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story with us...*



45
YEARS
EXPLORING THE
WORLD SINCE
1978

THE EXPLORERS

Small Group Tours & Cruises



Explore our world of wonders, taking you on inspirational journeys to wonderful places, creating lasting memories...

That sense of adventure to discover the world is at the heart of Jules Verne. Established in 1978, our innovative small group escorted tours offer authentic travel with a twist for people who love to see the world. Packed with special touches and little extras, our expert guides will show you the true character of each destination and take you beyond the norm, whether your chosen destination is closer to home or far-flung. Fully ABTA and ATOL bonded and winner of many travel awards, our expert staff organise every detail so you can book in complete confidence.

- Inspiring tours to five continents
- Small groups and privately guided tours
- Knowledgeable local guides
- Expertly planned and organised



Our Heritage

At Jules Verne, we're proud of our heritage. Our 45-year history is full of travel firsts that underline our continued commitment to extraordinary adventures and pioneering journeys.

Originally called Voyages Jules Verne, the company was founded in 1978 by Philip Morrell. His aim was to run an epic train journey from London to Beijing and then on to Hong Kong. After that successful inaugural trip in 1979, we soon became the first tour company granted permission to operate in China. This breakthrough positioned Jules Verne as the go-to organiser for tours to China, and, for the next decade, we worked with every major tour operator worldwide on their China programmes.

Following the worldwide success of that first rail journey, dubbed The Central Kingdom Express, we organised more inaugural journeys, including The Patagonian Express, The Raj Express and The Cape to Cairo Express. Yet more ground-breaking tours followed, as we continued to shape authentic experiences for travellers with a real sense of adventure.



The ethos of Jules Verne has always been innovation and opportunity, just like its literary namesake, famous for his Voyages Extraordinaires writings. As a tour operator we have never been afraid to step into the unknown. We were the first to operate direct charter flights into Albania; Costa Rica; Uzbekistan, Syria, the Crimea, Agra for the Taj Mahal; Aqaba for Petra; Aswan for Lake Nassar; Kilimanjaro for the Serengeti and Harare for Victoria Falls, opening up travel beyond typical tourist resorts at the time.



Why Book with Jules Verne?

With a passion for innovation, exploration and inspiration, and a wealth of knowledge and experience between us, the Jules Verne team is proud of our multi award-winning service and delighted that our many repeat travellers are enjoying it too. Small enough to be flexible, large enough to be ground-breaking, and recognised for our professionalism by our guests and our peers, we put our customers at the heart of everything we do.

With Jules Verne, it's Personal

Our very individual service includes 24-hour access to the UK team, and a Personal Travel Expert for every guest, so you can contact the same person from the first enquiry to the end of your holiday, to give you advice and information on all aspects of the tour, to assist with any special requirements or bespoke alterations you may have, and to monitor travel arrangements from beginning to end.

Honest Pricing

Jules Verne tours offer exceptional value for money, and we take great care to provide you with clear and honest pricing; confirming what is included on every itinerary, showing the costs of any optional events or excursions you may choose to add, and noting the few instances where flight supplements may apply. With everything openly explained, you can rest assured that there are no hidden extras.

Early Booking - Price Guaranteed

Booking early means that you have the best choice of tour dates, room types and flights. It also gives you more time to plan and to have something to look forward to. Our 100% Price Guarantee means your holiday price is fixed at the time of booking and you will never be asked to pay more, even if our costs increase at a

later date. As prices more often rise than fall, early booking means you're sure of fixing the best price; and if, on a rare occasion, we reduce the tour price, should you see your holiday priced at less than you have paid, Jules Verne will refund the difference in vouchers for your next tour.

Fully Protected

All Jules Verne tours and cruises are ATOL, ABTA and IATA bonded, which guarantees 100% financial protection, and gives you the peace of mind that your money is safe and secure.

Small Groups, Big Benefits

Enjoying the sociable ambience which only small groups can offer, every detail of a Jules Verne tour is thoughtfully planned to deliver the best experience for every guest. The range of tours spans the spectrum from cultural sites to sumptuous scenery and stunning safaris, focused on history, art, natural wonders, or wonderful wildlife, so whatever you choose, you will be travelling with like-minded people. With an average group size of 10-16, and with some groups being much smaller to ensure the best possible experience, travelling as part of a small group enhances every aspect of a tour, delving deeper into the destination's culture, and witnessing local life in an informal setting.





Richard Quantick, March 14, 2023

“Friendly efficient service. Ticked all the boxes.”

Why Choose Jules Verne for Solo Traveller Holidays?

Leading the field for small-group solo tours, Jules Verne offers a world of adventures, designed with single travellers in mind. Working with our travel partners overseas, we are also single-minded in our negotiations, to establish as many tours and dates as possible, and to drive-down, or eliminate, the price of single-room supplements.

Specially Solo, Sociably Supported

With Jules Verne, travelling solo doesn't mean 'going it alone'. Touring with an average of 10-16 like-minded people, the arrangement is a balanced blend of personal privacy and sociable interaction. Whether you are a seasonal single traveller, or this is your first foray into solo trips, you can relax in the knowledge that we're with you all the way.

Every tour, both mixed-group programmes and exclusively solo groups, is accompanied by a UK or local tour manager; whatever is your type of tour, you know that your travelling companions

share your interest, and of course you always have a room of your own, often a double for sole use, sometimes a smaller single room.

No Single Supplement

With a large proportion of our guests choosing to travel solo, we are committed to keeping their costs on par with those of couples. Careful and continuous negotiations have resulted in half our solo travellers enjoying supplement-free holidays; 'singles only' tours incur no supplements, and over half of our huge variety of mixed-group tours now offer 'No Single Supplement' dates. With limited availability, early booking is recommended. Talk to our team or visit vjv.com to pinpoint these departures.

Singularly Good Company

To travel solo, within a mixed group of couples and friends, is to enjoy an ideal equilibrium of personal service, private space, and convivial company. Covering 90 plus countries worldwide, from scenic splendour to winter wonderlands,



intriguing history, or cultural feast, our small group tours are designed to deliver the best experience for everyone.

Solely Singles

We know that solo travellers make very individual choices, and that some prefer to tour with an exclusively singles group, so we offer dozens of solo-only tours to meet that demand, ranging from Italian lakeshores to Kenyan Safaris, Cuba's unique culture, Albanian castles and Uzbekistan's Silk Road cities. On a specifically solos tour, there are no single room supplements, either included or hidden.

Classic Tours

Our range of Classic Tours allow you to explore the highlights of a country and immerse yourself beneath the surface, to experience the people, places and local cultures you will encounter. Our local expert guides take you on a journey to discover classic sights, incredible architecture, stunning landscapes, the Wonders of the World and impressive UNESCO World Heritage sites.

Experience our Classic Tours in the company of like-minded travellers on a variety of exciting itineraries covering destinations across five continents.

Our small group escorted tours aim to inspire travellers and show you more than just the classic, first-time sites, and are designed to provide the opportunity for you to make your own personal discoveries within the group context and to find enjoyment in every experience with us.

Marvel at the Treasury in Petra, gaze at the Taj Mahal, be amazed by the colours at Denderah Temple, or lose yourself in rice fields in Vietnam, whether you're a first-time visitor or a seasoned traveller, you're sure to find a Classic Tour with Jules Verne.



Trusted Customer, April 18, 2023

“Pleasant helpful staff. Feeling the service was personal.”



Kathy, November 30, 2022

“This was my fourth trip with VJV and another terrific experience! Local arrangements, hotels, meals and guide were all really excellent. I recommend rounding it off with the optional excursion to the Blue Lagoon and definitely add an extra day to really explore Reykjavik. A great intro to Iceland!”

6 nights
from
£2265

ICE & LIGHTS

With dramatic landscapes at your feet and the brilliant Aurora Borealis in the skies above, this is a tour to remote locations and remarkable sights, from Iceland’s glacial lagoon to its largest icecap, steaming geysers, gleaming icebergs, and frozen waterfalls. Touring the west and south coasts of Iceland, with a detour on the Golden Circle route to the Gullfoss iced cascade; this is a nature spectacular, where sparkling white, jade green, and blue icebergs echo the dancing colours of the Northern Lights.



Special Event

Geothermal Tasting
Enjoy a tasting of rúgbrauð, Icelandic rye bread, traditionally baked in a pot by burying it in the geothermal ground for 24 hours; served with boiled eggs, pickled herring and Geysir schnapps.

Overview

Reykjavik - 1 night
Hnappavellir - 2 nights
Selfoss area - 2 nights
Reykjavik - 1 night

Our Highlights

Golden Circle Tour
UNESCO Site: Thingvellir NP
Gulfoss Hot Springs
Hike to Svartifoss
Optional Visit to the Blue Lagoon

What’s Included

Air travel and taxes, Fly Bus transfers, 6 nights’ accommodation, breakfast daily, 4 dinners, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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CLASSICAL TOUR OF ALBANIA

Unspoilt, uncrowded, and unique in its culture, Albania is a treasure chest of ancient cities, mystical mountains, museums, castles and coastline, its feast of Ottoman architecture the jewel in its crown. Layer upon layer of eras and civilisations have created the culture, character, and language of Albania, from its 6th-century BC Illyrian origins, to Greek and Roman, Turkic and Slav settlement. Travelling through its past and present, amid scenic landscapes, we cover every facet of this fascinating country.



Special Event

Lunch at a Local Home
Visit an Albanian family in Dhoksat village and learn about their life and history followed by a home cooked lunch. Dhoksat is an authentic village, close to Gjirokastra.

Overview

Kruja - 1 night
Berat - 2 nights
Saranda - 2 nights
Gjirokastra - 1 night
Tirana - 2 nights

Our Highlights

UNESCO Sites: Berat & Butrint
‘Museum City’ of Gjirokastra
Tirana Walking Tour
Dajti Mountain Cable-car
Ancient Ruins of Appolonia

Solo Group Departures
No Single Supplement
(limited dates/availability)

What’s Included

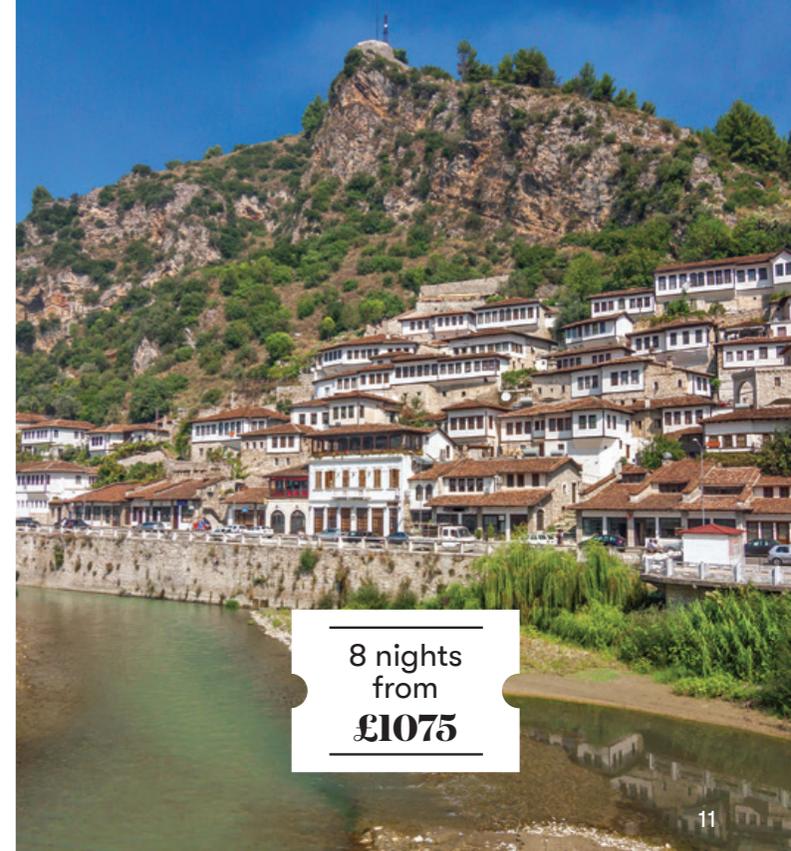
Air travel and taxes, transfers, 8 nights’ accommodation, breakfast daily, 1 lunch and 2 dinners, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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Trusted Customer, March 30, 2023

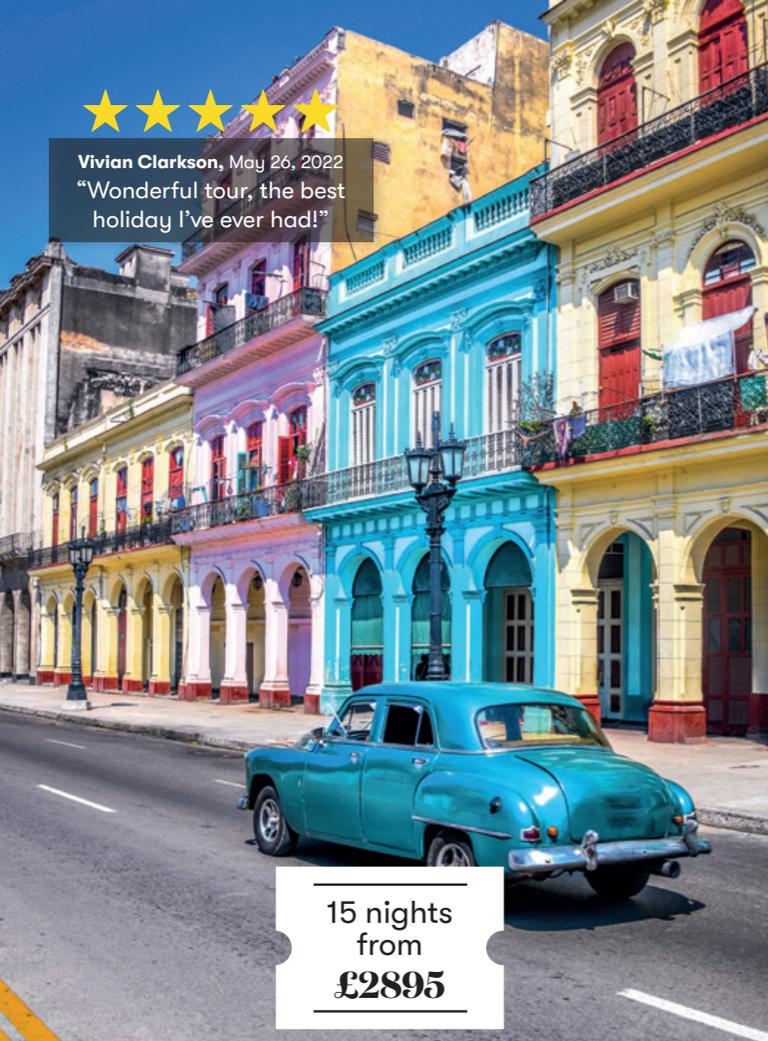
“A packed tour that gave a good introduction to the country. The archaeological sites were stunning and tranquil in contrast to the towns and cities.”



8 nights
from
£1075



Vivian Clarkson, May 26, 2022
 “Wonderful tour, the best holiday I’ve ever had!”



15 nights
 from
£2895

HEMINGWAY’S CUBA

Explore western Cuba’s colourful cities, colonial heritage and natural beauty and reveal the many facets of the island, from cigars to sugarcane, cafés to cabaret and revolution memorials to countryside. With legends of Hemingway and heroes of the revolution, vintage vehicles, and multi-coloured colonial façades, from a distance Cuba seems like the most clichéd place on the planet. Up close it’s much more; an experience of bygone times, from the remnants of sugar estates, to botanical gardens.



Special Event

Hemingway’s Haunt
 Visit the bar frequented by Ernest Hemingway in Havana and enjoy a cocktail. The bar opened in 1817 and is famous for generations of visits from intellectuals and artists.

Overview

Havana - 3 nights
 Viñales Valley - 2 nights
 Havana - 2 nights
 Trinidad - 2 nights
 Santa Clara - 2 nights
 Varadero - 3 nights
 Flight - 1 night

Our Highlights

Havana City Tour
 Hemingway’s House
 Sierra del Rosario UNESCO Reserve
 Indian Cave
 Armoured Train

No Single Supplement
(limited dates/availability)

What’s Included

Air travel and taxes, transfers, 14 nights’ accommodation, breakfast daily, 4 lunches & 14 dinners, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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DISCOVER JAPAN

Traversing Japan by Bullet Train, from neon-lit cityscapes to geisha lanes, from Shinto shrines to views of Mount Fuji, this small-group tour reveals the country’s seamless blend of timeless tradition and mesmerising modernity. Exploring the country’s culture and contrasts, past and present you will visit contemporary Osaka, imperial Kyoto and tranquil Hakone. Followed by Tokyo’s famously soaring skyline, explore the city’s eclectic highlights using efficient local transport.



Special Event

Sushi Making
 Enjoy preparing your own sushi lunch. A taisho will demonstrate how to create different pieces of sushi. Styles of sushi vary, but the one key ingredient is vinegared rice.

Overview

Flight - 1 night
 Osaka - 1 night
 Kyoto - 3 nights
 Hiroshima - 1 night
 Hakone - 1 night
 Tokyo - 1 night

Our Highlights

High-Speed Bullet Train
 Osaka Castle
 Japanese Tea Making Lesson
 Peace Memorial Park
 Shinjuku Observatory

What’s Included

Air travel and taxes, transfers, 9 nights’ accommodation, breakfast daily, 2 lunches and 2 dinners, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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Trusted Customer, April 5, 2023

“We found this tour gave us a real insight to Japan. Miwa our guide was lovely and very patient with us. Nothing was too much trouble for her especially when needing help on the subway trains. Loved the whole experience.”



10 nights
 from
£4695

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Highlights

Every great destination has its 'must see' highlights, and our objective is to ensure that they are as accessible to as wide an audience as possible.

Our fantastic Highlights tours have been carefully designed to recreate the authentic Jules Verne experience into a select range of concise arrangements. Shorter and more affordable than many of our classic tours, yet still encompassing the essential sights, sounds and atmosphere of each inspiring destination.

We've created exceptional value by offering a slightly more limited choice of flight and date, and hotels carefully

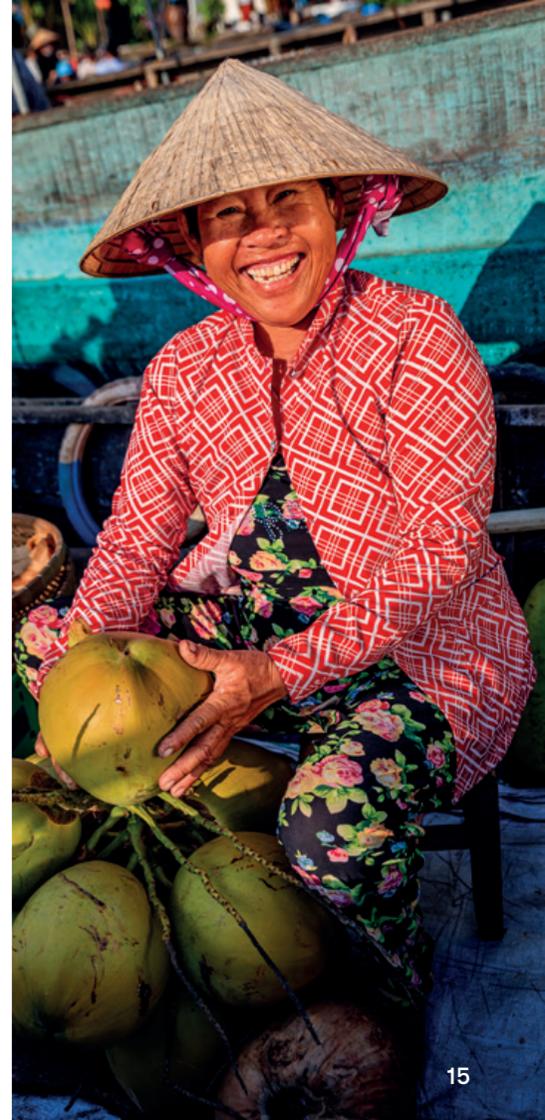
selected for their balance of facilities, service, and affordability. Rather than filling every day with scheduled arrangements, we've built in some additional free time for relaxation or more independent exploration. Those who like to keep busy on holiday will be pleased to find plenty of additional optional activities on offer.

The Taj Mahal, Victoria Falls, Petra, Table Mountain, Angkor Wat, The Great Migration – turn your ultimate travel bucket list into a reality on a Jules Verne Highlights tour.



Trusted Customer, February 24, 2023

"Always Excellent. Excellent, both helpful and informative. Have booked several trips with VJV over the years and always had a very pleasant and professional service from them."





Ms Linda James, November 24, 2022

“The holiday was great, lovely hotels in wonderful locations, knowledgeable and friendly guides all in a fantastic country with amazing places to visit. This was our second holiday with Jules Verne and we would definitely recommend them.”



7 nights from **£1745**

HIGHLIGHTS OF JORDAN

This journey focuses on unmissable monuments, with time to explore ancient sites to the astounding rock city of Petra, and to enjoy the Red Sea, the Dead Sea, and the desert landscapes. This tour is a shorter and more affordable way to discover Jordan, packing biblical sites, Bedouin camps, Byzantine relics, and Roman ruins into its seven days, along with relaxation in the Red Sea resort of Aqaba, and time to sample the Dead Sea’s mud and mineral spa treatments.



Overview

Aqaba - 3 nights
Dead Sea - 2 nights
Petra - 2 nights

Our Highlights

Sunset Cruise in Aqaba
Swim in the Dead Sea
Mount Nebo’s Moses Memorial
Guided Visit of Petra
Lunch at a Bedouin Camp

What’s Included

Air travel and taxes, visa procurement (British passport holders - excludes independent arrival or returning on a different date), transfers, 7 nights’ accommodation, breakfast daily, 1 lunch and 1 dinner, some excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF UZBEKISTAN

A great value tour of the Silk Road cities of Uzbekistan including Tashkent, Bukhara and Samarkand, using the high-speed railway line to travel between the capital Tashkent and Bukhara. An ethnic and cultural melting pot, Uzbekistan has ancient roots and has seen the wax and wane of countless empires. Situated on the historic Silk Road, the exchange of goods and ideas – religious, intellectual and artistic – left a remarkable historical and architectural legacy.



Overview

Flight - 1 night, Tashkent - 1 night
Bukhara - 2 nights
Samarkand - 2 nights
Tashkent - 1 night

Our Highlights

Visit 2 UNESCO Sites
Ulug Beg’s Observatory
Tamerlane’s Tomb
Bibi-Khanyom Mosque

No Single Supplement (limited dates/availability)

What’s Included

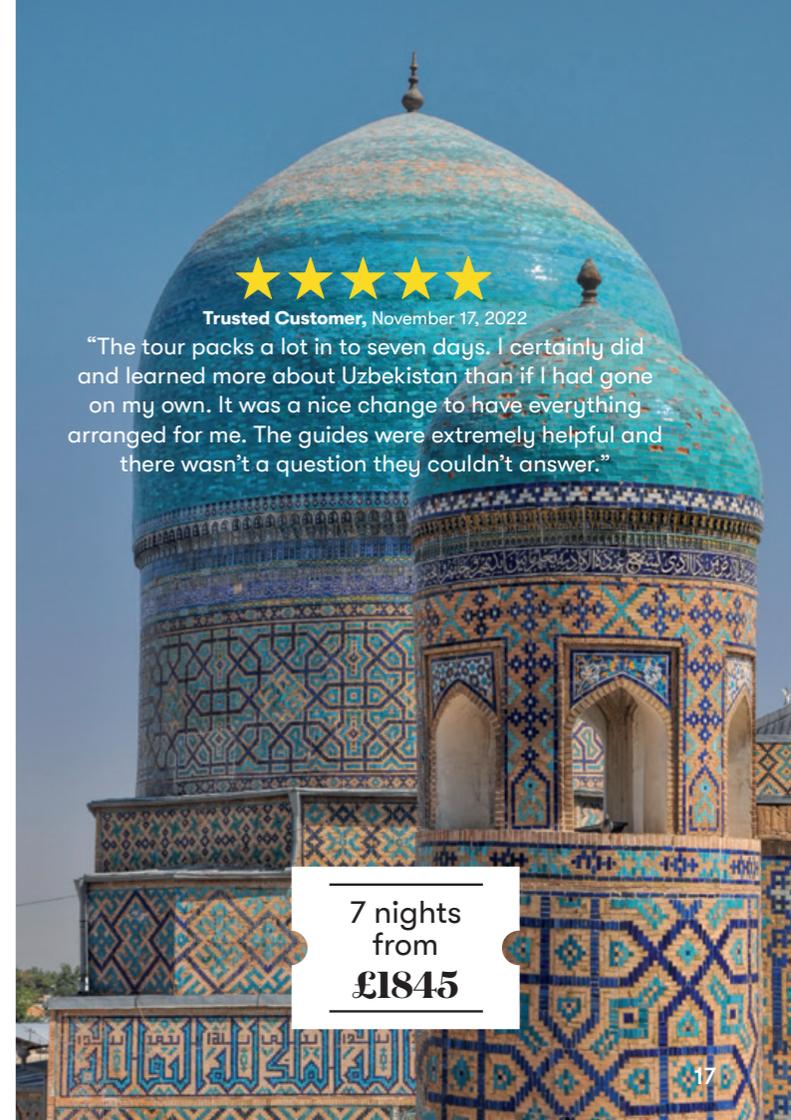
Air travel and taxes, transfers, 6 nights’ accommodation, breakfast daily, 2 lunches and 12 dinners, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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Trusted Customer, November 17, 2022

“The tour packs a lot in to seven days. I certainly did and learned more about Uzbekistan than if I had gone on my own. It was a nice change to have everything arranged for me. The guides were extremely helpful and there wasn’t a question they couldn’t answer.”



7 nights from **£1845**



Mr Christopher Sparrow, April 5, 2023

“Amazing tour of major sights of Northern India. Well organised with a great local tour guide who knew all the ropes. Great experiences - from tiger-spotting to exhilarating tuk-tuk rides. Superb palaces and hill forts explored. Very decent hotels. Amazing food. Great shopping.”

13 nights
from
£1995

HIGHLIGHTS OF NORTHERN INDIA

A mesmerising mix of northern India’s most iconic places, from Agra’s Taj Mahal to lakeside palaces in Udaipur, the Blue City of Jodhpur, rose-pink Jaipur, and the wildlife of Ranthambore National Park. Encapsulating the colour, character and charisma of northern India’s sights and cities, and adding the chance to track the tigers of Ranthambore reserve, this is an excellent introduction to the landmarks, lifestyles, and dizzying diversity of this remarkable region.



Overview

Flight - 1 night, Delhi - 1 night
Agra - 2 nights
Ranthambore NP - 2 nights
Kota - 1 night, Udaipur - 2 nights,
Jodhpur - 1 night, Jaipur - 2 nights
Gurgaon - 1 night

Our Highlights

Visit 5 UNESCO Sites
The Taj Mahal
Agra Red Fort
Lake Pichola

Solo Group Departures

No Single Supplement
(limited dates/availability)

What’s Included

Air travel and taxes, transfers, 12 nights’ accommodation, breakfast daily, 2 lunches and 12 dinners, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF VIETNAM & CAMBODIA

This is an exceptional value tour including the magnificent Angkor temples of the ancient Khmer capital and Vietnam’s contrasting great cities of Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City. Discover Vietnam’s premier cities of Hanoi in the north where you will find colonial buildings, temples, pagodas, and historic monuments and Ho Chi Minh City in the south with its wide open boulevards and a truly French feel, together with Asia’s most famous temple site of Angkor at Siem Reap in Cambodia.



Overview

Flight - 1 night
Hanoi - 1 night
Siem Reap - 3 nights
Ho Chi Minh City - 2 nights
Flight - 1 night

Our Highlights

UNESCO Site: Angkor Wat
Hanoi City Tour
One Pillar Pagoda
War Remnants Museum

What’s Included

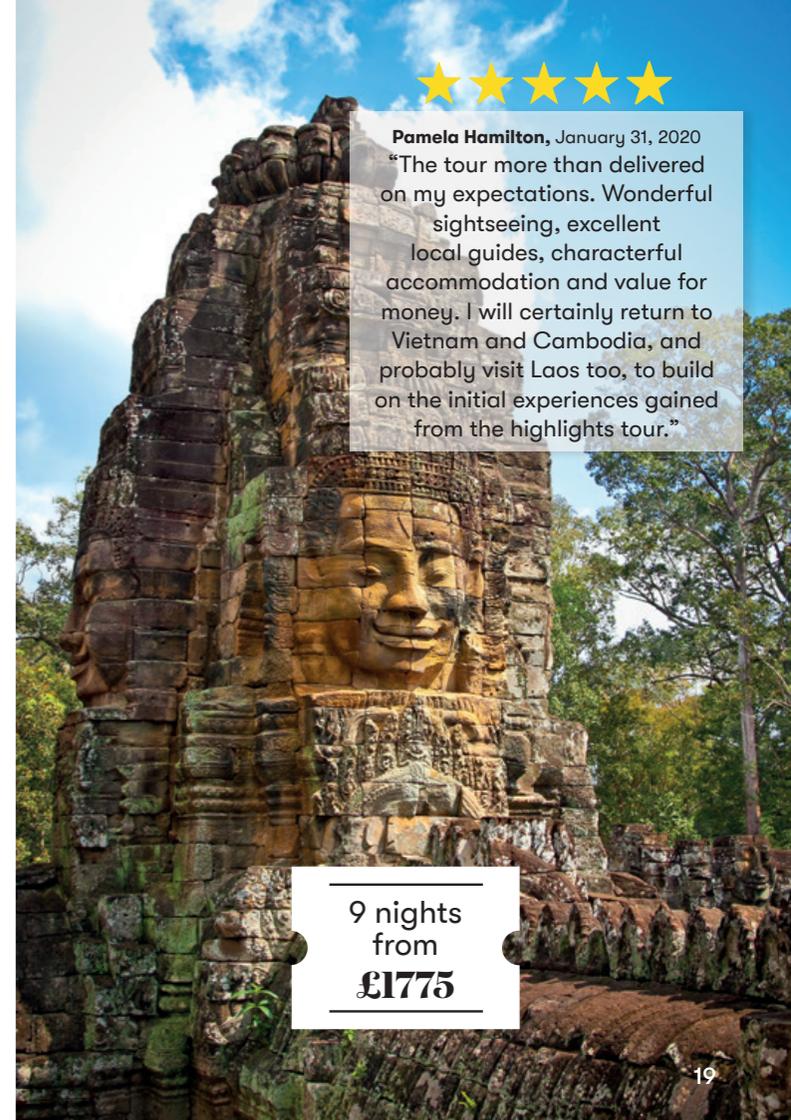
Air travel and taxes, transfers, 6 nights’ accommodation, breakfast daily, 1 dinner, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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Pamela Hamilton, January 31, 2020

“The tour more than delivered on my expectations. Wonderful sightseeing, excellent local guides, characterful accommodation and value for money. I will certainly return to Vietnam and Cambodia, and probably visit Laos too, to build on the initial experiences gained from the highlights tour.”



9 nights
from
£1775



Stephen Firman, February 22, 2023
“Wonderful service. Very friendly,
helpful and efficient.”

Secret Gems

Our Secrets range of small group tours offers the opportunity to explore the unexplored!

Rather than concentrating on well-known sights and cities, these unique itineraries are carefully curated to acquaint you with the hidden corners of your chosen destination. We've tapped into the unrivalled expertise of our local guides and contacts, persuading them to share their knowledge and let us in on some of their best-kept secret recommendations. Here you'll find authentic places, meet authentic people, and enjoy authentic experiences.

If we do pass significant sights en route, we have endeavoured to present them from a different angle, offering a fresh view, greater understanding, and longer lasting memories.

Our Secrets tours are perfect if you're returning to a destination and keen to cover new ground, or for the discerning traveller who prefers to do things a little differently.

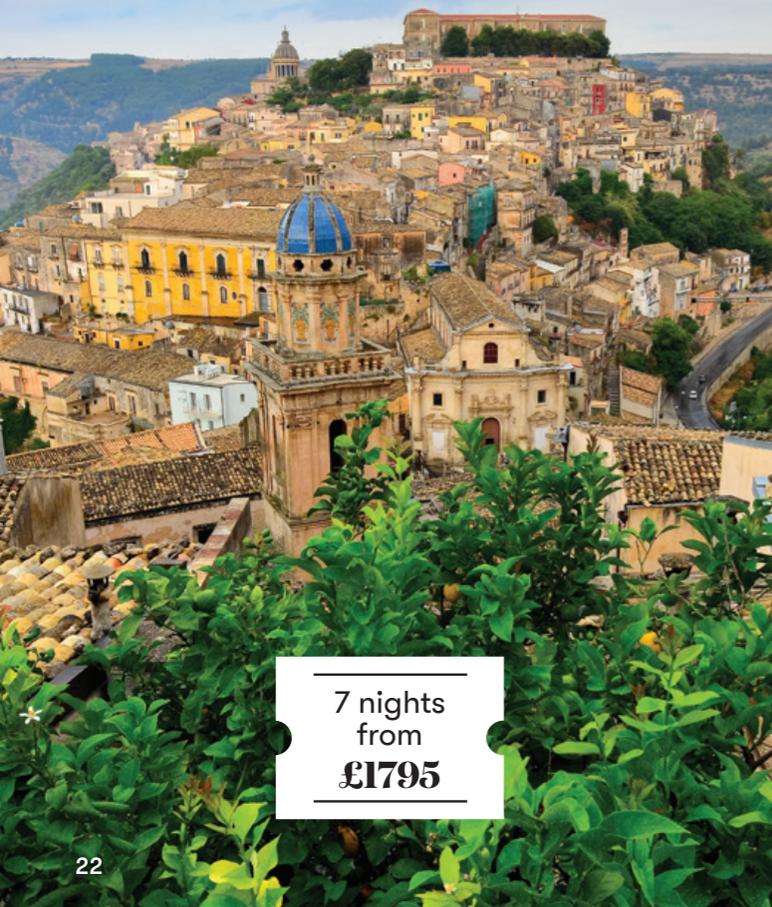
From Sicily to the Balkans, or the Indian Himalayas, Jules Verne has a range of little secrets that we are keen to let you in on.





Mrs Cecily Douglas, November 3, 2022

“Excellent itinerary, outstanding guide, good gastronomic experience.”



7 nights from **£1795**

SECRET SICILY

A very varied journey through Sicily’s less-visited sites, this tour reveals the hidden gems of cultural heritage and contrasting landscapes, from Aeolian Islands to ostentatious Baroque towns, and from fishing villages to the fictional world of Inspector Montalbano. This is an entertaining insight into the natural, historic and intriguing sights, for a repeat traveller to Sicily. This tour takes you to places which are new to you but may seem familiar, as it fuses fact with fiction in film, TV, and literary locations.



Special Event

Sicily from the Inside
A private visit to Palazzo Fiorini; a tour of the ‘Circolo di Conversazione’ club, the Donnafugata theatre and private garden of Palazzo Arezzo-Bertini.

Overview

Catania - 1 night
Vulcano Island - 2 nights
Noto - 2 nights
Ragusa - 2 nights

Our Highlights

UNESCO Site: Noto
Godfather Village of Savoca
Palazzo Fiorini
Optional Cruise to Aeolian Islands

What’s Included

Air travel and taxes, transfers, 7 nights’ accommodation, breakfast daily, 1 lunch and 3 dinners, entrance fees, excursions, services of a guide and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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SECRET HIMALAYAN INDIA

Travelling to heritage hotels in hill station towns, and using small vehicles to take off at tangents to little-known temples and villages, this is a beguiling blend of cities, serenity, scenery and spirituality. A wonderfully scenic circling of the Himalayan foothills, through stunning landscapes, to famous cities, tiny towns, and almost forgotten temples, to reveal the reverence of the region’s three faiths, Hindu, Buddhist, and Sikh.



Special Events

Indian Ceremonies & Kangra Fort
Learn more about India at Aarti, Palki and Border ceremonies. Visit Kangra Fort, the oldest fort in the Himalayas and its museum.

Overview

Flight - 1 night
Delhi (1), Haridwar (2)
Mussoorie (2), Chandigarh (1)
Shimla (2), Kullu Valley (3)
Palampur (1), Dharamsala (2)
Pragpur (1), Amritsar (2)
Anandpur Sahib (1), Delhi (1)

Our Highlights

Visit 3 UNESCO Sites
Safari in Rajaji NP
Temple Walks
Zakir Rose Garden

Travel by ‘Toy Train’
Trek to Sajla Waterfall

What’s Included

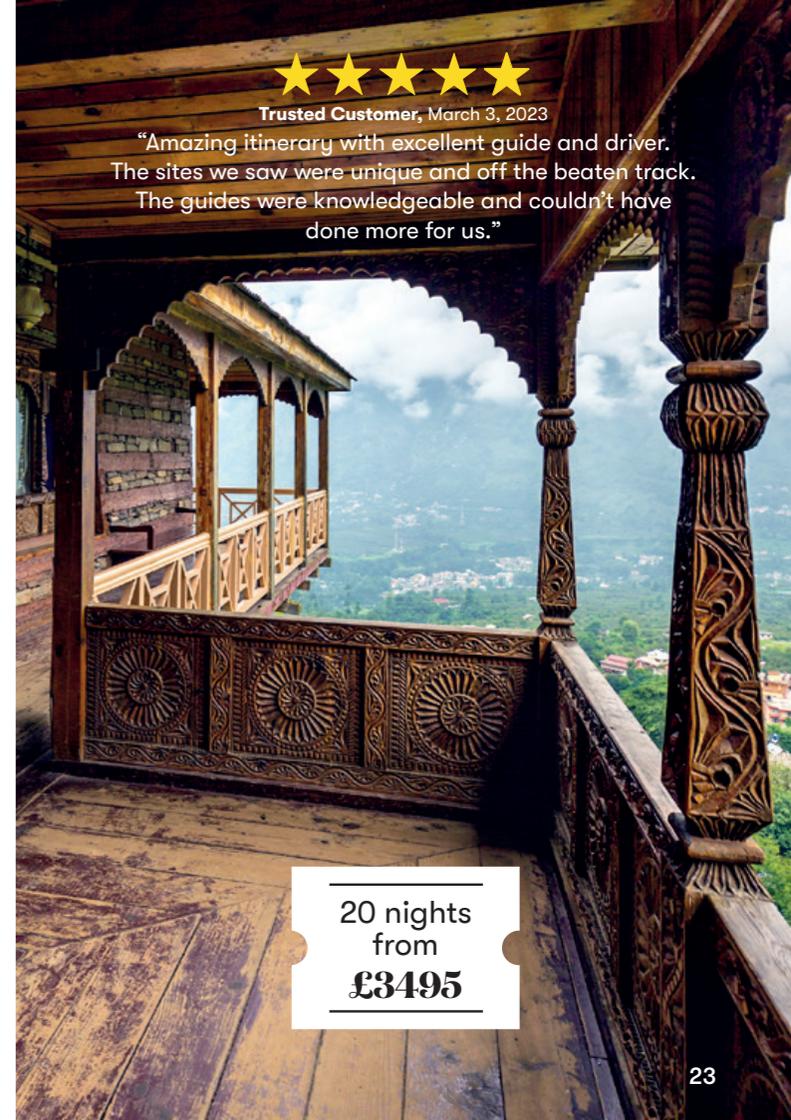
Air travel and taxes, transfers, 19 nights’ accommodation, breakfast daily, 2 lunches and 10 dinners, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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Trusted Customer, March 3, 2023

“Amazing itinerary with excellent guide and driver. The sites we saw were unique and off the beaten track. The guides were knowledgeable and couldn’t have done more for us.”



20 nights from **£3495**

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Trusted Customer, March 30, 2023

“Nothing more needed!
Easy to navigate your system
and to book and excellent
personal service.”



Grand Tours

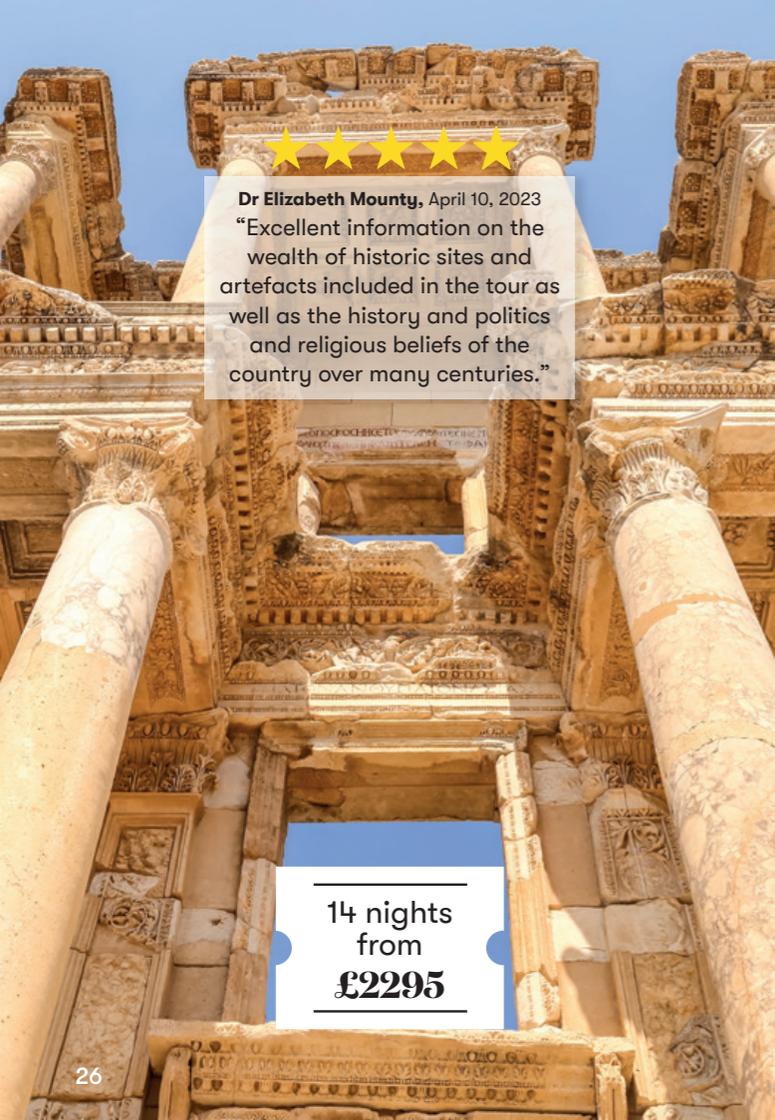
While you can often enjoy the flavour of a destination on a condensed tour, many countries demand a longer, more comprehensive visit to be fully appreciated.

Our Grand Tours offer the opportunity to cover far greater ground, exploring not only the famous sights but also plenty of less-visited locations that lie further away from the typical tourist trail. Moving from region to region, or crossing borders, you'll witness a fascinating diversity of landscapes, architecture, people, and religions.

In addition to seeing more, spending greater time in a destination inevitably provides a far deeper appreciation and understanding about the place and what makes it tick. These unique small group Grand Tours are accompanied by a highly experienced local guide, essentially your 'local insider' who'll be constantly on hand and eager to share the culture, ideology, and traditions of their beloved homeland.

Whether you're intrigued by an in-depth discovery of Morocco or Namibia, or a more ambitious exploration of an entire region like Indochina or South America, with Jules Verne you're guaranteed a truly Grand Tour!





Dr Elizabeth Mounty, April 10, 2023
 “Excellent information on the wealth of historic sites and artefacts included in the tour as well as the history and politics and religious beliefs of the country over many centuries.”

14 nights from
£2295

GRAND TOUR OF TURKEY

Journey through cities and centuries, via coasts, peaks and plateaus, a comprehensive tour from Istanbul, at ‘the bridge of continents’, to ancient sites, intriguing culture and ethereal landscapes. Time-travelling across more than two millennia, this tour visits every era of Turkey’s cultural heritage, from Trojan and Hittite to Greek and Persian, Roman, Byzantine and Ottoman. It circles from Istanbul’s mosques and palaces, along the Sea of Marmara’s shore and across the Dardanelles to Çanakkale.



Special Events

Rooftop Dinner & Pera Palas
 Enjoy a welcome drink at the famous ‘Orient-Express’ bar of the historic Pera Palas Hotel and a farewell rooftop dinner in Sultanahmet, with panoramic views.

Overview

Istanbul - 2 nights
 Çanakkale - 1 night
 Izmir - 1 night
 Kusadasi - 2 nights
 Pamukkale - 1 night
 Konya - 1 night
 Cappadocia - 2 nights
 Ankara - 1 night
 Bursa - 1 night
 Istanbul - 2 nights

Our Highlights

Visit 9 UNESCO Sites
 Bosphorus Cruise

Ruins of Ancient Troy
 Waterfalls of Pamukkale
 Topkapi Palace

Solo Group Departures
 No Single Supp. (ltd. dates/avail.)

What’s Included

Air travel and taxes, transfers, 14 nights’ accommodation, breakfast daily, 2 lunches and 12 dinners, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

GRAND TOUR OF NAMIBIA

This circling of Namibia takes you from the deserts and dunes of the Kalahari and Namib deserts through Fish River Canyon to the coast at Swakopmund and bountiful wildlife in Etosha reserve. One of the world’s least populated countries, with some of Africa’s most abundant wildlife; one of Africa’s youngest nations, with the world’s oldest rock art; Namibia offers extraordinary landscapes, heritage sites, and conservation ethos. This tour also reveals the many animal species of the Kalahari Desert.



Special Event

A Castle in Africa
 Enjoy traditional African friendliness with excellent European culinary art and a world-class wine cellar at a special dinner with wine at the castle Hotel Heinitzburg.

Overview

Flight - 1 night
 Windhoek - 1 night
 Kalahari area - 1 night
 Fish River Canyon - 2 nights
 Sossusvlei area - 2 nights
 Swakopmund - 2 nights
 Damaraland - 2 nights
 Etosha National Park - 3 nights
 Otijwarongo - 2 nights
 Flight - 1 night

Our Highlights

UNESCO Sites: Fish River Canyon & Swakopmund

Kalahari Desert Nature Drive
 Desert ‘Braai’ (barbecue)
 Rhino Trekking
 Open Vehicle Game Drives
 4x4 Drive to Dune 45

What’s Included

Air travel and taxes, transfers, 15 nights’ accommodation, breakfast daily, 11 dinners, excursions, services of driver/guide and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.



Mrs Beverley Shears, February 9, 2023
 “Fantastic tour each day brought amazing new things. The country is spectacular and the wildlife amazing.”

17 nights from
£4995



Trusted Customer, March 13, 2020

“An excellent tour with a very nice bunch of people, It really does cover the key highlights of Indochina and the organization and accommodation were very good. Quite a lot was packed into each day so this is very much a trip for those who want to explore - rather than rest (though there was time to swim in the very nice hotel pools most days). Vietnam Airlines were very good with comfortable seats in economy and nice food on long haul flights.”

GRAND TOUR OF INDOCHINA

See old Saigon, cruise on the Mekong River and Ha Long Bay, tour temples in Hue, Hoi An, Hanoi and Angkor and explore the luxurious landscapes of Laos. Ho Chi Minh City is an astonishing transformation of Saigon, an amalgam of past and present. Ha Long Bay is spangled with hundreds of islands; and Hanoi is as lovely as it is historic. Luang Prabang is filled with long-hidden temples; while Cambodia teams the world's largest religious complex with a mix of sumptuous and sombre monuments.



Special Event

Baci Ceremony, Apsara Dance and Cruises

Enjoy a medley of cruises, attend a traditional Baci ceremony and Ballet performance and an Apsara Dance, dinner and show.

Overview

Flight - 1 night
Hanoi - 2 nights
Ha Long Bay - 2 nights
Hoi An - 2 nights
Hue - 2 nights
Ho Chi Minh City - 3 nights
Phnom Penh - 2 nights
Siem Reap - 3 nights
Luang Prabang - 3 nights
Flight - 1 night

Our Highlights

Visit 6 UNESCO Sites
Cu Chi Tunnels

Ha Long Bay Cruise

Angkor Temple Complex
Choeung Ek Killing Fields

No Single Supplement
(limited dates/availability)

What's Included

Air travel and taxes, transfers, 19 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, 6 lunches and 5 dinners, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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GRAND TOUR OF SOUTH AMERICA

A discovery of five countries, and a journey of a lifetime, this tour is a grand adventure. Our discovery begins in vibrant Lima; followed by the historic relics in the Sacred Valley; mystical Machu Picchu and Cuzco. We enter Bolivia at Lake Titicaca and visit colourful La Paz, followed by two capitals; elegant Buenos Aires and famously friendly Montevideo. In Brazil, Rio de Janeiro has a lot to live up to, but this Sugarloaf city rises to the challenge.



Special Event

Dinner & Tango Show

Enjoy a tasting menu with Uruguayan wines and witness at close quarters the passion and the power of the tango dance.

Overview

Lima - 1 night
Sacred Valley - (2)
Cuzco - (2), Puno - (1)
La Paz - (2)
Buenos Aires - (2)
Montevideo - (2)
Buenos Aires - (1)
Iguassu - (2)
Rio de Janeiro - (2)
Flight - (1)

Our Highlights

Visit 6 UNESCO Sites
Machu Picchu

Catamaran Cruise

Iguassu Falls
Moon Valley
Sugarloaf Mountain Cable-Car

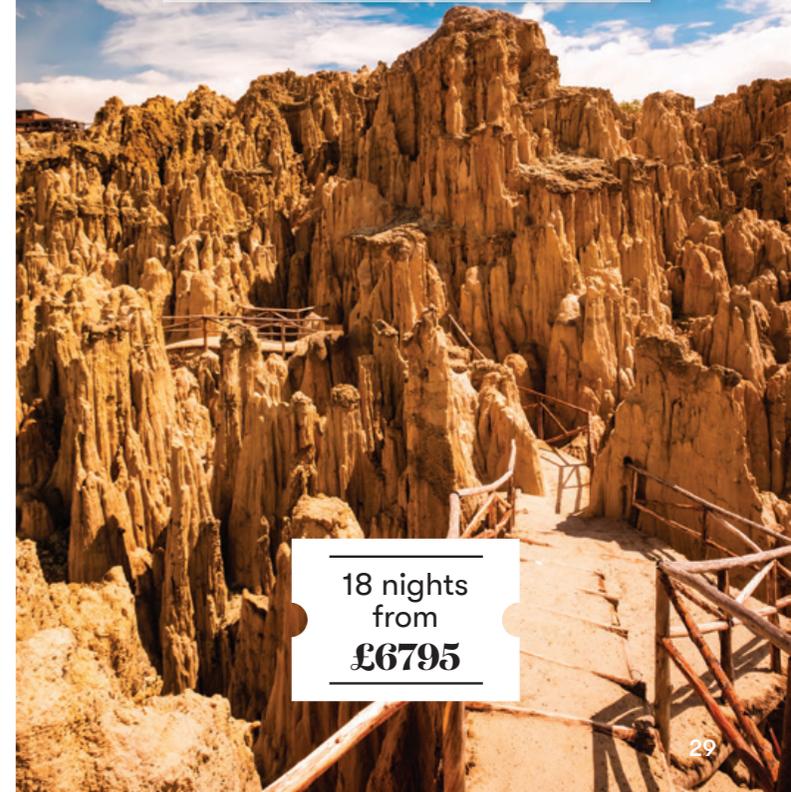
What's Included

Air travel and taxes, transfers, 17 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, 4 lunches and 1 dinner, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.



Trusted Customer, October 24, 2022

“Very well organised, tight schedule, it all went as planned, small group, good time keeping, every day was different with new experiences, most of the guides very good and looked after is well. Not for the feeble hearted. Very good value for money.”



18 nights
from
£6795

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Trusted Customer, January 23, 2023
“Excellent! As always the service was outstanding, well informed, efficient... mind you after 40 years of travelling with you I am not surprised.”

Great Journeys

Inspired by our 45-year heritage, this inspiring range of Great Journeys luxury tours rekindle the intrepid spirit of the original Jules Verne adventures.

For centuries explorers have crossed far horizons in search of distant shores on epic journeys, but vast improvements in modern transport have made travel more straightforward, and at times the world can feel like a smaller place. But there is still so much to be discovered. Our unabating wanderlust continues to unearth some very special corners of the globe. Unique places that perfectly personify the ethos of our Great Journeys.

Our range of hand-crafted itineraries delve deeper into extraordinary destinations through meaningful experiences and authentic connections with the people, wildlife, cultural treasures, and natural wonders that all contribute to form this fabulous planet of ours.

Venture into the ancient heart of Japan's Land of the Samurai, explore The Lost World of Madagascar, or embark on an intrepid journey inside the Kingdoms of Arabia. We invite you to join one of our small luxury groups on a Great Journey of discovery and see the world through our adventurous eyes.





MUGHALS, MYSTICS & MOUNTAINS

Discover all that Northern Pakistan has to offer on this amazing journey, from an astonishing mix of traditional cultures to awe-inspiring untouched natural beauty: home to ancient civilisations, imbued with the mysticism of the Sufi tradition, its history encompasses the armies of Alexander the Great, the Mughal Empire and the British Raj. Travel on the Karakoram Highway to the old kingdom of Hunza, where Three Empires meet, and which Eric Shipton regarded “the epitome of mountain grandeur”.



Overview

Flight - 1 night
Lahore - (3)
Islamabad - (2)
Khaplu - (2), Shigar - (2)
Hunza Valley - (3)
Gilgit - (1), Islamabad - (2)

Our Highlights

Visit 5 UNESCO Sites
Lahore Museum
Himalayan Salt Mine
Qawali Evening
Truck Painting
Polo Match

What's Included

Air travel and taxes, VIP return transfers*, 15 nights' in specially selected hotels, full board, excursions, services of expert local guides and representative. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

*On all of our Great Journeys, we provide a VIP chauffeur driven transfer for passengers living within a 70-mile radius of the point of departure.

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KINGDOMS OF ARABIA

Join us to discover this land of extreme contrast that has long been inaccessible to the western traveller. From the cosmopolitan cities of Jeddah with its Ottoman influences and the riches of Riyadh to the bustling camel markets, mud settlements and traditional stunning oasis. Discover incredible and remote heritage sites on old caravan routes, spectacular pre-historic rock art ranging from the 3rd millennium BC through the post-Classical period and Lawrence's Arabian Deserts.



Overview

Riyadh- 2 nights
Unaizah - 1 night
Hail - 2 nights
Al Ula - 2 nights
Medina - 1 night
Jeddah - 2 nights

Our Highlights

Visit 4 UNESCO Sites
Desert Safari
Mosque Visit with an Iman
Gallery Visit with Local Artisans
Lion Tombs of Dadan
Farewell Dinner

What's Included

Air travel and taxes, VIP return transfers*, 10 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, 9 lunches & 9 dinners, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

*On all of our Great Journeys, we provide a VIP chauffeur driven transfer for passengers living within a 70-mile radius of the point of departure.

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10 nights
from
£5695



Trusted Customer, February 26, 2023
"Have travelled often with Jules Verne over the years and always received excellent service."



Wildlife Encounters

Spotting some of the world's most incredible species in their natural habitat is an experience that will live with you forever.

A Jules Verne Wildlife Tour offers you front row seats to some of nature's most dramatic shows. From India's Bengal tigers to Uganda's silverback gorillas, Borneo's orangutans to Arctic polar bears and Chobe's vast elephant herds. Whichever breed of wildlife you're fascinated by, our aim is to get you up close and personal.

As well as extensive viewing and photographic opportunities, our specialist tours also offer the chance to learn about

the behaviour of the wildlife, as well as the equally fascinating environments they inhabit. Expert local wildlife guides are on hand and eager to share their extensive knowledge and passion, built over years dedicated to studying their wild neighbours.

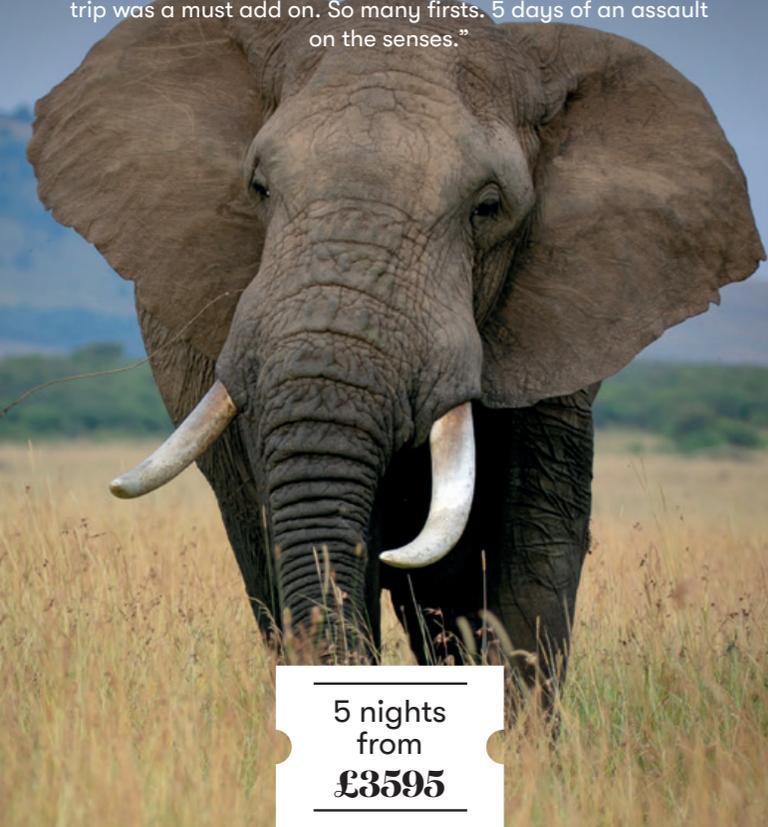
While we are known for our small group tours, many of our wildlife itineraries offer a 'smaller' group experience, designed to offer improved comfort levels during game drives and the absolute best opportunity to maximise your wildlife viewing. Join us for your next wildlife adventure.





Jonathan Bodenham, March 25, 2022

“It was truly one of my most memorable experiences, made by the wonderful staff and guides in particular. The balloon trip was a must add on. So many firsts. 5 days of an assault on the senses.”



5 nights
from
£3595

WILD MASAI MARA

There is nowhere better to answer the call of the wild than the renowned Masai Mara, and the iconic Governors' Camp, its riverside setting superb for scenery and safari. For fifty years, Governors' has been pioneering safaris and setting the standard for tented camps. The original Governors' Camp was the first permanent tented camp in the Masai Mara. Nestled in the forest by the banks of the Mara River, it occupies the best spot for year-round wildlife watching.



Overview

Nairobi - 1 night
Masai Mara - 4 nights
Flight - 1 night

Our Highlights

Luxury Lodge
Game Drives in the Big Five Reserve
Optional Balloon Ride over the Mara
Farewell dinner at 'Carnivore Restaurant'

Solo Group Departures

No Single Supp. (ltd. dates/avail.)

What's Included

Air travel and taxes, park entry fees, transfers, 5 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, 5 lunches and 5 dinners, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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VICTORIA FALLS TO THE OKAVANGO

From the widest cascade of water on Earth, Zimbabwe's Victoria Falls; to the pools, pans, and plains of Botswana's Okavango Delta; and mahogany forests of Chobe National Park. This brilliant tour is bookended by one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World, the Victoria Falls, where 600 million litres of water per-minute crash over the Zambezi cataract. From here we drive to Botswana's Chobe National Park, home to the world's largest population of elephants.



Overview

Flight - 1 night
Victoria Falls - 2 nights
Chobe NP - 3 nights
Okavango Delta - 3 nights
Victoria Falls - 1 night
Flight - 1 night

Our Highlights

5-star Historic Hotel
Guided Walk of the Falls
Sunset Zambezi River Cruise
Chobe NP Game Drives

'Mokoro' Game Viewing

Solo Group Departure
No Single Supp. (ltd. dates/avail.)

What's Included

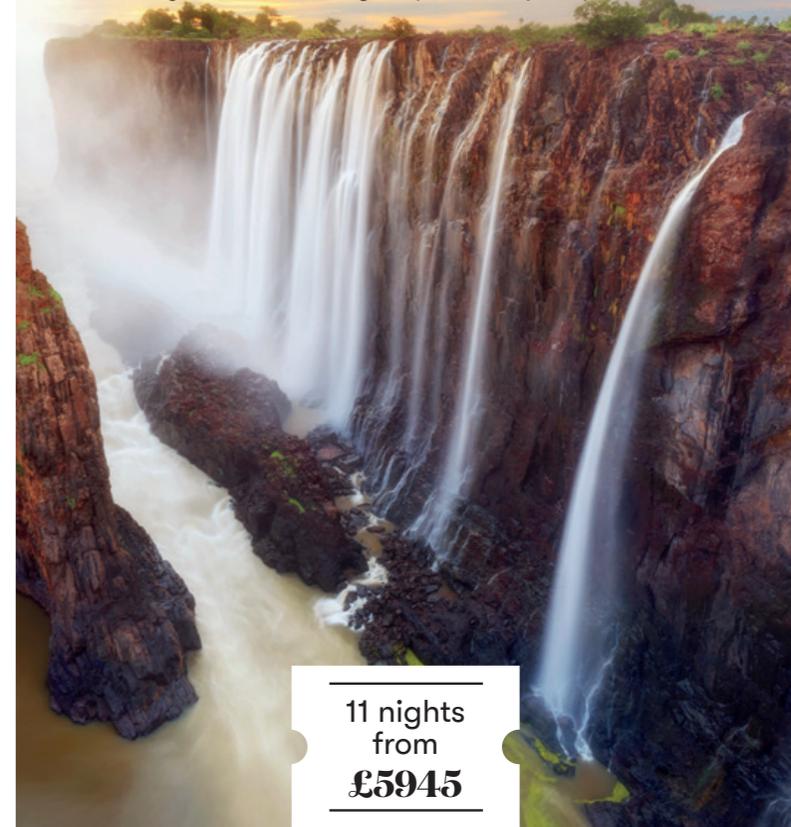
Air travel and taxes, transfers, 9 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, 6 lunches and 6 dinners, park fees, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated air-fares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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Trusted Customer, January 30, 2023

“The Victoria Falls Hotel and the whole experience of the Falls was excellent. I found Botswana to be a warm and friendly country and the Okavango in particular just spectacular.”



11 nights
from
£5945



Mr Charles Barber, March 5, 2023

“The best holiday I have had. It more than met my expectations in every department.”

12 nights from **£3645**

WILD BORNEO

Enchanting and exciting, Malaysian Borneo is a montage of mountain ranges, misted rivers, and mystical rainforests, with birdlife, bat colonies, pygmy elephants, sun bears, and orangutans. Begin in the Sarawak city of Kuching, with riverfront parks and dragon-clad temples. Discover Sabah with untamed topography of Sandakan, home to herds of pygmy elephants and many monkey species. Kuala Lumpur marks journey's end with Malay mosques, Chinese temples, and soaring towers.



Overview

Flight - 1 night
Kuching - 2 nights
Mulu - 2 nights
Kota Kinabalu - 2 nights
Sukau - 2 nights
Sepilok - 1 night
Kuala Lumpur - 1 night
Flight - 1 night

Our Highlights

UNESCO Site: Mulu
Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre
Mulu Canopy Skywalk

Mari Mari Cultural Village Tour
Kinabatangan River Wildlife Cruise

What's Included

Air travel and taxes (excluding Malaysian departure tax, approx. £4), transfers, 10 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, 4 lunches and 8 dinners, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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CENTRAL AMERICA'S GARDEN OF EDEN

A masterpiece of nature, Costa Rica is a wild kaleidoscope of colour, from coast to coast, from the dazzling plumage of tropical birds to the dizzying heights of cloud forest canopies, from brooding volcanoes to starlight vigils on the beaches of green sea turtles, and from tangled jungles to the cultivated acres of coffee, cacao, and cardamom plantations. Enjoy canopy walks in cloud forests, sharing the treetops with Costa Rica's quetzals and bathe in hot springs in the foothills of the Arenal Volcano.



Special Event

Caribbean cocktail & Cookery Class
Enjoy a Caribbean cocktail at the Evergreen Lodge, with snacks, and a cookery class at La Quinta de Sarapiquí.

Overview

San José - 2 nights
Tortuguero - 2 nights
Sarapiquí - 2 nights
Arenal - 1 night
Monteverde - 2 nights
Carara area - 1 night
Flight - 1 night

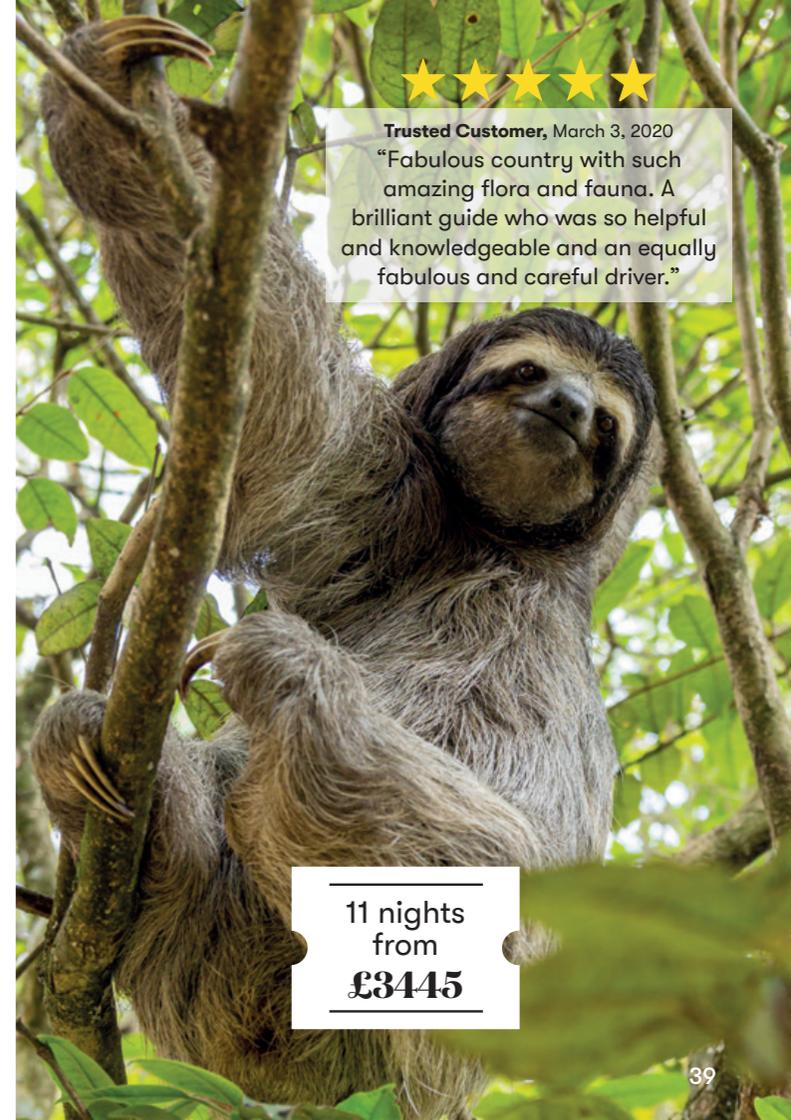
Our Highlights

Eco-friendly Accommodation
Sea Turtle Conservancy Museum
Braulio Carrillo National Park
Naturalist Guided Wildlife Walks
Bird Watchers Tour also Available

What's Included

Air travel and UK departure taxes, transfers, 10 nights' accommodation in 3 or 4-star hotels and lodges, breakfast daily, 3 lunches and 3 dinners, excursions, services of a naturalist guide and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

11 nights from **£3445**



Trusted Customer, March 3, 2020

“Fabulous country with such amazing flora and fauna. A brilliant guide who was so helpful and knowledgeable and an equally fabulous and careful driver.”

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Unpack & Explore

If you're looking for a group experience but find the idea of moving from place to place a little too hectic, then our Unpack & Explore holidays are an ideal choice.

You'll stay at the same carefully chosen hotel for the full duration of your trip, ranging from three to nine nights. This allows you the luxury to properly unpack, settle into your 'home from home' and enjoy a traditional warm welcome. Less time travelling means more time to unwind, delve deeper into your destination and really getting to know the area.

Our Unpack & Explore holidays offer comprehensive sightseeing programmes, with experienced local guides, as well as additional optional excursions for those keen to explore further. This allows you to choose the pace of your holiday from day to day. So whether you want to make the most of the lake-front location of the Grand Hotel on Lake Como, or prefer to explore the Atlas Mountains during your time at The VJV Riad, we are sure you'll find a location that suits you perfectly!



Trusted Customer, March 28, 2023
"Prompt, efficient and helpful service."



Trusted Customer, September 18, 2022

“Outstanding in every way. I could not fault my experience and immediately booked another trip with Jules Verne. The Grand Hotel at Menaggio passed the 3 tests: location, location, location. Plus superb staff and enjoyable tours.”

7 nights from **£1225**

GRAND HOTEL ON LAKE COMO

Enjoy the timeless elegance of Lake Como, where flower-filled gardens and pastel-painted villages punctuate the shore, set against the stunning backdrop of the Southern Alps. Rugged peaks rise around its northern reaches, with softer southern landscapes of forested slopes framing charming towns with their toes in the water. Scenic and central for exploration; Menaggio is sprinkled with cafés and boutiques; and regular ferries team practical transport with picturesque views.



Special Events

Cruises on Lake Como
Enjoy an afternoon cruise on the lake by private launch, to visit Villa Carlotta and gardens. Enjoy a drink at the historic Grand Hotel Cadenabbia overlooking the lake.

Overview

Lake Como - 7 nights

Our Highlights

Historical Hotel
Villa del Balbianello Guided Tour
Popular Unpack & Explore Holiday
Close to Main Town and Square
Enticing Optional Excursions

Solo Group Departures

What's Included

Air travel and taxes, transfers, 7 nights' accommodation at the 4-star Grand Hotel Menaggio, breakfast daily, some excursions, services of local representatives and guides. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

ISLAND OF RHODES

On this relaxing and revealing tour, a blissfully beautiful acropolis, a Doric city-state, a hilltop church in a deserted monastery, and a sail to beguiling Symi, complement the castle citadel of the crusader Knights of St. John, forming the fabulous Old Town of Rhodes. The largest island of the Dodecanese chain, Rhodes is renowned for its ancient, medieval and Ottoman monuments. With free time for independent exploration, this journey through the centuries takes you to the landmarks and museums of Rhodes town.



Overview

Rhodes (7 nights - 2023; 6 nights - 2024)

Our Highlights

UNESCO Site: City of Rhodes
Walking Tour of the Old Town
Kallithea Springs
Byzantine Museum
Commonwealth War Cemetery
Local Mezze Lunch with Wine

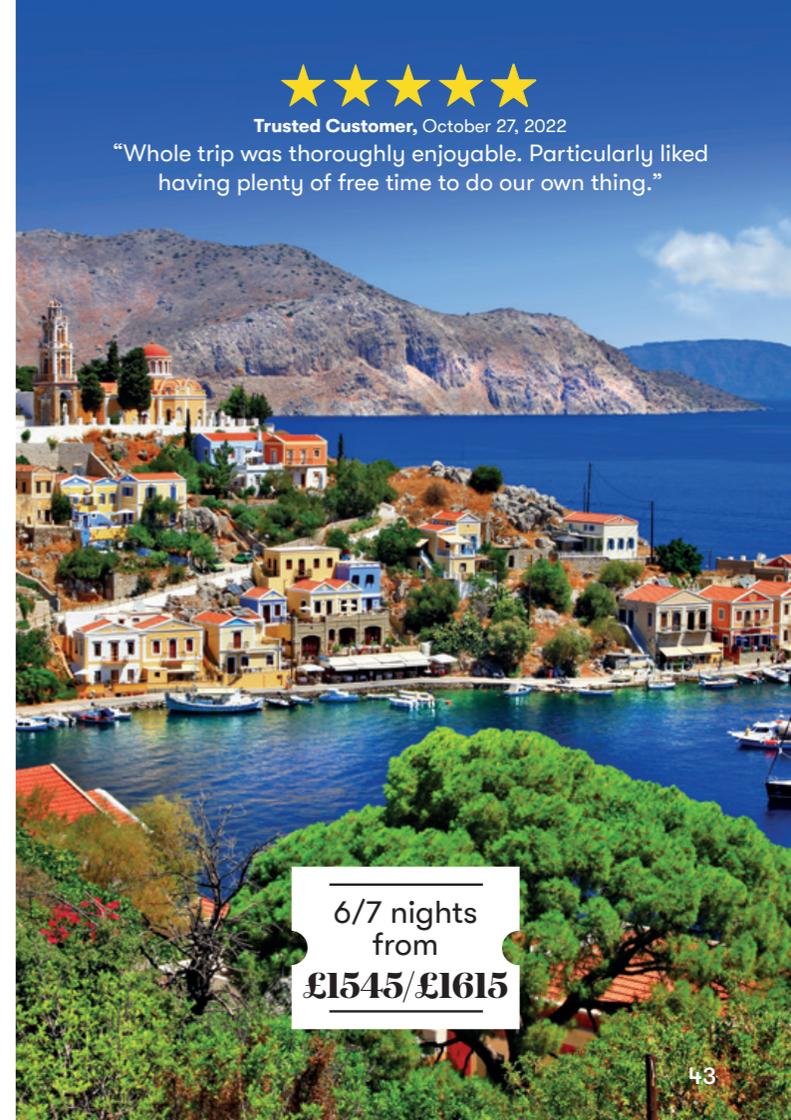
What's Included

Air travel and taxes, transfers, 6/7 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, 1 lunch, excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.



Trusted Customer, October 27, 2022

“Whole trip was thoroughly enjoyable. Particularly liked having plenty of free time to do our own thing.”



6/7 nights from **£1545/£1615**



Mrs Beverley Knijff, January 8, 2023
 “One of the best holidays I have had... perfect hotel and excursions. Excellent value for money and I will be booking again with Jules Verne.”



7 nights from
£1075

WINTER IN TIROL

A winter wonderland week in Austria, this tour is based in the typically Tirolean village of Obsteig, staying in a family-run hotel, and revealing the region’s character with a snowshoe walk, horse-drawn sleigh ride, and visits to Seefeld, Stams Abbey, and Innsbruck. Nestled amid rolling hills, with the Mieminger Mountains as a backdrop, Obsteig’s winter persona is a popular cross-country ski resort. With its roots in the 14th century, this traditional ‘village’ is actually a combination of fourteen scattered hamlets.



Special Event

Apple Strudel Baking
 Enjoy an afternoon getting involved with the production of the legendary Austrian apple strudel in the hotel kitchen. Tasting included!

Overview
 Obsteig - 7 nights

Our Highlights

Historic Hotel
 Horse-drawn Sleigh Ride
 Alpine Village of Seefeld
 Guided Winter Walks

No Single Supplement
(limited dates/availability)

What’s Included

Air travel and taxes, transfers, 7 nights’ accommodation, half board,



excursions, services of guides and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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THE VJV RIAD

Step into historic Marrakech with a stay at the traditional Angsana Riad Blanc inside the old medina in Marrakech. Riad Blanc has become a favourite for VJV guests, who are now its best customers. Riad Blanc is located in the medina close to Dar Si Said Museum and 10 minutes’ walk from Djemma el-Fna Square. In fact the spirit of Marrakech lies within the ‘VJV Riad’, in contrast to large hotels less conveniently located in the ‘Nouvelle Ville’.



Special Event

Riad Dinner
 Enjoy a Moroccan dinner at the rooftop or historic restaurant of the neighbouring Angsana Riad Si Said.

Overview
 Marrakech - 4 nights

Our Highlights

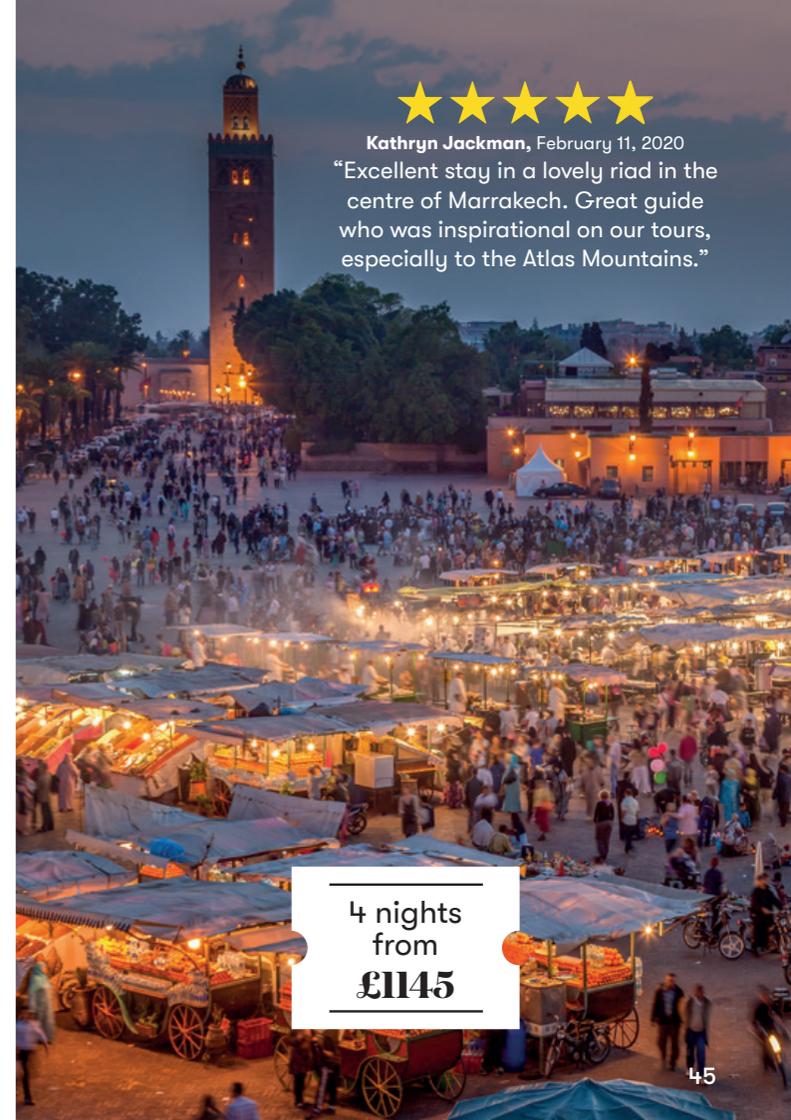
Authentic Riad
 UNESCO Site: Marrakech Medina
 Djemaa el-Fna Square
 Guided Walking Tours
 Jardin Majorelle
 YSL Museum

What’s Included

Air travel and taxes, transfers, 4 nights’ accommodation, breakfast daily, 1 lunch and 1 dinner, excursions, services of local guides and representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.



Kathryn Jackman, February 11, 2020
 “Excellent stay in a lovely riad in the centre of Marrakech. Great guide who was inspirational on our tours, especially to the Atlas Mountains.”



4 nights from
£1145

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Trusted Customer, February 1, 2023

“Great service. Recently made a telephone booking and the service was great, very friendly and helpful. Booking completed and all questions answered with no fuss.”



Cruises

Discover some of the world's most scenic rivers, canals and coastlines with our inspiring range of Jules Verne cruise holidays.

River, canal and coastal cruises are a wonderful way to travel allowing you to unwind and watch the ever-changing scenery that unfolds as you glide by. There's no better way to discover the treasures of each country, whilst travelling in style and comfort. The ability to unpack and settle in, without the repetitive necessities of hotel formalities, undoubtedly adds to the levels of relaxation.

Water based travel enables us to effortlessly combine fascinating sights, towns and cities, in a way that may not be feasible by land. Our use of small vessels offers even greater flexibility, with the option to access smaller waterways and discover the hidden gems that larger boat cruises may be forced to miss. Smaller group sizes also promote a friendly, intimate atmosphere, with expert talks about the local history, culture, or wildlife adding to the positive dynamic on many of our river cruises.

By boat or by barge, historic steamship or expedition vessel, we have the ideal cruise whatever your preference and budget.





Mrs Clare Kemp, September 9, 2022

“Worth every one of the 5 stars. The boat was immaculate, well equipped and extremely comfortable. The staff were amazing - nothing was too much trouble for them and our tour guide from the UK was so knowledgeable, approachable and helpful.”



6 nights
from
£2595

PÉNICHE PROVENÇALE

An unhurried antidote to the pace of modern life, this canal cruise takes the train to Avignon, and sails from Arles to the Canal du Rhône à Sète, medieval Aigues-Mortes, the Camargue wilderness, and Étang de Thau. Small vessels are a big advantage on the slow-motion waterways of southern France, and the MS Péniche Anne-Marie is a beautiful blend of comfort and convenience. The barge has ten air-conditioned cabins, an elegant dining room, lounge bar, sun terrace with jacuzzi, and bicycles for guests' use.



Overview

Avignon / Arles (Day 1),
Gallician (2)
Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer /
Aigues-Mortes (3)
Palavas les Flots (4), Sète (5)
Etang de Thau (6)
Avignon / Return Journey (7)

Our Highlights

Welcome Drinks Party
Pont du Gard
Oyster Farm Visit & Tasting
Camargue Natural Park
Farewell Gala Dinner

What's Included

Rail travel, all port charges, transfers,
6-night cruise, full board and drinks
on cruise vessel, excursions, local
expert guides and representatives. If
our specially negotiated rail fares are
unavailable at the time of booking,
a supplement may apply.



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ROYAL BARGE ON THE DOURO



Mrs Alexandra Hanratty, October 25, 2022

“I absolutely loved this cruise! It was smooth, the crew were kind, helpful and made us feel incredibly welcome. The food was amazing. It was a trip of a lifetime!”

Sailing up and down the Douro is always enchanting, but few cruises compare with Jules Verne's Royal Barge experience. The MV Spirit of Chartwell carried Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip in the Diamond Jubilee Pageant on the Thames in 2012. Now this elegant and sophisticated little ship carries a maximum of just thirty guests along the Douro, its sun deck a perfect viewing platform for the river's remarkable scenery and ever-changing landscapes, from mountain scenery to ocean shore.



Special Event

Quinta Dinner & Tastings

Enjoy port tastings and a traditional Portuguese dinner at the Quinta da Aversada, an ancient site producing Douro wines in the vineyard village of Favaios.

Overview

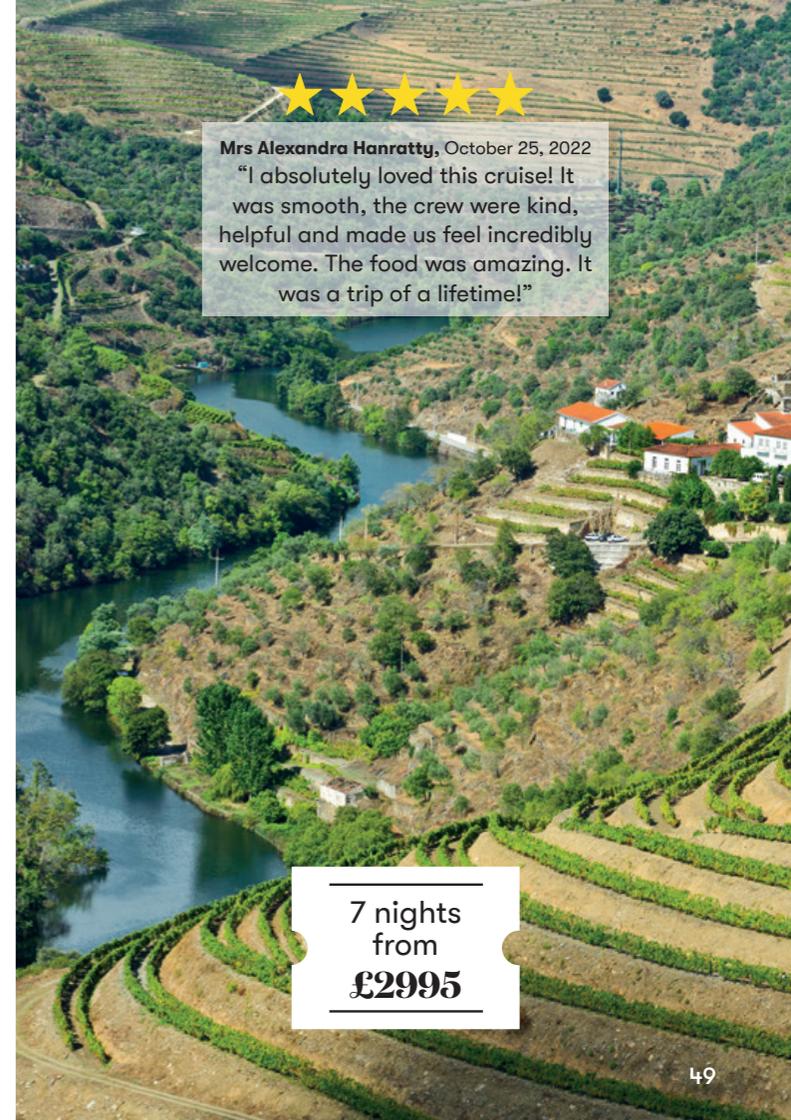
Porto (Day 1)
Entre-os-Rios (2)
Pinhão (3)
Barca d'Alva (4 – 5)
Régua (6), Porto (7)
Return Flight (8)

Our Highlights

UNESCO Site: Douro Valley
Historic Small Ship
Passing Four Dams
Porto City Tour
Mateus Manor House
Wine & Port Tastings

What's Included

Air travel and taxes, port charges,
transfers, 7-night cruise, full board on
cruise vessel, complimentary tea/coffee
on board, drinks at dinner, excursions,
local expert guides and representatives.
If our specially negotiated airfares are
unavailable at the time of booking,
a supplement may apply.



7 nights
from
£2995

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Trusted Customer, December 7, 2022

“It was an excellent adventure to parts of Egypt we had not been to before. The boat and the crew were excellent.”

10 nights from **£3995**

THE ORIGINAL NILE CRUISE

Return to Egypt for the classic long cruise sailing into the desert from Cairo to ancient Thebes visiting the Pyramids and rarely explored temples and tombs with a specialist guide. This cruise follows in the footsteps of Napoleon’s savants, Champollion who uncovered the secrets of the hieroglyphs and the 19th-century British travellers. Colourful scenes embellish less-visited tombs in the desert at Tuna el-Gebel, the cliffs at Beni Hassan, the temples at Abydos, necropolis of the pharaohs and Greco-Roman Denderah.



Special Events

Cocktail Reception & Luxor Temple by Night

A private cocktail reception at the Victorian Lounge in the Old Winter Palace. Enjoy a memorable visit to the illuminated Luxor Temple.

Overview

Cairo (Days 1 & 2)
Pyramids / Saqqara (3),
Beni Suef (4)
Minya (5), Beni Hassan (6)
Amarna / Asyut (7), Sohag (8)
El Balyana / Abydos / Qena (9)
Denderah / Luxor (10)
Return Flight (11)

Our Highlights

Visit 3 UNESCO Sites
Pyramids and Sphinx
Grand Egyptian Museum
On Board Lectures

Temple of Hathor at Denderah
Egyptian Wine Tasting

No Single Supplement
(limited dates/availability)

What’s Included

Air travel and taxes, all port charges, transfers, 10-night cruise, full board on cruise vessel, excursions, Egyptian Tour Manager, Egyptologist and local representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

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THE ORIGINAL MEKONG CRUISE

An exotic cruise on the Mekong River and Tonle Sap Lake, this journey teams city sights, with rural riverbank towns, remote, romantic pagodas, rarely-visited villages, and Siem Reap. A leisurely journey, on a river cruise, this tour begins and ends in famous places, the French colonial sights of Saigon/Ho Chi Minh City; and the fabled Khmer temples of ancient Angkor. Specifically designed to sail through shallow waters, the RV Indochine makes it possible to visit unsung outposts, travelling in comfort and style.



Overview

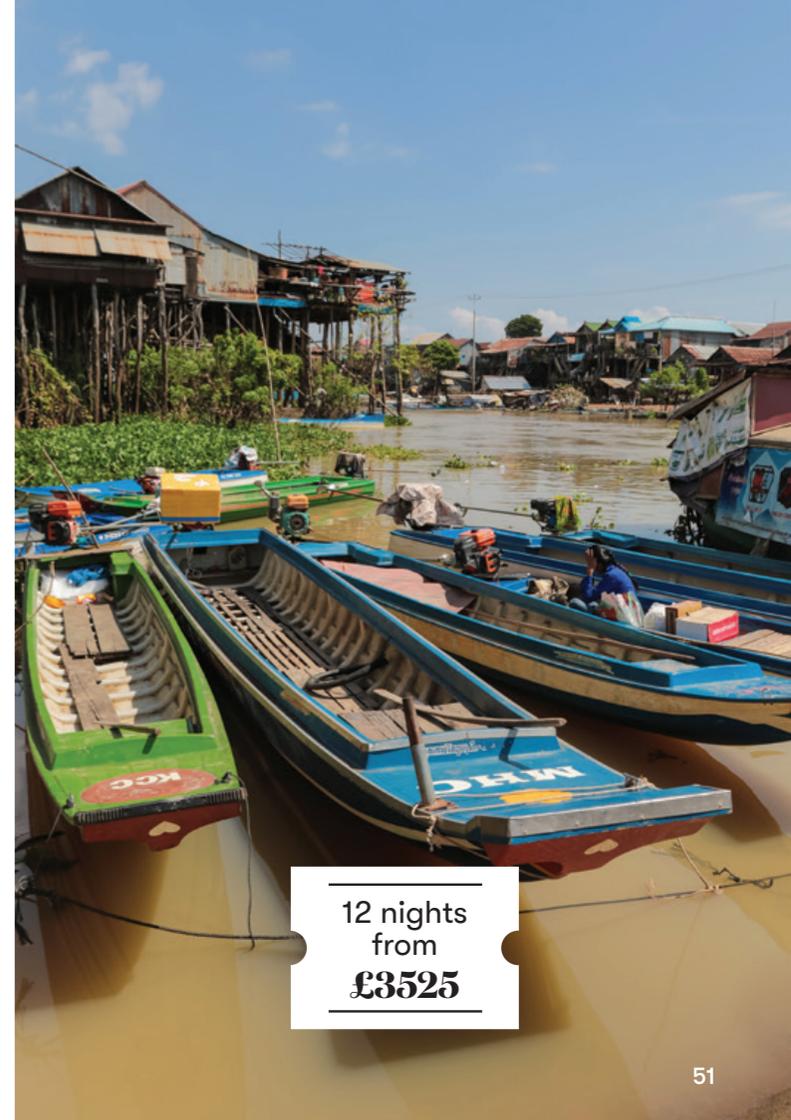
Flight (Day 1), Ho Chi Minh City (2)
Chao Gao (3), My Tho (4)
Sa Dec (5), Chau Doc (6)
Phnom Penh (7), Koh Chen (8)
Kampong Chhang (9),
Siem Reap (10-12)
Return Flight (13)

Our Highlights

Cu Chi Tunnels
Visit Local Mekong Villages
Angkor Temple Complex
Sail on Tonle Sap Lake
Apsara Dance Theatre Show

What’s Included

Air travel and taxes, port charges, transfers, 3 nights’ hotel, 8-night cruise, breakfast daily, 1 dinner, full board and drinks with meals (1 soft drink or 1 beer and 1 tea or coffee with each meal) on cruise, excursions, local guides and representatives. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.



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