tower houses the largest bell in Hungary. Then, visit the Central Market Hall to view the vast array of food and crafts on sale throughout its three floors, including cheeses, sausage and other local specialties, and enjoy time at leisure for lunch on your own. Later, visit the Parliament Building before spending the remainder of your afternoon at leisure. This evening, after dinner, embark on a private cruise of the romantic Danube to watch the glittering lights of Budapest drift by in the night, toasting your journey on a memorable Scenic Sundowner experience. Four Seasons Hotel Gresham Palace Budapest | Meals: B D

DAY 4: **Bratislava, Slovakia & Vienna, Austria** | Chef's Table Journey overland to Bratislava, capital of Slovakia, for a guided walk through its old town, once a jewel of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. Stop at a local restaurant for a Chef's Table experience, where the esteemed chef greets you and shares insights into the seasonal dishes you are to enjoy for lunch. Then, Ride Like a Local, embarking by high-speed





catamaran for a quick cruise along the Danube River to Vienna, Austria. Hotel Imperial | Meals: B L

#### DAY 5: Vienna | Austrian Treasures

Join your local guide for a walking tour of marvelous Vienna. At the Hofburg Palace — former seat of emperors and current residence of the president of Austria - visit the Imperial Treasury to admire its glittering collection of imperial regalia. Then, continue to the Gothic St. Stephen's Cathedral. Spend your afternoon at leisure. Dine at a local restaurant before attending a concert at the Mozarthaus

Vienna, the historic house where Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart lived in the 18th century. Hotel Imperial | Meals: B D

#### DAY 6: Vienna | Visions of the Imperial City

This morning, enjoy a panoramic tour of Vienna, viewing the Prater and its Giant Ferris Wheel. See the Secession Building and the famous Hundertwasser House, and then visit the Belvedere Gallery, where you view many works by the brilliant and controversial symbolist artist Gustav Klimt, including The Kiss. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant, and then visit Schönbrunn Palace, the former residence of





Habsburg monarchs. Spend your evening at leisure. Hotel Imperial | Meals: B L

DAY 7: **Popice, Czech Republic** | Wines of a Unique Terroir Travel to Prague, stopping en route at the Sonberk winery in the Czech countryside for a tasting of its signature vintages, followed by lunch. Continue to Prague, where you check in to your hotel, and then enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. Mandarin Oriental, Prague | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 8: Prague | History Remembered

Today, explore the city's Castle District, starting with the towering, Gothic St. Vitus Cathedral, which houses the tombs of Bohemian kings and Holy Roman Emperors, including that of Wenceslas I, Duke of Bohemia, legendary subject of the beloved Christmas carol "Good King Wenceslas." Stroll the Golden Lane, the last surviving vestige of Prague Castle's 16th-century architecture, where the castle's original craftspeople lived and worked. Follow this with a private visit to the Baroque library halls of the Strahov Monastery to view its incredible frescoes, which reside amid detailed stucco ceiling decorations. Stroll in the peaceful quiet, looking up at the mural devoted to the intellectual progress of mankind, and let yourself contemplate a bygone era. Then, admire the religious artifacts at the Loreto Chapel, a remarkable Baroque monument that remains a place of pilgrimage. Cross the famous Charles Bridge, an iconic landmark of Prague completed in 1402, to embark on a walking tour of Josefov, the city's Jewish Quarter, which remained a walled ghetto until 1848. View the birthplace of Franz Kafka (part of the Jewish Museum complex), best known for his existentialist novel The Metamorphosis.

Proceed to visit the Old Jewish Cemetery, site of 12,000 graves, and the Old-New Synagogue, Europe's oldest active synagogue, completed in 1270. Afterward, enjoy your evening at leisure. Mandarin Oriental, Prague | Meals: B

### DAY 9: Prague | Design Your Day

This morning, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- Attend a Traditional Puppetry Workshop, and then visit the National Gallery Prague in the Schwarzenberg Palace.
- Set Out on a Foodie Walking Tour, savoring tastes of Czech cuisine, from pastries to goulash to beer.
- Relax with a Spa Experience at your hotel, in a haven for the body and spirit, choosing from an array of treatments.

Spend your afternoon at leisure. Tonight, gather for a celebratory farewell dinner at a nearby local restaurant. Mandarin Oriental, Prague | Meals: B D

# DAY 10: Depart Prague

Transfer to the airport to board your flight home. Meals: B

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# EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY



Warsaw & Krakow Pre-Tour Group Extension 6 days from \$3,995 | Available on select departures. Tour Warsaw's highlights, explore Krakow with a local guide, and visit Auschwitz and the former Schindler factory.

# INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Four Seasons Hotel Gresham Palace Budapest *Travel* + *Leisure* World's Best hotel, offering stately grandeur and a serene retreat from the bustle, located along the shimmering Danube.



Hotel Imperial

Luxurious, opulent hotel set in a historic former palace in the heart of the city, within walking distance of the Vienna State Opera and the Imperial Palace.



Mandarin Oriental, Prague Historic luxury hotel appointed with contemporary elegance ideally located near the iconic Charles Bridge.

# DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
May 8-17, May 22-31, Jun 5-14, Jun 12-21, Jun 26-Jul 5, Jul 3-12, Jul 10-19,* Jul 17-26,* Aug 14-23, Aug 21-30, Sep 4-13, Sep 11-20, Sep 18-27, Sep 25-Oct 4, Oct 2-11, Oct 9-18, Oct 23-Nov 1	\$8,995	\$3,495

\*Days 7-9 at Augustine in Prague.

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 6:30 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 9. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

# Book Your Journey Today

# NEW!

LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

# Germany: Berlin to Bavaria

10 days from \$9,895 | Limited to 18 guests

Capture the essence of eastern Germany and Bavaria, from thatched-roof villages to bustling cities where the Nazi and Communist eras still echo, and embrace the best of today's art, culture and cuisine on a refined and revealing adventure.

# A&K ADVANTAGES

- Meet with a local artist in Berlin who lived in the shadow of the Berlin Wall, and learn the significance of the mural display at the East Side Gallery
- Discover the production secrets of Europe's oldest porcelain maker on a guided visit that includes a private recital on their historic porcelain organ
- Explore privately owned Proschwitz Castle and taste wines in the castle's vineyards on an A&K-exclusive experience
- Step into Boros Bunker, a former World War II air-raid shelter, for a privately guided look at its impressive contemporary art collection
- Savor the authentic taste of Munich's beer culture on a foodie tour, a brewery visit and dinner in a lively beer hall

# DAY 1: Arrive Berlin, Germany

Arrive in Berlin, the capital of Germany, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. This evening, gather for cocktails and a welcome dinner at the hotel. Hotel de Rome | Meals: D

# DAY 2: Berlin | History & Art of a Vibrant City

Discover historic Berlin, starting with a visit to the Reichstag Building, viewing panoramas of the city from its large glass dome. Stroll through Potsdamer Platz and stop at Checkpoint Charlie, a former border crossing between East and West Berlin. After lunch, step into the Boros Bunker for a privately guided viewing of the contemporary art collection housed in this former World War II air-raid shelter. Finish with a Scenic Sundowner overlooking the city, before dinner. Hotel de Rome | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: **Berlin** | Stories of the Berlin Wall Today, meet a local artist to learn about the history of the



Berlin Wall at the iconic East Side Gallery, a series of murals painted on the longest section of wall still standing. Continue to a privately guided tour of the Stasi Museum to discover how East Germany's secret police exerted control over every aspect of society. Round out your experience with a complimentary pass to a range of other museums. Hotel de Rome | Meals: B

DAY 4: **Meissen** | Exclusive Castle Visit & Wine Tasting Delve into the world of exquisite Meissen porcelain on a guided visit to the manufacturer's workshop that includes lunch and a private organ recital on their famous porcelain organ. Afterward, drive to Proschwitz Castle for a guided walk of this medieval manor, exclusively opened for A&K guests, and savor a wine tasting in the castle's vineyards. Continue to Dresden, where you check in to your hotel before dinner. Gewandhaus Dresden | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 5: Dresden | Splendors of a City Reborn

Uncover the splendor of Dresden on a guided walk, starting with the Zwinger Complex, a historic Baroque-style palace built in 1728 for the Dresden Court. Visit the Dresden Frauenkirche, and then explore the New Green Vault, a museum in the Dresden Castle containing Europe's largest treasure collection. Eat lunch at the renowned Pfunds Dairy followed by time at leisure to explore the city your way. Gewandhaus Dresden | Meals: B L

#### DAY 6: Leipzig | Musical Giant of Baroque

Depart for Munich, stopping en route in Leipzig for a guided walk revealing St. Thomas's Church, where the legendary composer Johann Sebastian Bach worked as music director for 27 years. Enjoy some time to explore on your own, and then Ride Like a Local by high-speed train to Munich. Arrive at your



luxury hotel with time to relax before dinner. The Charles Hotel | Meals: B D

DAY 7: Munich | The Best of Bavarian Cuisine

This morning, set out on a walking excursion to see why the city is a global center of art, culture and architecture. Stroll through Marienplatz in the heart of Munich's Old Town and watch the famous Rathhaus-Glockenspiel as it displays its stories of 16th-century Bavarian culture. Marvel at the Frauenkirche cathedral's twin onion-style domes, and then, at lunchtime, set out for an extensive foodie tour to indulge in the best tastes of the region, such as *schmalznudel* (a Bavarian-style doughnut), sausages, local cheeses and beers. Later, on a Chef's Table experience, delight in a brewery visit and eat dinner in a traditional beer hall. The Charles Hotel | Meals: B D

DAY 8: **Munich** | Alpine Adventure with a Fairy-Tale Castle Discover the fairy-tale landscape of southern Bavaria, exploring "Mad" King Ludwig's iconic Neuschwanstein Castle. Continue to the Alpine village of Oberammergau, walking its charming streets to see the detailed, storytelling murals on its buildings. Return to Munich for an evening at your leisure. The Charles Hotel | Meals: B L

DAY 9: **Munich** | Design Your Day Today, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Discover the Dachau Memorial on a guided visit, and explore history at the Documentation Center.
- Experience Munich by Bike, cycling with a local guide who expertly reveals the fascinating sights and cultures of the bustling Bavarian capital.

Explore the Deutsches Museum with a Guide, taking in its extensive collections devoted to science and technology.

Tonight, savor an elegant farewell dinner and toast your journey through Germany. The Charles Hotel | Meals: B D

# DAY 10: Depart Munich

After breakfast, you are transferred to the airport for your departing flight. Meals: B

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Customize this itinerary to create the perfect private **Luxury Tailor Made Journey** just for you. Contact A&K for more details.

# INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Hotel de Rome

Prestigious luxury hotel housed in a former bank, featuring elegant, contemporary styling and situated in the heart of Berlin.





Gewandhaus Dresden Luxurious hotel featuring finely crafted, modern-baroque design.

The Charles Hotel Contemporary luxury hotel centrally located in Munich.

# DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
May 9–18, May 16–25, May 30–Jun 8, Jun 6–15, Jun 13–22, Jul 11–20,	\$9,895	\$2,795
Aug 15-24, Sep 5-14, Oct 24-Nov 2		

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:00 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 9. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

# Book Your Journey Today

# Ireland: Splendors of the Emerald Isle

9 days from \$7,495 | Limited to 18 guests

Revel in the legendary hospitality and warmth of the Irish people on this comprehensive journey across the Emerald Isle. Take in world-famous scenic backdrops, bask in traditional songs and stories, and celebrate a culture cherished on both sides of the Atlantic, staying in five-star hotels along the way.

# J A&K ADVANTAGES

- Explore Dublin, Ireland's historic capital city, on a day that includes an intimate guided walk through Trinity College and an up-close look at the illuminated Book of Kells
- Visit a country pub in County Kilkenny for an introduction to Irish culture, including a hands-on hurling lesson
- Immerse yourself in authentic rural life on a farm visit, conversing with a local family over a farmhouse lunch
- Explore stunning landscapes and traditional crafts on a journey around the Ring of Kerry
- Venture along the scenic coast of County Clare to taste oysters and gaze out from atop the soaring Cliffs of Moher

# DAY 1: Arrive Dublin, Ireland

Arrive in Dublin, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Tonight, gather for a welcome dinner. Conrad Dublin | Meals: D

# DAY 2: Dublin | Viewing the Book of Kells

Begin your day with a privately led exploration of Trinity College, founded in 1592 by Queen Elizabeth I. Then, enter the Old Library to view the legendary Book of Kells, one of the finest illuminated medieval manuscripts in existence. Afterward, discover more of the city with your expert guide, followed by an afternoon at leisure. Conrad Dublin | Meals: B

# DAY 3: Kilkenny | Countryside Traditions

Travel south to the heart of County Kilkenny. Visit a familyowned country pub, meet the owner and his family, and receive a hands-on introduction to the national Irish sport of hurling. Listen to a *seannachi* (traditional storyteller) spin



tales and play music, eat a hearty lunch and learn how to pull a pint of Guinness for a full-on classic Irish pub experience. Arrive at your country resort at Castlemartyr before dinner. Castlemartyr Resort | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: Cobh & Cork | Design Your Day Today, enjoy one of these Design Your Day activities.

- Sample Classic Irish Whiskeys on a premium tour and tasting at Jameson's Old Midleton Distillery.
- Play a Round of Golf or Relax with a Spa Experience, taking full advantage of your hotel's diverse amenities.
- Visit the Cobh Heritage Centre to learn about the lives of emigrants to America, and visit the English Market in Cork.

Later, dine at historic Barnabrow Country House for a delectable Chef's Table experience. Castlemartyr Resort | Meals: B D

DAY 5: West Cork | An Inviting Farm-to-Table Experience Drive Ireland's wild southern shore through rugged West Cork to meet a sixth-generation Irish storyteller and join this colorful raconteur for a ferry ride to Whiddy Island. Listen as he leads you on a personally narrated tour of the island and its history, and then stop at a traditional pub for lunch and a pint before ferrying back to the mainland. Proceed to Kenmare and check in to your hotel, set beside rollicking Sheen Falls. Then, savor a Scenic Sundowner, gazing over the sparkling cascades. Sheen Falls Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: **Kenmare** | Around the Ring of Kerry Cross through Killarney National Park, en route to the town of Killarney. Ride Like a Local in a traditional jaunting car



INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



**Conrad Dublin** 

Sheen Falls Lodge Luxurious hotel outside Kenmare, overlooking a river and waterfalls.



**Castlemartyr Resort** Contemporary luxury hotel offering a Five-star hotel set in an 18th-century tranquil retreat in the heart of Dublin. manor house on immaculate grounds.

**Dromoland Castle** Luxury castle-turned-hotel on the Condé Nast Traveler Gold List.

# DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
May 19-27, May 26-Jun 3, Jun 9-17, Jun 23-Jul 1, Jul 28-Aug 5, Aug 18-26, Sep 1-9, Sep 8-16, Sep 22-30, Oct 6-14, Oct 13-21	\$7,495	\$2,795

Take in the lush Irish countryside on a scenic drive of the Ring of Kerry

Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 5:30 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 8 Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

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Contact A&K or go online for up-to-date information on dates, pricing, extensions and special offers.

for a closer look at the park's natural beauty. Then, set out on the famed Ring of Kerry for a breathtaking coastal drive, where every turn in the road reveals new and ever-morestunning vistas. Pause to peruse local handicrafts in the Gap of Dunloe, a ruggedly beautiful valley formed by glaciers and set between two mountain ranges. Sheen Falls Lodge | Meals: B

DAY 7: Newmarket-on-Fergus | Lunch with a Farm Family Make a personal connection to Ireland when you visit a traditional family dairy farm. Hear about rural life here from family members, and then join them for a home-cooked farm lunch, on this A&K-exclusive experience. Stop in Adare, often voted Ireland's most beautiful village, before you continue to your majestic hotel. Dromoland Castle | Meals: B L

DAY 8: Newmarket-on-Fergus | The Tastes of Galway Bay Journey to busy Galway, gateway to western Ireland, and then on to small, coastal Clarinbridge, where a special tasting introduces you to the quintessential pairing of Guinness stout with fresh Galway Bay oysters. After lunch, drive the coast of County Clare, stopping to stand atop the soaring Cliffs of Moher. Tonight, join your fellow guests for an elegant farewell dinner. Dromoland Castle | Meals: B L D

# DAY 9: Depart Shannon

After breakfast, transfer to Shannon Airport and board your onward flight. Meals: B

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# LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

# Scotland: Edinburgh & the Highlands

9 days from \$7,495 | Limited to 18 guests

Discover the rich heritage and dramatic beauty of Scotland, from its refined cities steeped in time-honored tradition to its heathered highlands shrouded in the mists of legend, and learn about the cultures of its storied clans.

# J A&K ADVANTAGES

- Set out on a four-wheel-drive safari into the wild highlands and enjoy a picnic lunch amid stunning natural landscapes
- Explore Scotland's heritage, trying your hand at the bagpipes in a fun workshop at the National Piping Center
- Gain access to areas usually off limits to the public during an exclusive experience at majestic Inverary Castle
- Learn the history of design in Scotland on a curator-led excursion through the V&A Dundee, a showcase of Scottish ingenuity
- Board the majestic Royal Yacht 'Britannia' for a private, before-hours visit, during an exploration of Edinburgh

# DAY 1: Glasgow, Scotland

Arrive in Glasgow, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. This evening, gather with fellow guests for cocktails and a welcome dinner at the hotel. Hotel du Vin Glasgow | Meals: D

# DAY 2: Glasgow | Hidden Gems

Make an exclusive before-hours visit to the Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum, home to one of Europe's great art collections. Next, explore the art of the bagpipes during an interactive workshop at the National Piping Center. Eat lunch at the Willow Tea Rooms, emblematic of the local Arts and Crafts movement of the early 20th century. Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure. Hotel du Vin Glasgow | Meals: B L

# DAY 3: Inverary | Home of a Laird

Journey to Inverary Castle, passing Loch Lomond along the way. Upon arrival, set out on a private guided walk through this aristocratic residence for an exclusive A&K experience, followed by lunch. Then, drive through the Highlands and past Loch Tay to your hotel beside scenic Loch Rannoch. Dunalastair Hotel Suites | Meals: B L D



DAY 4: **Kinloch Rannoch** | A Highland "Safari' Ride Like a Local into the Highlands by 4x4 vehicle on a wilderness safari, absorbing the scenic views of lakes, forests and mountains, and keeping watch for native wildlife such as red deer, mountain hares and golden eagles. Then, enjoy a picnic lunch in this idyllic location, followed by free time to relax, cast a fishing line, peruse local art galleries and craft shops, or simply marvel at the natural grandeur surrounding you. **Dunalastair Hotel Suites** | **Meals: B L D** 

DAY 5: **Dundee & St. Andrews** | Scottish Innovation Travel to Dundee to discover the V&A Dundee, a museum showcasing the history of Scottish design, technology and innovation. Enjoy time for lunch at your leisure, and then proceed on a unique Chef's Table experience at the Scotch whisky distillery at Lindores Abbey, called whisky's spiritual birthplace, where you indulge in a tasting. Continue to the lovely coastal town of St. Andrews, site of the Open and regarded as the home of golf. After an introduction to the historic town, savor a Scenic Sundowner overlooking the iconic Old Course, and then check in to your hotel set on the famed links. Old Course Hotel | Meals: B D

DAY 6: **St. Andrews** | Design Your Day Today, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Bike to a Nature Reserve along a quiet path that leads to Tentsmuir Forest and a lovely beach.
- Savor a Tutored Gin Tasting and create your own signature gin and tonic at a top local distillery.
- Embark by Sea Kayak on an excursion along the craggy local coastline, looking out for seals and other wildlife.



# THE EDINBURGH MILITARY TATTOO



On a separate edition of this journey with three summer departures, enjoy an especially grand farewell on the last night of your itinerary as you witness the pageantry of the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. Sit back in your premium grandstand seat and watch magnificent performances of martial music and military-style maneuvers that symbolize Scottish culture and history. Priced from \$8,495. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for complete details.

Relax during an afternoon and evening at leisure. Old Course Hotel | Meals: B

DAY 7: Edinburgh | Traditional Afternoon Tea Today, journey to Edinburgh, Scotland's elegant capital. Begin your visit with a tour of Holyrood Palace. Continue up the Royal Mile to the historic Signet Library, where you are invited to one of Edinburgh's most substantial afternoon teas, featuring savory side dishes and sweets that make for a satisfying lunch. Afterward, explore Edinburgh Castle with an expert local guide and take in the stunning views over the city and beyond. Later, check in to your hotel for an evening at leisure. The Balmoral | Meals: B L

DAY 8: Edinburgh | A Private Visit to her Majesty's Yacht Begin your day with a private, before-hours visit to the Royal Yacht 'Britannia,' a proud vessel that served as a floating home to the Royal Family for over 40 years. Enjoy a panoramic overview of the local sights before returning to your hotel for an afternoon at leisure. This evening, gather for a farewell dinner at a fine local restaurant. The Balmoral | Meals: B D

# DAY 9: Depart Edinburgh

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your departing flight. Meals: B

# **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

For a private journey consider **Tailor Made Scotland: Edinburgh & the Highlands**. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.

# INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Old Course Hotel Luxurious resort set at the 17th hole of the Old Course at St. Andrews.



Hotel du Vin Glasgow Iconic hotel in the city's fashionable West End, devoted to your service.



**The Balmoral** Classic luxury hotel with bespoke rooms in the heart of Edinburgh.



**Dunalastair Hotel Suites** Upscale, design hotel nestled in the majestic Scottish Highlands.

# DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
May 8-16, May 22-30	\$7,495	\$2,395
Jun 12–20, Jul 3–11, Jul 17–25, Sep 4–12, Sep 11–19, Sep 18–26	\$7,795	\$2,695

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 6:00 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 8. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

# Book Your Journey Today

### MARCO POLO JOURNEYS

# English Gardens & the Chelsea Flower Show

9 days from \$12,295 | Limited to 18 guests

Savor the joys of spring with privileged access at every turn on this quintessential English journey spanning exclusive estates and gardens, culminating in a Royal Horticultural Society Members' Day at the Chelsea Flower Show.

# A&K ADVANTAGES

- Attend the world-famous Chelsea Flower Show in a style befitting a member, enjoying all-day access to an exclusive RHS hospitality pavilion where you are invited to savor a full breakfast, lunch with Champagne and a traditional high tea
- Stroll through the Arts and Crafts-style gardens of Sissinghurst Castle, planted by Vita Sackville-West
- Spend an afternoon at Hidcote Manor, one of England's greatest gardens
- Explore the private walled garden of the owners of historic Bowood House & Garden, on an exclusive experience
- Gain exclusive access to Badminton House, enjoying tea at the country home of the Duke and Duchess of Beaufort
- Privately explore the birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill, Blenheim Palace, with a local expert leading the way

# DAY 1: Arrive London, England

Upon arrival, you are met and transferred to your luxury hotel set among gardens. Enjoy a private welcome dinner at this historic manor house. Ockenden Manor | Meals: D

#### DAY 2: West Sussex | Heritage Gardens

Journey to Storrington for a private tour of the 16th-century Parham House and its landscaped Pleasure Grounds. Stroll Veronica's Maze and The Walled Garden, learning how they are organically maintained. After lunch at Parham House, visit nearby Borde Hill Garden, set on 200 acres of traditional English landscape. Ockenden Manor | Meals: B L

DAY 3: **Sissinghurst & Great Dixter** | Arts & Crafts Gems Today, enjoy a private tour of the late Christopher Lloyd's garden at Great Dixter, conducted before opening hours. Built in the Arts and Crafts style, it mingles vegetables and



flowers, a large orchard with pockets of wildflowers and a magnificent herbaceous border. Later, drive to Sissinghurst Castle and stroll its garden. Learn how Harold Nicolson, a diplomat and author, laid down its main lines, while his wife, Vita Sackville-West, a poet and gardening writer, handled the planting. View the influential White Garden, which exemplifies early 20th-century garden designer Gertrude Jekyll's use of color themes. Ockenden Manor | Meals: B D

### DAY 4: Hampshire | West Green House

Drive north to the quaint and charming Cotswolds area, pausing in a wooded corner of North Hampshire for a visit to the gardens of West Green House. Learn how acclaimed designer Marylyn Abbott fused neoclassical and contemporary influences as you tour the grounds with the senior gardener. Then, stay on site for lunch. Later, toast your day with a Scenic Sundowner before dining at your hotel. Dormy House | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: **The Cotswolds** | Kiftsgate & Hidcote Manor Enjoy a private visit to Kiftsgate Court Gardens and stroll the harmonious, color-schemed upper gardens. Afterward, drive to the lovely town of Chipping Campden to visit its High Street, Jacobean Market Hall and impressive Church of St. James. Continue to nearby Hidcote Manor — one of England's greatest gardens and a true Arts and Crafts masterpiece — for a guided tour through a series of unique outdoor "rooms." Nestled in the Cotswolds, a range of hills known for their beauty, the garden offers stunning panoramas across the Vale of Evesham. Dormy House | Meals: B D

DAY 6: The Cotswolds | Exclusive Bowood Garden Visit Visit the storied grounds of Bowood House & Gardens, a



# **NEW FRENCH GARDENS JOURNEY**



Announcing **French Gardens: Paris & the Loire**, featuring two nights in Paris, private access to gardens and châteaux in the Loire Valley, and a day at the International Garden Festival. Priced from \$12,895, this new Marco Polo Journey departs immediately after **English Gardens & the Chelsea Flower Show**. Book them back to back to create one grand garden show adventure. Turn the page for full details.

100-acre country estate that is home to the Marquis and Marchioness of Lansdowne, for an A&K-exclusive tour of their private walled garden. Then enjoy time at leisure to explore inside the house or break for lunch on your own. This afternoon, privately visit Badminton House, the country home of the Duke and Duchess of Beaufort. Explore the house and gardens, pausing for a quintessentially English Chef's Table experience, a traditional cream tea. Dormy House | Meals: B

DAY 7: **Blenheim Palace** | Birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill Drive to Blenheim Palace, a magnificent edifice set on 2,100 acres of beautiful parkland landscaped by Lancelot "Capability" Brown. Enjoy a special talk and tour focused on the life of Sir Winston Churchill, who was born here in 1874. Examine the breadth of his talent and achievement, from bricklayer to the "Greatest Briton." After lunch at leisure, continue to London. Brown's Hotel | Meals: B

DAY 8: **The Chelsea Flower Show** | A World of Inspiration Attend the world-renowned Chelsea Flower Show on an exclusive Royal Horticultural Society Members' Day. Enjoy a four-course luncheon and an open bar, as well as morning and afternoon tea, in an exclusive Royal Horticultural Society hospitality area. Walk countless exhibits showcasing the finest examples of English gardening and some of the most avant-garde show-garden designs in the world. Return to the hotel in the late afternoon, gathering in the evening for a farewell dinner. Brown's Hotel | Meals: B L D

# DAY 9: Depart London

After breakfast, transfer to the airport and depart. Meals: B

# **INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS**



Ockenden Manor

Nestled among nine acres of gardens, this boutique hotel affords a contemporary, wellness-centered oasis in the West Sussex countryside.





**Dormy House** Luxury boutique hotel built into a 17th-century Cotswolds farmhouse. **Brown's Hotel** Historic classic luxury hotel set in London's most exclusive borough.

# DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
May 17-25	\$12,295	\$5,295

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:30 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 8.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

# Book Your Journey Today

# NEW!

# MARCO POLO JOURNEYS

# French Gardens: Paris & the Loire

9 days from \$12,895 | Limited to 18 guests

Celebrate the stunning gardens and châteaux of France, from Paris to Versailles, in exuberant style. Devote an entire day to the International Garden Festival at Domaine de Chaumont-sur-Loire, privately tour a château with its owner and sample vintages at an organic winery on a journey for flower lovers that includes two nights in Paris.

# 🗸 A&K ADVANTAGES

- Take in the botanical pageantry at the International Garden Festival at Domaine de Chaumont-sur-Loire during a full day on site
- Sit down to a Champagne picnic on the grounds of Versailles, and then explore the palace itself
- Explore a variety of châteaux in the Loire Valley, both large and small, including an exclusive visit with the owner of Château du Rivau
- Stroll the Jardin des Plantes in Paris, once a royal medical garden and now France's most important botanical garden
- Join an award-winning florist for a master class in the art of regal floral arrangements at the Château de Chenonceau
- Learn the secrets of Chantilly cream at the château where it originated

# DAY 1: Arrive Paris, France

Arrive in Paris, the City of Light, where you are met and transferred to your luxury hotel set amid gardens. Tonight, gather for a welcome dinner. Le Bristol Paris | Meals: D

DAY 2: **Paris** | French Cuisine & the Physician's Garden Begin your day with a walking foodie excursion that introduces you to some of Paris' best-loved treats and the vendors who supply them. Then, explore the Jardin des Plantes. Founded in 1635 as the royal physician's garden, it is now part of the Museum of Natural History and considered France's national botanical garden. View its plantings of roses, alpine plants, perennials and more. Enjoy the rest of



your day at leisure, free to explore Paris. Le Bristol Paris | Meals: B

DAY 3: Loire Valley | Private Garden Tour

Ride Like a Local on the TGV high-speed train to Tours, reaching the heart of the Loire Valley — a UNESCO World Heritage Site filled with historic towns, landscapes and châteaux — in only one hour. Upon arrival, privately tour the magnificent gardens of the Château de Villandry, followed by lunch on the grounds. Then, transfer to your hotel nestled in the verdant countryside. Château d'Artigny | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: Loire Valley | Meet the Castle's Owner

Enjoy an A&K-exclusive encounter with the owner of Château du Rivau, who escorts you through this ornamental castle. Afterward, stroll the fairytale gardens of the castle grounds, gathering for a private lunch in the exclusive "secret garden" restaurant. This afternoon, travel to Chinon, site of a former castle that housed both English and French royalty, where you participate in a workshop that explores the medicinal uses of plants. Château d'Artigny | Meals: B L

DAY 5: **Chenonceau** | Special Before-Hours Access Journey east along the Loire River, then up its tributary, the Cher, to beautiful Château de Chenonceau, which arches elegantly over the river's flowing waters. Enjoy this remarkable castle — once home to Catherine de Medici without the crowds, thanks to before-hours access arranged by A&K. Take part in a floral master class led by the château's celebrated chief florist, a winner of the prestigious Meilleur Ouvrier de France. Then, proceed to a nearby winery to explore its carved stone cellars and savor a lunch paired with their organic wines. Les Sources de Cheverny | Meals: B L D Attend the spectacular International Garden F estival on the guerds of lovely Chaumont sur-Loin

DAY 6: Chaumont | The International Garden Festival Today, experience the International Garden Festival, which each year brings together leading garden designers from around the world to create themed installations at the Domaine de Chaumont-sur-Loire. Tour the château and its historic stables, and then board a traditional flatboat for a cruise along the Loire, with a lunch on board. Return to Chaumont for an afternoon exploring the fascinating garden creations and botanical wonders of the festival. This evening, enjoy a special private dinner at the petite Château de Troussay. Les Sources de Cheverny | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: Versailles | Dazzling Legacy of Louis XIV Drive to the magnificent Palace of Versailles, set in 2,000 acres of beautiful park and gardens principally designed by André Le Nôtre. Indulge in a picnic created with ingredients from local markets amid the splendor of the palace grounds. Then, explore the astounding palace itself, a masterpiece built out to its full glory by Louis XIV. Proceed to your hotel at Chantilly. Château Hôtel Mont Royal | Meals: B L

# DAY 8: Chantilly | A Dish Fit for a King

Explore the grand Château de Chantilly, home to one of the country's best art collections. After lunch in one of its historic buildings, partake in a Chef's Table workshop that reveals the secrets behind authentic Chantilly cream, which was first served at this castle during a lavish party held for Louis XIV. Return to the hotel for time at leisure. Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner. Château Hôtel Mont Royal | Meals: B L D

# DAY 9: Depart Paris

After breakfast, transfer to Charles de Gaulle airport for your departing flight. Meals: B

# INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS







Les Sources de Cheverny Peaceful boutique luxury retreat located on a historic forested estate.

Château Hôtel Mont Royal

Contemporary luxury hotel nestled amid the Chantilly forest.



**Château d'Artigny** Classic luxury hotel set in a Belle Époque castle surrounded by gardens.

# DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
May 26-Jun 3, Jul 21-29	\$12,895	\$3,295

**Note:** Combine the first departure of this journey with English Gardens & the Chelsea Flower Show (page 206) to create one grand garden show adventure.

#### Journey Details

Minimum age is 12 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:00 p.m. on Day 1.

Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 8. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

# Book Your Journey Today

# Peru: Machu Picchu & the Sacred Valley

8 days from \$6,595 | Limited to 18 guests

Experience the enduring heritage of the Incas, as you interact with the rural people of the Sacred Valley, sample Peruvian culinary delights and explore magnificent Machu Picchu, staying at the only hotel on site.

# 🗸 A&K ADVANTAGES

- Sample Peruvian cuisine at a Chef's Table experience to understand its cultural impact on Peru and the world, and enjoy an exclusive A&K street food tour led by a local chef
- Mingle with the residents of the Sacred Valley of the Incas, and gain an intimate understanding of their ancestral weaving and farming techniques, during a private visit to their village, where you partake in a Pachamama ceremony
- Enjoy a private lecture on Machu Picchu with a renowned scholar in Incan history, and later discover the magnificent ruins for yourself in the company of a local expert guide
- Discover Peru's rich musical traditions during a captivating private performance by an expert in Andean music
- Trek the last portion of the Inca Trail from KM 104 to Machu Picchu on select departures

# DAY 1: Arrive Lima, Peru

Arrive in Lima and transfer to your hotel, located in the city's exclusive residential district of Miraflores. Founded in 1535 by Spanish conquistador Francisco Pizarro, this "City of Kings" is a blend of colonial structures, pre-Colombian sites and modern conveniences. Miraflores Park, A Belmond Hotel, Lima

# DAY 2: Lima | Discovering Peruvian Cuisine

Today, learn why Lima is considered one of the world's premier culinary cities by discovering its history and flavors with top local chefs who introduce you to the unique food products of the Land of the Incas. Begin with a walking food tour of the bohemian Barranco neighborhood and discover the essence of the Limeño lifestyle. Meet a local chef who takes you to his or her favorite places, where you are invited to sample some of the iconic dishes and spirits of Peru — an



experience exclusive to A&K. After lunch, discover Peru's capital, visiting Plaza de Armas, birthplace of the city, and the beautiful Cathedral, built in the 16th century. Then, take part in a Peruvian Chef's Table experience, savoring the delicious dishes you have cooked for dinner. Miraflores Park, A Belmond Hotel, Lima | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: Sacred Valley | Cusco and Camelids

Fly to Cusco, located more than 11,000 feet above sea level. Stop for lunch in the central square, and then take part in a photography workshop, learning pointers from a professional, before proceeding to the Sacred Valley of the Incas. En route, visit Manos de la Comunidad to interact with the South American camelids living there — such as llamas and alpacas — and learn about the valuable fibers created from their coats. Continue to your awe-inspiring resort, designed to fit in with the Sacred Valley's landscapes. Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: Sacred Valley | Learning Time-Honored Traditions Visit a remote village where the local residents provide a hands-on introduction to the customs and crafts that make up their way of life, including weaving and cooking, for an A&K-exclusive experience. Then, participate in one of Peru's oldest and most sacred rituals when you join a local shaman in a traditional offering to Mother Earth (Pachamama). After this spiritual ceremony, visit the Kuychi Center to meet the children at Niños del Arco Iris (Children of the Rainbow), a project supported by A&K Philanthropy, which provides education, nutrition, medical care and hope to children in the Sacred Valley. Eat lunch on site before returning to your hotel, where you prepare for your visit



to Machu Picchu with a private lecture from a renowned scholar and certified expert on the Incas. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at leisure, gazing upon the soaring Andes and savoring a refreshing Scenic Sundowner. Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: Machu Picchu | Bingham's Stunning Find Today, depending on your choice of departures, explore Ollantaytambo, a fortress of massive stone terraces that hug the mountain slopes and the site of the Incas' greatest victory over the invading Spanish. Then, journey deep into the

Andes toward Machu Picchu aboard the Inca Rail First Class Train, gazing out at the spectacular Peruvian countryside. Alternatively, start by boarding a many-windowed Vistadome Train for the same scenic ride, but with a twist: disembark at KM 104 and set out with a guide on a hike that culminates at the Sun Gate (Inti Punku), looking out over the vast UNESCO World Heritage Site. Either way, arrive for your overnight stay at the only hotel located on-site at Machu Picchu. Overlooking the Urubamba River, Machu Picchu was built in the 15th century at the height of the Inca Empire. Although this "Lost City" was revealed to the rest of the







world by American historian Hiram Bingham in 1911, its location was long known to locals. Its original purpose, however, remains a matter of some conjecture, as the Incas left no written records. In the early afternoon, explore the ruins with your expert guide and, as you wander amid the age-old stone walls, picture life as it might have been in this majestic citadel, set some 8,000 feet above sea level. Sanctuary Lodge, A Belmond Hotel, Machu Picchu | Meals: B L D

# HIKE THE INCA TRAIL



On select dates, engage in a more active Day 5 adventure, departing the train early for an expert-guided hike along the last portion of the Inca Trail, starting at KM 104 and ascending to the Sun Gate (Inti Punku) at Machu Picchu.

DAY 6: **Machu Picchu** | Walking the Spectacular Ruins Rise with the sun to walk through Machu Picchu in the early morning mist before the crowds arrive, an experience some consider the spiritual highlight of the journey. After exploring the "Lost City of the Incas," board the Vistadome train back to Ollantaytambo. Continue to Cusco, where you check in to your hotel, once a 16th-century monastery and now a national monument that offers a retreat from the bustle of Cusco, while set just off the city square. Monasterio, A Belmond Hotel, Cusco | Meals: B L

"This was our first A&K experience and it will not be our last. The quality of service throughout was unmatched. Thank you for an incredible journey."

– Jordan; Franklin, TN

# DAY 7: Cusco | Design Your Day

This morning, discover Cusco on a city tour that includes the Cathedral on the Plaza de Armas and the Santo Domingo Temple, a Dominican church built on the foundations of the Koricancha, the Incas' principal religious building. Listen as a local expert explains how the historic clashes between the Incas and the Spanish played a role in forming today's Peruvian culture. Later, visit the well-preserved ruins of Sacsayhuaman, a testament to Incan architectural skill. This imposing fortress, which witnessed the greatest battle between the Spanish and the Incas, is compiled from colossal stones and overlooks the red-tiled roofs of Cusco. This afternoon, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

Visit the San Blas Neighborhood, a unique bohemian enclave where you find the workshops of artisans.



- Stroll San Pedro Market and Visit the Inca Museum for a taste of local fruits and cheese, and a glimpse of daily life, followed by a look back into Peru's rich history.
- Explore with an Expert Photographer who helps you refine your skills and capture Cusco as a local sees it, including its narrow streets and beautiful houses.

Tonight, listen to a private Andean music presentation by a regional expert, and learn the history of his handmade instruments. Absorb not only the timeless quality of the Peruvian folk tunes he plays, but the unmistakable cultural identity revealed by their haunting, immersive melodies as well. Afterward, gather for a farewell dinner at an elegant Cusco restaurant, where the chef gathers local ingredients for use in innovative recipes that remain true to Peru's culinary traditions. Monasterio, A Belmond Hotel, Cusco | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 8: Depart Lima

After a morning at leisure to sleep in, visit shops or simply relax, fly back to Lima. Later, board your departing flight. Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport (dayroom) | Meals: B

#### TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K

Customize this itinerary to create the perfect private Luxury Tailor Made Journey just for you. Contact A&K for more details.

# INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Sanctuary Lodge, A Belmond Hotel, Machu Picchu Occupying a privileged site just steps from the mystical Incan citadel of Machu Picchu, the only hotel adjacent to the "Lost City."



Monasterio, A Belmond Hotel, Cusco — Historic luxury hotel located in a former monastery.



Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba Hacienda-style hotel featuring luxury casitas with Andes mountain views.



Miraflores Park, A Belmond Hotel, Lima Luxury hotel with ocean views.



Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport — Stylish hotel conveniently located just steps from Lima's airport.

#### DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jan 20-27, Feb 10-17, Feb 24-Mar 3, Mar 3-10, Mar 17-24	\$6,595	\$2,495
Apr 9-16, Apr 14-21, Apr 30-May 7, May 5-12, May 12-19, May 19-26, May 26-Jun 2, Jun 9-16, Jun 16-23, Jun 23-30, Jul 7-14, Jul 14-21, Aug 11-18, Aug 25-Sep 1, Sep 8-15, Sep 15-22, Sep 22-29, Oct 6-13, Oct 20-27, Oct 27-Nov 3, Nov 3-10, Nov 10-17, Dec 1-8, Dec 8-15	\$6,895	\$2,795
KM 104 Inca Trail Hike Departures:	\$6,995	\$2,795

#### **KM 104 Inca Trail Hike Departures:** \$6,995 Apr 21–28, Jun 2–9, Aug 18–25, Oct 13–20

Book one of these dates for a more active Day-5 adventure, departing the train early for an expert-guided hike along the Inca Trail from KM 104 to Machu Picchu.

Internal Air: Economy class from \$545 Lima/Cusco; Cusco/Lima

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 10:00 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: airport assistance in Lima upon return from Cusco on Day 8. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

# Book Your Journey Today

# NEW!

# Peru: Machu Picchu & the Amazon

11 days from \$12,995 | Limited to 18 guests

Experience the incredible diversity of Peru on a luxury adventure that ranges from the soaring stone walls of Machu Picchu to remote reaches of the Amazon Rainforest, sampling a variety of culinary treasures along the way. Hike the final stretch of the Inca Trail, explore the Sacred Valley with Ilamas at your side and cruise for three nights along wildliferich tributaries of the Amazon River.

# 🗸 A&K ADVANTAGES

- Explore the pristine Amazon Rainforest on a three-night cruise aboard elegant 'Aria Amazon,' disembarking on daily excursions in the Pacaya-Samira National Reserve, one of the most pristine, biodiverse regions in the Amazon Basin
- Join a guided nature walk in the Sacred Valley, accompanied by llamas on a trek that features a gourmet picnic
- Hike the last portion of the Inca Trail from KM 104 to Machu Picchu
- Discover one of the culinary capitals of South America on a biking gourmet food tour in Lima
- Experience authentic expressions of Amazonian culture, such as a shamanic ceremony

# DAY 1: Arrive Lima, Peru

Arrive in Lima, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Miraflores Park, a Belmond Hotel, Lima

# DAY 2: Lima | Immersion in Peruvian Cuisine

This morning, set out on a gourmet biking tour of the city's street foods. Along the way, stop at Choco Museum to listen to a brief presentation about the importance of coffee and chocolate production in Amazon communities. Ride on to La Mar before visiting a small food market, and stop at a local restaurant for some delicious Peruvian cooking. On your return to Miraflores, pause for a refreshment along the way. Take some time back at the hotel to freshen up and rest. This afternoon, enjoy a colonial city tour, starting in the historical



center of Lima, visiting Casa de Aliaga and Santo Domingo Convent. Tonight, enjoy a welcome dinner at Huaca Pucilana or another top-flight restaurant. Miraflores Park, a Belmond Hotel, Lima | Meals: B L D

# DAY 3: Cusco | Into the Sacred Valley

Fly to Cusco, arriving in time for lunch at a local restaurant, followed by a briefing on the history and highlights of the Inca Trail in preparation for your hike. Head out for the Sacred Valley, stopping en route at a center devoted to caring for South American camelids, such as llamas, guanacos and alpacas, with the opportunity to feed them if you wish. Arrive at your hotel and enjoy an afternoon at leisure to acclimatize. This evening, dine at your hotel's restaurant. Tambo del Inka, a Luxury Collection Resort & Spa, Valle Sagrado | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: **Sacred Valley** | Village Visit & Llama Walk Begin today interacting with members of a village community in the Sacred Valley, followed by a light trek escorted by llamas on a scenic trail with views of a lake. Stop for a delicious picnic lunch, and then enjoy an afternoon at leisure capped off by a Scenic Sundowner overlooking a river. Tonight, gather for dinner at your hotel. Tambo del Inka, a Luxury Collection Resort & Spa, Valle Sagrado | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: **Ollantaytambo** | Scenic Train Ride & Inca Trail Hike Early this morning, departing from Ollantaytambo, Ride Like a Local by Vistadome Train, viewing stunning Andean vistas as you roll in style toward Machu Picchu. Disembark the train at KM 104 to start your hike up the last portion of


the Inca Trail to Inti Punku (the Sun Gate), overlooking the awe-inspiring Incan citadel of Machu Picchu. Along the way, lunch and rest at Winay Wayna. Finish at your hotel, where you settle in and enjoy dinner this evening. Sanctuary Lodge, a Belmond Hotel, Machu Picchu | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: Machu Picchu | In the Spectacular "Lost City" Today, explore Machu Picchu, led by an expert guide, wandering amid the age-old stone walls and picturing life as it might have been in this majestic citadel, set some 8,000 feet above sea level. Overlooking the Urubamba River, Machu Picchu was built in the 15th century at the height of the Inca Empire. Although this "Lost City" was revealed to the rest of the world by American historian Hiram Bingham in 1911, its location was long known to locals. Its original purpose, however, remains a matter of some conjecture, as the Incas left no written records. After your explorations and lunch at your hotel, return to Ollantaytambo by train, and continue to Cusco to relax or explore on your own. Monasterio, a Belmond Hotel, Cusco | Meals: B L





DAY 7: **Cusco** | Design Your Day Experience Cusco your way, enjoying one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Explore Highlights of Cusco and visit imposing Sacsayhuaman, compiled from colossal stones.
- Join a Photographer in Cusco who helps you capture authentic images of the city's impressive architecture.
- Visit Oropesa where you sample fresh-baked bread at an artisan bakery — and the Main Plaza of Cusco.

After lunch at a local restaurant, return to your hotel for an afternoon at leisure. Tonight, gather for a dinner at the trendsetting MAP Café restaurant. Monasterio, a Belmond Hotel, Cusco | Meals: B L D

DAY 8: **Iquitos & Nauta** | Birthplace of the Amazon Today, fly to Iquitos via Lima. Upon arrival, journey overland into the Peruvian countryside en route to remote Nauta, a village set on the banks of the Marañón River, one of the Amazon's three main tributaries. Begin your three-night river-cruise adventure, embarking elegant 'Aria Amazon,' a modern river cruiser. Settle into your spacious suite before meeting the expert naturalist guides who accompany your expedition. This evening, gather for dinner featuring innovative Amazonian cuisine created by consulting chef Pedro Miguel Schiaffino, owner of one of Lima's top-ranked restaurants. Aqua Expeditions 'Aria Amazon' | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: Yanayacu Pucate & Marañón Rivers | Village Visit Begin your day near the main entrance of the Pacaya Samiria National Reserve, cruising along the Yanayacu Pucate River in a comfortable skiff. Also enjoy opportunities to kayak, canoe and swim in these unspoiled black waters, keeping your eyes peeled for the Amazon's legendary pink dolphins. Upon returning to the boat, join your onboard bartender and chef for a Chef's Table Experience. Prepare a cocktail that will pair with the dish you will be making for lunch. This afternoon, visit a remote village along the Marañón River to learn about traditional customs and witness a ceremony performed by the local shaman. Then, watch and learn through the eyes of these river people, who demonstrate how they climb a palm tree by utilizing a kind of scaffolding to harvest the palm fruit without chopping down the tree, thus conserving it for future generations. This evening after dinner, gather around your vessel's high-tech telescope for a stargazing experience beneath the Amazon night sky, identifying a variety of planets and constellations. Aqua Expeditions 'Aria Amazon' | Meals: B L D

DAY 10: **Samiria River** | Amazonian Natural Park & Nauta Caño Set off in skiffs on an excursion along the Samiria River with the option to try your hand at fishing for the paiche, a huge carp-like river dweller and longtime local food source that has more recently become a favorite of gourmet chefs. Listen to an after-lunch lecture on the flora and fauna that surround you, before venturing forth on a thrilling jungle walk across the high Amazon rainforest. On our return in the evening, enjoy the jungle symphony and extraordinary stargazing on local boats along the "enchanted lake." Later, gather for a chat with the crew members of your vessel who recount stories of life in the Amazon, followed by a farewell dinner on board. Aqua Expeditions 'Aria Amazon' | Meals: B L D



#### DAY 11: Depart Lima

On your return to Nauta, visit local points of interest by bike, especially its lively markets, where the freshly harvested bounty of the surrounding forest is on display. Bid farewell to your crew and disembark 'Aria Amazon'. Visit the Amazon Forever Manatee Rescue Center to encounter some of the gentle, endangered aquatic mammals up close, along with examples of paiche, the river fish you sought out earlier during your journey, and learn about conservation efforts being made to protect these vital Amazon species. Then, transfer to the airport for your departing flight. Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport (dayroom) | Meals: B

### TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K

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## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Miraflores Park, a Belmond Hotel, Lima Luxury hotel with ocean views.



Sanctuary Lodge, a Belmond Hotel, Machu Picchu — The only hotel just steps from the "Lost City."



Aqua Expeditions 'Aria Amazon' Contemporary 147-foot river cruiser revealing the Amazon in style.



Tambo del Inka, a Luxury Collection Resort & Spa, Valle Sagrado Secluded resort in the Sacred Valley.



Monasterio, a Belmond Hotel, Cusco Historic luxury hotel located in a former monastery.



Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport — Convenient hotel, located just steps from the airport.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Deck1	Deck 2
Jun 23-Jul 3, Jul 14-24, Jul 21-31, Aug 4-14, Aug 18-28, Dec 15-25	\$12,995	\$13,295
Single Supplement	\$3,795	\$3,795

Internal Air: Economy class from \$895 Lima/Cusco/Lima/Iquitos/Lima

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 9:00 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: airport assistance in Lima upon return from Iquitos on Day 11.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## Book Your Journey Today

#### LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Wonders of the Galápagos & Machu Picchu

12 days from \$13,795 | Limited to 18 guests

Discover natural and man-made wonders from Ecuador to Peru on a journey that includes a fournight cruise in the wildlife-rich Galápagos Islands, an exclusive visit to a village in the Sacred Valley and a guided exploration of Machu Picchu, the awe-inspiring "Lost City" of the Incas.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Cruise for four nights in the Galápagos Islands aboard stylish 'La Pinta,' a 48-guest expedition vessel that offers comfort and flexibility for exploring
- Experience some of the most intimate and up-close wildlife encounters in the world, both on land and in the water
- Explore the Galápagos on twice-daily shore excursions that include nature walks led by a certified naturalist guide, and choose from activities such as kayaking, snorkeling, light trekking or relaxing on shore
- Discover magnificent Machu Picchu firsthand in the company of a local expert guide, and stay at the only hotel on-site for access to the ruins before most other visitors arrive
- Meet people of the Sacred Valley of the Incas when you privately visit their remote village to gain insight into their centuries-old weaving and farming techniques
- On select departures trek the last portion of the Inca Trail from KM104 to Machu Picchu

### DAY 1: Guayaquil, Ecuador

Arrive in tropical Guayaquil, gateway to the Galápagos, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Hotel del Parque

### DAY 2: Guayaquil | Baltra, the Galápagos

Fly to the remote Galápagos island of Baltra, where you join your naturalist guide for the ferry ride to Santa Cruz Island. Disembark and drive up into the island's mist-shrouded highlands in search of giant tortoises. Continue on to Puerto Ayora and board 'La Pinta,' your expedition ship for your four-night cruise through the Galápagos' northern islands.



'La Pinta' is built for adventure, offering spacious cabins, floor-to-ceiling windows and a comfortable atmosphere. The vessel is ecologically sound and comes equipped with *pangas* (rubber rafts), a glass-bottom boat and sea kayaks that allow for independent exploration. Tonight, dine on board. 'La Pinta' | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: **Cruising the Galápagos** | Eden & Sombrero Chino After breakfast, get fitted for your wetsuit and snorkeling gear. Then, Ride Like a Local, boarding a *panga* for a shore excursion to Eden Islet, a secluded, biodiverse enclave off Santa Cruz. Here, observe the island's iconic blue-footed boobies. Take this opportunity to snorkel the reef or view marine life aboard a glass-bottom boat. Back aboard 'La Pinta,' cruise onward to Sombrero Chino, yet another secluded islet of the Galápagos archipelago. Disembark your *panga* to hike wilderness trails, swim in a sandy cove, and snorkel among white-tipped reef sharks and Galápagos penguins. 'La Pinta' | Meals: B L D

Experience the most magnificent destinations in this far-flung region of the world on a single, expertly planned itinerary, designed with the help of our local offices for authentic insider access.

DAY 4: **Cruising the Galápagos** | Bartolomé & Santiago Islands Disembark on Bartolomé Island to hike up to the volcano's summit and take in the views. After a *panga* ride to visit the



penguins of Pinnacle Rock, snorkel the reef, relax on the beach or take in the local marine life aboard a glass-bottom boat. Later, swim or snorkel along the white coral sand beach of Sullivan Bay. 'La Pinta' | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: **Cruising the Galápagos** | Genovesa Island This morning, hike and snorkel Genovesa Island, a birdwatcher's paradise. Explore Darwin Bay, snorkeling along the cliffs or paddling out in sea kayaks. View the island's cliffs before disembarking to climb the steep, rocky pass of Prince Philip's Steps. Your ascent leads to a clifftop frequented by Nazca boobies, frigate birds, storm petrels and the elusive short-eared owl. 'La Pinta' | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: Guayaquil & Lima, Peru | Begin a Peruvian Adventure Disembark 'La Pinta' at Baltra Island, where you transfer to the airport to fly to mainland Ecuador, before boarding a connecting flight to Lima, Peru. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel. Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport | Meals: B L

#### DAY 7: Cusco | Sacred Valley

Fly to Cusco, located more than 11,000 feet above sea level,



you swim or snorkel in the Galápagos Islands

Get up close to sea lions and other wild species, as





where you are met and transferred to the Sacred Valley of the Incas. En route, visit Manos de la Comunidad to interact with the South American camelids living there — such as llamas and alpacas — and learn about the valuable fibers created from their coats. Then, visit the beautiful Hacienda Sarapampa for a Chef's Table experience. Enjoy lunch with the owner, who cordially shares his family's history in farming and shows you around the farm. Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba | Meals: B L D

DAY 8: **Sacred Valley** | Like a Journey Back in Time Today, visit Moray, a fascinating archaeological site comprising a series of concentric agricultural terraces, some almost 500 feet deep. Then, journey to a remote mountain village, where you experience ancient agricultural methods used for centuries, on an A&K-exclusive experience. Continue to the Children of the Rainbow school, a project supported by A&K Philanthropy, where you enjoy lunch and take in an equestrian performance featuring Paso Fino horses. Return to your hotel to enjoy a relaxing Scenic Sundowner before dinner. Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: Machu Picchu | Bingham's Stunning Find Today, depending on your choice of departure, visit the imposing fortress of Ollantaytambo, with its massive stone terraces, and then Ride Like a Local by train, journeying deep into the Andes toward Machu Picchu. Alternatively, start toward Machu Picchu by train, stopping at KM 104 to disembark and hike to the Sun Gate above the Incan citadel. Either way, explore the magnificent ruins of Machu Picchu, guided by a local expert. Overlooking the Urubamba River, Machu Picchu was built in the 15th century at the height of the Inca Empire. Although this "Lost City" was revealed to the rest of the world by American Hiram Bingham in 1911, its location was long known to locals. Its original purpose, however, remains a matter of some conjecture, as the Incas left no written records. As you wander amid the age-old stone walls, picture life here as it might have been. Tonight, stay in the only hotel on site, just steps from the entrance. Sanctuary Lodge, A Belmond Hotel, Machu Picchu | Meals: B L D

#### HIKE THE INCA TRAIL



On select dates, engage in a more active Day-9 adventure, departing the train early for an expert-guided hike along the last portion of the Inca Trail, starting at KM 104 and ascending to the Sun Gate (Inti Punku) overlooking Machu Picchu.

DAY 10: **Machu Picchu** | Walk the Spectacular Ruins Rise with the sun and join your expert guide to walk through Machu Picchu in the early morning mist before the crowds arrive. After your explorations, enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before returning to Ollantaytambo by train, savoring incomparable views of the mountain scenery that surrounds you. On arrival, transfer to your hotel in Cusco, a 400-year-old architectural treasure that was once a monastery. Tonight, relax or stroll this ancient Incan capital on your own. Monasterio, A Belmond Hotel, Cusco | Meals: B L

DAY 11: **Cusco** | Design Your Day This morning, discover Cusco on a city excursion that



includes the Cathedral on the Plaza de Armas and the Santo Domingo Temple, a Dominican church built on the foundations of the Koricancha, the Incas' principal religious building. Later, visit the well-preserved ruins of Sacsayhuaman, a testament to Incan architectural skill. Compiled from colossal stones, its walls were cut and placed together with incredible precision and without a single drop of mortar to hold them in place. Back in Cusco, stop for lunch at a local restaurant near the plaza. This afternoon, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Visit the San Blas Neighborhood, a unique bohemian enclave where you find the workshops of artisans.
- Stroll San Pedro Market and Visit the Inca Museum for a taste of local fruits and cheese, and a glimpse into history.
- Join a Photographer in Cusco who helps you capture authentic images of the city's architecture and people.

Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner at an elegant Cusco restaurant. Monasterio, A Belmond Hotel, Cusco | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 12: Depart Lima

Relax on a morning at leisure in Cusco. Later today, fly to Lima and connect with your homebound flight. Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport (dayroom) | Meals: B

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## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Sanctuary Lodge, A Belmond Hotel, Machu Picchu Hotel set on site at Machu Picchu.



**Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba** Hacienda-style hotel featuring luxury casitas with Andes mountain views.





Monasterio, A Belmond Hotel, Cusco — Historic luxury hotel set in the heart of the city.



Hotel del Parque Quietly elegant boutique luxury hotel located in the heart of Guayaquil.



**'La Pinta'** Comfortable and stylish expedition ship featuring fine onboard cuisine.

Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport — Convenient, comfortable hotel within steps of the airport.

### DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Feb 12–23, Mar 12–23	\$13,795	\$7,495
Mar 26-Apr 6, Apr 9-20, Apr 23-May 4, May 7-18, Jun 4-15, Jun 18-29, Jul 2-13, Jul 16-27, Sep 10-21, Oct 8-19, Nov 5-16	- /	\$7,995

**KM 104 Inca Trail Hike Departures:** \$13,995 \$7,995 May 21-Jun 1, Aug 13-24, Oct 22-Nov 2,

Book one of these dates for a more active Day-9 adventure, departing the train early for an expert-guided hike along the Inca Trail from KM 104 to Machu Picchu.

Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,895 Guayaquil/Baltra/Guayaquil/Lima/Cusco; Cusco/Lima

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: departure to airport at 9:00 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: return to Lima airport in the afternoon on Day 12. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## Book Your Journey Today

### LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Galápagos Wildlife Adventure

9 days from \$10,495 | Limited to 18 guests

Cruise for six nights on a comprehensive voyage through the wildlife-rich Galápagos archipelago, going ashore to stroll among giant tortoises, marine iguanas and blue-footed boobies; and snorkel and kayak with sea lions and penguins.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Cruise aboard 'La Pinta' an expedition vessel that blends stability and style – in the Galápagos Islands
- Experience some of the world's most intimate wildlife encounters, coming face to face with marine iguanas, giant tortoises, blue-footed boobies, sea lions and more
- Explore the islands known for optimal wildlife viewing as well as iconic, less-visited sites, as you enjoy twice-daily shore excursions and nature walks with a certified naturalist guide
- Choose from island activities that include kayaking, glassbottom boat excursions, snorkeling, stand-up paddle boarding, light trekking or simply relaxing on shore
- Partake in a wide range of onboard activities, including guided stargazing and nature lectures, and rest easy knowing there is a dedicated A&K Resident Tour Director, as well as an Expedition Leader and a physician on board with you, in this remote destination
- On a selected day during your cruise, enjoy a choice of A&K Design Your Day activities

#### DAY 1: Arrive Guayaquil, Ecuador

Arrive in Guayaquil, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Hotel del Parque

#### DAY 2: The Galápagos | On Board 'La Pinta'

This morning, fly to Baltra in the remote Galápagos Islands, a haven for the diversity of wildlife that first led naturalist Charles Darwin to propose that species evolved in response to their environment. You are met by your naturalist guide and escorted to 'La Pinta,' your home for a six-night cruise through the Galápagos' western islands, a route that offers a higher number of endemic species than other island



groupings. Attend an introductory briefing followed by lunch, and then get underway cruising to North Seymour Island, where you disembark on your first shore excursion. Walk along the coast and the interior of this beautiful flat island, observing numerous bird colonies as well as sea lions and land iguanas. You may also opt to explore just offshore by dinghy. This evening, return to 'La Pinta' for a welcome cocktail and dinner. Each evening, your time is your own: Attend a lecture presented by one of your affable guides, who recaps the day and gives a sneak peek at tomorrow's itinerary; explore the mysteries of the night sky with a fascinating astronomy lecture on deck; peruse the ship's library for further insight into a species you encountered; or gather in the lounge to cap off a day of extraordinary discoveries. Drift asleep in your air-conditioned cabin to the rise and fall of gentle ocean swells. 'La Pinta' | Meals: B L D

DAYS 3-4: **The Galápagos** | Isabela & Fernandina Today, begin at Isabela Island (Punta Vicente Roca). Since there is no landing site at this location, explore the coast by skiff while your naturalist guide explains the dramatic geology of the area, such as the remains of lava flows and tuff rock layers. Watch for the island's abundant wildlife and snorkel along the cliffs, possibly in the company of green sea turtles. This afternoon, visit the youngest and most pristine island of the archipelago, Fernandina (Punta Espinoza) to go ashore and view the amazing combination of barrenness and abundant wildlife. Watch for hawks, penguins and flightless cormorants as you take in the astounding views of the surrounding volcanic landscapes. The next day, disembark at Urbina Bay, on the western side of Isabela Island, to view corals, shells and large, colorful Galápagos land iguanas.



Get up close to the curious and diverse wildlife of the Galápagos

You may also sight giant tortoises further inland. Cruise up to secluded Tagus Cove on the northwest coast of Isabela Island, once a favorite anchorage for pirates and whalers. Go ashore for a hike to saltwater-filled Darwin Crater. You may also snorkel or kayak if you wish before taking the hike. Return to the ship for dinner. 'La Pinta' | Meals: B L D

DAYS 5-6: The Galápagos | Rábida & Santa Cruz Disembark at Rábida Island's red-colored beach to observe marine iguanas, mockingbirds, yellow warblers and several species of Darwin's finches. This is a great place to snorkel

from the beach. Non-snorkelers may opt to explore via glassbottom boat. Proceed to the north shore of Santa Cruz Island to view the fascinating landscapes of Cerro Dragón (Dragon Hill). Circle a lagoon frequented by sea birds, such as redfooted boobies, and trek inland for the chance to observe land iguanas. The next day, continue your explorations on Santa Cruz with a visit to Puerto Ayora and the Charles Darwin Research Station. Get up close to the giant tortoises living on site in an expansive prickly pear cactus forest. Learn from station staff about their latest conservation efforts, and then head to the highlands for lunch. Afterward,





## Meet the Natives

From the finches that inspired Darwin to the whales that return to the islands each fall, wildlife sets the Galápagos apart. Encounter each island's unique species up close with the help of your naturalist guide.

#### Sea Lion

The social sea lion hardly bats an eye at human visitors. When not congregating on the beach, sea lions are swift, powerful swimmers. Want to swim with the sea lions? January through March is a great time of year for water clarity and warmer temperatures. Or come in October for a chance to snorkel with sea lion pups.

#### **Great Frigatebird**

Noted for the vivid red gular sac of the male of the species, which he inflates to impress females during courtship, the frigatebird glides over the water on narrow wings that can span over six feet.

#### Sally Lightfoot Crab

This brilliant-hued crab is perhaps the islands' most photogenic species. It occupies the rocky coasts, feeding on algae year-round.

#### **Blue-Footed Booby**

Given to foot-stamping mating displays that make it a favorite of Galápagos visitors, the endearing blue-footed booby may be found mating and nesting year-round, depending on conditions.

#### Marine Iguana & Land Iguana

Called "imps of darkness" by Darwin, marine iguanas are well adapted to the water, with finlike tails and teeth designed to scrape algae from rocks. They begin nesting in February. Their terrestrial kin, land iguanas, prefer dining on prickly pear cactus and have a mating schedule that varies by island.

#### Galápagos Penguin

Both the rarest and the most northerly penguin species, this island denizen arrived at the Galápagos via the chilly Humboldt Current from Antarctica. Penguins and many other Galápagos bird species, such as red-footed boobies, start nesting in January.

#### **Giant Tortoise**

Overhunting and habitat loss nearly drove these placid, stately reptiles to extinction. Happily, conservation efforts are proving successful and many subspecies' populations are on the rise. Visit in January to see tortoises lay their eggs. Come between March and May to see their rare aquatic cousins, green sea turtles, nesting on the beaches.



















view the exuberant highland vegetation where giant tortoises roam in the wild, perhaps spotting one of the iconic, lumbering reptiles yourself. 'La Pinta' | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 7: The Galápagos | Floreana

After breakfast, ride by *panga* (small boat) along the maze of channels on the north shore of Floreana Island, continuing to Baroness Cove with its breathtaking views. Then, land at Post Office Bay to visit the historic barrel that has been serving as a post office in the archipelago for over two centuries. Return to the ship to proceed to Punta Cormorant. Before disembarking, snorkel or ride by glass-bottom boat, viewing life beneath the waves. Cruise along the coast of an extinct volcanic cone called Champion Islet. This afternoon, go ashore at Punta Cormorant for an easy walk beside a brackish water lagoon where greater flamingos may be observed. Venture to the other side of the island to find a white-sand beach where sea turtles come to nest at night. **'La Pinta' | Meals: B L D** 

#### DAYS8-9: Depart Guayaquil

Disembark in Baltra and fly back to Guayaquil. Enjoy time to relax before gathering for a farewell dinner at your hotel's restaurant. The next morning, transfer to the airport to board your flight home. Hotel del Parque | Meals: B D (Day 8); B (Day 9)

#### **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

For a private journey consider **Tailor Made Ecuador: Galápagos Cruise**. Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.

#### INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



**'La Pinta'** Comfortable and stylish expedition ship featuring fine on-board cuisine.



Hotel del Parque Luxury boutique hotel occupying a restored 19th-century church complex.

### DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Mar 30-Apr 7, Apr 13-21, May 25-Jun 2	\$10,995	\$8,495
Sep 14-22	\$10,495	\$8,195
Oct 12-20, Oct 26-Nov 3, Dec 7-15	\$10,995	\$8,495

Internal Air: Economy class from \$575 Guayaquil/Baltra/Guayaquil

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 7:30 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 8. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## Book Your Journey Today

LUXURY FAMILY JOURNEYS

## Family Galápagos

8 days from \$8,995 | Limited to 24 guests

Ascend a volcano by tram and learn the secrets of wildlife photography in Quito before embarking on a four-night cruise to the eastern Galápagos Islands, experiencing some of the most intimate wildlife encounters on earth.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Cruise for four nights in the Galápagos Islands aboard 'La Pinta,' a stylish expedition vessel that blends stability with style
- Discover the Galápagos Islands on twice-daily shore excursions that include nature walks and coastal explorations in a panga with a certified naturalist guide
- Choose from island activities that include kayaking, glassbottom boat excursions, snorkeling, stand-up paddle boards, light trekking or simply relaxing on shore
- Experience some of the world's most intimate wildlife encounters, coming face-to-face with land iguanas, giant tortoises, sea lions and more
- Enjoy child-friendly programs and activities, such as wildlife photography, scavenger hunts and Spanish lessons
- Appreciate the convenience of earlier seating and kidfriendly menus

## DAYS1-2: Arrive Quito, Ecuador

Arrive in Quito, the capital of Ecuador, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. The next day, begin your day with a wildlife photography workshop ahead of your Galápagos adventure. Then, transfer north to the edge of the city for an awesome Ride Like a Local on TelefériQo, an aerial gondola offering breathtaking views over Quito. The gondola deposits you at the top of an active volcano, 12,950 feet above sea level, where you take in the marvelous vistas. Afterward, make your way to La Mitad del Mundo Equatorial Line Monument, dedicated to the 18th-century French expedition that first established the position of the equator. Return to Quito to walk its historic district with its beautiful churches and colorful plazas, and take in firsthand views of local life and the city's charming colonial architecture. Enjoy a top-spinning demonstration before returning to your hotel.



Tonight, gather for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. Casa Gangotena | Meals: B L D (Day 2)

DAY 3: **Baltra, the Galápagos** | Aboard 'La Pinta' Fly to Baltra in the Galápagos Islands, where you board 'La Pinta.' After a welcome briefing, enjoy lunch on board. This afternoon, begin exploring the Galápagos, starting at South Plaza Island. Observe the native flora, such as the prickly pear cactus, a favorite snack of the land iguanas that roam the island like real-life dragons. Scan the coastline for playful sea lions and colorful wild birds. Tonight, and each evening, back aboard 'La Pinta,' enjoy a variety of all-ages activities designed to capture the imaginations of young explorers, including fun quizzes, making handicrafts and learning some Spanish words. 'La Pinta' | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: **Cruising the Galápagos** | Life of Tortoises Today, discover Santa Fe Island, boarding a *panga* (small boat) for a brief ride to its idyllic sandy-white beaches. Walk the onshore terrain, keeping a lookout for wild residents: a curious sea lion coming to greet you, a Galápagos hawk perched atop salt bushes or a Santa Fe land iguana sunning itself on a rock. Then, snorkel and swim along a natural wave barrier or ride in a glass-bottom boat for a cool glimpse into life beneath the waves. Break for lunch back on board, as you set a course toward San Cristobal Island. Disembark at Puerto Baquerizo Moreno and drive to the breeding center for highly endangered giant tortoises at Cerro Colorado, set in a fantastic deciduous forest. 'La Pinta' | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: **Cruising the Galápagos** | Darwin's Legacy Land on San Cristobal Island and set out on a trail that ascends from the beach to a lookout offering you spectacular



shoreline views. Observe frigatebirds and a colony of sea lions, and, if conditions are favorable, swim from the beach. After lunch on board, take a panga to Cerro Brujo and walk the same sandy shore once trod by Charles Darwin, the 19th-century English naturalist whose theory of evolution began with the firsthand observations he made of life in the Galápagos. 'La Pinta' | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 6: Cruising the Galápagos | Punta Suárez

Begin at Punta Suárez, walking on lava terrain to visit the island's seabird colonies. Depending on the time of year, you may spy soaring waved albatrosses, boobies or swallow-tail gulls; watch for marine iguanas, too. After lunch aboard, cruise Gardner Bay and go ashore to observe the sea lions, mockingbirds and finches. The bay has a magnificent beach; this is a great place to snorkel, kayak or ride a glass-bottomed boat. 'La Pinta' | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: **Baltra & Quito** | Darwin Research Center Disembark on Santa Cruz Island to visit the Charles Darwin Research Station and learn about the captive rearing program for giant tortoises. Afterward, ferry to Baltra and fly to Quito for a farewell dinner and overnight. Casa Gangotena | Meals: B D

#### DAY 8: Depart Quito

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to depart. Meals: B

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## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



**'La Pinta'** Comfortable and stylish expedition ship featuring fine onboard cuisine. **Casa Gangotena** *Travel* + *Leisure* World's Best hotel set in a restored mansion in Quito.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
Jun 27-Jul 4, Jul 11-18, Jul 25-Aug 1, Aug 8-15	\$8,995	\$6,395

Internal Air: Economy class from \$665 Quito/Baltra/Quito

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 6 years. Suggested age 7+. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:30 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 7. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

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## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Travel between destinations in style on private flights chartered by A&K
- Share a meal with a celebrated wine maker and set out on a full-day winery experience in Mendoza, featuring a variety of tastings and lunch with wine pairings
- Choose your own way to explore the rugged, untouched wilderness of Patagonia, including iconic Torres del Paine National Park, with A&K's Design Your Day feature
- Pursue exhilarating activities in scenic surroundings, including horseback riding, hiking, biking and kayaking
- Experience life at an estancia (ranch) outside of Buenos Aires and savor a traditional asado (barbecue) lunch
- Behold magnificent Iguazu Falls from your hotel situated mere steps away; also view the thundering cascades firsthand, from both the Argentinian and Brazilian sides

#### DAY 1: Arrive Buenos Aires, Argentina

Arrive in Buenos Aires, where you are met and transferred to your hotel, enjoying guaranteed early check-in. Tonight, after a behind-the-scenes visit at the Colón Theater, gather for a cocktail reception and festive welcome dinner. Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires | Meals: D

#### DAY 2: Buenos Aires | Barrios & Tango Culture

Explore cosmopolitan Buenos Aires and its various barrios — each with their own unique character. View some of the city's modern street art in La Boca and Barracas, which are steeped in art and history, and home to some of the most



spectacular murals in the city. This experience provides an in-depth look at the effect of politics, economics and social change on Buenos Aires street art and activism, to help foster a greater understanding of how the city's history has influenced public expression. Experience a private tango demonstration and lesson from performers at the famed Rojo Tango cabaret. Later, delight in dinner and a tango show at this intimate venue.

Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: **Buenos Aires** | Polo and Estancia Traditions Journey into the countryside to an *estancia* (ranch), where you have a polo lesson and try your hand at swinging a mallet, or opt for a carriage or bicycle ride through the surrounding landscapes instead. For lunch, savor *asado* (barbecue), a local favorite of Porteños. Afterward, return to your hotel. Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires | Meals: B L

DAY 4: **Patagonia, Chile** | A Scenic Treasure This morning, fly south by private charter to Puerto Natales, in windswept Chilean Patagonia, arriving in time for a late lunch at your luxury hotel. This afternoon, take advantage of the wide range of activities and expeditions available, in varying grades of difficulty and duration. Tonight, dine at your hotel. The Singular Patagonia | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: **Puerto Natales** | Torres del Paine National Park Explore the magnificent wilderness of Torres del Paine National Park — a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve renowned for its otherworldly landscape of granite spires and deserted pampas. See firsthand the serrated Torres del Paine mountains and scan their peaks, where you may spot

**PRIVATE CHARTER AIR INCLUDED** Fly directly between key destinations on flights exclusive to A&K.

#### Aircraft

Falcon 900EX or comparable Aircraft and seating configuration subject to change.

#### **Flight Details**

Buenos Aires-Puerto Natales (3 hrs 15 min) Puerto Natales-Mendoza (3 hrs) Mendoza-Iguazu Falls (2 hrs 15 min) Iguazu Falls-São Paulo (1 hr 50 min)



a soaring Andean condor riding an updraft. After dinner, simply relax or marvel at the Patagonian night sky, awash with starlight. The Singular Patagonia | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 6: Puerto Natales | Design Your Day

Today, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Cruise the Patagonian Fjords to Two Glaciers, witnessing their majesty and power up close.
- Ride Horseback at Puerto Consuelo, the first ranch in the region, and roam through the surrounding landscapes.

Trek to Condor Lookout on Mount Benitez, viewing rock paintings en route, and watching condors in flight.

Additional activity options are also available. Tonight, gather for another dinner accompanied by superb Chilean wines. The Singular Patagonia | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: Mendoza, Argentina | Foothills of the Andes Fly by private charter to Mendoza, Argentina's famous wine region and enjoy lunch with a celebrated winemaker at one of the most recognized wineries, where viticulture and



View magnificent Iguazu Falls up close, taking it in from both the Argentine and Brazilian sides



## Mendoza: Argentina's Enchanting Winelands

From the mystique of its Malbec wines to the majesty of its high-desert expanses at the foot of the Andes Mountains, the Mendoza region is a dream destination. The city of Mendoza, with its wide, tree-lined boulevards, charming plazas and friendly, relaxed atmosphere, is backdropped by picturesque mountains, where stimulating outdoor adventures await, including biking, hiking and horseback riding.

Mendoza is renowned as the largest wine-growing region in Latin America. Blessed with warm, sunny days — more than 300 of them a year on average and cool, grape-nurturing nights, the terroir here is unique, yielding vintages that appeal to diverse and discerning palates.

The region's signature Malbec grape, which originated in the damp of France, thrives in Mendoza's arid surroundings. Its bold taste and outstanding value have helped make it a worldwide favorite, along with other superb wines produced locally. Mendoza is also noted for its olives, and the fine oil derived from them.

Wings Over Chile, Argentina & Brazil includes an exceptional three-night sojourn in Mendoza that offers you the opportunity to experience the wines, culture and landscapes of this starkly beautiful land alongside the finest local experts.



literature combine in an unforgettable dining experience. Then, transfer to your hotel, set in a 55-acre vineyard. Enjoy dinner at your hotel. **Cavas Wine Lodge | Meals: B L D** 

#### DAY 8: Mendoza | Winery Visits with Tastings

Set out on a full-day winery experience that includes visits and tastings at three wineries, enjoying lunch with paired wines at one of them. Tonight, dine at a restaurant owned by one of Argentina's top chefs. Cavas Wine Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: **Mendoza** | Learning the Secrets of a Local Chef Today is yours to pursue activities as you desire. Perhaps horseback ride through the local vineyards, mountain bike or do a bit of hiking. A cooking lesson this evening is led by a chef who introduces you to the secrets of Argentinian cuisine. Savor the repast you have created as you relax beside a fire amid the vineyards. **Cavas Wine Lodge** | **Meals: B D** 

#### DAY 10: Iguazu, Brazil | Splendors of the Falls

Fly northeast to Iguazu, landing on the Argentine side of Iguazu Falls. Bordering Brazil and Argentina, the falls are located in lush Iguazu National Park — a vast forest that is home to rare birds, such as macaws, toucans and parrots, as well as monkeys, crocodiles, armadillos and elusive jaguars. Explore the Argentine side of the falls, starting with a train ride. Disembark to trek along pathways to the top of the waterfalls to take in spectacular views and bask in a natural setting filled with orchids, colorful birds and endemic wildlife. Proceed to a suspended platform at the brink of Devil's Throat, the largest cascade in Iguazu National Park, to experience the immense power of the water up close. After the visit, cross the border to your hotel on the Brazilian side. This evening, savor a memorable dinner in the care of a celebrated local chef who takes you on a culinary journey through Brazilian culture.

#### Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel, Iguassu Falls | Meals: B L D

DAY 11: **Iguazu** | Up Close with Natural Wonders Today, experience Iguazu Falls from the Brazilian side. Thanks to exclusive park access, enter before regular operating hours, descending on a canyon trail for panoramic views of more than 240 cascades. Then, board a glass elevator to a platform, for a new perspective. Later, a private boat takes you right up to the bottom of the falls to feel the true force of this natural wonder. In the afternoon, make a backstage visit to the Parque des Aves bird sanctuary that includes access to restricted areas and the privileged opportunity to interact with toucans and flamingos, among others. Tonight, if the sky is clear, enjoy the unique opportunity to explore the falls by moonlight. Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel, Iguassu Falls | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 12: Depart São Paulo

After a leisurely morning and lunch at the hotel, fly by private charter to São Paulo, Brazil, where you connect with your international flight. **Meals: B L** 

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## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### The Singular Patagonia

*Travel* + *Leisure* World's Best hotel overlooking the Patagonian fjords, offering its guests boutique luxury and spectacular views.



*Travel + Leisure* World's Best hotel with a superb wine cellar, set just south of Mendoza on a 55-acre vineyard at the foot of the Andes Mountains.





Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel, Iguassu Falls — Classic luxury hotel overlooking Iguazu Falls.

## DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jan 26-Feb 6, Feb 25-Mar 8, Sep 19-30, Oct 18-29	\$38,995	\$7,495

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements.

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: sightseeing at 4:00 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: airport assistance in São Paulo on Day 12.

## Book Your Journey Today

NEW!

# Splendors of Chile, Argentina & Brazil

11 days from \$11,795 | Limited to 18 guests

Experience the best of three dynamic South American countries on a journey that combines cultural and culinary exploration with a deep appreciation of the region's natural splendors, including spectacular Iguazu Falls. Indulge in food and wine experiences in Chile's Maipo Valley and Argentina's enchanting Mendoza winelands, and get an insider's view of Rio's annual Carnival celebration.

## 🖌 A&K ADVANTAGES

- Visit the famed wine-growing region of Mendoza and enjoy an exclusive cooking class in a private estate, as well as the opportunity to blend your own wine
- Witness the beautiful scenery of Chile's Maipo Valley on a full-day exploration of Valparaiso that includes a hands-on workshop creating street art with a graffiti-artist guide
- Thrill to a professional tango show with dinner at the renowned Rojo Tango, one Buenos Aires' top nightspots
- Behold magnificent Iguazu Falls from your hotel, situated mere steps away, and view the thundering cascades firsthand from both the Brazilian and Argentinian sides
- Gain exclusive backstage access at one of Rio's first Carnival group schools to learn how costumes and floats for the iconic event are created

#### DAY 1: Arrive Santiago, Chile

Arrive in Santiago, vibrant capital of Chile, where you are met and transferred to your hotel nestled in the wine valley outside Santiago, with guaranteed check-in arranged by A&K. Enjoy time in the hotel's beautiful gardens before gathering for an al fresco lunch in a tranquil setting. This afternoon, visit the Haras de Pirque vineyard and enjoy a wine tasting on site. Return to the hotel for a sunset cocktail and welcome dinner. Hotel Las Majadas de Pirque | Meals: L D



DAY 2: **Santiago** | Valparaíso Street Art Walk & Workshop Set out on a full-day exploration of Valparaíso, starting with a guided walk along the hills of this storied port city. After lunch at a local restaurant, review the city's fantastically colorful and inventive street art with a local expert guide. Then, take part in a brief interactive workshop that teaches you about South American murals and the unique techniques developed here to create them, and lets you try your hand at creating some street art of your own. Return to your hotel in Santiago, where the rest of your evening is at leisure.

Hotel Las Majadas de Pirque | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: **Santiago & Mendoza** | Pre-Columbian Artifacts Take in the highlights of Santiago today, including a visit to the Pre-Columbian Museum to view its superb collections of statues, pottery and decor, with some pieces dating back 14,000 years. Then, fly to Mendoza, Chile's premier winemaking region, and settle into your hotel. Tonight, savor delicacies prepared by a renowned Argentine chef during an al fresco dining experience on the beautiful terrace of Restaurante 1884. **Park Hyatt Mendoza** | **Meals:** B L D

DAY 4: **Mendoza** | Wild Landscapes & High-Altitude Wines Journey to Las Carreras, a high-elevation plain abounding in rustic beauty, its yellow grasses contrasting with the white snow on the surrounding Andes peaks. Explore it with a guide on your choice of horseback riding or trekking. Watch for the wild species inhabiting the rugged landscapes, such as herds of guanacos and wild rabbits, and perhaps sight a condor gliding on the horizon. Afterward, proceed to Bellaviña, a private estate, for an



exclusive, interactive Chef's Table cooking class followed by lunch. Learn more about one of the newest appellations (protected wine-producing areas) in Argentina. Planted by a husband-and-wife team and located at almost 7,500 feet, this appellation pushes the limits of high-altitude mountain viticulture. With breathtaking views of the mighty Andes and an intimate vineyard setting, Las Carreras offers a unique experience in Argentine wine tasting. Park Hyatt Mendoza | Meals: B L

#### DAY 5: Mendoza | Blend Your Own Vintage

Today, begin at MAAL, a modern winery built entirely from recycled objects, from church pews to oak barrels. While here, learn the subtle art of winemaking by blending your own wine, a fun and educational activity. Start with three components — Merlot, Malbec and Cabernet — following instructions from a winemaker who explains what each of them brings to a blend. When you're finished, enjoy a tasting and stay for lunch, served in the garden facing the majestic Andes. Afterward, fly to Buenos Aires, Argentina, and settle





into your elegant luxury hotel, where you enjoy dinner tonight. Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: **Buenos Aires, Argentina** | Tango Show with Dinner Take in some of the most compelling highlights of Buenos Aires, including the Plaza de Mayo, La Boca and San Telmo, as well as some of the vibrant, colorful graffiti art that adorns neighborhoods throughout the city. Break for lunch, and then enjoy an afternoon at leisure. This evening, transfer to Rojo Tango for dinner, followed by a captivating tango show that celebrates Argentina's national dance.

Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires | Meals: B D

#### DAY 7: Buenos Aires | Incredible Iguazu Falls

This morning, board a flight to Iguazu, where you have lunch at the Melia Hotel, inside Iguazu National Park in Argentina. Then, set out to view the magnificent Iguazu Falls, traversing raised walkways and seeing the Devil's Throat with your expert guide. Afterward, cross the border to Brazil on your way to the Hotel Das Cataratas, a Belmond Hotel and the only hotel located inside the Iguassu National Park in Brazil. This tropical rainforest is home to rare birds such as macaws, toucans and parrots, as well as monkeys, caimans, armadillos and even jaguars, so keep your eyes peeled. Check in to your hotel and enjoy the evening at your leisure.

Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel, Iguassu Falls | Meals: B L

DAY 8: **Iguazu Falls** | Up Close to a Natural Marvel Observe the mighty falls from two different vantage points, starting with a walking tour on the Brazilian side, taking in spectacular views and basking in a natural setting filled with orchids, colorful birds and endemic wildlife. Then, embark on a boat tour that takes you up close to the foot of the plummeting cascades for a visceral experience of the rainbow-making mists. Enjoy your afternoon at leisure. Tonight, gather for dinner at your hotel. Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel, Iguassu Falls | Meals: B D

DAY 9: **Rio de Janeiro, Brazil** | Sugar Loaf & Barbecue Today, fly to marvelous Rio de Janeiro, checking into your hotel upon arrival. This afternoon, tour iconic Sugar Loaf, ascending to the mountain's upper reaches to take in panoramic vistas of the city and Guanabara Bay, and toasting the incredible view on a relaxing Scenic Sundowner experience. Tonight, enjoy a true Brazilian taste sensation with a dinner at Assador, a restaurant that takes barbecue to succulent new heights.

Copacabana Palace, A Belmond Hotel, Rio de Janeiro | Meals: B D

DAY 10: **Rio de Janeiro** | Total Immersion in Rio Explore downtown Rio de Janeiro on a guided walking tour in the historic city center, viewing sites central to local history and culture. Ride Like a Local along the way, hopping on and off the Rio VLT electric train, which also carries you to the revitalized port area to view the massive Cobra murals, each a dazzling example of Brazilian graffiti art. Then, get a taste of the city's Carnival culture, enjoying insider access that takes you backstage to see the construction process of costumes and floats. Later this afternoon, travel to the heights of Corcovado Mountain for a spectacular glimpse of Rio. Also behold Corcovado's crowning jewel, the majestic 120-foot-high statue of Christ the Redeemer — one of the Seven Wonders of the Modern World. Complete the evening with a special farewell dinner in the bohemian neighborhood



of Santa Teresa, where you share stories and raise a toast to your amazing journey across South America. Copacabana Palace, A Belmond Hotel, Rio de Janeiro | Meals: B D

DAY 11: **Depart Rio de Janeiro** | Design Your Day Today, enjoy the opportunity to experience Rio de Janeiro your way, with one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Visit a Local NGO, supported by Abercrombie & Kent Philanthropy, that works to foster a favela-based ecosystem in the Vidigal favela.
- Bicycle Iconic Rio Neighborhoods: Copacabana, Ipanema, Leblon and the Rodrigo de Freitas Lagoon
- Indulge in a Relaxing Massage with aromatic essential oils at your luxurious hotel's spa.

Afterward, transfer to the airport for your departing flight. Copacabana Palace, A Belmond Hotel, Rio de Janeiro (dayroom) | Meals: B

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## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Hotel Las Majadas de Pirque

Modern boutique hotel nestled in Chile's spectacular Maipo Valley, one of the world's most renowned wine regions.





Park Hyatt Mendoza Contemporary luxury hotel on the city's iconic Plaza Independencia.

Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires Celebrated luxury hotel set in the exclusive Recoleta neighborhood.



Copacabana Palace, A Belmond Hotel, Rio de Janeiro Beachfront grand luxury hotel.



Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel, Iguassu Falls Luxury hotel with falls views.

#### DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
Feb 5-15, Mar 12-22, Oct 22-Nov 1, Nov 5-15, Dec 3-13	\$11,795	\$2,895

Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,295 Santiago/Mendoza/Buenos Aires/Iguazu/Rio de Janeiro

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: sightseeing at 12:30 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: end of sightseeing at 1:00 p.m. on Day 11. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## Book Your Journey Today

#### LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Patagonia: The Last Wilderness

10 days from \$10,495 | Limited to 18 guests

#### Easter Island

5-day Post-Tour Extension from \$4,295

Marvel at the stunning spectacle of the pristine Patagonian wilderness as you stroll among Magellanic penguins, explore rugged Torres del Paine National Park and view the astonishing Perito Moreno Glacier on an exhilarating adventure at the ends of the earth.



## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Sail on an exclusively chartered boat through the Beagle Channel and stand amid a lively colony of Magellanic penguins on a rarely visited island, while staying in Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world
- Visit a working Patagonian ranch, observing authentic skills such as herding and shearing, and enjoy hiking and horseback riding through magnificent vistas
- Explore the unspoiled Patagonian forest on a guided hike, sail Argentino Lake and view the Perito Moreno Glacier from a choice of picturesque vantage points
- Roam through iconic Torres del Paine National Park to experience the otherworldly beauty of its jagged peaks, pristine forests and turquoise lakes
- Explore wild Patagonia by horseback, on foot or by boat, as you tailor your stay at The Singular Patagonia

#### DAY 1: Arrive Buenos Aires, Argentina

Arrive in Buenos Aires, Argentina's vibrant capital, and transfer to your hotel. Relax or explore the neighborhood on your own before gathering for a welcome dinner served family style. Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires | Meals: D

#### DAY 2: Buenos Aires | Colonial Capital

Explore Buenos Aires in the company of your expert Resident Tour Director. Visit the Plaza de Mayo, pass through the San Telmo neighborhood, continue to La Boca and walk along Caminito Street. After a light lunch, fly south to Ushuaia, set in magnificent Tierra del Fuego at the remote tip of South America. Tonight, enjoy dinner at the hotel, with a view of the city and Beagle Channel. Arakur Ushuaia | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: Ushuaia | Walking Among Magellanic Penguins Drive to Estancia Harberton, the oldest *estancia* (farm) in Tierra del Fuego and an Argentine National Historical Monument. Embark on a private cruise to Martillo Island to walk among a teeming rookery of Magellanic penguins before continuing to Gable Island, in the middle of the Beagle Channel, for lunch. Relax and embrace the solitude of its remote, primal landscape, where wind, waves and birds make the only sounds. Later, cruise back to the *estancia* and return to your hotel for dinner. Arakur Ushuaia | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 4: El Calafate | Gateway to the Glaciers

Fly to El Calafate to experience Patagonian rural life in this rustic town with well-kept gardens and pretty homes. Later this afternoon, experience over 100 years of history during a visit to an authentic ranch. Watch sheep shearing and herding, and hike or Ride Like a Local on horseback along the pristine banks of Argentino Lake. Admire the stunning Patagonian landscapes during a relaxing Scenic Sundowner; dine tonight on lamb grilled the traditional Patagonian way. Hotel Posada Los Alamos | Meals: B D

DAY 5: El Calafate | An Astonishing, lcy Spectacle Start the day cruising to Argentino Lake's Seno Mayo, stopping along the way for an interpretive walk in the Andean Patagonian forest and getting up close to limestone rock formations and majestic landscapes. Continue to Perito Moreno Glacier, one of the few remaining advancing glaciers in the world. Hike at your own pace and ability along the



seven walkways located at different heights and distances from the glacier, taking in magnificent views of the glacier's northern and southern faces. Return to your hotel and enjoy an evening at leisure. **Hotel Posada Los Alamos** | **Meals: B L** 

DAY 6: **Puerto Natales, Chile** | Trekking, Hiking & Biking Journey to Puerto Natales, where, after a late lunch, you will enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. Opened in 1940 and honored as a National Heritage site, the Singular Patagonia was once a cold-storage plant. Today it features an industrial museum on site and offers a wide range of expeditions and activities, such as horseback riding, trekking and mountain biking. Choose your preferred mode of exploration and experience this incredible location on your own terms. **The Singular Patagonia** | **Meals: B L D** 

DAY 7: **Puerto Natales** | Torres Del Paine National Park Today, discover the magnificent wilderness of Torres del Paine National Park, again selecting from available activities — with opportunities to explore fjords, mountains, glaciers, forests and ranches — all with varying grades of difficulty and duration. This park was created by tectonic movements;





its rugged landscapes were sculpted during the ice ages, and the motion of glaciers has continued to reshape them. A UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, the park is renowned for its otherworldly landscape of granite spires, ice and deserted pampas. See firsthand the serrated ridges and spires of the Torres del Paine mountains. Watch closely as you scan the peaks and you might pick out a soaring Andean condor riding an updraft. Later, unwind in your room or marvel at the Patagonian night sky, awash with countless pinpoints of starlight. The Singular Patagonia | Meals: B L D

DAY 8: **Puerto Natales** | Design Your Day Today, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- Cruise the Patagonian Fjords to Two Glaciers (weather permitting), witnessing their majesty and power up close.
- Ride Horseback at Puerto Consuelo, the first ranch in the region, and roam through the surrounding landscapes.
- Trek to Condor Lookout on Mount Benitez, viewing rock paintings en route and watching condors in flight.

Additional activity options are also available. Tonight, gather with your Resident Tour Director and fellow guests for an interactive Chef's Table experience, joining a chef as he prepares barbecue and explains his distinctive preparation for this traditional meal, savoring the result for dinner. The Singular Patagonia | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: **Santiago** | Chile's Cosmopolitan Capital After a leisurely morning, fly to Santiago, capital of Chile, a vibrant city set against the backdrop of the Andes that sits some 2,000 feet above sea level in Chile's Central Valley and is surrounded by a ring of spectacular mountain peaks. Your hotel is strategically located in Santiago's most prestigious and refined neighborhood, El Golf. The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago | Meals: B D

"This was truly the journey of a lifetime and I am so happy I could share it with my family. Everything was so well prepared and our guide was wonderful."

– Laura; Cleveland, TN

#### DAY 10: Depart Santiago

Explore Santiago during a morning tour of city highlights, including the Palacio de La Moneda (presidential palace) and the Plaza de Armas, with its impressive Metropolitan Cathedral and Central Post Office. Ride by cable car up San Cristóbal Hill to behold the stunning statue of the Virgin Mary and take in expansive views of Santiago. Relax this afternoon, with late access to your room, before transferring to the airport for your departing flight. The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago | Meals: B

#### **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

For a private journey consider **Tailor Made Argentina & Chile: Journey to Patagonia.** Contact A&K or visit abercrombiekent.com for more details.



### EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY



Easter Island Post-Tour Group Extension 5 days from \$4,295 | Internal air from \$1,395 Available on select departures.

Fly from Santiago to remote Easter Island to discover its well-preserved culture and gain a better understanding of the purpose of its enigmatic *moai* statues. View Rano Raraku volcano and the "Birdman Ceremony" site before returning to Santiago and exploring the city's highlights.

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### The Singular Patagonia

Contemporary luxury hotel overlooking the Patagonian fjords, with spectacular views to Puerto Natales and the Antonio Varas Peninsula.



Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires Celebrated hotel set in the historic Recoleta district.



Arakur Ushuaia Surrounded by ancient woodlands, built to blend in with the landscape.



Hotel Posada Los Alamos Ideally set in the heart of El Calafate, near Lake Argentino.



**The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago** Luxurious, relaxing lodgings in Santiago's best neighborhood.

### DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
Jan 13-22, Jan 27-Feb 5, Feb 3-12, Feb 10-19, Mar 3-12, Mar 10-19, Oct 20-29, Nov 3-12, Nov 10-19, Dec 1-10, Dec 8-17	\$10,495	\$2,495

Internal Air: Economy class from \$995 Buenos Aires/Ushuaia/El Calafate; Punta Arenas/Santiago

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 7:00 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: end of sightseeing at 1:00 p.m. on Day 10. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

## Book Your Journey Today

## LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

## Chile: From the Andes to the Atacama Desert

9 days from \$8,795 | Limited to 18 guests

Venture far off the beaten path to experience Chile's hidden gems, from an untouched private nature reserve in remote Northern Patagonia to the stark salt flats of the Atacama Desert, where vast swaths of stars dance in the dark sky overhead.

## J A&K ADVANTAGES

- Sample organic and biodynamic wines and enjoy a Chef's Table experience at a vineyard outside Santiago
- Hike through mountain vistas to beautiful Riñinahue Falls, and toast your trek with Chilean wines and Pisco as you sit back and admire the cascades
- Savor an al fresco breakfast as the sun rises over Tatio Geyser, surrounded by water and steam, with views of the Andes Mountains
- Join a local chef for dinner in his private Santiago home

### DAY 1: Arrive Santiago, Chile

Arrive in Santiago and check in to your hotel. Remain at leisure to relax or explore the city on your own. Tonight, enjoy dinner at the home of a local chef. Relish every moment as he delights you with dishes prepared with locally sourced ingredients and paired with superb Chilean wines a firsthand introduction to life in Chile, with great food and lively conversation. The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago | Meals: D

DAY 2: **Santiago** | Vineyard Visit with Wine Tasting This morning, walk the streets and neighborhoods of Santiago with a local expert, marveling at the outstanding architecture, inspired by the art and culture you encounter. Leave the city behind and drive out into the countryside to the nearby wine district and visit a vineyard to sample their organic and biodynamic wines. Savor a Chef's Table experience, with lunch served by the vineyard's chef. As you explore the winery, learn about each stage of the



winemaking process and the challenges of managing a biodynamic farm. Return to your hotel, stopping to view the vividly colorful and wildly inventive street art of the Museo a Cielo Abierto en San Miguel. The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago | Meals: B L

The Valdivian temperate rainforest is one of the most unique ecosystems on earth, boasting a diversity of plant and animal species seldom found elsewhere, all set amid spectacular vistas of sparkling lakes and soaring peaks. It is a wonderful starting point for exploring the Patagonian Andes.

DAY 3: **Parque Futangue** | Immersed in a Natural Paradise Fly to Osorno and transfer to your accommodations set in the Valdivian temperate rainforest, a unique and speciesrich ecoregion that until recently lay isolated from only the most intrepid explorer. Prepare for an active three days of total immersion in this unspoiled wilderness, ranging through breathtaking natural landscapes, including vast expanses of pristine native forests and majestic mountains. Venture among beautiful lakes, turquoise waterfalls and spectacular lava fields. This remote and once-impenetrable land now hosts a network of exclusive hiking trails, so you can encounter nature firsthand like never before. Enjoy this afternoon at leisure, free to relax and settle into your new surroundings. Futangue Hotel & Spa | Meals: B L D



DAY 4: **Parque Futangue** | Hiking Untouched Wilderness This morning, wind your way into the majestic native forest until reaching Pichi Lake, set at the foot of an amphitheater of mountains and waterfalls. Hike to the nearest lookout points to admire the richly forested landscapes, before returning to your lodge for lunch. Afterward, set out into pristine Futangue Park, a private reserve hidden in the heart of the rainforest, hiking past turquoise mountain lakes, on a trekking excursion that leads you to sparkling Riñinahue Falls. Stop amid the stunning surroundings for a tasting of Chilean Pisco and wines. Futangue Hotel & Spa | Meals: B L D DAY 5: **Parque Futangue** | Explore the Wild Your Way Continue your exploration of Futangue Park with a special excursion, sailing along Ranco Lake (weather permitting), absorbing beautiful views of the coast and surrounding villages. You may also choose from active treks visiting Cerro Mayo or cascade trail. Return to your lodge for lunch and rest. This afternoon, set out on an excursion in search of the Darwin's Frog, an endangered forest denizen named for the famed naturalist. Endemic to the region, the tiny amphibian is distinguished by its bright skin and an unusual way of rearing its young: the male carries growing embryos in its



Seek out the Darwin's frog, one of several unique species endemic to northern Patagonia





vocal sack until they are tadpoles ready to emerge. Later, return to your lodge for some free time, and then gather tonight for dinner. Futangue Hotel & Spa | Meals: B L D

Stay for three nights in the Atacama Desert, where the shallow water of sprawling salt flats reflect the orange-hued stone landscapes by day and countless pinpoints of starlight by night.

DAY 6: San Pedro de Atacama | Catarpe Valley Fly to the remote Chilean town of Calama via Santiago, where you are transferred to your lodge near the quaint oasis town of San Pedro de Atacama. Surrounded and embraced by the Cordillera de la Sal (Salt Mountains), luxurious Alto Atacama rests in the driest place on earth, the Atacama Desert. Its design borrows from local architecture to help it blend seamlessly into its surroundings. Appearing almost as if it were part of the natural rock ridge looming over it, it is a sanctuary of tranquility and quiet, offering its guests sweeping desert views. Nayara Alto Atacama | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: **San Pedro de Atacama** | Design Your Day This morning is at leisure to explore the area on one of these **Design your Day** activities.

Mountain Bike Along Winding Paths and through the gorges of Cordillera de la Sal, taking in the inspiring views.

- Walk in the High Catarpe, experiencing scenic lookouts and viewing age-old petroglyphs and rock carvings.
- Take a Rock Art Excursion to explore caves and view the mineral-colored hills and cliffs of the Rainbow Valley.

Return to your hotel for lunch, and then depart for the Valley of the Moon, an amazing geological formation created through the conflicting pressure of the Andes and Domeyko Cordillera. Stop at an overlook for breathtaking views of the region, as the sun sets over the Death Valley. Tonight, dine at your hotel as a prelude to perhaps the most spectacular stargazing opportunity of your life. The cloudfree skies above the Atacama Desert and the relative lack of development nearby make this one of the finest places in the world for observing astronomical phenomena. Take a short walk outside your hotel to join the on-site expert who explains how the atacameños (people of the area) still use the stars, constellations and moon to guide their agricultural work and other aspects of daily life. As you listen, relax in one of several chairs that encircle a telescope, gazing up at the dazzling firmament overhead and enjoying the refreshing night air. Then, take the opportunity for a closer look at celestial bodies through the telescope, as your guide shares insights into what you're seeing. Nayara Alto Atacama | Meals: B L D

DAY 8: **San Pedro de Atacama** | Breakfast al Fresco Rise early for an excursion to the Tatio Geyser, and then pause for an al fresco breakfast at this beautiful locale, surrounded by the Andes Mountain range on the high plateau. This evening, visit the picturesque town of San Pedro de Atacama, and later perhaps avail yourself of a



final opportunity to stargaze in this dark-sky region. Nayara Alto Atacama | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 9: Depart Santiago

Enjoy a morning at leisure, free to simply relax. Later, transfer to Calama Airport to fly to Santiago, and then board your departing flight home. Meals: B L

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## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Futangue Hotel & Spa Remote lodge hidden away in the northern Patagonian wilderness.



Nayara Alto Atacama Boutique luxury hotel set near the fascinating ruins of Pukará de Quitor.



The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago Superb luxury lodgings situated in Santiago's best neighborhood.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
Jan 5-13, Feb 2-10, Mar 16-24, Apr 6-14, Sep 21-29, Oct 12-20, Nov 16-24, Dec 7-15	\$8,795	\$3,795

Internal Air: Economy class from \$625 Santiago/Osorno/Puerto Montt/Santiago/Calama/Santiago

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 5:30 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: return to Santiago airport at 5:00 p.m. on Day 9. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

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## FESTIVAL

#### MARCO POLO JOURNEYS

## Easter Island & the Tapati Festival

8 days from \$9,995 | Limited to 18 guests

Journey to one of the world's most isolated destinations, Easter Island, to attend the vibrant Tapati Rapa Nui Festival, when locals gather to honor their ancestors with traditional music and dancing, and view the mysterious *moai* statues.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Marvel at the hundreds of moai (statues) that have guarded the island for more than 800 years on a journey timed to take in a vibrant festival celebrating the Rapa Nui culture
- Become immersed in the sounds of Polynesian music as grass-skirted dancers perform beneath the stars
- Explore Santiago's bustling squares and bohemian Barrio Lastarria neighborhood
- Savor a special welcome dinner at the home of a local chef in Santiago for an intimate and authentic introduction to the vibrant cuisine of Chile

#### DAY 1: Arrive Santiago, Chile

Upon arrival in Chile's capital city, meet your A&K representative and transfer to your hotel. In the afternoon, join your guide on a visit of the city and its neighborhoods before proceeding to San Cristobal Hill's cable car for a panoramic view of the city and the towering Andes Mountains. Tonight, on an A&K-exclusive Chef's Table experience, attend a welcome dinner at the home of a local chef who introduces you to the delights of Chilean cuisine in a warm, relaxing setting. The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago | Meals: D

DAY 2: **Easter Island** | An Island Most Remote This morning, fly to Easter Island, a UNESCO World Heritage Site situated 2,300 miles from the nearest populated point. Considered the world's largest "open-air museum," the 64-square-mile island is known for its *moai*, or humanlike stone statues, which remain mysterious even to archaeologists. Upon arrival, you are draped with traditional flower and shell necklaces and transferred to your hotel. In the afternoon, take a walking tour of Hanga Roa and learn about local Rapa Nui culture. Pause for a Scenic Sundowner



cocktail at the restored Ahu Tahai ceremonial complex, site of sturdy and fascinating statues. After dinner at your hotel, proceed to Hanga Vare Vare to see the first of the Tapati Rapa Nui activities. These performances may include *kai kai* (string figure storytelling), *takona* (body painting), *riu* and *ute* (songs), *pata'u ta'u* (recitations) and *a'amu* (narratives). Nayara Hangaroa | Meals: B D

#### DAY 3: Easter Island | Local Traditions

Visit Ahu Vinapu, its incredible stone walls reminiscent of those built by the Incas. Ascend the Rano Kau volcano to the ceremonial village of Orongo, the center of the Birdman Cult. Here, a ceremony was held to elect the island's religious leader, Tangata Manu. See the village's meticulously restored, soft-stone houses and the petroglyph-adorned cliff. Take in a vast Pacific panorama of the islets Motu Nui, Motu Iti and Motu Kao-Kao. Tonight, watch Tapati competitions at Hanga Vare Vare. Nayara Hangaroa | Meals: B L D



Delve into local history at Orongo, a former village bearing petroglyphs of the island's mysterious Birdman Cult.

#### DAY 4: Easter Island | The Moai of the Coast

Enjoy a breathtaking sunrise silhouetting the 15 moai of Ahu Tongariki, one of the island's most iconic sites. Drive along the southeastern coast, stopping at the Rano Raraku volcano, a site where most of the island's *moai* were originally carved



and 394 remain in various stages of completion. As you walk to the top of the crater, discover the pretty freshwater lake. Continue to Anakena Beach, where you enjoy a barbecue lunch, and see the partially restored *moai* set to be returned to their ceremonial placements. Tonight, enjoy additional festivities at Hanga Vare Vare. Nayara Hangaroa | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 5: Easter Island | A Voyage into the Past

Embark on a boat trip, navigating through the breathtaking Motu Nui, Motu Iti and Motu Kao-Kao islets. Marvel at this awe-inspiring coastal vista just as the first explorers did so many years ago. After an afternoon at leisure, attend the Tapati Festival once again. Nayara Hangaroa | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: Easter Island | The Seven Moai of Ahu Akivi

Explore Ahu Akivi, an inland site featuring seven *moai* looking stoically out to the sea. Proceed to Puna Pau, a crater where the Rapa Nui once carved the *pukao* (topknot) that was placed atop some of the *moai*. Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner. Nayara Hangaroa | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 7: Santiago | A Parting Glimpse

Experience a relaxing last morning on Easter Island before flying back to Santiago, arriving by late evening. The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago | Meals: B

#### DAY 8: Depart Santiago

Enjoy a day at leisure with a late check out, before transferring to the airport for your flight home. The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago (dayroom) | Meals: B

### INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago Contemporary luxury hotel nestled between the Pacific and the Andes.



Nayara Hangaroa Ocean-view boutique hotel set within Easter Island's only town.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed	Double	Single
Departure Dates	Occupancy	Supplement
Jan 30-Feb 6, Feb 6-13	\$9,995	\$3,495

#### Internal Air: Economy class from \$1,260

Santiago/Easter Island/Santiago

Note: The exact schedule and specific included events of the Tapati are not guaranteed, and are subject to change by the government and organizers of Rapa Nui. The itinerary above is an example of the pacing and inclusions experienced on this program.

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: city sightseeing at 2:00 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: airport assistance to hotel upon arrival in Santiago on Day 7. Please book departure flight for the following day.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

#### Program Note

Travel in this remote region entails active elements such as extended walks over steep, uneven terrain and visits to sites with limited accessibility for those with mobility challenges.

## Book Your Journey Today

# Brazil: The Amazon, Pantanal & Iguazu Falls

11 days from \$8,995 | Limited to 18 guests

Explore Brazil's iconic rivers, wetlands and waterfalls as you immerse yourself in a world of stunning natural wonders, majestic jaguars and other exotic species.

## A&K ADVANTAGES

- Venture into the wild Pantanal, a vast wetland teeming with tapirs, giant river otters, anteaters, caimans and jaguars
- Join Onçafari's Jaguar Conservation Team for a thrilling day and night of tracking this elusive predator in the field
- Glide along the Amazon as you track pink river dolphins and myriad other animals by canoe
- Embark on an exciting nighttime safari in the Amazon, glimpsing a wild nocturnal world of predator and prey
- Feel the mist of Iguazu Falls, taking in its cascades from both the Brazilian and Argentinian sides

#### DAY 1: Arrive Manaus, Brazil

Upon arrival, you are met and transferred to your hotel. Hotel Villa Amazonia

#### DAY 2: Brazilian Amazon | Into the Wild

Begin your wild adventure in the Anavilhanas Archipelago of the Brazilian Amazon, a refuge of river otters, giant armadillos, piranhas, manatees, black caimans, pink river dolphins and spider monkeys. After lunch at your secluded lodge, hike out to explore the mainland forest and learn the secrets of jungle survival. Return to the lodge as you Ride Like a Local by canoe, taking in a revealing new vantage of the river. Anavilhanas Jungle Lodge | Meals: B L D

#### DAY 3: Brazilian Amazon | Nocturnal Safari

This morning, explore the river by wooden canoe, keeping your eyes peeled for pink river dolphins and other exotic species. After lunch at the lodge, set out for some hands-on target practice with traditional hunting implements. Return to the lodge for dinner. After nightfall, venture into the wilderness in search of nocturnal species. Anavilhanas Jungle Lodge | Meals: B L D



DAY 4: **Brazilian Amazon** | Fascinating River Safari Today, set out on a riverine safari of the Amazon, encountering new species as they hunt along the riverbanks. Anavilhanas Jungle Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: **Campo Grande** | Gateway to the Pantanal Rise before the sun and head to the islands to watch a rainbow of colorful, exotic birds dart against the lush canopy and dawn-painted Amazon sky. After breakfast at the lodge, transfer to the airport for your flight to Campo Grande. Upon arrival, you are met and transferred to your hotel, where you enjoy dinner tonight. Hotel Deville Prime Campo Grande | Meals: B D

#### DAY 6: The Pantanal | Vast Wetland Habitat

This morning, resume your wild adventure as you transfer to your lodge secluded in the heart of the Pantanal, a vast wetland harboring giant river otters, caimans, capybaras and the elusive jaguar. Close your day with a Scenic Sundowner before dinner. Caiman Ecological Refuge | Meals: B L D

#### DAYS 7-8: The Pantanal | Wild Encounters

After breakfast, set out on a guided exploration of the Pantanal on foot, scanning the canopy for howler and capuchin monkeys. Later this afternoon, delve deeper into the wilderness with a 4x4 game drive, followed by a riverine sunset safari by canoe. After nightfall, head into the wild once more in search of nocturnal ocelots, anteaters and jaguars. The following day, join Onçafari's Jaguar Conservation Team for a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to monitor this critical species in the field. Learn the team's tricks of the trade as you hone in on the jaguars during the



Track jaguars in the Pantanal alongside local conservationists

day, checking camera traps and searching for tracks. After nightfall, find a prime location to lie in wait as the nocturnal wetlands come alive and these elusive predators begin to stalk the Pantanal. Caiman Ecological Refuge | Meals: B L D



Take in the mist-soaked majesty of Iguazu Falls' roaring cascades, viewing the falls from both the Brazilian and Argentinian sides.

#### DAY 9: Iguazu Falls | Nature's Majesty

Fly to Iguazu Falls and transfer to your hotel situated just a short walk from the cascades, where you enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

#### Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel, Iguassu Falls | Meals: B D

#### DAY 10: Iguazu Falls | The Devil's Gorge

Today, discover the Argentine side of the falls by train, taking in spectacular views of the falls as well as the tropical flora and fauna. In the afternoon, proceed to a catwalk above the lush basin called the Devil's Gorge. For dinner this evening, head to a local home for a regionally inspired Chef's Table experience. Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel, Iguassu Falls | Meals: B D

#### DAY 11: Depart Iguazu Falls

After breakfast, explore the Brazilian side of the falls, venturing out on a catwalk for a parting glimpse of the rumbling cataracts. Transfer to the airport for your flight home. Meals: B

## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



#### Anavilhanas Jungle Lodge

Secluded along a vast, pristine stretch of the Rio Negro, this boutique lodge brings refined comfort to the wilds of the Anavilhanas Archipelago.



Hotel Villa Amazonia Boutique hotel occupying a mansion dating back to Manaus's rubber boom. Centrally located contemporary gem.



Hotel Deville Prime Campo Grande



Caiman Ecological Refuge Boutique eco-lodge nestled in the heart of Brazil's Pantanal wetlands.

Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel, Iguassu Falls Luxury hotel overlooking Iguazu Falls.

## DATES & PRICING

Guaranteed Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
May 20-30	\$8,995	\$3,595
Sep 16-26, Oct 21-31	\$9,495	\$3,595

Internal Air: Economy class from \$1, 145 Manaus/Campo Grande/Iguazu Falls

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: welcome briefing at 8:30 a.m. on Day 2. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:30 p.m. on Day 10 Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

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WINGS OVER THE WORLD JOURNEYS

Wings Over Mexico

12 days from \$27,995 | Limited to 12 guests

Immerse yourself in Mexico's diverse culture and discover its rich history on a journey that takes you from bustling Mexico City to the verdant rural landscapes of Colima and Oaxaca, where indigenous roots are still strong, and to the imposing Mayan ruins of Palenque and Chichen Itza, exploring sites that range widely throughout Mexico, all made easily accessible by privately chartered air.

## 🗸 A&K ADVANTAGES

- Fly in comfort between inspiring destinations aboard an exclusively chartered aircraft with a dedicated flight crew
- Rise over Teotihuacán on an early morning hot air balloon flight, taking in views of one of the world's largest pyramids and one of the most important of all Mesoamerican sites
- Learn the secrets of Oaxacan cuisine during a cooking demonstration by a top local chef
- Walk through highland forests among millions of monarch butterflies that migrate here from the US and Canada
- Enjoy an exclusive after-hours visit and dinner at the Frida Kahlo House & Museum
- Delve into Mexico's indigenous roots in Zapotec villages near Oaxaca and discover lesser-visited archaeological sites such as Monte Albán, Palenque, Uxmal and Kabah

### DAY 1: Arrive Mexico City, Mexico

Arrive in Mexico City, where you are met and transferred to your luxurious hotel. Four Seasons Hotel Mexico City

DAY 2: Mexico City | Tranquil Floating Gardens Begin your explorations with a visit to the UNESCO-listed floating gardens of Xochimilco. Board a colorful *trajinera* (gondola-like boat) for a graceful ride through its canals and view the gardens, or *chinampas* — floating rafts made of reeds covered with mud — on which locals grow fruits, vegetables and flowers. Glide along, enjoying a relaxing experience beloved by Mexico City residents. After lunch and some time to relax, make your way to the Frida Kahlo



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DAY 3: Mexico City | Sunrise Ballooning over Teotihuacán Rise early to lift off on a hot air balloon flight over Teotihuacán, gliding over this UNESCO World Heritage Site to marvel at its stunning pyramids and temple. Built by an obscure indigenous pre-Aztec civilization, the city flourished between the first and sixth centuries. Touch down for a private breakfast served on the grounds of a little hacienda. Enjoy time to explore the archaeological wonders of Teotihuacán before returning to the city center to savor a lunch of traditional dishes with a contemporary touch, complete with a tequila tasting. After lunch, explore the center of modern-day Mexico City, starting in the capital's main square, once an important gathering place for the Aztecs. Then, make a guided visit to the Metropolitan Cathedral, the largest cathedral in the Americas. Head to the National Palace to see the murals of Diego Rivera, which tell the story of Mexico from pre-Hispanic times to the Mexican Revolution. Next, join your expert guide for a private, offhours exploration of the National Museum of Anthropology, a showcase of fascinating artifacts from past Mesoamerican cultures. Tonight, head to the trendy Polanco neighborhood to enjoy dinner at one of the most innovative restaurants of Mexico City. Four Seasons Hotel Mexico City | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: **Piedra Herrada Sanctuary** | Among the Monarchs This morning, head outside the city to visit the Piedra Herrada Sanctuary, a reserve for monarch butterflies. Meet a biologist and expert guide who share their knowledge about these winged wonders, which face steep ecological

## PRIVATE CHARTER AIR INCLUDED

Fly directly between key destinations on flights exclusive to A&K.

#### Aircraft

Gulfstream IV or comparable Aircraft and seating configuration subject to change.

#### Flight Details

Toluca-Colima (45 min) Colima-Oaxaca (1 hr) Oaxaca-Palenque (45 min) Palenque-Merida (45 min)



challenges throughout their migratory existence. Stop for lunch before boarding a short flight by private chartered air to Colima. Upon arrival, you are met and transferred to your stylish accommodations in the beautiful Mexican highlands. Hacienda de San Antonio | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: **Colima** | A Day in the Mexican Highlands Enjoy a day of exploration in the Mexican highlands. This morning, devote some time at leisure to taking in views of the nearby volcano and forest, before gathering for lunch near the pool. This afternoon, visit a coffee farm and a local cheese factory, sampling their products on site. Then, return to your hacienda or take time for a leisurely forest walk, followed by a relaxing Scenic Sundowner experience. Hacienda de San Antonio | Meals: B L D

DAY 6: **Oaxaca** | Learn the Secrets of Oaxacan Cuisine Today, fly by private charter to Oaxaca. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel before joining a renowned local chef for a hands-on cooking demonstration, followed by lunch. Afterward, set out on a walking tour of the city center. Later this afternoon, make a privileged, off-hours visit to Monte



Enjoy the included option to explore the amazing Celestun Biosphere Reserve





## The Living Legacy of Mexico's Magnificent Ruins

If you've never ventured beyond the well-worn tourist destinations of Mexico's coastal areas, you haven't fully experienced this storied country's indigenous history. Mighty civilizations like the Maya, Aztecs and Zapotecs left their marks much farther inland, in places both familiar and remote, from Mexico City to the jungles of the Yucatán Peninsula.

Wings Over Mexico puts it all within reach on a single, expert-planned itinerary by employing timesaving privately chartered fights between far-flung destinations. Visit a square in Mexico City that was a meeting place for Aztecs hundreds of years ago. View archaeological treasures of the Zapotecs at the Church of Santo Domingo de Guzmán in Oaxaca. Stand before towering El Castillo in Chichen Itza to appreciate the sophistication of its Mayan architects.

As you go, interact with descendants of these bygone peoples, some of whom still carry on the traditions common to the mighty civilizations that helped forge Mexico's character. Discover for yourself how their legacies still shape everyday life here in subtle yet authentic ways, whether you're savoring traditional Oaxacan cuisine or observing the weaving techniques practiced by a family of Zapotec artisans, on this incomparable adventure through the heart of modern-day Mexico.


The Americas

Albán, one of the most spectacular archaeological sites of the Pre-Hispanic era, exploring alongside an expert guide. This evening, return into the city center for a dinner of local Oaxacan specialties. Quinta Real Oaxaca | Meals: B L D

DAY 7: **Oaxaca** | Zapotec Indigenous Heritage Journey outside the city to Teotitlán del Valle, a rural village famed over the centuries for its weaving and textiles. Upon arrival, enjoy a guided walk to the local market, followed by a visit to a Zapotec family home to see how their woven rugs are made. After lunch, return to your hotel. **Quinta Real Oaxaca | Meals: B L** 

## DAY 8: Oaxaca | Family Mezcal Distillery Visit

Step back in time today on a visit to the remote village of San Agustin Amatengo, where you enjoy the opportunity to interact with local mezcal producers and their families, learning how they make the popular spirit. This afternoon, return to Oaxaca for time at leisure. Later, privately visit the church and former monastery of Santo Domingo de Guzmán, which hosts the treasures of the Zapotecs found in Monte Albán. View an amazing trove that includes golden masks, necklaces and other personal artifacts of Zapotec rulers dating as far back as far as 500 BC. Quinta Real Oaxaca | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: **Palenque** | Private Flight to Archaeological Site Board your privately chartered flight to the steamy jungles of Chiapas to visit Palenque, a stunning Mayan archaeological site. Arrive and explore this impressive remnant of the vast Mayan civilization, which flourished during the sixth and seventh centuries, including the tomb of the site's longtime ruler, Pakal the Great. After lunch with a local epigraphist and Mayan academic, fly on to Mérida in the heart of the Yucatán Peninsula, and continue to your resort nestled in the jungle just outside the city. Chablé Yucatán | Meals: B L D

## DAY 10: Mérida | Design Your Day

This morning, enjoy one of these Design Your Day experiences.

- Visit the Celestún Biosphere Reserve along the Yucatán coast, a mangrove environment seasonally home to migrating flamingos in the winter months.
- Gain a Deeper Knowledge of the Mayan World by visiting the lesser-known UNESCO World Heritage Sites of Uxmal and Kabah.
- Indulge in a Spa Treatment, which is just part of the soothing wellness offerings available at your resort.

Return to your hotel for some time at leisure. Later, set out on a guided city tour in the cooler air of the evening, followed by dinner in Mérida's city center. Chablé Yucatán | Meals: B D

DAY 11: Mérida | Awe-Inspiring Chichen Itza Today, set out on an expedition to famed Chichen Itza, a complex of Mayan ruins best known for its iconic step pyramid, El Castillo. Visit the site early in the day, before the crowds arrive, giving you more time to observe the magnificent architecture. Afterward, drive to a private *cenote* (limestone sinkhole) for a swim in its clear, refreshing waters, followed by lunch served on site. Tonight, join your fellow guests at a farewell dinner. Chablé Yucatán | Meals: B L D

## DAY 12: Depart Mérida

After breakfast, transfer to the Mérida Airport for your departing flight. Meals: B

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## INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS





Four Seasons Hotel Mexico City Contemporary luxury hotel fronting the Paseo de la Reforma.



Quinta Real Oaxaca Deluxe boutique hotel set in a former 16th-century convent.

Hacienda de San Antonio Condé Nast Traveler Gold List hotel at the foot of the Volcán de Colima.



**Chablé Yucatán** Contemporary luxury hotel in a hacienda, amid a private forest.

# DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jan 12–23, Feb 2–13, Feb 16–27	\$27,995	\$4,595

### Journey Details

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# NEW! JOURNEY BY PRIVATE AIR

WINGS OVER THE WORLD JOURNEYS Wings Over Alaska

10 days from \$34,995 | Limited to 12 guests

Discover the far-flung reaches of Alaska on an immersive luxury journey that reveals its wilderness and wildlife at their most authentic. Flightsee over

Denali, track brown bears in Katmai National Park, and cruise among whales and tidewater glaciers in Prince William Sound, accompanied by leading conservationists, while staying exclusively at remote, iconic lodges, on an itinerary made possible through the time-saving convenience of private chartered air.

# 🗸 A&K ADVANTAGES

- Privately cruise majestic Prince William Sound on a day-long excursion, watching for whales and viewing glaciers
- Enjoy your choice of helicopter activities, including heli-float touring or heli-fishing
- Experience Katmai National Park, flightsee Denali National Park and stay in backcountry Alaskan lodges
- Revel in a day of private bear viewing in the Katmai National Park, one of the densest habitats for brown bears on earth.
- Listen to a talk by Fran Ulmer, the Chair of The Nature Conservancy and a former Lieutenant Governor of Alaska
- Go dogsledding on an icefield with a former Iditarod racer

## DAY 1: Arrive Anchorage, Alaska

Arrive in Anchorage on the Kenai Peninsula, where you are met and transferred to Alyeska Resort. This evening, gather for a welcome dinner in a private room at your hotel, enjoying a presentation by Fran Ulmer, chair of The Nature Conservancy and former Lieutenant Governor of Alaska, who shares stories of her life and challenges in America's "Last Frontier." Alyeska Resort | Meals: D

DAY 2: **Prince William Sound** | Sighting Whales & Glaciers Embark on an exploration vessel for a full-day private cruise of majestic Prince William Sound, watching for whales and marveling at the glaciers that come down to the shore. This evening, enjoy dinner on your own at one of the fine



restaurants at Alyeska Resort or in the town of Girdwood, with recommendations, reservations and transportation provided byA&K. Alyeska Resort | Meals: B L

DAY 3: **Girdwood** | Chugach Backcountry Adventure Today, board an Alaska Railroad train for a scenic ride into the rugged backcountry of the Chugach Mountains for a full day of private exploration that includes hiking, kayaking and a special Salmon Bake lunch. Adjust your experience to your preferred level of activity with help from the skilled guides who accompany you. Tonight, back at Alyeska, ride a tram up a mountainside for dinner at the Seven Glaciers Restaurant. Alyeska Resort | Meals: B L D



Meet two Alaskans whose lives are tied to the wilderness of "The Last Frontier," when you meet Nature Conservancy Chair Fran Ulmer and beloved Iditarod racer DeeDee Jonrowe.

# DAY 4: Tutka Bay | Design Your Day

This morning, board a floatplane on Lake Hood for a flight over Cook Inlet and the Kenai Peninsula to Tutka Bay Lodge. After you settle in, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** options.

- Hike a Temperate Old-Growth Rainforest with an expert guide and stop for some beachcombing along Tutka Bay.
- Sea Kayak Along the Tutka Bay Shoreline and to the Herring Islands, looking for seabirds, otters and whales.



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Fly directly between key destinations on flights exclusive to A&K.

#### Aircraft

Aircraft varies and will depend on the number of guests Aircraft and seating configuration subject to change.

#### Flight Details

Lake Hood-Tutka Bay (1 hr) Tutka Bay-Winterlake Lodge (1 hr) Winterlake Lodge-Anchorage (1 hr)



Stay at a lodge in the foothills of magnificent Denali

Join a Local Chef for a Cooking Class, using ingredients gathered from their seaside garden and the sea itself.

Afterward, return to your lodge for dinner. Tutka Bay Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: **Tutka Bay** | Bears of Katmai National Park Today, Ride like a Local as you embark on a scenic boat ride across Kachemak Bay to the town of Homer and then fly by bush plane to Katmai National Park, home to one of the densest habitats for brown bears on earth. Search with your private guide for brown bears, watching the mighty omnivores up close in a natural setting. Return by plane and boat to your lodge. Gather for a Scenic Sundowner this evening before dining. **Tutka Bay Lodge | Meals: B L D** 

DAY 6: **Winterlake** | Ring of Fire & Denali Foothills After breakfast, take off by floatplane for Winterlake Lodge, viewing a string of volcanoes in Alaska's Ring of Fire along the way. Arrive for lunch at Winterlake Lodge in the foothills of Denali — the largest mountain in North America — and then partake of your choice of activities near the lodge,



Watch for whales and glaciers during an exhilarating cruise of Prince William Sound





# Immerse Yourself in Alaska in Ways Unique to A&K

The range of outdoor experiences available in some of Alaska's most remote and spectacular settings is almost as immense as the state itself. As Wings Over Alaska proves, however, it's not just the places you go, but how you experience them and with whom.

Starting in Anchorage, you gather for a private dinner with the first of two notable Alaskans taking part in the itinerary, when Fran Ulmer, chair of The Nature Conservancy and a former Lieutenant Governor of Alaska, shares stories that set the stage for your adventure.

Board a train into the deep backcountry of the Chugach Mountains to privately explore the wilderness as few other group journeys can. Hop a floatplane to Tutka Bay for exciting Design Your Day options like kayaking or hiking. Fly by bush plane to privately search for Alaska's immense brown bear in Katmai National Park. Meet with iconic Iditarod racer DeeDee Jonrowe and gain a keen perspective on the region's history with a visit to the Anchorage Museum.

From start to finish, the quality of this travel experience — often enjoyed in privacy and accompanied throughout by top local experts — is rich and rewarding, revealing Alaska at its most authentic every step of the way.



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including hiking, fishing, a gourmet cooking class, a massage or a relaxing soak the hot tub. This evening, enjoy dinner and a presentation by celebrated, veteran Iditarod racer DeeDee Jonrowe. Winterlake Lodge | Meals: B L D



Hop a bush plane to Katmai National Park to encounter mighty brown bears in the wild, viewing them from a safe vantage point as they splash in the river, catch salmon, play or doze in the grass.

DAYS 7-8: Winterlake | Adventures by Dogsled & Helicopter For the next two days, participate in an alternating set of morning and afternoon activity options. Lift off by helicopter to land on a nearby icefield for dogsledding on the icy surface with an Iditarod racer, an A&K-exclusive opportunity. Then, fit in some invigorating snowshoeing and cross-country skiing. Alternatively, enjoy a choice of activities accessed by helicopter, including a guided hike with views of soaring, snow-capped Denali, a heli-float trip or heli-fishing. Return by helicopter to the lodge for lunch each day and a Chef's Table Experience one afternoon. Then, choose from afternoon activities available from your lodge, including guided hikes, canoeing, birding, a yoga or stretching class, a massage or a soak in the hot tub. This evening, dine at your lodge with the Iditarod racer as your group's special guest. Winterlake Lodge | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: **Anchorage** | A City's Cultural Heritage In the late morning, take off by floatplane for Anchorage, savoring flightseeing of majestic Denali en route. This afternoon, delve into the history of Anchorage, starting with a tour of the Anchorage Museum's stunning collection of the Art of the North. Then, stop by authentic shops displaying Native Alaskan art. Gather at the fine restaurant atop your hotel for a farewell dinner, gazing out at sweeping views of Cook Inlet and the Chugach Mountains. Hotel Captain Cook | Meals: B L D

## DAY 10: Depart Anchorage

After breakfast, privately transfer to the airport for your departing flight. Meals: B

## **TRAVEL PRIVATELY WITH A&K**

Customize this itinerary to create the perfect private Luxury Tailor Made Journey just for you. Contact A&K for more details.

# INSPIRING ACCOMMODATIONS



Alyeska Resort Renowned resort surrounded by mountain peaks, forests and glaciers.





**Tutka Bay Lodge** Boutique lodge with just six private cabins located on a vast fjord.



Winterlake Lodge Remote Lodge that serves as Finger Lake checkpoint for the Iditarod.

Hotel Captain Cook Luxury hotel with views of the Cook Inlet and the Chugach Mountains.

# DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates	Double Occupancy	Single Supplement
Jun 9–18, Jul 7–16, Aug 4–13, Aug 25–Sep 3	\$34,995	\$7,895

#### Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements.

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:00 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 9.

# Book Your Journey Today

Contact A&K or go online for up-to-date information on dates, pricing, extensions and special offers.

# 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau'

A bespoke dahabeah (traditional sailing boat) with only four cabins and two suites, 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau' is the Grand Dame of the Nile River.

# Ship Details at a Glance

- Four luxury cabins and two suites with cabincontrolled air conditioning and Nile views
- Accommodates a maximum of 12 guests
- Opulently styled dining area for elegant à la carte dinners
- Panoramic Upper Deck and Arabian-themed Sun Deck with heated dipping pool
- Doctor on call 24 hours a day
- Game room with Internet access

# Style & Comfort by Design

Drawing from Egypt's history, culture and geography, the luxurious, individually designed cabins and suites with modern bathrooms give way to an Arabian-themed Sun Deck with a heated dipping pool, spacious dining area, lounge and game room. A panoramic Upper Deck affords an ideal perch from which to watch life along the Nile flow by.

# Built to Explore Further

The smallest of Sanctuary Retreats' boats, 'Sanctuary Zein Nile Chateau' is the first of its kind on the Nile. With only four cabins and two suites, it is the epitome of style. This bespoke dahabeah can sail off the beaten path, unlike other vessels.

# Intimate & Impeccable

Throughout your cruise, enjoy incomparable onboard service, top-notch amenities and lively entertainment.



Deck Plan







# 'Sanctuary Sun Boat IV'

Art Deco-inspired decor, modern amenities and exceptional service distinguish 'Sanctuary Sun Boat IV.' With a maximum capacity of about 80 guests, the atmosphere aboard this elegant vessel is among the most intimate on the Nile.

# Ship Details at a Glance

- 36 luxury cabins, two Presidential Suites and two Royal Suites with balcony
- Expert A&K Egyptologist accompanies all shore excursions
- Fully air-conditioned with cabin control
- Panoramic floor-to-ceiling windows in all cabins (except Nile Deck)
- Flat-screen LCD television, plus in-house movies
- Elegant dining room with picture windows
- Onboard doctor available
- Wireless Internet access available

# Sweeping Views of the River

All cabins are air-conditioned and feature flat-screen TV, direct-dial international phone and minibar. Floor-to-ceiling windows grace most decks offering sweeping views of the river's shore. Art Deco-inspired public areas make it easy to find a quiet corner from which to observe life along the Nile. Teak flooring enhances outdoor spaces, and vintage decoration coexists with modern comforts.

# A Regal, Relaxing Sun Deck

The Sun Deck is adorned with luxurious Egyptian marble, soft canvas sunshades and a tiled swimming pool.

# Fine Food & Superb Service

'Sanctuary Sun Boat IV' offers exquisite dining and peerless service, including excursions to the Nile's greatest monuments led by expert Egyptologists.





## Royal Suites (638 sq. ft.)

- Presidential Suites (468 sq. ft.)
- Promenade Deck (162 sq. ft. avg.)
- Bridge Deck (180 sq. ft. avg.)
- Main Deck (193 sq. ft. avg.)
- Nile Deck (207 sq. ft. avg.)





# *Sanctuary* Sun Boat III'

Award-winning 'Sanctuary Sun Boat III' graces the Nile River with elegant, comfortable public spaces; luxurious, airconditioned cabins; and gourmet cuisine.

# Ship Details at a Glance

- 14 luxury cabins, 2 Presidential Suites and 2 Royal Suites with balcony
- Services of an expert A&K Egyptologist on all shore excursions
- Fully air conditioned with cabin control
- All cabins have a Nile view ►
- Elegant restaurant offering gourmet menus and a lavish lunch buffet
- Luxurious on-deck swimming pool
- ► Stylish lower Sun Deck with lounge
- Doctor present on board
- Wireless Internet access available

# Style & Comfort by Design

Egyptian designer Shahira Fahmy adopted a British colonial theme through a blend of European, Egyptian and Bedouin influences, as well as touches of 1920s and 30s design. The Sahara Lounge suggests an Egyptian royal hunting tent, while the cozy H. Carter Lounge is the ideal place to relax after a long day of sightseeing. Perhaps the ship's most stunning feature is Cleopatra's Oasis, where guests go to take a dip in the pool and watch the lush landscape roll by.

# A Jewel in Every Respect

Enjoy impeccable onboard service, top-notch amenities and lively onboard lectures on this elegant vessel, which Architectural Digest dubbed the "Iewel of the Nile."







- Royal Suites (387 sq. ft.)
- Presidential Suites (312 sq. ft.)
- Promenade Deck (168 sq. ft. avg.) Nile Deck (182 sq. ft. avg.)





Al fresco dining is available on the spacious Sun Deck

# 'Sepik Spirit'

Plying the Sepik region in the wilds of Papua New Guinea, 'Sepik Spirit' brings modern comforts to the heart of the jungle.

# Ship Details at a Glance

- Nine basic, yet comfortable, cabins with air conditioning and river views
- Accommodates a maximum of 18 guests
- Tribal-inspired decor graces the spacious Dining Room, Bar and Lounge
- Covered and screened-in top deck Observation Deck affords all-weather, open-air viewing
- Easy access to launches for river excursions

# Comfort in the Wild

Inspired by the hospitality of the local tribes of the river, 'Sepik Spirit's' cabins welcome guests in with their warm, inviting interiors. Elevated river views, en suite bathrooms and individual climate controls round out the simple yet comfortable amenities.

# A Floating Jungle Lodge

Cruising the heart of the Sepik River basin, 'Sepik Spirit's' greatest feature is its location. This floating lodge is the ideal jumping-off point for daily speedboat excursions out into the remote villages that dot the river and jungles that lie beyond.

# Remote, Yet Accessible

Although 'Sepik Spirit' floats in the middle of a remote wilderness, it remains easily accessible to the outside world via light aircraft from Mount Hagen.



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Rest in comfort after a day of jungle explorations

# 'Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer'

With luxurious staterooms and public areas, expert onboard guides, and a peerless staff and crew, 'Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer' is ideal for cruising the mighty Yangtze.

# Ship Details at a Glance

- 38 deluxe cabins, 20 suites and four specialty suites
- Private balcony in all cabins and suites
- Viewing lounge with bar
- International restaurant offering a wide array of menu options
- Double-decker theater area with bar
- Spa and beauty salon

# Spacious, Elegant Cabins

'Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer's' spacious, elegant staterooms range from a roomy Deluxe Cabin — at 333 square feet, the largest cabin of its kind on the river to the palatial Imperial and Celestial suites at 1,183 square feet. Some suites feature a private sun deck/balcony, king-size bed and separate lounge with panoramic views. All cabins and suites include private balconies with al fresco sitting area, private bathroom, minibar, air conditioning and flat-screen TV.

# Fine Amenities & Attentive Staff

'Sanctuary Yangzi Explorer' has all the amenities you would expect at a fine hotel: a fitness center, business center, laundry service, and spa and beauty salon, as well as a staff-to-guest ratio of better than 1:1, assuring superb service.

# Excellent Food & Wine

A dedicated team of internationally trained chefs prepare meals from fresh ingredients, and perfectly pair each dish with complimentary house wines.

# **Onboard Specialists**

Your A&K Resident Tour Director and the ship's onboard China specialists coordinate onboard educational programs and shore excursions.







- Imperial Suite/Celestial Suite (1,183 sq. ft.)
- Mandarin/Jade Suite (871 sq. ft.)
- Suite Qutang Deck (420 sq. ft.)
- Suite Wu Deck (420 sq. ft.)

NOTE: The following cabins are interconnecting: 501/503, 502/504, 401/403, 402/404, 405/407, 406/408, 409/411, 301/303, 302/304, 305/307, 306/308, 309/311, 310/312, 201/203, 202/204, 205/207, 206/208, 209/211, 210/212

- Deluxe Cabin Wu Deck (333 sq. ft.)
- Deluxe Cabin Xiling Deck (333 sq. ft.)
- Deluxe Cabin Main Deck (333 sq. ft.)

NOTE: The following cabins and suites are fixed king beds and cannot be converted into twin beds: Celestial Suite, Imperial Suite, Jade Suite, Mandarin Suite, 401, 402, 405, 406, 301, 302, 303, 307, 308, 311, 312, 313, 314, 203, 204, 207, 208, 211, 212

# 'Mekong Princess'

Redefining intimate with an exclusive A&K charter of an extraordinary 12-suite vessel

## Ship Details at a Glance

- 12 elegant suites with private verandas or Juliet balconies
- Gracious spa-inspired bath amenities
- Nightly turndown service
- Fully air-conditioned with cabin control
- Complimentary laundry service, canapés and scented baths in Angkor Suites

# French Colonial Decor

Experience the treasures of the Mekong River from aboard intimate, 12-suite 'Mekong Princess,' stopping to explore unique ports and destinations virtually unknown to travellers. Adorned with French colonial furnishings, she also brings a gracious staff and the comfort of a spa offering a complimentary, hour-long spa treatment.

The dozen tranquil, well-appointed suites on 'Mekong Princess' offer spa bath amenities, with nightly turndown service, as well as either a private veranda or Juliet balcony, both with panoramic views.

# **Bountiful Dining Options**

After ample, buffet-style breakfasts and lunches on board, sit down to casually elegant, multi-course meals in the candlelit Indochine Dining Room amid expansive, floor-to-ceiling windows.

# Elegant Onboard Living

While plying the waters, pause to watch life unfold from the Observation Deck, recounting activities in the Lounge and staying connected in the Library. Keep in shape in the fully equipped fitness center.



## Deck Plan

#### BASSAC DECK



#### MEKONG DECK



#### Angkor Suite (560 sq. ft.)

- Tonle Suite (323 sq. ft.)
- Apsara Suite (256 sq. ft.)
- Saigon Suite (256 sq. ft.)

NOTE: The following suites feature fixed king beds and cannot be converted into twin beds: Angkor Suites (201& 202), Tonle Suites (203& 204)





# 'Aria Amazon'

Custom-built to explore the Peruvian Amazon, 'Aria Amazon' offers 32 guests a floating sanctuary of gracious luxury, superb cuisine and top-flight service, while making a minimal impact on the river and rainforest environment.

# Ship Details at a Glance

- 16 Design Suites with floor-to-ceiling windows
- Cruise director and four English-speaking naturalist guides on board
- Expert chef creating fine Peruvian cuisine from locally sourced ingredients
- ► Panoramic floor-to-ceiling windows in every suite for excellent river views
- Four private launch boats for eight-person river excursions
- Onboard massage therapist

# River Cruising with Utmost Ease

All suites are air-conditioned and feature a California king-size bed that can be converted to twins, and borderless, floor-to-ceiling windows for relaxing, front-row river viewing. Public spaces feature soothing hardwood decor, including an indoor lounge with deep plush sofas.

# Amenities Made for Relaxing

Other amenities aboard 'Aria Amazon' include an elegant dining room, bar, outdoor lounge, massage room, outdoor Jacuzzi and an expansive observation deck, all designed for making the most of every moment.

# Outstanding Service and **Eco-Friendly Design**

'Aria Amazon' has a crew of 27 for an excellent crew-to-guest ratio resulting in highly attentive service. The ship's eco-friendly design cares for the environment as well, with an onboard water treatment plant and virtually smoke-free, fuel-efficient engines that comply with strict US and international environmental standards.



Deck Plan

#### **OBSERVATION DECK**



#### SECOND DECK





#### Design Suites (Second Deck)

Design Suites (First Deck)





# 'La Pinta'

At the heart of your Galápagos experience is a vessel built for adventure, 'La Pinta.' Cruise the islands and discover the wonders of this incredible region, returning each afternoon for leisurely lunches and each night to your comfortable, spacious cabin.

# Ship Details at a Glance

- 24 outside cabins, with large windows and ocean views, located on the Cabin Deck
- Includes four triple cabins able to accommodate a third guest under 12 years of age
- Menus, created by a Cordon Bleu-trained chef, featuring fine Ecuadorian dishes and international cuisine
- Sea kayaks and a glass-bottom boat available on board for independent exploration

# Built for Exploration

'La Pinta' combines the amenities of a first-class yacht with the skilled personnel of an expedition vessel. At 207 feet long, she carries just 48 guests in 24 spacious cabins. That means more room to stretch out. A small group size also ensures better service, with 28 crew members, three Galápagos-certified naturalist guides and an A&K Resident Tour Director at your service throughout your voyage.

# Stylish Yet Casual Dining

Dining on board is a stylish affair, with menus featuring international cuisine and celebrated Ecuadorian dishes. Aboard 'La Pinta,' fine dining doesn't mean formal. You need not pack anything dressier than smart-casual wear, and many meals may be enjoyed al fresco in the Observation Lounge & Bar.

# Stable & Eco-Friendly

When not on shore expeditions, guests are free to wander 'La Pinta's' relaxed public spaces, including the outside Sky Bar on the Boat Deck, perfect for a chat with your guides. The ship itself is small enough to nimbly navigate the Galápagos waters but large enough to ensure the safety of passengers.



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Luxury Cabins

Luxury Plus Cabins (Triple Occupancy only)





# Terms & Conditions

These Abercrombie & Kent USA, LLC ("A&K") Terms and Conditions apply to group journeys including Luxury Small Group, Marco Polo, Family, Wings Over the World, Connections and Connections European River Cruise Journeys, departing between January 1, 2023, and December 31, 2023; Luxury Expedition Cruises departing between March 1, 2023, and February 28, 2024; and all related Extensions and bookings of the above programs for future years until updated.

For all other terms and conditions, please refer to abercrombiekent.com/terms.

#### GUARANTEED DEPARTURES

All group journeys excluding Luxury Expedition Cruises and related extensions, Private Jet, Wings Over the World, and Inspiring Expeditions by Geoffrey Kent are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of two (2) persons unless noted on the itinerary. Guaranteed departures will operate except only in cases of force majeure, which could include any major world event adversely affecting international travel patterns or other circumstances beyond A&K's control.

A&K PRICE ASSURANCE A&K will honor any lower advertised price on abercrombiekent.com for the same program, travel date and accommodation classification for all small group and Signature journeys available through A&K excluding Luxury Expedition Cruises, Private Jet, Inspiring Expeditions by Geoffrey Kent, international and internal air and extra services. Travel professional or guest must contact A&K for a price adjustment prior to travel. A&K reserves the right to modify or cancel the A&K Price Assurance for future bookings without prior notice.

#### COVID-19 VACCINATION REQUIREMENT

All guests must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 and present proof of vaccination during travel on Small Group Journeys and Luxury Expedition Cruises. A&K accepts approved vaccines per the World Health Organization list. Guests must also comply with all vaccination requirements for country entry and any local regulation which are subject to change. A&K reserves the right to change, modify or amend the A&K COVID-19 Vaccination Requirement for future bookings at any time and without prior notice. INCLUDED IN JOURNEYS

All accommodations, meals and fully guided sightseeing (including park and entrance fees) as noted in the itinerary; airport transfers to/from hotel/ship in the first/last published city regardless of day of arrival and departure (on Expedition Cruises, transfers may be Shared and included on start and end dates only); services of A&K Resident Tour Director or appropriate guide on Pre- and Post-Tour Extensions; coffee/tea/soft drinks/water at included meals; local wine and beer at all designated welcome and farewell dinners and with all lunches and dinners on Connections European River Cruise Journeys; local bottled water during sightseeing; porterage of up to two (2) pieces of baggage per person; complimentary Internet access (where available on cruises and at land accommodations; service levels are not guaranteed); hotel taxes; and gratuities throughout, except to the Resident Tour Director/Extension guide/East Africa safari driver-guides.

# Luxury Small Group, Marco Polo, Family and Wings Over the World Journeys Additional Inclusions Excluding Climb Kilimanjaro:

A&K's Travelling Bell Boy Service is provided; however, because of security regulations, this service may be limited at airports, rail stations and points of embarkation for cruises. A&K's Traveller's Valet includes laundry service for eight (8) pieces per person once during journey (excludes Pre- and Post-Tour Extensions). Dry cleaning is not included. A&K's Breakfast in Bed service is included on select days up to two times per journey (limitations may apply for safari journeys).

#### Luxury Expedition Cruises Additional Inclusions:

Complimentary select bar drinks, beer, house wine, soft drinks, coffee drinks, juices and bottled water (excluding premium wines, spirits and Champagnes) while on board; complimentary local beer and wine for included meals on shore; complimentary room service on board; all shore excursions and lecture program while on board; A&K's Traveller's Valet laundry service for eight (8) pieces per person once during cruises fewer than 12 nights and twice on cruises 12 nights or longer on board only (dry cleaning excluded); services of the A&K Expedition Team and local guides; gratuities for the ship's crew and A&K Expedition Team and Pre- and Post-Tour guides; a complimentary expedition parka and backpack and use of waterproof boots, pants and trekking poles provided on board for all polar cruises.

#### Africa Journeys Additional Inclusions:

Safari duffel on journeys in East and Southern Africa. Medical evacuation service, when available, including air transportation to medical care facilities, is included within Kenya, Tanzania, Botswana, Zambia and Zimbabwe. For Climb Kilimanjaro program participants, medical evacuation is included from the foot of Mount Kilimanjaro to Nairobi. Hospitalization and medical expenses are the sole responsibility of the guest.

#### NOT INCLUDED IN JOURNEYS

A&K's Guest Protection Program; international and internal airfares, unless otherwise noted; costs associated with obtaining passports or entry visas; reciprocity and other border fees; airport departure taxes, unless otherwise noted; excess baggage charges; gratuities to the Resident Tour Director/Extension guide/East Africa safari driver-guides; meals other than those specified in the itinerary; room service (except on board Luxury Expedition Cruises); beverages other than those noted in inclusions above; sightseeing not included in the published itinerary; and personal expenses such as laundry

(except for A&K's Traveller's Valet as noted), communication charges, Internet access for all trains; and optional activities (which are subject to availability).

#### HOTEL CHECK-IN

Most hotels allow check-in to take place during the midafternoon. Should you wish to have a guaranteed room ready for your immediate check-in upon arrival, it requires an additional room night to be confirmed. Please ask A&K for details and prices. Requests for early check-in based on hotel availability cannot be guaranteed and are at the sole discretion of the hotel

ROOM UPGRADES/SPECIAL REQUESTS Upgrades are typically available on request at individual hotels for an additional cost. Please ask A&K for details and prices. Specific requests such as adjacent or connecting rooms, bedding requests, smoking rooms and special dietary needs should be advised at time of booking. Please note that reasonable efforts will be made to secure special requests; however, they cannot be guaranteed.

#### ITINERARIES

A&K reserves the right to modify program itineraries, including arranged sightseeing and featured experts, and substitute accommodations, including vessels, aircraft and trains, at any time due to unforeseen circumstances or circumstances beyond A&K's control. Reasonable efforts will be made to operate itineraries as planned, but alterations may occur after the final itinerary has been issued. Due to the nature of Luxury Expedition Cruises, itineraries are for guidance purposes only and may be adjusted due to unforeseen circumstances including weather, wildlife, ice, medical emergencies and other conditions beyond A&K's control at the sole discretion of the Captain on board.

#### **AIR TRANSPORTATION**

International airfare (to the journey starting point and from the ending point) is not included in program pricing. A&K has special agreements with many air carriers and can offer quotations from any gateway. Some journeys require internal flights as specified in the itinerary. This airfare is typically not included and must be purchased from A&K in addition to the journey. In the instance where charter flights are used and seating is limited, A&K reserves the right to substitute and confirm air reservations on an available alternative scheduled air flight. All internal air is based on economy class seating and is 100% non-refundable at time of final payment (some exceptions may apply). All international and internal air quotes are subject to change until final payment has been received by A&K. Flight confirmation is based on availability. Air reservations cannot be confirmed until a passport copy is received by A&K.

All air carriers are independent contractors and are not owned, managed, controlled or operated by A&K. Your airline ticket constitutes a contract between yourself and the airlines (and not constructs a bowner of through A&K. A&K shall not be liable and does not assume responsibility for, or accept claims with regard to, seat assignments, name changes, schedule changes, flight changes and/or cancellations. Should you change or cancel your air transportation arrangements before or after your travel begins, all airline change and cancellation fees will apply. BAGGAGE

#### A&K provides porterage of up to two (2) pieces of baggage per person. Please note should your journey include internal/domestic or charter flights, your luggage allowance may be less than two (2) pieces of baggage and weight/size restrictions and additional costs may apply. Details will be provided in your Pre-Travel Documentation. Baggage and personal effects are at the owner's risk throughout the travel program, and A&K assumes no liability for lost or damaged baggage. Please check with your international carrier for other baggage restrictions and fees applicable to your international flights PRICES AND ARRANGEMENTS

Quoted journey prices are per person, double occupancy except where indicated. Although not expected, published prices may be modified due to unexpected significant external factors not forecasted at the time of printing. A&K is under no obligation to give a breakdown in costs of any journey. Pre- and Post-Tour Extensi are only available to guests booked on related group journeys. Modification of program content to accommodate a smaller group size will not affect the published program price. CHILD POLICY

The minimum age is 10 years old unless noted on the itinerary. Minimum age is seven years old for Luxury Expedition Cruise Journeys, 12 years old for Connections European River Cruise Journeys and varies for Family Journeys. All children under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult. A&K reserves the right to marginally exceed the published maximum group size on Family Journeys to accommodate a family. Note that some accommodations require that children below a certain age share a room with an adult. The parent or guardian travelling alone with a child is recommended to carry documentation that proves their relationship to the child (e.g., birth certificate) and evidence that they have permission to travel with the child (e.g., consent letter). Guests travelling with children who are not related are recommended to carry documentation which provides evidence they have permission to travel with the child. Guests are advised to check with the appropriate government authority to determine the necessary documents required for travel with children. A&K cannot be held responsible should the guest, child or any member of the travelling party be denied entry to a country due to noncompliance with a country's requirements.

#### ACTIVE ELEMENTS & CONDUCT

The suppliers of some activities on journeys may require a minimum age or minimum/maximum height or weight to participate. Some active elements have been incorporated into select itineraries. To enjoy the journeys as intended, a minimum level of fitness is

required. A&K will require prior notice if any participant has any physical or other condition or disability that would prevent them from participating in active elements of any journey and/or could create a hazard to himself or herself or to other members of the group. Specific journeys have conditions that may require a guest produce a doctor's certificate to A&K prior to travel. A&K will make reasonable efforts to accommodate a disability-related request for accommodation. However, if A&K, in its sole discretion, is unable to properly accommodate the need of the person(s) concerned or believes that health and safety may be compromised, A&K reserves the right to refuse participation. The guest represents that neither he nor she nor anyone travelling with him or her has any physical or other condition or disability that could create a hazard to himself or herself or other members of the tour. A&K also reserves the right to remove from the trip, at the guest's own expense, anyone whos physical condition or conduct negatively impacts the enjoyment of the other guests or disrupts the tour. Due to ship restrictions, women who will be six (6) months or more pregnant at any time during the cruise are not permitted to travel on Expedition Cruises. A&K'S GUEST PROTECTION PROGRAM

Travel insurance is not included in the price of the journey and is recommended. You may purchase A&K's Guest Protection Program administered by AON (which provides cancellation coverage, medical coverage and protection against lost or stolen or damaged luggage) or A&K's Guest Protection Program with Cancel for Any Reason Coverage for an additional fee. Coverage takes effect the day A&K receives payment for the plan. The Guest Protection Program is available up to final payment for your journey; however, the plan must be purchased within 14 days of the date your initial trip deposit is received by A&K in order to waive the pre-existing medical condition exclusion. Additional terms apply. The Cancel for Any Reason Program is only available for purchase within 14 days of the date your initial trip deposit is received by A&K (additional terms apply). CFAR provides reimbursement of up to 75% of nonrefundable cancellation charges but is not available on select journeys or to New York residents. The cost of coverage is calculated based on the total cost of your travel arrangements. For more information, visit affinity travel cert.com/abk. Insurance coverages are subject to the terms, limitations and exclusions in the plan, including an exclusion for pre-existing conditions.

# Special Requirement for Select Luxury Expedition Cruises: Due to the remote locations, A&K requires proof of a minimum of \$100,000 per person in emergency evacuation/repatriation insurance for all polar cruises and other select Luxury Expedition Cruises as for an polar cruises and other select LUXUP Expedition Cruises as specified at time of booking. This minimum amount is included in A&K's Guest Protection Program; upgrades can be purchased for higher coverage on request. If you do not purchase A&K's Guest Protection Program, we require proof of alternative coverage. Please note emergency evacuation insurance provides for covering the cost consciented with processor up any method and on a polarity insure the back second the durity processor up any method and any second sec associated with emergency evacuation and repatriation up to the limits of the respective policy; however, it does not guarantee the

timing, method or mode of such evacuation and repatriation, which is subject to weather, location and other conditions or variables outside of A&K's control.

#### PASSPORTS AND VISAS

It is the guest's sole responsibility to obtain and have available when necessary the appropriate valid travel documents. All guests are advised to check with the appropriate government authority to determine the necessary documents required for their travel. A valid passport is required for U.S. and Canadian citizens travelling to all international destinations. Passports must be valid for six (6) months after completion of your journey and should also have sufficient blank visa pages for entry and exit stamps. Many destinations also require a visa for U.S. and Canadian citizens; this will be indicated in your Pre-Travel Documentation. Citizens of other countries should contact the appropriate consular office for entry requirements pertaining to their journey. You may be refused boarding or disembarked from a plane, vessel or train without liability for refund, payment, compensation, or credit of any kind if you do not have proper documentation, and you will be subject to any fine or other costs incurred by A&K which result from improper documentation or noncompliance with applicable regulations. A&K shall not be responsible should any guest be denied entry to a country due to noncompliance with these requirements.

RESERVATION AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Any payments made to A&K constitute your acceptance of the terms and conditions set out herein and in your Pre-Travel Documentation. A&K accepts all major credit cards.

#### Deposit per Person Required at Time of Booking

Luxury Small Group, Marco Polo and Family Journeys	\$1,000
Connections and Connections European River Cruise Journeys	\$500
Luxury Expedition Cruises	\$2,500
Wings Over the World Journeys	25% of program price

Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure. If your reservation is made within 90 days of departure, the entire cost of the trip must be paid at the time of the request in order to secure confirmation. For all Luxury Expedition Cruise, Connections European River Cruise and Select Journeys indicated below, final payment is due 120 days prior to departure. For Wings Over the World Journeys that include European destinations, final payment is due 120 days

prior to departure. For all other Wings Over the World Journeys, final payment is due 180 days prior to departure. An additional nonrefundable permit fee is required at time of booking for journeys including Uganda and Rwanda.

Select Journeys: Australia & New Zealand: The Lands Down Under; Brazil: The Amazon, Pantanal & Iguazu Falis; Chile: From the Andes to the Atacama Desert; Cruising the Mekong: Siam, Saigon & Angkor Wat; Easter Island & the Tapati Festival; Family Costa Rica; Family Galápagos; Finland & Sweden: Adventure Across Lapland; Galápagos Wildlife Adventure; India Wildlife Safari; Mongolia: Naadam Festival & the Khan Legacy; Myanmar & the Irrawaddy; Namibia: Dunes & Desert Safari; Patagoni: The Last Wilderness; Peru: Machu Picchu & the Amazon; Peru: Machu Picchu & the Sacred Valley; Pharaohs & Pyramids; South Africa Safari in Style; South Korea & Japan: Cultural Legacies; Splendors of Chile, Argentina & Brazil; Splendors of Morocco; Taj Mahal & the Treasures of India; and Wonders of the Galápagos & Machu Picchu.

#### CANCELLATION CHARGES

Cancellations will be effective on the date of receipt by A&K whether by phone, email or fax. Cancellations received by A&K are subject to the following:

CANCELLATION FEES PER PERSON

#### Luxury Small Group Journeys, Marco Polo Journeys, Family Journeys, Connections Land Journeys, and related Extensions (except Select Journeys as listed above)

91 days prior to departure or more	\$500
90–61 days prior to departure	20% of program price
60–31 days prior to departure	50% of program price
30 days prior to departure or less	100% of program price

#### Connections European River Cruise Journeys, Select Journeys listed above and related Extensions

121 days prior to departure or more	\$500
120–91 days prior to departure	20% of program price
90–61 days prior to departure	50% of program price
60 days prior to departure or less	100% of program price

#### Luxury Expedition Cruises and related Extensions

121 days prior to departure or more	\$1,500
120–91 days prior to departure	25% of program price
90–61 days prior to departure	50% of program price
60 days prior to departure or less	100% of program price

Wings Over the World Journeys (journeys that include European destinations)

181 days prior to departure or more	10% of program price
180–121 days prior to departure	25% of program price
120–91 days prior to departure	50% of program price
90 days prior to departure or less	100% of program price

# Wings Over the World Journeys (journeys that do not include European destinations)

211 days prior to departure or more	10% of program price
210–181 days prior to departure	25% of program price
180–121 days prior to departure	50% of program price
120 days prior to departure or less	100% of program price

The guest agrees the sums referenced in the cancellation provisions above are not a penalty and represent a reasonable effort on behalf of A&K to establish it is loss prospectively and represent liquidated damages. These include amongst other costs but not limited to fees charged by hotels and travel suppliers to A&K for cancelled bookings. **Partial Room Cancellation**: If a guest cancels or leaves a journey and a roommate remains, an additional supplement may apply to the

price for the remaining guest. CANCELLATION CHARGES FOR INTERNAL AIR All internal air is 100% non-refundable at time of final payment (some exceptions may apply).

CANCELLATION CHARGES FOR EXTRA SERVICES Additional hotel nights and other extra services booked in connection with A&K journeys are subject to specific cancellation penalties. These will be provided at the time of booking and noted on the invoice.

#### COVID-19 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Guest must provide required health documentation for travel and agree to comply with all health protocols as directed by A&K staff during their journey. Noncompliance with these measures will result in not being able to travel or continue on the journey. Guest voluntarily assumes all risks and related expenses in the event that they or any member of the travelling party require testing or quarantine, become infected with COVID-19 or experience travel interruptions or delays. Guest is required to follow the legal and regulatory requirements regarding COVID-19 testing and quarantine per individual country regulations. The testing procedures and results are solely subject to the control of local governments. A&K has no control and no authority to overrule change or amend local government policies as they relate to testing or providing private quarantine facilities. A&K will assist all guests where COVID-19 testing is required; however, A&K is merely acting as a facilitator in order to assist guests who require a COVID-19 test. All COVID-19 testing is carried out by third party testing facilities with no association or affiliation to A&K, and A&K is not liable or responsible for any results, issues, delays or problems encountered during the testing process or the performance or non-performance of the testing facilities

#### FORCE MAJEURE

Force majeure means unusual and unforeseeable circumstances beyond A&K's control or the control of our suppliers, the consequence of which neither A&K, nor its suppliers, could avoid even with all due care, including, but not limited to, war or threat of war; riot; civil strife; terrorist activity (actual or threatened); industrial dispute; technical problems with transport, machinery or equipment; outages or power failures; natural or nuclear disaster; fire, flood, drought or adverse weather conditions; pandemics, epidemics or outbreaks of illness; and ice conditions in oceans and level of water in rivers.

In the event of a cancellation or material alteration to the journey as a result of the circumstances as described in this clause, A&K may in its sole and absolute discretion:

(i) offer the guest(s) alternative travel arrangements or products of comparable standard as may be appropriate in the circumstances; or (ii) if alternative travel arrangements or products are not offered by A&K, A&K will provide a travel credit to the guest equal to the value of the trip less any sums A&K is not able to recover from any supplier. A&K cannot assume responsibility for any other travel related costs

included but not limited to air, insurance, visas and other travel arrangements, etc. CLAIMS AND REFUNDS

A&K will not accept any liability for any claims and will not provide refunds except as may be specifically allowed herein.

A&K MOBILE APP Abercrombic & Kent may provide information for your journey via a web platform and an A&K mobile app (the "App"). The use of the App is not part of your holiday package experience and is merely intended to offer an interactive option to view your itinerary and other related information. Once downloaded, you are subject to the privacy policy and terms of use as found in the App. You are responsible if you provide access or use of the App to any members of your travelling party.

PHOTOGRAPHY DURING TRAVEL

A&K reserves the right to take photographs and video of guests during the operation of any program or part thereof and to use, re-use, publish, and republish their image, identity likeness, name, voice, interview, statements, video clips and sound recordings, and/or photographic portraits or pictures in which guest(s) may be included (an "Image"), for promotional purposes during the program and thereafter. By booking a program with A&K, guests acknowledge that A&K is the owner of the photographs and video and agree to allow their Image to be used in such photographs and videos, which may thereafter, be used by A&K. Guests who prefer that their images not be used must (1) identify themselves to their Resident Tour Director at the beginning of their Journey; and (2) notify their A&K Travel Consultant by email, not later than thirty (30) days following the end of the guest's journey. In the event the guest fails to comply with both obligations, the guest shall not be exempt from this section. If such written notice is not timely provided, the guests, individually and on behalf of any minor child travelling with them, have granted unrestricted rights and permission for A&K to use the Images. LIMITS ON A&K'S RESPONSIBLITY

Neither A&K nor its parent company, affiliates or subsidiaries, nor any of their respective employees, shareholders, officers, directors, successors, representatives, agents and assigns (collectively the "A&K Parties"), owns or operates any entity which is to or does provide goods or services for your trip with the exception of a limited number of vehicles. A&K purchases transportation (by aircraft, coach, train, vessel or otherwise), hotel and other lodging accommodations, restaurant, ground handling and other services from various independent suppliers (including from time to time other affiliated A&K companies). All such persons and entities are independent contractors. As a result, the A&K Parties are not liable for any negligent or willful act of any such person or entity or of any third person.

In addition and without limitation, the A&K Parties are not responsible for any injury, financial or physical loss, death, inconvenience, delay or damage to personal property in connection with the provision of any goods or services whether resulting from but not limited to acts of God or force majeure, illness, disease, acts of war, civil unrest, insurrection or revolt, animals, strikes or other labor activities, criminal or terrorist activities of any kind.





overbooking or downgrading of services, food poisoning, mechanical or other failure of aircraft or other means of transportation or for failure of any transportation mechanism to arrive or depart on time.

There are many inherent risks in adventure travel of the type involved here, which can lead to illness, injury, or even death. These risks are increased by the fact that these trips take place in remote locations, far from medical facilities. Guest assumes all such risks associated with participating in these trips.

If you decide to participate in any activities including, but not limited to, any excursions involving animals, riding on animals, scuba diving, sonrkeling, boating, hot air ballooning, helicopter flights, ziplining, high altitude treks, climbing, quad biking, parasailing, parachuting, kayaking, whitewater rafting, jet boat rides, snowmobiling, primate tracking and any other activity which A&K considers to carry inherent risk of serious illness, injury or death ("Activities"), then you fully understand and acknowledge that Activities carry with them various inherent risks, including serious illness, injury or death and you take complete responsibility for your own health and safety and agree to assume all risks of injury, illness or death, whether foreseen or unforeseen, that may befall you as a result of participating in any Activities and agree to release the A&K Parties from any liability whatsoever related thereto.

Further, as consideration for being permitted to participate in the Activities; you release the A&K Parties, whether known or unknown, from, and agree not to sue or make claim against the A&K Parties for, property damage, cancellation of any Activities for any reason, illness, negligent rescue operations or procedures, personal injury, or death arising out of your participation in the Activities, and any activity related thereto, including transportation to and from the site of the Activities, regardless of whether such property damage, illness, personal injury, or death results from the negligence of the A&K Parties and/or from any defect in equipment. You further agree to indemnify and hold the A&K Parties harmless with respect to any claim made against the A&K Parties by anyone else which (a) related to your participation in any trip or any Activities, or (b) which would be subject to the above release and covenant not to sue if you had made the claim directly yourself. Upon receipt of notice of the assertion of a claim, the A&K Parties reserve the right to approve, or withdraw approval of, counsel, in its sole discretion. TRAVEL ADVISORIES/WARNINGS

It is the responsibility of the guest to become informed about the most current travel advisories and warnings by referring to the U.S. State Department or their respective government agencies. In the event of an active State Department or government agency Travel Warning against travel to the specific destination location(s) of the trip, should the guest still choose to travel, notwithstanding any travel advisory, the guest assumes all risk of personal injury, death or property damage that may arise out of the events like those advised or warned against.

#### ARBITRATION AGREEMENT

Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to these **Terms** and **Conditions**, to the Limits on A&K's Responsibility clause, to any A&K brochure, or to any information regarding any A&K journey, service or package, or to any A&K-related trip, activity, service or package, shall be settled in the first instance by binding arbitration before one (1) arbitrator in Chicago, Illinois. Any party or their representative may appear for the arbitration by telephone or video conference. Each party shall bear its own fees, costs and expenses and an equal share of any arbitrator and administrative fees; however, the prevailing party shall be entitled to full recovery of all such costs and fees. Disputes shall be arbitrated on an inividual basis, with there being no right or authority for any disputes to be arbitrated on a class action basis or in a purported representative capacity on behalf of the general public, other travel suppliers or other entities similarly situated.

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# True Exploration the World Over

Now spanning all seven continents, our 2023–24 itineraries feature visits to both iconic and off-the-beaten-path gems. Whether embarking in a Zodiac piloted by seasoned naturalists to visit an Antarctic penguin rookery, snorkeling in the marine wonderlands of Indonesia or exploring striking Portuguese architecture in colorful Porto, a cruise with A&K reveals spectacular destinations in ways you won't be able to anticipate.

# The Definition of Luxurious, All-Inclusive Cruising

Our Luxury Expedition Cruises are always all-inclusive, freeing you to enjoy your voyage without distractions. Look forward to an engaging program of expert lectures, special events and your choice of curated shore excursions. Enjoy an elegant culinary program, included gratuities, Traveller's Valet and complimentary Wi-Fi. Depending on your expedition, you may also explore fascinating cities, with stays in luxury hotels and signature guided A&K excursions.

# Exotic Adventures in Africa, Asia & the South Pacific



## **Cruising the Seychelles & Coastal Tanzania** Mar 11, 2023 | Priced from \$14,995 (was \$16,495)

14 DAYS

See Africa from a unique vantage on an expedition from Zanzibar through the remote tropical paradise of spellbinding Seychelles.

Zanzibar | Pemba Island | Kilwa Kisiwani | Assumption Island | Aldabra Atoll | Astove Island | St. Francois Atoll | Poivre Island | Rémire Island Curieuse Island | Praslin | La Digue | Mahe



LIMITED TO 148 GUESTS



# Wonders of Japan Cruise: Cherry Blossom Season

Mar 29, 2023 | Priced from <mark>\$20,995</mark> (was \$22,995)

Experience this fascinating island nation in spring blossom season, exploring famed coastal cities, mesmerizing gardens and museums, and UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

Osaka | Takamatsu | Hiroshima (Miyajima) | Uwajima | Karatsu | Gyeongju, South Korea | Matsue, Japan | Kanazawa | Sado-Ga-Shima | Otaru Sapporo



# Kimberley Cruise: Australia's Last Frontier

May 12, 2023 | Priced from **\$14,495** (was \$15,995)

Venture to a spectacular wilderness, resplendent with dramatic reefs and waterfalls, astonishing wildlife and aboriginal culture.

Broome | Lacepede Islands | Montgomery Reef (Horizontal Falls) Hunter River (Mitchell Falls) | Bigge Island (Vansittart Bay) | King George River & Falls | Wyndham (Bungle Bungle) | Darwin



# Indonesia Voyage: Komodo, Papua & Great Barrier Reef

Oct 20, 2023 | Priced from \$17,495 (was \$20,495)

Discover tribal traditions, natural wonders and the paradisiacal shores of Komodo, Papua, and Australia with an unmatched Expedition Team.

Bali | Komodo National Park | Alor Island | Maluku Islands | West Papua Papua | Lizard Island | Cairns



# French Polynesia to Easter Island Expedition

Oct 27, 2023 | Priced from \$14,995 (was \$16,495)

Embark on an adventure into the heart of French Polynesia, retracing the route of the legendary HMS 'Bounty' while exploring spectacular marine environments and UNESCO-designated gems. Papeete | Tuamotus Archipelago | Mangareva Island | Pitcairn Island Henderson Island | Ducie Island | Easter Island

























# Culture-Rich Explorations in Europe





## Italy Cruise: Hidden Treasures from Florence to Venice Sep 9, 2023

GUESTS

Priced from \$13,495 (was \$14,495)

Cruise on an exciting and comprehensive itinerary that explores nearly the entire navigable coastline of Italy and visits its most unique ports.

Florence, Italy | Tuscany | Corsica, France Rome, Italy | Sicily | Puglia | The Marches Venice



## Adriatic Voyage: Croatia, Montenegro & Greece Sep 20, 2023

Priced from \$9,995 (was \$10,995)

Discover the gems of the dazzling Adriatic and Greece on a luxury culture-rich cruise highlighting the best of Croatia and Montenegro and transiting the Cornith Canal.

Venice, Italy | Split, Croatia | Dubrovnik Kotor, Montenegro | Corfu, Greece Cephalonia | Itea | Corinth Canal | Athens



**Cruising the Greek Isles** Sep 27, 2023 Priced from \$11,995 (was \$12,995)

Set sail on A&K's bestselling voyage to idyllic Greece, exploring ancient ruins, volcanic vineyards and hidden gems such as Patmos and Syros.

Athens | Crete | Santorini | Rhodes | Patmos Mykonos & Delos | Syros | Athens

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# Our Complete Portfolio of Small Group Journeys for 2023

JOURNEY	PAGE #	PRICED FROM	# OF DAYS				D	EPAR	TUR	EMO	ONTH	I S			
Africa				Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
NEW! Wings Over East Africa	22	\$39,495	11								•	•	•		
The Great Migration Safari in Style	26	\$15,995	14	٠	٠	٠			٠	٠	٠	٠	٠		٠
Kenya & Tanzania Wildlife Safari	30	\$10,295	12	•	•			•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Kenya & Tanzania: A Great Migration Safari Adventure	34	\$15,395	10						٠	٠	٠		٠		٠
Family Kenya & Tanzania Safari	38	\$11,995	12						•	٠	•				٠
Kenya Safari in Style	40	\$7,495	8		٠	•			٠	٠	•	•	٠		•
Tanzania Safari in Style	42	\$8,795	8	٠	•	•			•	•	•	٠	•		٠
Wings Over Southern Africa	46	\$40,995	14					٠				٠			
Botswana Safari in Style	50	\$8,695	10	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
South Africa & Victoria Falls	54	\$9,795	9	•	•	•	•	٠	٠	•	•	•	•	•	•
NEW! South Africa Safari in Style	58	\$9,895	10	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	
NEW! Southern Africa Safari & Rail Adventure	60	\$13,995	13			٠	٠	٠	٠	٠	•	٠	٠		٠
Climb Kilimanjaro: Summiting the Machame Route	64	\$7,995	9	•	•	•		٠	٠	•	•	•	•	•	
Uganda: Gorillas & Beyond	68	\$11,495	11							٠		٠	٠		
NEW! Namibia: Dunes & Desert Safari	70	\$13,695	12					•		٠	•	•			
Egypt, Morocco & Beyond				Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Wings Over Israel, Jordan & Egypt	74	\$45,495	13	•	•	•	•					•	•		
Egypt & the Nile	78	\$8,395	10	•	•	•	•	•			•	•	•	•	•
Pharaohs & Pyramids	82	\$13,295	13		•	•					•	•			•
Petra to the Pyramids & a Nile Yacht Cruise	86	\$12,295	13	•	•	•	•				•	•	•	•	٠
Splendors of Morocco	90	\$8,495	12	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	٠
Jordan & Israel: Ancient Wonders	94	\$10,995	14	•	•	•	•	•	•		•		٠	•	•
Israel: Crossroads of History	98	\$7,695	9		٠	٠	٠	٠			٠	٠	٠	•	٠
Asia, India & the Pacific				Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
NEW! Wings Over Australia*	100	\$39,995	13		٠	•								•	٠
Wings Over New Zealand	104	\$39,995	11		•								•		
Australia & New Zealand: The Lands Down Under	108	\$16,995	17	•	•	•	•					•	•	•	•
Papua New Guinea: Mount Hagen Festival	112	\$11,795	13								•				
Classic Japan	116	\$11,995	9			•	•	•				•	•	•	
South Korea & Japan: Cultural Legacies	120	\$15,895	11					٠					•	٠	
China & the Yangtze	124	\$7,295	13			•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
NEW! Taiwan: Natural & Cultural Riches	128	\$11,595	10			٠							٠		
<b>NEW!</b> Nepal & Tibet: From the Jungle to the Roof of the World	130	\$8,795	12				٠					٠	•		
Mongolia: Naadam Festival & the Khan Legacy	132	\$12,995	11							•					
Images of Indochina & Angkor Wat	134	\$8,495	13	•	•	•	•					٠	٠	٠	٠
Cruising the Mekong: Siam, Saigon & Angkor Wat	138	\$7,995	12	٠	٠	٠							٠	٠	٠
Vietnam: A Nation Revealed	142	\$7,795	12		•	•							•	•	•
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Wing Over Spain & Morocco   170   \$39,995   13   •	Italian Treasures: Rome, Florence & Venice	164	\$9,395	8				•	•	٠	•		٠	•		
Spain & Portugal: A Journey Across Iberia   174   \$11,997   19	Wings Over the Mediterranean	166	\$35,495	13						٠			٠			
Bilano to Bordeaux: Cuisine & Cuitium   178   \$9,795   9	Wings Over Spain & Morocco	170	\$39,995	13			•							•		
Treasures of Croatia   18   86,495   8   I	Spain & Portugal: A Journey Across Iberia	174	\$11,595	14				•	٠	٠	•		٠	•		
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