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Trusted for over 25 YEARS

RIVER CRUISE & TOUR

CAMBODIA | CHINA | EGYPT | INDIA | JORDAN | VIETNAM
PLUS SMALL SHIP COASTAL CRUISING: GALAPAGOS | COSTA RICA

2027 & 2028



OUR AWARD-WINNING COLLECTION OF ESCORTED TOURS AND TAILORMADE HOLIDAYS
The winner of 'Best Long Haul Specialist Operator' 16 years running – Globe Travel Awards
The most prestigious accolade in the travel industry

WELCOME

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to our River Cruise & Tour Collection.

Cruising famous and historic rivers, or picturesque coastlines, you'll gain a new perspective on a destination. Passing through the heart of bustling cities or picturesque and peaceful countryside, you'll get authentic glimpses of local life too, while uncovering hidden gems far from the tourist trail. These journeys offer much more that just scenic views – they slow down the pace, give you time to relax and offer an immersive way to reach places that you would have to bypass when travelling by road.

For over two decades I've had the privilege of sharing the world's most wonderful nations with travellers from across the globe. Every journey we craft is designed with care, ensuring you experience the very heart and soul of each incredible destination. Each river cruise is seamlessly woven into one of these journeys, which are bursting with activities, experiences, and expert-guided sightseeing. Hand-in-hand with all the comforts of your river vessel, you'll enjoy all the benefits of a Wendy Wu tour – including flights, accommodation, meals, visas, and exceptional value for money.

Let us guide you on an unforgettable adventure – one that will inspire, enlighten, and leave you with memories to last a lifetime.



Wendy Wu
Founder, Wendy Wu Tours

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YEARS

WENDY WU TOURS

EXPERIENCE THE EXTRAORDINARY

Wendy Wu Tours is the UK's leading touring specialist, offering exceptional fully-inclusive tours to over 50 countries worldwide.

Our meticulously planned itineraries are fully escorted every step of the way and include everything you need for an unforgettable holiday.









We Take Care of Everything

We offer lots of inclusions on each and every tour, including your international flights, hotels, meals, guided touring, transportation, transfers – and even your visa. All you need to do is get to the airport!

Award-winning Service

Voted for by the public, our partners and respected travel experts, Wendy Wu Tours has been the recipient of over 40 major awards in our history including 'Best Long Haul Specialist Operator' 16 years running at the prestigious Globe Travel Awards.



Outstanding Tour Guides

Our National Escorts are the stars of the show. Born and raised in the country you are travelling in and accompanying you every step of the way, it is their unrivalled knowledge, passion and expertise that takes a Wendy Wu tour from excellent to extraordinary.



Authentic Experiences

All of our tours have fascinating cultural experiences included in the price. Be it learning a local craft, practicing an old tradition or dining with locals, you'll get under the skin of our destinations and their cultures and have great fun at the same time.



Fly from your Doorstep

Choose from quality airlines flying from your local airport. What's more, when you fly from London, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Newcastle, Manchester, Birmingham or Belfast, there's no flight supplement to pay!
See page 79 for details.

Your Loyalty Matters

Entry into Wendy's Loyalty Club, our generous reward program, opens the door to significant savings every time you book, plus exclusive offers and news updates before anyone else.
See page 82 for more details.

We Take Care of Everything

FULLY INCLUSIVE TOURING WITH WENDY WU TOURS

At Wendy Wu Tours we believe that everything you need to enjoy the holiday of a lifetime should be included in the price of your tour.

Take a look at what's included in all of our Classic Tours.

All Your Flights

All our tour prices include return international economy class flights from London, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Newcastle, Manchester, Birmingham or Belfast, and any domestic flights you may need whilst on tour. We can also help you with departures from regional airports, often for little or no extra cost.

We only work with reputable scheduled airlines and of course all your pre-paid taxes and luggage is included in the price. We believe that your flights are an essential part of your holiday experience, and so our carefully selected airlines offer the utmost comfort, allowing you to arrive relaxed, refreshed and raring to go.

All Your Meals

On our Classic tours, breakfast, lunch and dinner are included every day.

Whilst breakfasts tend to be a mixture of local eats and familiar dishes from home, when it comes to lunch and dinner, most of the time you'll be enjoying regional cuisine, often eating where the locals do.

We also include a select number of 'feature meals', so you get to taste the signature dishes of the region, whilst the rest of the time you'll eat a delicious range of your destination's best food.

All Your Accommodation

You can be safe in the knowledge that your accommodation has been selected to best suit the locations you'll visit.

Our Classic tours feature hand-picked four-star properties selected for their comfort, modern amenities and convenient location for sightseeing. We occasionally include a stay in three-star plus hotels or lodges where we feel the character of the property will enhance your tour.

Aboard your river cruise, you'll enjoy spacious, outward-facing cabins with private balconies, designed to provide comfort and stunning views throughout your journey.

All Your Guided Touring

On all of our group tours, you'll be accompanied throughout by one of our expert guides, known as a National Escort. Their dedication, personality, and sense of fun will immediately put you at ease and make you feel part of the family.

Depending on your journey, the National Escort may not always be on board the river cruise itself, but you'll be well looked after by the friendly and attentive crew and onboard guides throughout your time on the water, ensuring your comfort and enjoyment every step of the way.

All Your Immersive Experiences

We not only take you to lesser visited places, but offer authentic experiences throughout.

Be it learning a local craft, practicing an old tradition or dining with locals, you'll get under the skin of our destinations and their cultures. Check out the Authentic Experiences box on each tour page for details.

All Your Local Transport

When you're not sailing in comfort on your river cruise, you'll enjoy a variety of local transport styles that help you explore each destination with ease. Most touring is by air-conditioned coach, with extra space to stretch out thanks to our seat-and-a-half per guest policy.

You'll also experience authentic local travel – from cyclos and rickshaw rides to relaxing rail journeys and convenient domestic flights, all designed to enhance your adventure on land.

Even Your Visas

Organising your visa yourself can be a time-consuming and costly addition to your holiday. Not with Wendy Wu Tours' hassle-free visa process.

The cost of your visa is included in the tour price for all UK & Irish passport holders. What's more, our expert team will provide advice, coordinate your processing and safely return your passports, leaving you to simply enjoy your holiday preparation.

Please note that inclusions on our Classic Flex and Go Beyond tours differ slightly. See page 18 for details.



Relax onboard the ABN Charaidew II

Our Award-Winning Guides

YOU'RE IN SAFE HANDS



Our National Escorts are the stars of the show – it is their unrivalled knowledge, enthusiasm and expertise that take a Wendy Wu Tour from excellent to extraordinary.

You'll be accompanied by one of these passionate, caring professionals throughout your tour; they'll be taking care of you every step of the way. Many of our guides have been working with Wendy Wu Tours for years, garnering accolade after accolade from our very happy customers.

Our guides are dedicated to keeping you safe, happy, inspired, and entertained throughout your journey. With genuine care and expert ease, they'll lead you through the unique customs and hidden gems of the world's most fascinating destinations, making every step of the adventure effortless and enriching.

It's not just their professionalism that makes them so good at what they do. All our guides are born and raised in the country that you are exploring, giving them an unparalleled knowledge of the destination.

They are also excellent at communicating that knowledge, meaning that you get a greater understanding of recent history and learn about local heritage, culture and way of life.

OUR NATIONAL ESCORTS

- Are experienced and qualified in guiding
- Are fluent in English
- Have expert knowledge of the country you are touring
- Benefit from rigorous training programmes
- Are on hand to look after you every step of the way







"A special mention must go to George Pu, who truly went above and beyond. He delivered outstanding service to the whole group while also making each person feel individually valued and cared for. His attention to detail, warmth, and professionalism made a real difference."

Award-Winning Expertise

We are so proud of the numerous awards we've received over the years in recognition of the extraordinary travel experience we provide to our customers. We're just doing what we do best – creating memories to cherish and providing exceptional levels of customer service.

Globe Travel Awards

The Globe Travel Awards are the 'Oscars' of the travel world. We are extremely proud winners of the Globe Travel Awards 'Best Long Haul Specialist Operator' for the past 16 years.

British Travel Awards

The largest consumer voted travel awards in the UK, it is an absolute honour to win at the British Travel Awards. In 2025, we took home the Best Travel Company to the Far East for the eleventh consecutive year, and Best to Southeast Asia for the fifth time.



Recommended by You

Awards are all well and good but it's our customer feedback that means the most to us.



"We spent 4 nights on the Victoria Mekong ship and it was fabulous. Everything from the decor, to the food and the wonderful staff was 5 star. I would highly recommend it to anyone visiting Vietnam and/or Cambodia. It is the best way to travel between the two countries and an experience not to be missed."

Sylvia Hanton
(Mekong Explorer – Dec 2025)

"Gems of China was a great way to visit and see all of China's main experiences whilst getting a little insight into life in China. The National Guide was efficient and friendly. The river cruise provided a relatively relaxing break in the middle of a full on itinerary and was an opportunity to really get to know the rest of the group. My highlights were the Great Wall and Shanghai – what an eye opener! Immaculate organisation from Wendy Wu as usual."

Ruth Few
(Gems of China – May 2026)



Feefo

We're proud to be the holder of a feefo Platinum Trusted Service Award. Taken only from genuine customer feedback, independently verified by Feefo, only the businesses providing the best experience for their customers make the grade. That's all the accolade we need.

Tripadvisor

We're honoured to receive a Certificate of Excellence at the latest Tripadvisor Travellers' Choice Awards that recognise businesses that earn consistently great reviews and are among the top 10% of listings on Tripadvisor.

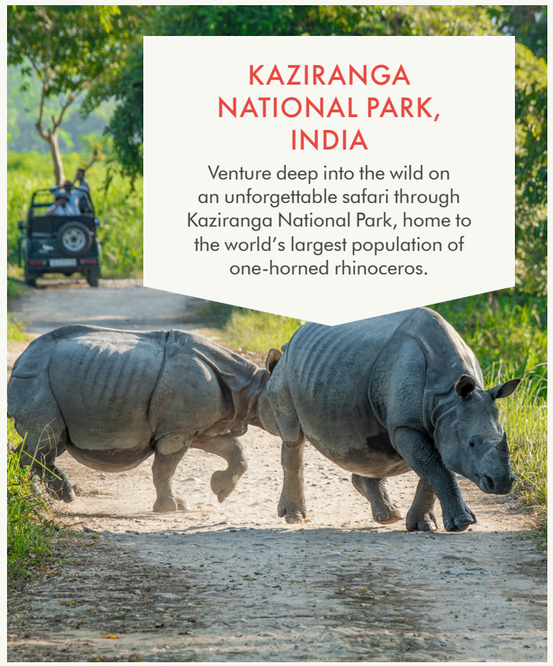
Cultural encounters, every step of the way

To make sure you truly immerse yourself in your chosen destination, we pack every single one of our tours with authentic cultural experiences. We've highlighted our favourite ones in the 'Authentic Experiences' box on each tour page, but for now, here are just a few examples of what you can look forward to…



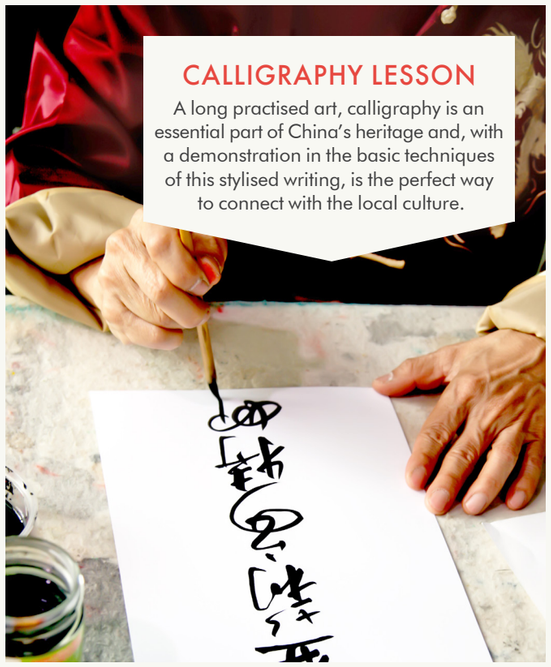
ASIAN COOKERY CLASS

Get an authentic taste of Southeast Asia in a hands-on cookery class. Master the art of a Thai, Vietnamese or Cambodian dish, and be sure to note down the recipe for later!



KAZIRANGA NATIONAL PARK, INDIA

Venture deep into the wild on an unforgettable safari through Kaziranga National Park, home to the world's largest population of one-horned rhinoceros.



CALLIGRAPHY LESSON

A long practised art, calligraphy is an essential part of China's heritage and, with a demonstration in the basic techniques of this stylised writing, is the perfect way to connect with the local culture.



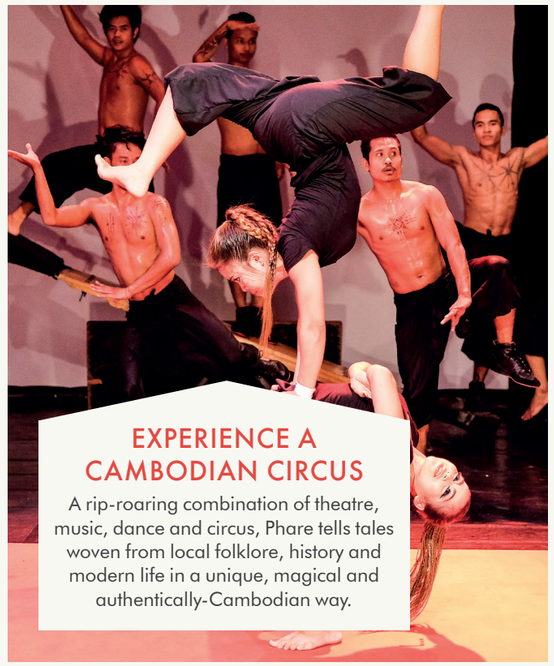
RIDE THE TOY TRAIN, INDIA

The Darjeeling Himalayan Railway takes you on a scenic journey through the foothills of the mighty Himalaya between Darjeeling and Ghoom, home to India's highest train station.



MEET VIETNAMESE ARTISANS

Visit a riverside village famous for its handcrafted clay pots and watch local artisans mould, fire and paint each piece using age-old techniques passed down through generations.



EXPERIENCE A CAMBODIAN CIRCUS

A rip-roaring combination of theatre, music, dance and circus, Phare tells tales woven from local folklore, history and modern life in a unique, magical and authentically-Cambodian way.



TAI CHI

Part of an invigorating morning routine practised by many locals across the country, enjoy a Tai Chi session for yourself, learning basic steps from a master.

Travelling Solo

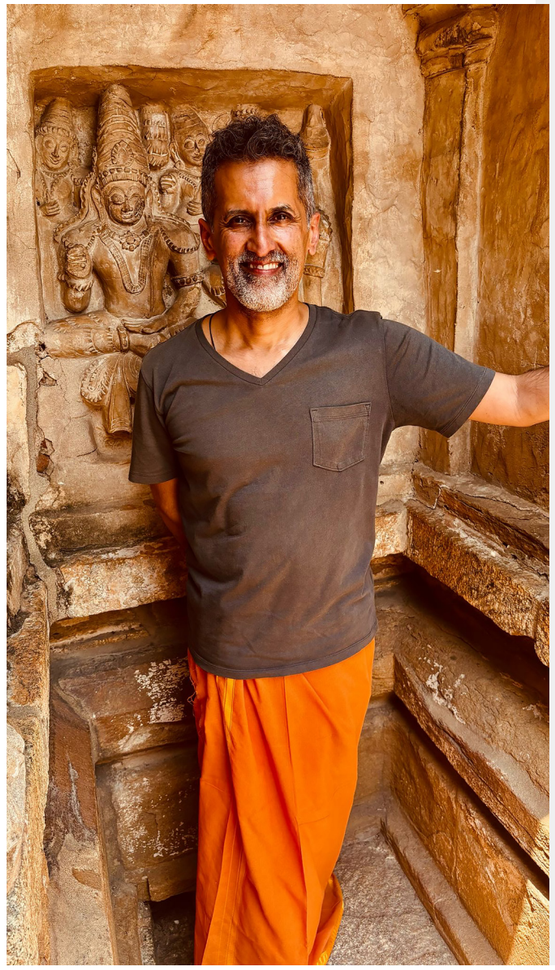
TRAVEL SOLO BUT NEVER ALONE WITH WENDY WU TOURS

Travelling solo with Wendy Wu Tours is relaxed, carefree, and full of unforgettable moments. Our expertly crafted itineraries take you to all the iconic sights, let you dive into local culture, savour authentic cuisine, and stay in well-located, comfortable hotels – so you can focus on enjoying the journey.

From start to finish, you'll be looked after by one of our award-winning National Escorts, whose attention to detail and warm hospitality will make you feel like part of the family.

With a sociable atmosphere, hands-on cultural experiences, and laid-back local dining, a Wendy Wu tour is the perfect way to meet like-minded travellers – and forge friendships that often last a lifetime.





TRAVELLING SOLO ON OUR GROUP TOURS

Many solo travellers choose to travel on our group tours with a mix of other solos, couples, family groups and friends. Travel on one of these friendly and fun tours and you can choose a room of your own or our 'Happy to Share' option.

A Room of Your Own

If you'd like the comfort of being able to return to your own space after a day of exploring, our regular group tours offer a single supplement option, guaranteeing your own private room. You'll find the supplement details below the departure dates on each tour.

Happy to Share

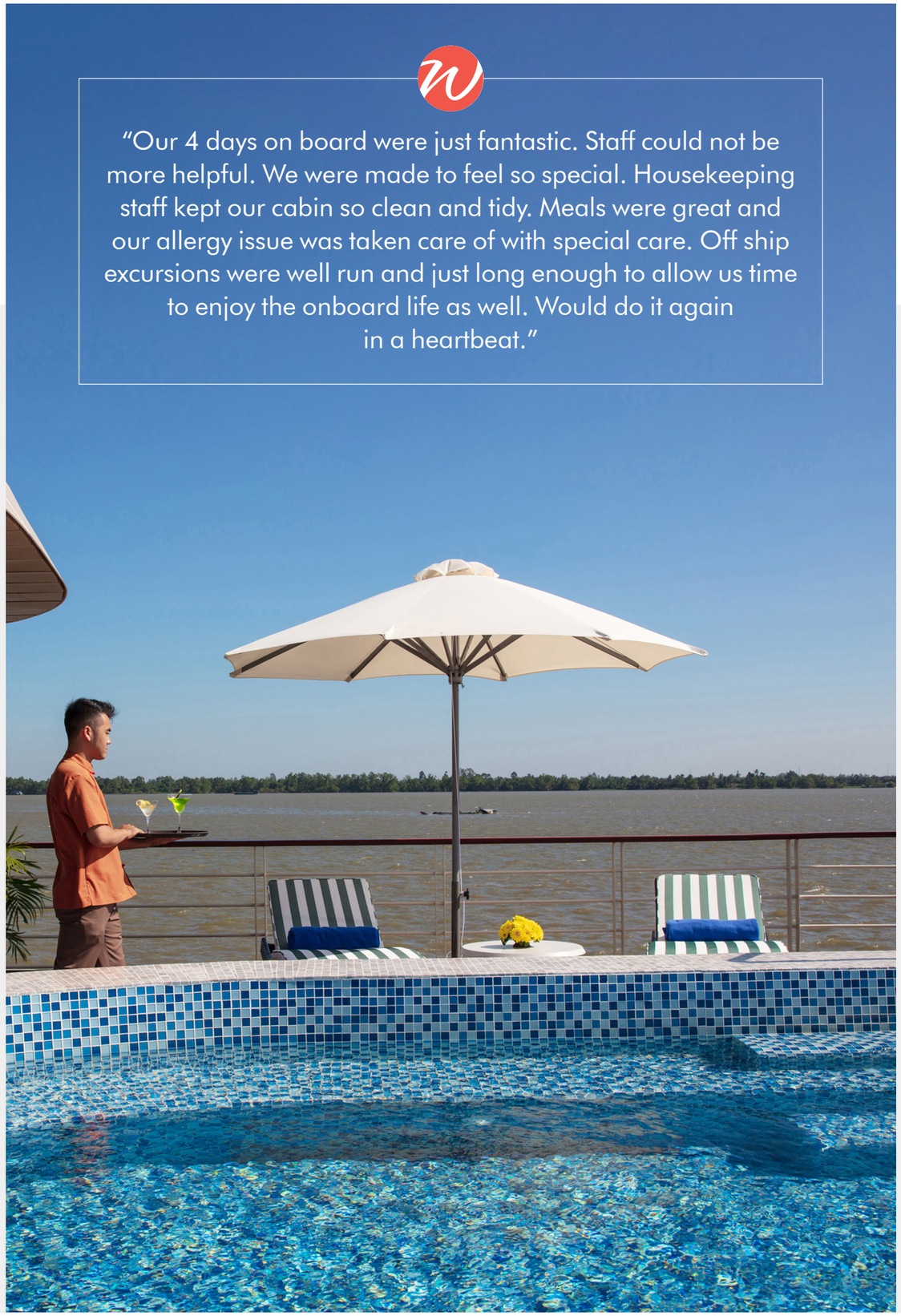
Embrace the joy of being sociable without the extra cost of travelling solo. Our popular 'Happy to Share' option pairs solo travellers of the same gender to share a room, so there's no single supplement to pay if you are matched. Please see our website for full terms and conditions.

TRAVELLING SOLO ON OUR DEDICATED SOLO DEPARTURES

We have reserved selected departures on some of our most popular tours exclusively for customers who prefer to share their wonderful holiday experiences with a ready-made group of like-minded solo travellers.

Solo departures feature smaller group sizes, free airport lounges and a complimentary welcome drink on arrival! Look out for S on the contents page and highlighted departures on each tour page.

"Our 4 days on board were just fantastic. Staff could not be more helpful. We were made to feel so special. Housekeeping staff kept our cabin so clean and tidy. Meals were great and our allergy issue was taken care of with special care. Off ship excursions were well run and just long enough to allow us time to enjoy the onboard life as well. Would do it again in a heartbeat."



Tour Styles Explained

As every traveller is different, we've developed a range of touring styles that will allow you to travel on one of our experience-packed tours, your way.

CLASSIC

Our most comprehensive way to travel, Classic Tours bring together all the iconic sights and authentic experiences of a destination, fully planned and included from start to finish – flights, hotels, meals, sightseeing and expert guiding, all taken care of. If you want to see the very best of a destination without a single detail left to chance, this is where to start.

CLASSIC FLEX

All the sights and signature experiences of a Classic Tour, but with added flexibility. Classic Flex is built around the same iconic destinations and cultural encounters, with personal time woven in where it works best – for independent exploration or simply relaxing at your own pace. Same expert guidance, same unmissable highlights, with more choice over how your day unfolds.

GO BEYOND

For travellers drawn to lesser-known destinations, hidden places and remote landscapes, or with specialist interests, Go Beyond offers unique off-the-beaten-track experiences for those looking to venture further. Discover corners of the world that most travellers never reach, all in the company of an expert guide and a smaller group of like-minded adventurers.

	CLASSIC	CLASSIC FLEX	GO BEYOND
Visa fees for UK & Irish passport holders (excluding visas on arrival)	✔	✔	✔
International economy airfares and taxes	✔	✔	✔
English-speaking National Escort	✔	✔	✔
Meals	All	Most	All or Most
Accommodation	✔	✔	✔
Domestic transportation	✔	✔	✔
Sightseeing	All	All or Most	All or Most
Maximum group size	28	28	18

PRIVATE & TAILORMADE TOURS

Experience our award-winning itineraries with your own private, experienced local guide, perfect for families and friends who enjoy added flexibility. For the ultimate bespoke holiday, our expert consultants will help you design a tour that's uniquely yours, with your choice of destinations, accommodation and experiences.

CRUISE & TOUR

Combining an ocean cruise with an escorted group tour packed with top sights and unforgettable experiences, our 'Cruise & Tour' options offer the best of both worlds. Including flights, cruise, stopovers and full Wendy Wu tour with expert guide, all meals and visas (where applicable), prepare for the adventure of a lifetime.

SPECIAL GROUPS

If you're travelling with a group of ten or more, we can create a tailormade Special Group tour just for you. Whether it's friends, family, a club or association, we'll shape any itinerary around your group's interests, offering a unique, fully escorted holiday without the hassle of planning it yourself.

SHORT STAYS & STOPOVERS

Make your trip of a lifetime even more memorable by extending your tour, or adding a stopover en route. A short stay will allow you to delve even deeper into a region, explore a whole other country, or even give you the chance to relax on a beautiful beach. A stopover on the other hand is an easy way to break up your journey and add a few days in a buzzing metropolis to your itinerary.



PHYSICAL RATING

All our tours feature a physical rating to help you select the right holiday for you. Every tour requires the ability to walk around sights unaided, while tours with higher physical ratings may involve longer walks, cycling, or other physical activities. Tours that traverse rough terrain, visit remote areas, or go to high altitudes will also have higher physical ratings.

LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4
A reasonable level of fitness is required. Expect to be on your feet for most of the day walking around sights, often including steps and getting on and off coaches, trains, or boats. Occasional longer walks may be included.	A moderate level of fitness is required. You will be on your feet for most of the day, with longer walks that include ascents and descents on steps or uneven paths. Travelling conditions may be more challenging in some areas.	A good level of fitness is required. You need to be comfortable walking long distances and for extended durations. The tour may also include activities such as cycling and hiking and visit some remote areas with basic infrastructure.	A high level of fitness and a strong spirit of adventure are required. These tours are full of activity and often visit remote areas with basic infrastructure. Expect to be on your feet and active for much of the day, with some long travelling days.

As the physical requirements vary by tour, we recommend reviewing the Detailed Tour Itinerary on our website before booking to ensure it's the right fit for you.

THE MEKONG
CAMBODIA & VIETNAM

Experience authentic Vietnam and Cambodia in real style. Discover carefully chosen ports along one of the most enchanting stretches of the Mekong, from fascinating Cambodian villages to the lush, green landscapes of Vietnam. Depending on your chosen itinerary, here are just a few of the included shore excursions you'll encounter on your voyage of discovery.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MEKONG RIVER

1 ANGKOR BAN & SILK ISLAND

Explore Cambodian village life in Angkor Ban with its wooden stilt houses. Travel by tuk tuk to Silk Island, where you will learn about the process of silk weaving from worm to loom.



2 KOH CHEN & OUDONG

Enjoy a walking tour of the village of Koh Chen and meet a local copper and silversmith. Discover the former royal capital Oudong, with its beautiful stupas and temples.



3 PHNOM PENH

Sip on a signature cocktail at the elegant Raffles Hotel, explore the majestic Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda complex, and discover the Khmer treasures of the National Museum.



4 TAN CHAU

Discover Vietnamese village life with a visit to a local temple, fish farms and stilt houses amidst the rice paddies, coconut groves and canals of Tan Chau.



5 PHU TAN

Visit a village famed for handmaking Ca Rang clay stoves. Used for centuries, these stoves have a unique wind-blocking design that retains heat and prevents ashes escaping.



6 TIGER ISLAND

Explore Tiger Island by three-wheeled xe loi (a motorised cart), learning about cottage industries such as plant pot making and incense making before hearing how the island won its name at 'Mr Tiger's Temple'.



7 LONG XUYEN

Travel by tender to witness the mesmerising Long Xuyen floating market and tour the An Giang Museum, with fascinating exhibits on Kinh Chinese, Khmer and Cham cultures in the region.





All aboard: Victoria Mekong

The four-star Victoria Mekong is a fresh, contemporary river vessel with four spacious passenger decks, offering a peaceful, premium small-ship experience between Vietnam and Cambodia.





YOUR STATEROOM

The Victoria Mekong boasts some of the most spacious cabins on the Mekong Delta, all outward-facing with private balconies. Her 33 en suite staterooms, each 25m^2, are spread across the River and Panorama decks, along with two aft-facing VIP suites (45m^2) at the rear of the Panorama deck. All cabins can be booked as twin or double beds, and feature rain showers, hair dryers, individually controlled AC and French windows onto the balcony.

FACILITIES ON BOARD

The Victoria Mekong was designed with relaxation in mind. Guests are invited to soak up the sun in the outdoor infinity pool, try their hand on the mini-golf green, watch films or documentaries in the on-board cinema, indulge in a treatment at the Green Lotus Spa, or enjoy the daily activities held in the Lounge Bar. For those who simply wish to relax, sun loungers and parasols are available on the Sky Deck, while books and games are available to borrow from the library. Where possible, the Captain is pleased to invite guests to visit the bridge.

WINE & DINE

The Claypot Restaurant, located on the Panorama deck, is an airy, spacious venue with large bay windows offering 180-degree river views, along with a terrace for al fresco dining. All meals are included; cuisine varies each night, with set menus available at dinner.

Asian hospitality is widely regarded as some of the best in the world, and the Victoria Mekong is no exception. House wine is complimentary with dinner, along with a daily sunset cocktail and free-flow soft drinks and beer. Additional snacks and spirits are available from the Lounge Bar.









YOUR JOURNEY

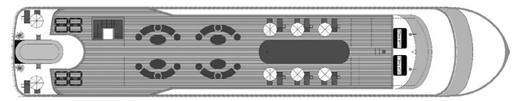
The Mekong is the seventh longest river in all of Asia, and the twelfth longest in the world. Stretching 2,700 miles from China across the Tibetan Plateau and through Myanmar, Laos, Thailand, Cambodia and Vietnam, it empties into the South China Sea south of Saigon. It is the lifeblood of Southeast Asia, and many centuries of cultural, economic and political history have played out on its banks.

The Victoria Mekong cruises from Kampong Cham in Cambodia to the Vietnamese town of Can Tho in the Mekong Delta. Guests can join the full 7-night cruise, opt for a 4-night option beginning or ending at Sisowath Quay in Phnom Penh, or a shorter 3-night sailing from Kampong Cham to Phnom Penh.

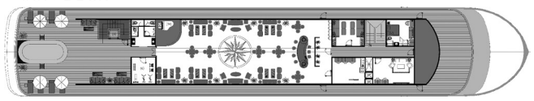
Along Victoria Mekong's route, she calls at ports such as Tan Chau, Long Xuyen and Tan Loc Island, with excursions to historic temples, silk villages, the Royal Palace, the Killing Fields and a floating market. See overleaf for more information about her ports of call.

Guests on all itineraries will enjoy nightly evening entertainment on board, ranging from Cambodian Apsara performances to traditional Mekong folk music and even a mischievous lion dance on the sun deck. Onboard activities range from mini-golf to cocktail-making competitions, destination presentations and film nights.

SKY DECK



SUN DECK



PANORAMA DECK



RIVER DECK



A MEKONG EXPERIENCE

14 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON **£4,390**

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM THE UK

ALL MEALS

TOUR TICKLIST

- Immerse yourself in atmospheric Saigon
- Discover the Cu Chi Tunnels
- Spend four nights on the four-star Victoria Mekong cruise ship
- Explore Phnom Penh by cyclo
- Learn Khmer history at the Killing Fields
- Visit the glorious temples of Angkor



Experience life on the Mekong River

PRICE INCLUDES

- 11 breakfasts, 10 lunches & 11 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visit fees for UK & IE passport holders



Savour the flavours of Khmer cuisine

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Join a local chef in a traditional Cambodian house for an authentic cooking class. Discover the rich flavours and techniques of Khmer cuisine as you prepare a delicious meal, then enjoy the fruits of your labour in a warm, inviting setting.
- Cruise the Mekong in style aboard the contemporary Victoria Mekong. With state-of-the-art facilities and an itinerary packed with culturally-immersive shore excursions and onboard activities, there's no better way to experience life on the Mekong.
- Place your trust in your other senses on a fun 'dining in the dark' experience at Noir, a Saigon restaurant that works with local people who are blind or visually-impaired.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY TO SAIGON

Fly overnight to Saigon, Vietnam's largest and most evocative city. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: DISCOVER SAIGON

This morning, visit the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels to learn the history of the Viet Cong and their guerrilla tactics during the Vietnam War. Return to Saigon, a vibrant, modern city with a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. See the colonial Notre Dame Cathedral, visit the magnificent Central Post Office, and the emotive War Remnants Museum. There'll also be a coffee break at one of Saigon's best coffee workshops. Dinner this evening will be at Noir, a restaurant employing visually impaired waiters, for a sensory 'dining in the dark' experience!

DAY 4: THE VICTORIA MEKONG

Drive southwest to Can Tho, stopping en route for a delicious local lunch. Board the four-star Victoria Mekong cruise ship which, after a welcome briefing, will cast off into the waters of the Mekong Delta. Begin your cruise experience with a complimentary cocktail on deck, watching the sun set as the ship makes its way upriver. Tonight, drop anchor at Tiger Island.

DAY 5: TIGER ISLAND AND FLOATING MARKET

Cruise upstream to Long Xuyen and disembark to visit a floating market. After lunch, visit Tiger Island, enjoy a scenic walk through rice fields and learn more about local cottage industries. Sit down to dinner and evening entertainment before retiring to your cabin.

DAY 6: PHU TAN & TAN CHAU

Start the day at Phu Tan, visiting a craft village famous for its handmade clay stoves. Used in the delta for centuries, these stoves have a unique design to protect them from the wind. Return to the ship and cruise to Tan Chau during lunch. Return to the ship and cruise to Tan Chau during lunch, and explore a floating village on arrival. This evening features a thrilling lion dance performance!

DAY 7: INTO CAMBODIA

Today, the Victoria Mekong will pass over the border into Cambodia and sail towards Phnom Penh. Spend a leisurely day enjoying the passing scenery and a wealth of onboard activities, such as lectures and cocktail making. In the late afternoon, dock at Phnom Penh's Sisowath Quay where, this evening, you will be entertained with a traditional Cambodian apsara performance. Sip a farewell cocktail before a final dinner on board.



Take a city tour in Phnom Penh



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VIETNAM & CAMBODIA

PHYSICAL RATING 1

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

With four nights onboard the Victoria Mekong, soaking up the sights and sounds of the river, this two-week tour also showcases the beauty of southern Vietnam and Cambodia's magnificent temples of Angkor.



Enjoy a four-night cruise on Victoria Mekong



Explore the temples of Angkor

DAY 8: EXPLORE PHNOM PENH

Enjoy breakfast on the ship before disembarking and bidding farewell to the Victoria Mekong. Board a cyclo and head from the pier into the heart of the city to see the magnificent Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda before perusing the treasures of the National Museum. After lunch, visit Tuol Sleng, gaining a poignant insight into Cambodia's recent history.

DAY 9: PHNOM PENH'S HISTORY

Spend the morning confronting Phnom Penh's tragic past with a visit to the Killing Fields to learn about the Khmer Rouge regime. Later, fly to Siem Reap, the gateway to the Temples of Angkor.

DAY 10: THE TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

Journey into the old city of Angkor Thom. At its heart is the enigmatic Bayon, a breathtaking temple of innumerable sculptural decorations. Admire the Elephant Terrace and Terrace of the Leper King before continuing to the atmospheric Ta Prohm. The rest of the day is dedicated to Angkor Wat, the most magnificent and best preserved of all of Angkor's treasures. As the sun sets, float peacefully on the moat that surrounds Angkor Thom, soaking up the atmosphere.

DAY 11: TONLE SAP LAKE

Take a cruise on Tonle Sap, learning about the lives of these floating lake communities. Back on land, stop at a local village for a glimpse into rural life. This evening, enjoy an acrobatic show by the Phare Circus, a social enterprise providing vocational training to disadvantaged local youths.

DAY 12: CAMBODIAN COOKING CLASS

This morning, take a tuk tuk to join fellow chefs in a cooking class held in a traditional-style Cambodian house. Visit a fresh produce market to shop for your ingredients, before learning to prepare authentic Khmer food. Enjoy your creations for lunch before an afternoon at leisure to explore Siem Reap, or perhaps return to Angkor before tonight's farewell dinner.

DAYS 13-14: DEPART SIEM REAP

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2028 DATES			
05 Mar - 18 Mar	£4,990	22 Oct - 04 Nov	£4,990
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TOUR TICKLIST

- Drift along Angkor's moat at sunset
- See local life on Tonle Sap Lake
- Cruise the Mekong for 4 nights
- Discover vibrant Saigon
- Wander charming Hoi An
- Explore Hanoi's Old Quarter by cyclo
- Enjoy spectacular views of Halong Bay



Uncover the mysteries of the Bayon Temple at Angkor

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Experience Vietnam's Teh Dar Show

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- In Hoi An, enjoy the Teh Dar Show, where you'll be immersed in the spirit of Vietnam's Central Highlands through dynamic acrobatics, powerful live music and vivid storytelling inspired by ancient myths and the traditions of its ethnic communities.
- Cruise the Mekong in style aboard the four-star ship, Victoria Mekong. With state-of-the-art facilities and an itinerary packed with culturally-immersive shore excursions and onboard activities, there's no better way to experience life on the Mekong.
- Visit NOIR, a 'dining in the dark' social enterprise restaurant in Saigon. Guided by blind waiters, you'll experience an array of delicious dishes in total darkness – a surefire way to amplify your other senses!

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY TO SIEM REAP

Fly overnight to bustling Siem Reap, the gateway to the temples of Angkor. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to soak up the local culture.

DAY 3: THE TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

Journey into the old city of Angkor Thom. At its heart is the enigmatic Bayon, an iconic temple of innumerable sculptural decorations. Admire the Elephant Terrace and Terrace of the Leper King before continuing to the atmospheric Ta Prohm. The rest of the afternoon is dedicated to Angkor Wat, the most magnificent and best preserved of all of Angkor's treasures. As the sun sets, float peacefully on the moat that surrounds Angkor Thom, soaking up the atmosphere. Sit down to a welcome dinner with the group this evening.

DAY 4: TONLE SAP LAKE

Travel to the shores of Tonle Sap and visit the floating village of Kampong Phluk (Oct to Feb) or Chong Kneas (Mar to Sep). Stop at Chansar village for a glimpse at rural life before visiting the home of a local Khmer family.

DAY 5: PHNOM PENH

Travel to Cambodia's charming capital, Phnom Penh. Board a cyclo and head into the heart of the city to visit the magnificent Royal Palace – official residence of the King – along with the Silver Pagoda in its grounds.

DAY 6: THE VICTORIA MEKONG

Spend the morning reflecting on Phnom Penh's tragic past with visits to Tuol Sleng Museum and the Killing Fields. After lunch, embark on your next adventure – a four-night cruise on our premium small ship, Victoria Mekong, with her 35 outward-facing cabins. Enjoy a welcome cocktail and Apsara dance performance before dinner.

DAY 7: INTO VIETNAM

The ship departs this morning, with plenty of onboard activities available; alternatively, spend the morning relaxing in the pool. Sail into Vietnam around lunchtime, anchoring near Tan Chau, before visiting the Cao Dai Temple. Return to the ship in time for an exciting lion dance performance on the Sky Deck as the sun sets.

DAY 8: PHU TAN & TIGER ISLAND

After breakfast, reach Phu Tan via tender and visit a craft village famed for its handmade clay stoves. After lunch, anchor at Tiger Island and head ashore for a scenic walk through rice fields and gardens, and hear the story behind 'Mr. Tiger's Temple'. Return to the ship for dinner and the evening's entertainment.

DAY 9: LONG XUYEN & DINH YEN

Arrive in Long Xuyen and hop on a tender to visit the bustling floating market. Enjoy a refreshing lunch as the ship continues downstream to Dinh Yen, where you'll see the villagers weaving colourful straw mats. This evening, the ship continues to Can Tho, the beating heart of the Mekong Delta.

DAY 10: DISEMBARK IN CAN THO

Enjoy breakfast onboard and visit a local floating market by boat. Disembark and bid farewell to the Victoria Mekong, boarding the ship's shuttle bus from Can Tho to Saigon, stopping en route in Cai Be for a delicious local lunch. Dinner this evening will be at Noir, a restaurant that supports Saigon's visually impaired, for a sensory 'dining in the dark' experience.

DAY 11: CU CHI & SAIGON

This morning, visit the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels to learn the history of the Viet Cong and their guerrilla tactics during the Vietnam War. Return to Saigon, a vibrant, modern city with a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. See the colonial Notre Dame Cathedral, visit the Central Post Office, and the fascinating War Remnants Museum. Relax with a coffee break at one of Saigon's popular coffee houses.

DAY 12: DISCOVER HOI AN

Fly from Saigon to Danang and transfer to the enchanting town of Hoi An. Head out on a walking tour, with visits including Chua Ong Pagoda, a historic merchant house, and the spectacular Japanese Covered Bridge. With its charming yellow buildings and vivid silk lanterns, a stroll through this traditional town feels like stepping back in time.

DAY 13: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Venture into the countryside to Tra Que. Soak up the lush landscape as you stroll through vibrant vegetable gardens, watch local farmers at work, and try your hand at traditional cultivation techniques. Then, take part in a hands-on cooking demonstration and savour the flavours of authentic local specialties before returning to Hoi An. This evening, enjoy the Teh Dar Show, a captivating performance inspired by the traditions and culture of Vietnam's highland communities.

DAY 14: HANOI'S HO CHI MINH QUARTER

Fly to Vietnam's capital city, Hanoi. A fastpaced yet graceful city, it is packed full of ancient and modern sights to discover. Explore Ho Chi Minh Quarter, where you'll pass 'Uncle Ho's' monumental mausoleum and Stilt House, before seeing the One Pillar Pagoda.

DAY 15: HISTORIC HANOI

Today, begin exploring at the serene Temple of Literature before taking a cyclo tour through the Old Quarter's atmospheric tangle of streets with a stop for local delicacy 'ca phe trung' (egg coffee) en route.

DAYS 16-17: CRUISE HALONG BAY

Travel to Halong City, board a cruise boat and set sail on the tranquil blue-green waters of Halong Bay. With its 1,600 islands and islets, the bay was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1994. As you explore you'll make excursions to mysterious caves and enjoy delicious seafood onboard. After a night anchored out on the water, rise early for a sunrise Tai Chi lesson before cruising back to port. Return to Hanoi for an afternoon at leisure ahead of this evening's farewell dinner.

DAY 18: FLY HANOI TO UK

Fly to the UK, arriving home the same or following day.





Stroll the lantern-lit streets of Hoi An



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PHYSICAL RATING 1

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Starting on a high at the Temples of Angkor, spend four nights on board the Victoria Mekong cruising downstream into Vietnam, where you'll discover the top sights – Saigon, Hoi An, Hanoi and Halong Bay.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

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09 Nov - 26 Nov	£5,990		
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18 Jan - 04 Feb	£5,990	27 Sep - 14 Oct	£4,990
15 Feb - 04 Mar	£5,990	11 Oct - 28 Oct	£5,590
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15 Mar - 01 Apr	£5,990	08 Nov - 25 Nov	£5,990
29 Mar - 15 Apr	£5,490	22 Nov - 09 Dec	£5,990
12 Apr - 29 Apr	£5,490	06 Dec - 23 Dec	£5,990
2028 DATES			
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17 Jan - 03 Feb	£5,990	04 Sep - 21 Sep	£5,390
31 Jan - 17 Feb	£5,990	18 Sep - 05 Oct	£5,390
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TOUR TICKLIST

- Explore Hanoi's Old Quarter by cyclo
- Cruise majestic Halong Bay
- Explore imperial architecture in Hue
- Learn ancient farming techniques in Hoi An
- Enjoy a 4-night cruise aboard the Victoria Mekong
- Drift along Angkor's moat at sunset



Admire the spectacular Golden Bridge

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- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
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Learn traditional lantern making craft

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Join a local craftsman in Hoi An and design your own colourful silk lantern, discovering the history and techniques behind one of Vietnam's most cherished traditions.
- Stroll across Danang's striking 'Golden Bridge' – a hilltop structure held aloft by a pair of huge, stone hands – and admire the beautiful views over the Ba Na Hills.
- Cruise the Mekong in style aboard the four-star ship, Victoria Mekong. With state-of-the-art facilities and an itinerary packed with culturally-immersive shore excursions and onboard activities, there's no better way to experience life on the Mekong.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY TO HANOI

Fly overnight to Vietnam's vibrant capital city, Hanoi. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture. This evening, enjoy a welcome dinner.

DAY 3: HANOI CYCLO TOUR

Explore the Temple of Literature and the Old Quarter's atmospheric streets on a cyclo tour in the morning, with a stop to sample the local delicacy 'ca phe trung' (egg coffee). In the afternoon, visit the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, including the One Pillar Pagoda.

DAYS 4-5: CRUISE HALONG BAY

Board your four-star ship and cruise out into the tranquil waters of Halong Bay – a UNESCO World Heritage Site that has long enthralled visitors with its beauty. Enjoy an afternoon of activities such as kayaking, swimming or cave tours, or simply relax on the sundeck. After a night anchored out on the water, enjoy a sunrise Tai Chi lesson before cruising back to port. Fly to Hue.

DAY 6: EXPLORE HUE

The capital of imperial-era Vietnam, Hue is a sophisticated and scholarly city. Start your tour at the Imperial Citadel and Forbidden Purple City and visit the UNESCO World Heritage Royal Tomb of Minh Mang, before a cruise on the Perfume River. Finally, visit Tha Om Garden House and its owner, Mr Vinh. Explore his 19th century Hue residence and listen to stories of his royal heritage.

DAY 7: ADMIRE THE GOLDEN BRIDGE

Depart Hue, taking the scenic route over the Hai Van Pass to charming Hoi An. En route, take a cable car to admire the views from the spectacular Golden Bridge in Ba Na Hills.

DAY 8: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Head out into the countryside to visit a small farming community and stroll through the gardens to see the farmers at work. Then, join a cooking demonstration and savour authentic local specialties. In the afternoon, discover Hoi An itself, before joining a traditional lantern-making workshop, where you'll craft your own colourful silk lantern while learning about this treasured local art form.

DAY 9: FREE TIME IN HOI AN

This morning is free, before an afternoon flight to Saigon.

DAY 10: DISCOVER SAIGON

Explore Saigon, a vibrant, modern city with a treasure trove of fascinating heritage. Stroll through fascinating Chinatown and visit the emotional War Remnants Museum. Look around the Reunification Palace before admiring the colonial architecture of Notre Dame Cathedral and the Central Post Office.

DAY 11: CU CHI TUNNELS

Spend the morning exploring the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels. Stop at an organic farm for a freshly-made lunch before a free afternoon back in Saigon. Enjoy a unique dining experience at NOIR this evening.

DAY 12: THE VICTORIA MEKONG

Drive southwest to Can Tho, stopping en route for a delicious local lunch. Board the four-star Victoria Mekong cruise ship which, after a welcome briefing, will cast off into the waters of the Mekong Delta. Begin your cruise experience with a complimentary cocktail on deck, watching the sun set as the ship makes its way upriver. Tonight, drop anchor at Tiger Island.

DAY 13: TIGER ISLAND AND FLOATING MARKET

Cruise upstream to Long Xuyen and disembark to visit a floating market. After lunch, visit Tiger Island, enjoy a scenic walk through rice fields and learn more about local cottage industries. Sit down to dinner and evening entertainment before retiring to your cabin.

DAY 14: TAN CHAU

Start the day at Phu Tan, visiting a craft village famous for its handmade clay stoves. Used in the delta for centuries, these stoves have a unique design to protect them from the wind. Return to the ship and cruise to Tan Chau during lunch, and explore a floating village on arrival. This evening features a thrilling lion dance performance!

DAY 15: INTO CAMBODIA

Today, the Victoria Mekong will cross into Cambodia and sail towards Phnom Penh. Spend a leisurely day enjoying a wealth of onboard activities, such as yoga and cocktail making, docking in Phnom Penh in the late afternoon. Sip a farewell cocktail during the evening entertainment and enjoy a final dinner on board. Later, why not head ashore to explore the buzzing city?

DAY 16: DISEMBARK IN PHNOM PENH

Enjoy breakfast on the ship before disembarking. Board a cyclo and head into the heart of the city to see the magnificent Royal Palace, Silver Pagoda and National Museum. After lunch, visit Tuol Sleng, gaining a poignant insight into Cambodia's recent history.

DAY 17: EXPLORE PHNOM PENH

Spend the morning confronting Phnom Penh's tragic past with a visit to the Killing Fields, learning about the regime of Pol Pot. Later, fly to Siem Reap, the gateway to Angkor.

DAY 18: THE TEMPLES OF ANGKOR

Journey into Angkor Thom and visit the enigmatic Bayon, the Elephant Terrace, Terrace of the Leper King and atmospheric Ta Prohm. Continue on to Angkor Wat, the most magnificent and best preserved of all of Angkor's treasures. As the sun sets, take a boat ride on Angkor Thom's moat.

DAY 19: TONLE SAP LAKE

Travel to Tonle Sap and visit one of the lake's intriguing floating villages. Back on land, stop at a rural village and visit the home of a local family. This evening, enjoy an acrobatic show by the Phare Cambodian Circus, a social enterprise providing vocational training to disadvantaged local youths.

DAY 20: CAMBODIAN COOKING CLASS

This morning, take a tuk tuk to a cooking class held in a traditional Cambodian house. Visit a fresh produce market to shop for ingredients, before learning to prepare authentic Khmer food. Enjoy your creations for lunch before an afternoon at leisure to explore Siem Reap, or perhaps return to Angkor before tonight's farewell dinner.

DAYS 21-22: FLY SIEM REAP TO UK

Fly to the UK, arriving home the following day.





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PHYSICAL RATING 1

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

See Halong Bay and the wonders of Vietnam as you explore the country from top to toe. Embark the Victoria Mekong for a four-night river cruise into Cambodia, where you'll discover the majestic Temples of Angkor.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

Departing Saturday returning Saturday

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28 Aug - 18 Sep	£6,790	06 Nov - 27 Nov	£6,790
11 Sep - 02 Oct	£6,290	20 Nov - 11 Dec	£6,790
2028 DATES			
15 Jan - 05 Feb	£6,890	16 Sep - 07 Oct	£6,490
11 Mar - 01 Apr	£6,890	30 Sep - 21 Oct	£6,890
25 Mar - 15 Apr	£6,490	14 Oct - 04 Nov	£6,890
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- Meet a Vietnamese war veteran
- Enjoy a two-night Halong Bay cruise
- Soak up Ninh Binh's rural beauty
- Visit Buddhist monks at a meditation centre



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Explore Vietnam's conical hat craft

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Discover the timeless craft of Nón Lá making in Chuong Village, where skilled artisans continue the delicate tradition of handcrafting Vietnam's iconic conical hats, offering a fascinating insight into local heritage and everyday rural life.
- Listen to incredible wartime history and get a first-hand account of life in the Vietnam War from a local war veteran at the Cu Chi Tunnels near Saigon.
- Explore Ninh Binh province, nicknamed 'Halong Bay on Land'. Admire the dramatic mountain scenery as you enjoy a boat trip through its paddy fields and prehistoric caves, and take a stroll in Cuc Phuong National Park.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY TO HANOI

Fly to Hanoi, Vietnam's leafy capital.
The afternoon is yours to start soaking up the local culture before a welcome dinner.

DAY 3: HANOI THROUGH THE AGES

Today, enjoy an introduction to Vietnamese history at the Ethnology Museum; a fascinating window into Vietnam's indigenous groups. Continue to the Confucian Temple of Literature before lunch. This afternoon, take a cyclo tour of the Old Quarter's historic streets before exploring the colonial architecture of the French Quarter.

DAY 4: WARTIME HANOI

Gain insight into the Vietnam War, visiting the Humble House on Stilts, and Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum. Stop to view the wreckage of an American bomber plane, shot down in 1972. Later, immerse yourself in a bygone era with a visit to a 1980s apartment-turned-teahouse, where you'll hear about life in the difficult post-war subsidy period.

DAY 5: NINH BINH COUNTRYSIDE

Stop at Chuong Village en route to Ninh Binh to experience the traditional craft of making the iconic Nón Lá (conical hat). Continue to Ninh Binh, known as 'Halong Bay on land' for its dramatic karst scenery which you'll admire on a boat trip through the paddy fields.
This afternoon visit Dinh and Le temples and Bich Dong pagoda.

DAY 6: CUC PHUONG NATIONAL PARK

Begin the day at Four Paws Sun Bear Sanctuary to learn about bears rescued from the illegal pet and bile industries. Enjoy lunch at the sanctuary, made from ingredients grown on site. Head into Cuc Phuong National Park and hear all about the local wildlife on a short stroll through the rainforest.

DAY 7: NINH BINH TO HALONG BAY

Drive to Halong Bay and embark on a two-night scenic cruise through this famous UNESCO-listed bay, known for its emerald waters and towering limestone islands. Head to a hidden spot and try your hand at kayaking through these mesmerising seascapes.

DAY 8: HALONG BAY

See the bay through a local's eyes!
The local fishermen will row you through their floating village, where many families have lived for generations. Later, head to one of the bay's beaches for a chance to sunbathe on the sands.

DAY 9: SUNRISE TAI CHI

Enjoy Tai Chi on deck as the sun rises over Halong Bay. Visit a hidden cave before cruising back to port. Fly to Hue, a charming city and once the seat of the Nguyen emperors.

DAY 10: IMPERIAL HUE

Discover Hue's imperial history, beginning at the Imperial Citadel and Forbidden Purple City. Continue to Thien Mu Pagoda before lunch. This afternoon enjoy a visit to Minh Mang tomb and a leisurely cruise along the Perfume River.

DAY 11: SCENIC TRAIN JOURNEY

The 64-mile railway journey from Hue to Danang is considered one of the best in the world. Three hours of scenic coastline await, with beautiful tropical beaches on one side and dramatic mountain scenery on the other.
On arrival in Da Nang, transfer to Hoi An.



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PHYSICAL RATING 1

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

With two multi-day cruises, a breathtaking coastal rail journey and a rare opportunity to meet with a war veteran, this itinerary showcases Vietnam and Cambodia at their most personal and authentic.



Ride part of Vietnam's Reunification Express



Drift along Ninh Binh's rice fields

DAY 12: HOI AN WALKING TOUR

Take a walking tour of Hoi An's lantern-lined streets. See the picturesque Japanese Bridge, visit a Chinese temple, and tour an ancient merchant house before sampling a local delicacy – white rose dumplings. Lunch today will be with a local family at Tra Que Vegetable Village, a farming community with over 500 years of history.

DAY 13: EXPLORE SAIGON

Fly to Saigon and explore its historic centre, taking in colonial landmarks such as the Notre-Dame Cathedral and Central Post Office before visiting the emotive War Remnants Museum.

DAY 14: CU CHI TUNNELS & VETERAN

Discover the reality of guerilla warfare at the Cu Chi Tunnels, which were central to the Viet Cong's military operations, including the Tet Offensive. For a truly authentic insight into the war, meet a Vietnamese veteran and hear his war stories. Stop for lunch at an organic farm before returning to Saigon.

DAY 15: THE VICTORIA MEKONG

Transfer to Can Tho and board the Victoria Mekong for your seven-night cruise. Enjoy a welcome cocktail on deck as the ship sets sail.

DAY 16: LONG XUYEN & TIGER ISLAND

Take a tender boat through a fascinating floating market to reach Long Xuyen.
Visit the local museum, with its displays of ancient crafts. Later, head to Tiger Island.
Visit a temple and observe local industries, such as incense-making, in action.

DAY 17: PHU TAN & TAN CHAU

Head ashore in Phu Tan and visit a craft village famous for its handmade clay stoves.
Enjoy lunch on board and cruise toward Tan Chau, where a rickshaw will take you to explore a colourful temple and market. This evening, experience a lion dance on the sky deck!

DAY 18: INTO CAMBODIA

Enjoy onboard activities such as a ship's tour or a minigolf tournament as the ship crosses the border into Cambodia. Arrive into Phnom Penh late this afternoon.

DAY 19: PHNOM PENH

Hop on a cyclo and head to the elaborate Royal Palace, Silver Pagoda and National Museum. Later, visit the Killing Fields, a Khmer Rouge execution site that is today a memorial for peaceful reflection. Return to the city and end the afternoon in style with a signature cocktail at Raffles Hotel Le Royal before returning to the ship for a lively Apsara dance performance.

DAY 20: OUDONG & SILK ISLAND

Enjoy a walking tour of Koh Chen village, where you'll meet a local copper and silversmith, before continuing to the country's former capital, Oudong. Visit Buddhist monks at a meditation centre before taking a tuk-tuk to Silk Island to learn about the process of silk weaving from worm to loom.

DAY 21: ANGKOR BAN

Explore the laid-back village of Angkor Ban with its wooden stilt houses. Sail to Kampong Cham, where charming colonial architecture meets vibrant local life, for a stroll along the serene banks of the Mekong.

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DAY 22: DRIVE TO SIEM REAP

Disembark and drive through lush Cambodian countryside to reach Siem Reap, the gateway to Angkor. The afternoon is at leisure.

DAY 23: EXPLORE ANGKOR

Enter Angkor Thom to explore treasures like the Bayon, and atmospheric Ta Prohm. Continue to the magnificent Angkor Wat and explore its many halls and towers. Later, return to Angkor Thom to cruise on its moat as the sun sets.

DAY 24: CAMBODIAN COOKING CLASS

Browse the produce at a local market before heading to a farm for a cooking class.
Using organic ingredients from the farm itself perpare a traditional Khmer lunch with a chef.
The afternoon is at leisure.

DAYS 25-26: FLY SIEM REAP TO UK

Fly home, arriving the following day.

CHRISTMAS ON THE MEKONG

19 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON **£6,690**

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM THE UK

ALL MEALS

TOUR TICKLIST

- Celebrate Christmas on a seven night Mekong Cruise
- Admire the temples of Angkor
- Marvel at lantern-lit Hoi An
- Discover the Cu Chi Tunnels
- Explore bustling Saigon & Hanoi
- Cruise spectacular Halong Bay



Ring in the New Year in Saigon

PRICE INCLUDES

- 17 breakfasts, 16 lunches & 17 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for UK & IE passport holders



Celebrate Christmas on the Mekong

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Celebrate Christmas in style aboard the Victoria Mekong with a magical seven-night cruise along the Mekong River. Enjoy a festive feast and drinks reception with a local twist as you sail past lush landscapes and floating villages.
- Discover the delights of Hoi An, even more magical at this time of year, with its charming lantern-lit streets and beautifully preserved architecture. Wander its atmospheric lanes before getting hands-on in a traditional lantern-making workshop, creating your own colourful keepsake.
- Embrace the charm of rural Vietnam in Tra Que village, where you'll join local farmers to experience time-honoured cultivation techniques, then delight in a hands-on cooking demonstration featuring regional delicacies.

ITINERARY

DAY 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SIEM REAP

Fly overnight to bustling Siem Reap. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to soak up the local culture.

DAY 3: EXPLORE ANGKOR

Journey into the old city of Angkor Thom. At its heart is the enigmatic Bayon, an iconic temple of innumerable sculptural decorations. Admire the Elephant Terrace and Terrace of the Leper King before continuing to the atmospheric Ta Prohm. The rest of the afternoon is dedicated to Angkor Wat, the most magnificent and best preserved of all of Angkor's treasures. As the sun sets, float peacefully on the moat that surrounds Angkor Thom, soaking up the atmosphere.

DAY 4: THE VICTORIA MEKONG

This morning, transfer to Kampong Cham to embark on your next adventure – a seven-night cruise on our premium small ship, the Victoria Mekong. Begin your cruise with a complimentary cocktail on deck, watching the sun set.

DAY 5: ANGKOR BAN & SILK ISLAND

Explore the laid-back village of Angkor Ban with its wooden stilt houses. This afternoon, take a tuk-tuk to Silk Island to learn about the process of silk weaving from worm to loom. Return to the ship, where you'll enjoy a Christmas feast with a Cambodian twist*.

DAY 6: CHRISTMAS DAY ON THE MEKONG

Begin your day with a walking tour of Koh Chen village, where you'll meet a local copper and silversmith, before continuing to the country's former capital, Oudong. Arrive in Phnom Penh and end your Christmas day* celebrations in style with a signature cocktail at Raffles Hotel Le Royal before returning to the ship.

DAY 7: DISCOVER PHNOM PENH

Begin the day exploring Phnom Penh's Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda, before visiting the National Museum to admire Khmer treasures. After lunch, learn about Cambodia's tragic past under the Khmer Rouge regime with a visit to the Killing Fields, then return to the ship for a captivating Apsara dance performance.

DAY 8: TAN CHAU

Enjoy onboard activities such as a ship's tour or a minigolf tournament as the ship crosses the border into Vietnam. Arrive in Tan Chau, where you will visit the Cao Dai Temple. This evening, experience a lion dance on the sky deck!

DAY 9: PHU TAN & TIGER ISLAND

Head ashore in Phu Tan and visit a craft village famous for its handmade clay stoves. Later, head to Tiger Island. Enjoy a walk through rice fields and learn about Mr Tiger's Temple before returning to the ship.

DAY 10: LONG XUYEN

Take a tender boat through a fascinating floating market to reach Long Xuyen. Visit Dinh Yen village to experience traditional straw mat weaving. Return to the ship and enjoy a traditional Southern Vietnamese folk music performance as you cruise towards Can Tho, the beating heart of the Mekong Delta.

DAY 11: DRIVE TO SAIGON

After breakfast, disembark and drive to Saigon - a vibrant, modern city with a treasure trove of fascinating heritage - and see the colonial Notre Dame Cathedral and Central Post Office.



CLASSIC
VIETNAM & CAMBODIA

PHYSICAL RATING 1

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

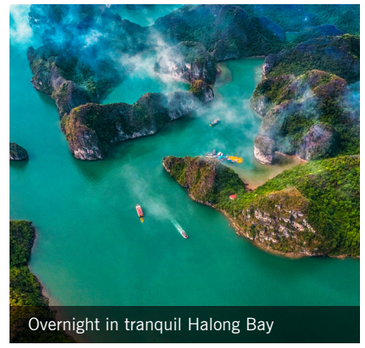
What better way to spend Christmas than waking to a sunrise over the Mekong? Explore the majestic temples of Angkor, then embark on a seven-night Mekong cruise. Discover Vietnam's highlights, from Saigon to Hanoi, including a serene Halong Bay cruise.



Experience the magnificent temples of Angkor



Immerse yourself in the festive magic of Hoi An



Overnight in tranquil Halong Bay

DAY 12: CU CHI TUNNELS & NYE IN SAIGON

This morning, visit the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels to learn the history of the Viet Cong and their guerrilla tactics during the Vietnam War. Return to Saigon and visit the fascinating War Remnants Museum. This evening, celebrate New Year's Eve in vibrant Saigon* with a Vietnamese feast and ring in the new year in style.

DAY 13: DISCOVER HOI AN

Fly from Saigon to Danang and transfer to the enchanting town of Hoi An. Head out on a walking tour, with visits including Chua Ong Pagoda, a historic merchant house, and the spectacular Japanese Covered Bridge. Then, join a local artisan for a lantern-making workshop, creating your own colourful silk lantern as you learn about the history and traditions behind this craft.

DAY 14: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Venture into the countryside to Tra Que. Soak up the lush landscape as you stroll through vibrant vegetable gardens, watch local farmers at work, and try your hand at traditional cultivation techniques. Then, take part in a hands-on cooking demonstration and savour the flavours of authentic local specialties before returning to Hoi An. This evening, enjoy the Teh Dar Show, a captivating blend of acrobatics, music and storytelling inspired by Vietnam's highland communities.

DAY 15: HISTORIC HANOI

Fly to Vietnam's capital city, Hanoi. A fast paced yet graceful city, it is packed full of ancient and modern sights to discover. Explore the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, where you'll pass 'Uncle Ho's' monumental mausoleum and Stilt House, before seeing the One Pillar Pagoda.

DAY 16: EXPLORE HANOI

Begin exploring at the serene Temple of Literature before taking a cyclo tour through the Old Quarter's atmospheric tangle of streets with a stop for local delicacy 'ca phe trung' (egg coffee) en route.

DAYS 17-18: HALONG BAY CRUISE

Travel to Halong City, board a cruise boat and set sail on the tranquil blue-green waters of Halong Bay. With its 1,600 islands and islets, the bay was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1994. As you explore you'll make excursions to mysterious caves and enjoy delicious seafood onboard. After a night anchored out on the water, rise early to see the sun come up before cruising back to port. Return to Hanoi for an afternoon at leisure ahead of this evening's farewell dinner.

DAY 19: FLY HANOI TO UK

Fly to the UK, arriving home either the same day or the following day.

**2026 departure. Please refer to our website for a detailed 2027 itinerary. As the dates and final itinerary for this tour are dependent on Mekong river cruise sailings, please call for our Christmas 2028 departure.*

PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Sunday returning Thursday

2026 DATES	
20 Dec - 07 Jan	**£6,690**
2027 DATES	
19 Dec - 06 Dec	**£6,990**

Flight and supplement information

- Based on London and selected regional airport departures (see page 79 for details)
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from £5,890 (Siem Reap - Hanoi)
- Single room from £2,090
- Tipping paid locally US$80

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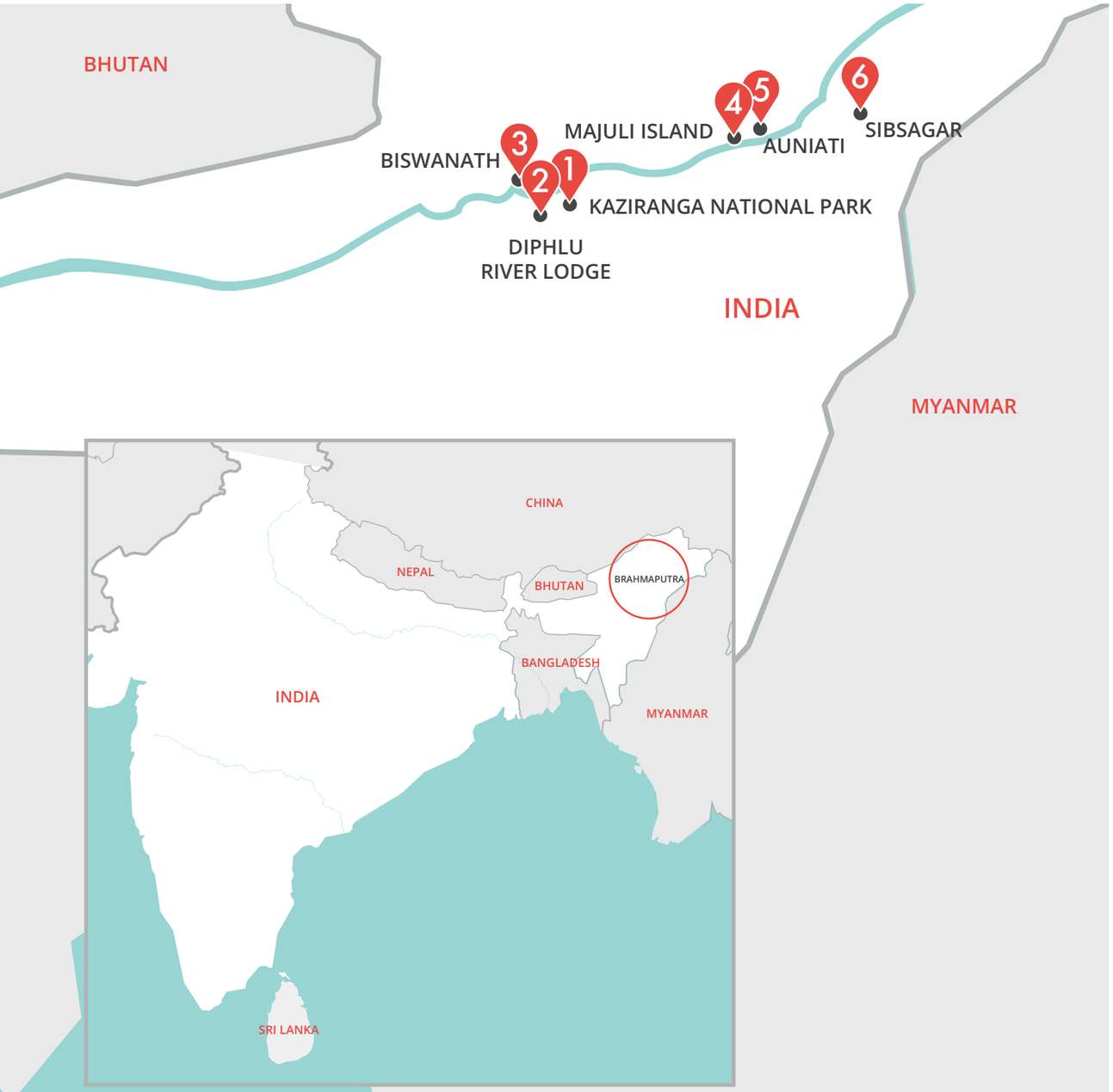
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THE BRAHMAPUTRA INDIA

The broad and mighty Brahmaputra sweeps tranquilly across the plains of the Indian state of Assam. To cruise here is to navigate the shifting sands and shoals of a river that can span miles in width, with its shores revealing a wealth of wildlife, traditional villages, ancient temples where age-old heritage still thrives, and the vast tea plantations for which the state is renowned.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE BRAHMAPUTRA RIVER

1 KAZIRANGA NATIONAL PARK

Enjoy thrilling jeep safaris in this vast national park, home to the world's largest population of the Indian one-horned rhinoceros as well as water buffalo, Bengal tigers, elephants and a host of other wildlife.



2 DIPHLU RIVER LODGE

Enjoy a delightful river-side lunch at this luxury lodge on the edge of Kaziranga National Park, patronised by celebrities including the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge.



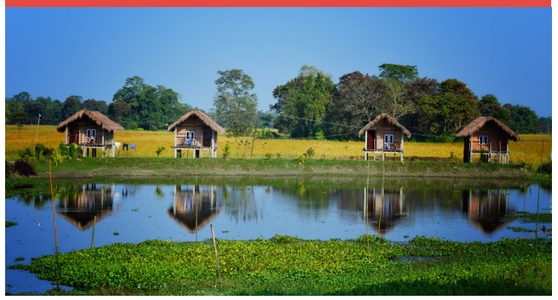
3 BISWANATH

At the confluence of the Brahmaputra and Bridhaganga rivers, enjoy a relaxing walk through the quaint Assamese riverside town of Biswanath, known for its Ahom-period Shiva temples.



4 MAJULI ISLAND

One of the world's largest river islands and a microcosm of Assamese culture, Majuli is the cultural heartland of neo-Vaishnavism, whose devotees offer worship through songs, dance and recitation of scriptures at wonderful 15th-century temples.



5 AUNIATI

Visit this 16th-century monastery with its eclectic museum. Enjoy the serenity of the tranquil grounds, observe the devotion of the resident monks and attend a dance performance at Kamalabari Monastery.



6 SIBSAGAR

Explore the former royal capital of the Ahom Kingdom that ruled Assam for over 600 years. The lush landscape here is dotted with elegant stupas and grand palaces and the impressive temple tank, believed to be the world's largest hand-excavated reservoir.





ABN Sukapha

All aboard:

ABN Sukapha

With a maximum capacity of just 24 guests, the delightful ABN Sukapha exudes an inviting, easy-going atmosphere. The perfect place for relaxing and watching river life go by after a day of exploring.



YOUR STATEROOM

All 12 en suite cabins are bamboo panelled and feature locally crafted cane furniture. With sliding floor to ceiling windows, panoramic views of the Brahmaputra River are never far away.

FACILITIES ON BOARD

Spend your time aboard enjoying the ship's comforts and crew hospitality. Take in sweeping views of your surroundings from the open-air top deck, catch up on your reading in the library or indulge in some pampering at the spa.

WINE & DINE

Enjoy a wonderful culinary experience in the dedicated dining room, where the talented chefs prepare a daily selection of Western and Indian delights for the buffet breakfast, lunch and dinner. Unlimited drinks are available during lunch and dinner service.

ABN Charaidew II

This boutique river ship entered service in 2019 – a modern vessel adorned with touches of colonial elegance, brought to life by traditional Assamese designs on hand-woven fabrics.



YOUR STATEROOM

Wendy Wu Tours customers will be able to relax in one of the eight upper deck cabins or two main deck cabins on board – all en suite with sliding glass doors leading to beautiful French balconies.

FACILITIES ON BOARD

Spread over three decks, and with only 36 guests on board the ABN Charaidew II is very spacious and comfortable. Facilities include a main dining room, gym, large open sundeck, saloon and bar, and a spa offering a wide range of treatments.

WINE & DINE

Enjoy relaxed dining with a daily buffet breakfast, and lunches and dinners that feature Indian and Western cuisine along with a range of unlimited drinks. The ship's saloon and bar, on the sundeck, serve refreshments through the day into the evening.


ABN Charaidew II Sundeck


ABN Charaidew II


ABN Charaidew II


ABN Sukapha Top Deck

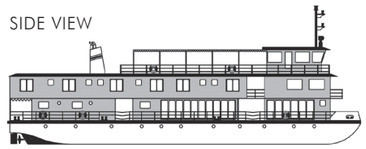
YOUR JOURNEY

The Brahmaputra River is one of India's best-kept secrets – and often overlooked by tourists. It's along the banks of this mighty river that you'll witness and experience the real India. This fascinating river spans around 2,900km and flows through Tibet, India and Bangladesh. The Brahmaputra is among the few major rivers in the world that flows both eastward and westward.

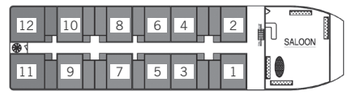
On this seven-night cruise you'll be sailing upstream from Kaziranga to Jorhat, either aboard the ABN Sukapha or the ABN Charaidew II, depending on your departure date. Both ships offer the opportunity to really get to know the river and its people as you observe wildlife on an intrepid safari, visit temples, local villages, tea estates and more. You'll also visit Majuili – one of the world's largest river islands and learn about the unique way of life in this fascinating and rarely visited place.

ABN SUKAPHA

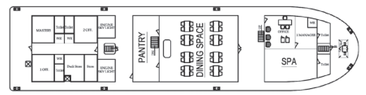
SIDE VIEW



UPPER DECK

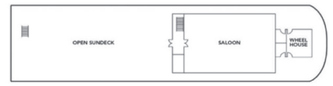


MAIN DECK



ABN CHARAIDEW II

SUN DECK



UPPER DECK



MAIN DECK



BEYOND THE BRAHMAPUTRA

18 DAYS FROM

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ALL MEALS



Cruise the Brahmaputra on board ABN Charaidew II

TOUR TICKLIST

- Explore the sights of Kolkata
- Discover beautiful Darjeeling
- Enjoy a Kanchenjunga sunrise
- Relax on a seven-night boutique Brahmaputra cruise
- Safari in Kaziranga National Park

PRICE INCLUDES

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Ride the 'Toy Train' from Darjeeling

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- The Darjeeling Himalayan Railway, known as the 'Toy Train', takes you on a scenic journey through the foothills of the Himalaya between Darjeeling and Ghoom, home to India's highest train station at 2,200 metres above sea level.
- Visit a tea estate to learn all about the world-famous Assam tea. Cultivated in nutrient rich soil of the Brahmaputra's floodplain, see the production process and savour a cup of this rich, malty tea.
- Sail over Gangtok on a cableway, getting a bird's eye view of the city and the snowy peaks of Kanchenjunga beyond. The ride may only be one kilometre long, but the views it offers are extraordinary.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY TO KOLKATA

Fly overnight to Kolkata, a vibrant city in the far east of India. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: EXPLORE KOLKATA

After breakfast, enjoy a full-day tour of Kolkata, visiting the sacred Kalighat Kali Temple, the grand Victoria Memorial and St. Paul's Cathedral. Learn about India's influential leaders at Rabindranath Tagore and Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, before visiting Dakshineswar Kali Temple and Belur Math. This evening, take a stroll along vibrant Park Street.

DAY 4: TRAVEL TO GANGTOK

This morning, transfer to the airport for your flight to Bagdogra. Upon arrival, travel through the scenic Himalayan foothills to Gangtok, the capital of Sikkim, surrounded by forested mountains and spectacular views of the eastern Himalayas.

DAY 5: EXPLORE GANGTOK

Today you will explore it, visiting the 18thcentury Rumtek, the region's most spiritually significant monastery, Enchey Monastery with its colourful prayer hall, the Tashi Viewpoint, where you'll get spectacular views of Mount Khangchendzonga and more. You'll also fly your way up the cable ropeway for panoramic views of the city and its surroundings.

DAY 6: TRAVEL GANGTOK TO DARJEELING

After breakfast, journey to Darjeeling, one of India's most famous hill stations. En route, visit Buddha Park in Ravangla, home to an impressive statue of Lord Buddha set against a backdrop of mountain scenery. Built to commemorate the 2550th birth anniversary of Gautama Buddha, the park is an important pilgrimage and cultural site.

DAY 7: KANCHENJUNGA SUNRISE

Rise before dawn and travel up Tiger Hill to watch the sun rising (weather dependent) over Kanchenjunga which, at 2,590 metres, is the world's third highest mountain. The rest of the morning is at leisure before an afternoon ride on the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway's Toy Train from Darjeeling to Ghoom. Visit Ghoom Monastery before returning to Darjeeling to tour the Padmaja Naidu Zoological Park, the Himalayan Mountaineering Institute and Tibetan Refugee Center. This evening, enjoy a stroll through the market.

DAY 8: DARJEELING TO SILIGURI

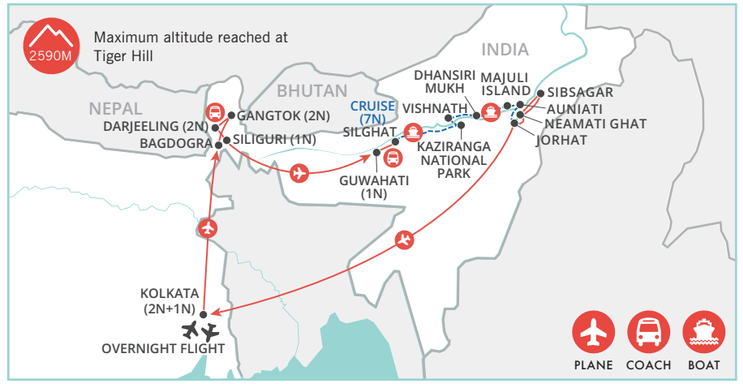
After a leisure breakfast, descend from the Himalayan hills to Siliguri, the gateway to northeast India. Enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

DAY 9: FLY TO GUWAHATI

Transfer back to Bagdogra airport and fly to Guwahati. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 10: BOARD YOUR CRUISE

Transfer to Silghat, a port on the Brahmaputra River, where you'll board your river cruise vessel. With a spa, saloon, and spacious sun deck along with cool and roomy cabins with floor-to-ceiling sliding windows for optimum views, there is no better way to explore the rich riverbanks of the mighty Brahmaputra. Cast off and begin your upstream cruise, enjoying lunch and dinner onboard.

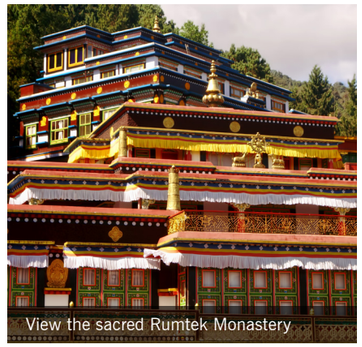


CLASSIC
INDIA

PHYSICAL RATING 2

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

From the Himalayan foothills to the languid waters of the Brahmaputra, this tour is a magical exploration of northeastern India. With time spent at altitude, sightseeing on foot, stairs without handrails, and steep inclines, this tour is best suited to those with a moderate fitness level.



View the sacred Rumtek Monastery



Catch sight of the endangered one-horned rhinoceroses in Kaziranga National Park

DAY 11: KAZIRANGA SAFARI

This morning, disembark from the ship and take a jeep safari into the central range of the Kaziranga National Park. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, Kaziranga is best known for its population of Indian one-horned rhinoceros and is a designated tiger reserve. Alongside these two magnificent creatures, Kaziranga is also home to elephants, sloth bears, pangolin, water buffalo, swamp deer and a number of species of primate, and is an important habitat for birds. Enjoy a riverside lunch at Diphlu River Lodge before hopping back into jeeps to explore the park's western reaches, where there is even more wonderful wildlife to spot.

DAY 12: TEA ESTATE

Spend the morning enjoying a tea experience on a picturesque Assam tea estate. Here you'll learn all about the production process, from plucking the leaves to brewing a cup. Back on the boat, cruise upstream, passing through more of Kaziranga National Park's spectacular wilderness, spotting wildlife on the banks of the river as you go. Drop anchor near Biswanath village.

DAY 13: BISWANATH VILLAGE

Head into the village, where there is a rich, cultural heritage to explore. Biswanath's ghat is home to a cluster of temples dedicated to different gods, including an Ahom-era Shiva temple – discover these and have a wander through the town, soaking up the beautiful riverside and rural surroundings. Continue cruising through Kaziranga National Park, keeping a look out for wild elephants. Then, spend the afternoon up on the ship's sun deck where you may be lucky enough to spot a member of a small population of the endangered Ganges River dolphins.

DAY 14: DAY OF CRUISING

Today you'll be able to sit back, relax and watch the river landscapes drift by as you cruise upstream. There will be one stop at a rural riverside village where a walking tour is a great way to stretch your legs.

DAY 15: MAJULI ISLAND

Explore one of the world's largest river islands, Majuli, which is a fascinating microcosm of local culture. Visit two of the island's tranquil satras (monasteries) that have been essential in preserving Assamese art and culture and enjoy a traditional dance performance. Cruise farther upstream to Salmara Ghat, visiting a nearby village that is known for its traditional handicrafts, to see the artisans at work.

DAY 16: VISIT SIBSAGAR

Transfer by car to Sibsagar. Once the capital of the Ahom kings, explore the remnants of a fascinating culture with visits to old temples and examples of innovative engineering. Return to the ship and cruise back to Neamati Ghat for your final night onboard the ship and a farewell dinner.

DAY 17: RETURN TO KOLKATA

Bid farewell to your river cruise ship and transfer to Jorhat airport for your flight back to Kolkata. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 18: FLY KOLKATA TO UK

Fly home to the UK, arriving the same or the following day.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departure days of the week vary

2027 DATES	Ship	
09 Jan - 26 Jan	ABN Sukapha	**£7,590**
11 Feb - 28 Feb	ABN Charaidew II	**£7,490**
05 Apr - 22 Apr	ABN Charaidew II	**£6,790**
28 Oct - 14 Nov	ABN Charaidew II	**£7,590**
2028 DATES	**Ship**	
31 Jan - 17 Feb	ABN Sukapha	**£7,790**
17 Feb - 05 Mar	ABN Charaidew II	**£7,790**
09 Apr - 26 Apr	ABN Charaidew II	**£6,790**

Flight and supplement information

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- Tipping paid locally USD$176

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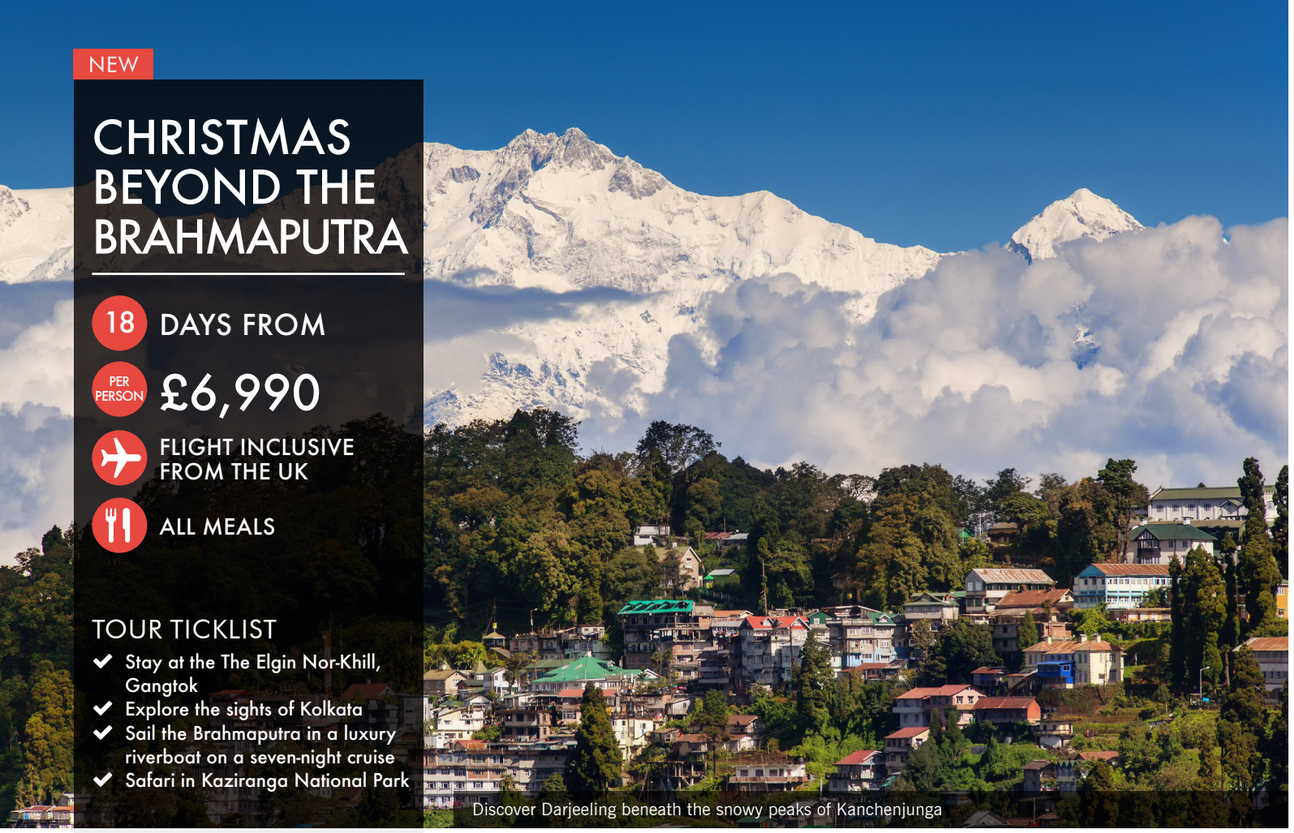
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ALL MEALS

TOUR TICKLIST

- Stay at the The Elgin Nor-Khill, Gangtok
- Explore the sights of Kolkata
- Sail the Brahmaputra in a luxury riverboat on a seven-night cruise
- Safari in Kaziranga National Park



Discover Darjeeling beneath the snowy peaks of Kanchenjunga



CLASSIC
INDIA

PHYSICAL RATING 2

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Celebrate Christmas in the spectacular mountain-backed landscapes of Darjeeling and Gangtok before setting sail on the sacred Brahmaputra River. Explore the nature, culture and unique heritage that lives on its river banks, seeing in the New Year onboard, in style.



Explore Majuli Island



Spot the endangered one-horned rhino in the wilds of Kaziranga

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- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
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Explore Darjeeling's Christmas markets

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Wander among the stalls of Darjeeling's vibrant Christmas markets, browsing stalls selling a range of handicrafts, winter clothes and local products, searching out unique souvenirs under the twinkling lights of the hill station's colourful Christmas decorations.
- Enjoy a unique and spectacular Boxing Day, rising before the dawn to watch the first rays of the sun appear over the Himalayas and turn the snowcapped peak of the world's third tallest mountain, Kanchenjunga, flaming red.
- See in the new year floating on the tranquil waters of the Brahmaputra, enjoying a special celebratory dinner in the convivial atmosphere of your ship's dining room before raising a toast as the clock strikes midnight.

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DAY 3: EXPLORE KOLKATA

The capital of West Bengal and widely considered India's cultural capital, Kolkata is a place of fascinating contrasts, something that you will discover on today's tour of the city. See landmark sights like Birla Planetarium, Belur Math, Dakineshwar Kali Temple and the spectacular white marble edifice of the Victoria Memorial before, this evening, taking a walking tour to Park Street, the famous thoroughfare in Kolkata's downtown area.

DAY 4: BRITISH KOLKATA

The capital of the British Raj between 1858 and 1911, Kolkata is home to a series of colonial sights which you will visit on this morning walking tour, including the stately Dalhousie Square. This afternoon, you'll pay a visit to Mother House, a quiet convent that was home to Mother Teresa and still houses her missionary sisters today. Visit her tomb and a small museum dedicated to her life and work.

DAY 5: TRAVEL TO GANGTOK

Transfer to the airport and fly to Bagdogra. On arrival, drive to Gangtok, winding through the incredible landscapes of Sikkim, with towering Himalayan peaks as your backdrop. Check in to the Elgin Nor-Khill Resort, a heritage retreat blending colonial charm with warm Sikkimese hospitality. Then, soak up the festive spirit as you explore MG Marg, Gangtok's main street, which glows with the Christmas lights of a charming Christmas market.

DAY 6: CHRISTMAS EVE - EXPLORE GANGTOK

Sikkim's bustling state capital, Gangtok sits on the side of a hill overlooking the valleys and peaks of the Himalayan foothills. This Christmas Eve, you will explore it, visiting the 18th-century Rumtek, the region's most spiritually significant monastery, Enchey Monastery with its colourful prayer hall, the Tashi Viewpoint, where you'll get spectacular views of Mount Kanchenjunga and more. You'll also fly your way up the cable ropeway for panoramic views of the city and its surroundings. This evening, enjoy a special Christmas Eve dinner at the Elgin Nor-Khill Resort, soaking in the festive atmosphere of the hotel.

DAY 7: CHRISTMAS DAY - DARJEELING

Merry Christmas! Celebrate Christmas Day surrounded by the breathtaking beauty of the Himalayas as you journey through the foothills towards the charming hill station of Darjeeling, passing sweeping tea plantations along the way. Stop at Ravangla Buddha Park to admire the towering 40-metre copper Buddha framed by snow-dusted peaks. This evening, soak up the festive cheer as you explore Darjeeling's Christmas markets, aglow with lights, music and seasonal treats.

DAY 8: KANCHENJUNGA SUN RISE

Rise before dawn and head up to Tiger Hill to witness the winter sun rise over the snow-capped peaks of Kanchenjunga, the world's third highest mountain at 8,586 metres (weather permitting). Enjoy a relaxed morning before an afternoon ride on the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway's charming 'toy train' to Ghoom. Visit Ghoom Monastery, then return to Darjeeling to explore the Padmaja Naidu Zoological Park, Himalayan Mountaineering Institute and Tibetan Refugee Centre. The rest of the evening is free to relax and soak up the cool mountain air.

DAY 9: FLY TO GUWAHATI

Transfer back to Bagdogra airport and fly to Guwahati. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 10: BOARD YOUR CRUISE

Transfer to Silghat, a port on the Brahmaputra River, where you'll board your river cruise vessel. With a spa, saloon, and spacious sun deck along with cool and roomy cabins with floor-to-ceiling sliding windows for optimum views, there is no better to explore the rich riverbanks of the mighty Brahmaputra. Cast off and begin your upstream cruise, enjoying lunch and dinner onboard.

DAY 11: KAZIRANGA SAFARI

This morning, disembark from the ship and take a jeep safari into the central range of the Kaziranga National Park. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, Kaziranga is best known for its population of Indian one-horned rhinoceros and is a designated tiger reserve. Alongside these two magnificent creatures, Kaziranga is also home to elephants, sloth bears, pangolin, water buffalo, swamp deer and a number of species of primate, among much more, and is an important habitat for birds. Enjoy a riverside lunch at Diphlu River Lodge before hopping back into jeeps to explore the park's western reaches, where there is more wonderful wildlife to spot.

DAY 12: TEA ESTATE

Spend the morning on a tea experience on a picturesque Assam tea estate. Here you'll learn all about the production process, from plucking the leaves to brewing a cup. Back on the boat, cruise upstream, passing through more of Kaziranga National Park's spectacular wilderness, spotting wildlife on the banks of the river as you go. Drop anchor near Biswanath village.

DAY 13: NEW YEAR'S EVE - WILDLIFE SPOTTING

Begin New Year's Eve by journeying into the village, where there is a rich, cultural heritage to explore. Biswanath's ghat is home to a cluster of temples dedicated to various gods, including an Ahom-era Shiva temple – discover these and stroll through the town, soaking up its beautiful riverside and rural surroundings. Continue cruising through Kaziranga National Park, keeping an eye out for wild elephants. Later, relax on the ship's sun deck – with luck, you might catch a glimpse of the endangered Ganges River dolphins. This evening, you'll be served a celebratory dinner with a cheers at midnight – what a way to see out the old year and see in the new one!

DAY 14: DAY OF CRUISING

Happy New Year! Today you'll be able to sit back, relax and watch the river landscapes drift by as you cruise upstream. There will be one stop at a rural riverside village where a walking tour is a great way to stretch your legs.

DAY 15: MAJULI ISLAND

Explore one of the world's largest river islands, Majuli, which is a fascinating microcosm of local culture. Visit two of the island's tranquil satras (monasteries) that have been essential in preserving Assamese art and culture and enjoy a traditional dance performance. Cruise farther upstream to Salmara Ghat, visiting a nearby village that is known for its traditional handicrafts, to see the artisans at work.

DAY 16: VISIT SIBSAGAR

Transfer by car to Sibsagar. Once the capital of the Ahom kings, explore the remnants of a fascinating culture with visits to old temples and examples of innovative engineering. Return to the ship and cruise back to Neamati Ghat for your final night onboard the ship and a farewell dinner.

DAY 17: RETURN TO KOLKATA

Bid farewell to your river cruise ship and transfer to Jorhat airport for your flight back to Kolkata. The rest of the day is at leisure.

DAY 18: FLY KOLKATA TO UK

Fly home to the UK, arriving the same or the following day.

PRICES AND DEPARTURES

2027 DATES	ABN Sukapha
20 Dec - 06 Jan	£6,990

Flight and supplement information

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THE YANGTZE CHINA

Stretching over 3,000 miles from the glaciers of the Tibetan plateau to the East China Sea, the Yangtze River is Asia's longest river and has played a pivotal role in the history of China. Cruising the river through the iconic Three Gorges you'll see modern cities, incredible natural splendour, historic temples and farmland still tended by conical hatted farmers with teams of buffalo.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YANGTZE RIVER

1 THREE GORGES DAM

A massive feat of engineering, the dam, at over two kilometres in length, is the world's largest hydroelectric power station. Visiting the viewing area above the ship locks you will be able to truly appreciate the scale of this impressive project.



2 SHENNONG STREAM

Take a small boat excursion to discover the tranquil Shennong Stream as it flows south through heavily forested gorges, past cascading waterfalls and coloured springs before merging with the Yangtze.



3 TRIBE OF THE THREE GORGES

The Tribe of the Three Gorges is a scenic cultural site along China's Yangtze River, showcasing traditional minority customs, stilted houses, and captivating natural landscapes.



4 MT SHUANGGUI

Known for its lush forested slopes, ancient temples, and cultural significance, Mt Shuanggui is home to the historic Shuanggui Temple, a Buddhist site dating back to the Tang Dynasty.



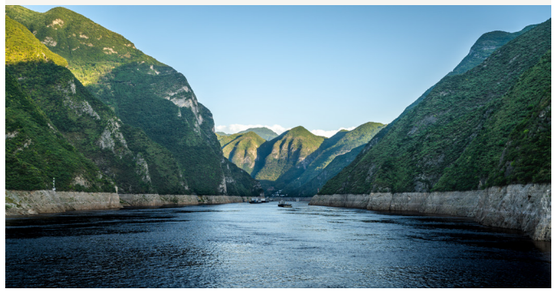
5 QUTANG GORGE

The shortest and narrowest of the Three Gorges is renowned for its dramatic scenery with towering limestone cliffs, sheer rock faces, and ancient inscriptions along the river creating breathtaking views.



6 WU GORGE

Wu Gorge is known for its ethereal beauty, featuring steep mountains often shrouded in mist. The famous 'Twelve Peaks' add to the enchanting atmosphere - Goddess Peak is the most spectacular of them all, said to be a incarnation of the Goddess Yaoji.



7 XILING GORGE

The longest of the Three Gorges has been renowned for its spectacular scenery for centuries. Before the construction of the dam this was also one of the most feared sections of the river with raging rapids and dangerous shoals.





All aboard: Victoria Anna

One of five ships in Victoria Cruise's fleet, the beautiful Victoria Anna first set sail in 2006, and was refurbished in 2019. This modern and elegant vessel offers the perfect home away from home as you sail the magical Yangtze.







YOUR JOURNEY

The Yangtze River has been the lifeline of China for millennia. It was on these river banks that some of the earliest Chinese cultures existed, and ever since it has been essential for China's agriculture, transportation and the development of the country's economy.

Cruising the mighty Yangtze slows down the pace of your tour of China and helps you to see this incredible country from a new perspective. All you have to do is sit back and admire the steady flow of history and heritage that survives along the Yangtze's banks as you wind your way through impressive gorges and cliffs. Sailing through the magnificent Three Gorges is a real highlight, with cliffs rising dramatically from the steadily flowing waters, each bend in the river offering a new breath-taking panorama.

ABOUT VICTORIA CRUISES

Sail through the heart of China in comfort and style with our trusted partner Victoria Cruises, the longest-running American-managed cruise line on the Yangtze River.

Blending comfort with cultural depth, Victoria Cruises offers expert-led shore excursions to the mighty Three Gorges Dam, centuries-old cliffside temples, and vibrant riverside towns.

We use all five of the ships in the Victoria Cruises' fleet – Anna, Jenna, Katarina, Sabrina and Isabella. We've chosen the Victoria Anna to showcase your experience onboard on the opposite page, but all five ships share similar features. You can expect stylish, outward-facing cabins with private balconies located on the main deck, plenty of onboard entertainment, delicious regional cuisine, and English-speaking staff throughout.

AMENITIES PACKAGE

With an amenities package upgrade, you can further enhance your Yangtze experience with a few special extras, including:

- Upgrade to a higher deck
- Access to exclusive à la carte dining
- Private afternoon tea in the Executive Lounge
- Welcome fruit basket in your cabin
- Nightly turn-down service
- Daily refreshments and pre-dinner Happy Hour
- House wine and beer served with dinner

Please enquire with our Reservations team for full inclusions and pricing details. Cabin and deck upgrades are available on request.







YOUR STATEROOM

Relax in a spacious Superior cabin on the Main Deck, featuring a private outward-facing balcony with panoramic views of the stunning Yangtze River. Enjoy the convenience of complimentary Wi-Fi and an en suite bathroom with both a shower and bathtub, providing ultimate comfort throughout your journey.

FACILITIES ON BOARD

From a grand atrium with sweeping views to a sun deck, fitness centre, and spa, the Victoria Anna has everything you need for a comfortable journey. Explore the library, attend cultural lectures, or simply unwind in the observation lounge.

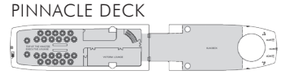
A daily shore excursion is also included, taking you off the ship to explore the sights along the river. Alternatively, stay onboard to relax, admiring the views from deck or your private balcony.

WINE & DINE

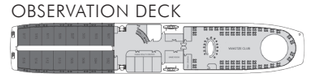
When it comes to mealtimes, enjoy buffet meals in the elegant Dynasty Dining Room offering expertly crafted international and Chinese dishes, or upgrade with an amenities package for exclusive access to the à la carte restaurant.

DECK PLANS

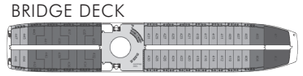
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OBSERVATION DECK



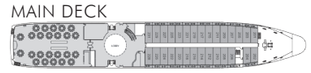
BRIDGE DECK



PROMENADE DECK



MAIN DECK



FIRST DECK





Available on Upgraded Departures Only

All aboard: Century Cruise

Step aboard the relaxed 5-star Century Oasis, a sleek and modern Yangtze River vessel designed for comfort and eco-conscious travel. Launched in 2023, this elegant ship combines stylish cabins, panoramic balconies, and thoughtfully designed public spaces, allowing you to relax and take in the breathtaking river landscapes in style.







ABOUT CENTURY CRUISES

Discover the Yangtze aboard Century Cruises' flagship Century Oasis, combining contemporary design, generous space and thoughtful service with the timeless scenery and culture of China's longest river.

The journey brings you close to some of the Yangtze's most spectacular sights, from the vast Three Gorges Dam to dramatic limestone cliffs, historic temples and traditional riverside communities.

The Century Oasis has been selected for your Upgraded Departure cruise, offering a stylish and comfortable base from which to experience the river. Spacious cabins feature private balconies, while the ship provides a range of restaurants, bars and leisure facilities, including a theatre, fitness centre and observation areas.

With its modern interiors, attentive service and panoramic views, the Oasis makes it easy to relax between excursions and enjoy the ever-changing landscapes of the Yangtze.

STATEROOMS

Your Deluxe Cabin on the Upper Deck features a modern, elegant ambience with a private balcony and en-suite bathroom, ensuring a comfortable and relaxing stay.

LIFE ON BOARD

From the ship's entertainment options, including live performances, tai chi lessons, and cultural activities, to the Captain's Welcome Reception, there's something for everyone on Century Oasis. For quieter moments, enjoy the spa with massages payable onboard, unwind in the reading lounge, stay active in the fully equipped gym, or relax on the Sun Deck as the scenery drifts by. The ship also features stylish lounges, a panoramic bar, and spacious public areas designed to make your journey comfortable and engaging throughout.

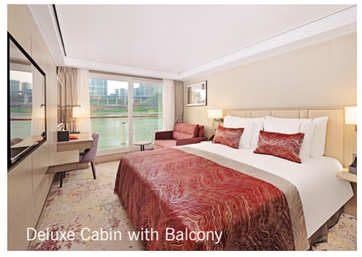
DINING

Dine in the elegant Emerald Restaurant, Century Oasis' main dining venue, offering a selection of Chinese and Western cuisine at lunch and dinner. Alongside international favourites, the menu features local specialities inspired by the towns and regions along the Yangtze, allowing you to discover the flavours of the river as you cruise. Enjoy your meals with house wine, beer and soft drinks, included as standard.

Guests who upgrade to the Riviera VIP Restaurant can enjoy a more intimate dining experience, with a refined buffet offering a quieter, more personalised atmosphere.

Beyond mealtimes, the stylish H2O Bar & Lounge on the Observation Deck is a relaxed place to meet, unwind with a favourite drink and take in the spectacular scenery of the Yangtze. With comfortable surroundings and riverside views, it is an ideal spot to relax as the landscape drifts by.





Deluxe Cabin with Balcony



Superior Deluxe Cabin



Executive Suite

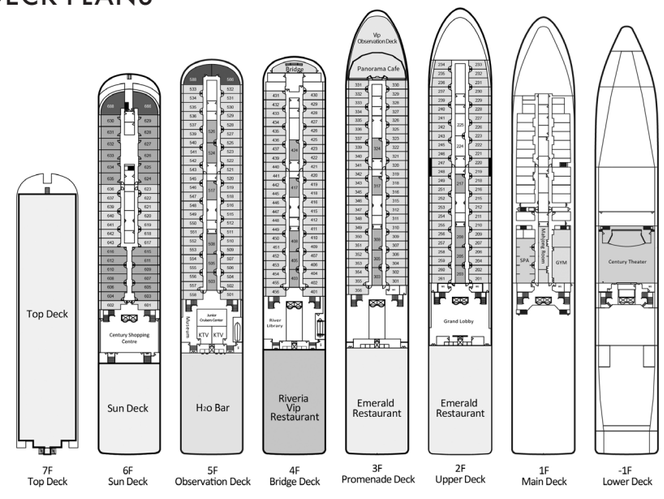
UPGRADES

Your Deluxe Cabin offers comfort and style throughout your journey, with further cabin upgrades available for those who wish to enjoy exclusive facilities.

- **Superior Deluxe Cabin**
  Enjoy the same spacious layout as the Deluxe Cabin, but on the higher 5F and 6F decks, with exclusive access to the VIP Restaurant.
- **Executive Suite**
  Upgrade to a spacious 33 sqm suite on the 6F Deck, with a generous seating area and large private balcony overlooking the Yangtze. Enjoy VIP Restaurant and Executive Lounge access, plus a complimentary minibar and laundry service.

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DECK PLANS



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- Face the Terracotta Army
- Walk on the Great Wall
- Discover ancient Ciqikou



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Get a sky-high view of Shanghai

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▸ Soaring above Shanghai's Pudong skyline, Jin Mao Tower blends modern engineering with traditional Chinese design. Head to the top for sweeping views over the Huangpu River and historic Bund.
- ▸ Explore the narrow cobbled lanes of Ciqikou's old town, a district known for its porcelain production during the Ming and Qing dynasties as well as its traditional architecture.
- ▸ Cruise through Qutang, Wu and Xiling gorges, otherwise known as the Three Gorges, admiring the magnificent scenery from the comfort of your Yangtze River cruise vessel and learning about its epic history from your onboard expert.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SHANGHAI

Fly overnight to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Today explore the classical Yu Garden, stroll through the charming old town, visit a silk mill and take in sweeping views of Shanghai's stunning skyline from Jin Mao Tower. Later, admire the magnificent colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund and view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise. The skyscrapers and glimmering lights are a sight to behold. Tonight, savour some traditional Shanghainese cuisine.

DAY 4: TRAIN TO YICHANG

Take the bullet train to Yichang and board your home for the next four nights – a relaxing cruise along the majestic Yangtze River.

DAYS 5-7: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

A man-made marvel, the Three Gorges Dam showcases a massive feat of engineering. But as you cruise upstream nature takes over, revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery including the Three Gorges themselves. Over the next three days, enjoy a range of shore excursions and onboard entertainment. Take a scenic side trip to either the tranquil Shennong or Goddess Stream, where smaller boats allow for deeper exploration of lush gorges and hidden valleys.

DAY 8: HISTORIC CIQIKOU

Disembarking the cruise vessel in Chongqing, explore old Ciqikou, a district known for its porcelain production during the Ming and Qing dynasties. Ciqikou's narrow streets are perfect for a morning stroll to admire the historical, traditional architecture. Transfer to Chengdu and enjoy a delicious Sichuanese meal for dinner with the option of a performance of Sichuan Opera, famous for its 'face-changing'.

DAY 9: PANDAS

Start your day with a visit to Chengdu's renowned Panda Conservation Base, where you can see and learn about China's cherished pandas in a habitat mirroring their natural surroundings. Explore the museum to gain insights into the reserve's breeding efforts. Later, take a bullet train to the former imperial capital of Xian. This evening a delicious feast of traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and a captivating performance of Tang Dynasty dancing awaits.

DAY 10: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses, and visit the workshop of the craftsmen who recreate terracotta warriors in the style of their ancient counterparts. Later, enjoy a leisurely stroll along the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that encircle Xian's old town, stop at a local brewery for a refreshing beer tasting, then walk through the atmospheric alleys of the Muslim Quarter.



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IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

One of our most popular tours covers the enthralling cities of Shanghai, Xian and Beijing as well as the unforgettable giant pandas of Chengdu. The highlight, though, is a relaxing four-night cruise on the majestic Yangtze River.



Explore the old town of Ciqikou



Feel peaceful at the Temple of Heaven

DAY 11: BULLET TRAIN TO BEIJING

Board the bullet train to Beijing, a fast-paced capital where modern life meets 3,000 years of rich, tumultuous history.

DAY 12: IMPERIAL BEIJING

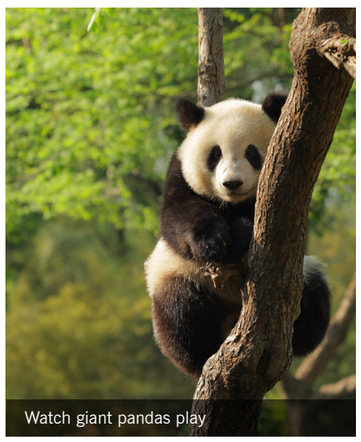
Head to Tiananmen Square, Beijing's symbolic heart, and into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Entering through the Gate of Supreme Harmony, you will find a complex full of imperial riches. Later, stroll through the peaceful grounds of the Temple of Heaven, where emperors once prayed for good harvests. As evening falls, enjoy a dazzling Chinese acrobatic show – a thrilling display of skill, strength, and tradition.

DAY 13: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that it crosses. Next, visit a jade factory then enjoy the idyllic landscapes of the Summer Palace as you wander through traditional Chinese gardens. This evening, savour Beijing's best-known delicacy – Peking duck.

DAY 14: FLY BEIJING TO UK

Fly to the UK, arriving home the same or following day.



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Try a refreshing local brew in Xian

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▸ Swap tea for hops with a visit to one of Xian's local breweries. Take a behind-the-scenes look at how the beers are brewed, then sample a glass or two fresh from the source.
- ▸ Venture into Beijing's atmospheric old neighbourhoods, the hutongs, exploring the narrow alleyways, passing traditional courtyard houses and getting a glimpse of the residents' day to day life.
- ▸ Cruise the Huangpu River, the perfect way to take in Shanghai's contrasts – the colonial architecture of the Bund and the modern skyscrapers of Pudong.

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DAY 4: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight, the Great Wall, which stretches over 4,000 miles from the Shanhaiguan Pass on the east coast to the Gobi Desert in the west. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that it crosses. Next, visit a jade factory to learn about this treasured stone, long revered in Chinese culture as a symbol of good fortune and prosperity. Enjoy the afternoon strolling through the idyllic gardens of the Summer Palace and admire the traditional Chinese landscapes and exquisite architecture.

DAY 5: TANG DYNASTY DANCING

Board the bullet train to Xian, the ancient former capital. Take a walking tour of the narrow and winding streets of the lively Muslim Quarter and gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road. In the evening, enjoy a dumpling feast and Tang Dynasty dancing show.

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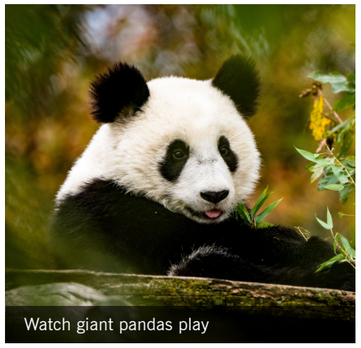
DAY 11: CHONGQING PANDA HOUSE

Disembark from the cruise vessel and visit the Panda House in Chongqing. Later, board the bullet train to Guilin.





Admire the landscapes of the Li River



Watch giant pandas play

DAY 12: LI RIVER CRUISE

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen.

DAY 13: YANGSHUO

Yangshuo sits in an exquisite rural location, surrounded by landscapes of emerald-green paddy fields and dramatic limestone karsts. Spend the morning exploring the countryside before returning to Guilin by road, stopping en route to discover the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of Reed Flute Cave. Later, enjoy a leisurely stroll around Ronghu Lake and the Ancient South Gate.

DAY 14: HUANGPU RIVER CRUISE

Fly to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai. This evening, view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise.

DAY 15: DISCOVER SHANGHAI

Today explore the classical Yu Garden, stroll through the charming old town, visit a silk mill and take in sweeping views of Shanghai's stunning skyline from the iconic Jin Mao Tower. Walk along the iconic Bund before a dinner of authentic Shanghainese cuisine.

DAY 16: FLY SHANGHAI TO UK

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PRICES & DEPARTURES

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28 Feb - 15 Mar	£4,390	18 Jun - 03 Jul	£4,690
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Explore the magical landscapes of Zhangjiajie

TOUR TICKLIST

- Walk on the Great Wall
- Face the Terracotta Army
- Travel on a bullet train
- Cruise the mighty Yangtze
- Explore spectacular Zhangjiajie
- Admire Shanghai's bright lights

PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches & 14 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees


Take Tianmen's 'Walk of Faith'

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▸ Take a deep breath and step out on Tianmen Mountain's famed glass skywalk, aptly named the 'Walk of Faith'. Hugging a cliff face, follow it around the mountain for unparalleled views of Zhangjiajie's mountains, valleys, and forests.
- ▸ From hand-stretched noodles to barbecued meat on skewers, Xian's Muslim Quarter is a street food haven! As you explore these atmospheric streets and soak up the history, why not grab a delicious snack or two, to keep your energy up?
- ▸ Brace yourself for jaw-dropping views as you walk across Zhangjiajie's spectacular glass bridge, suspended 300m above the forested valley below.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY TO BEIJING

Fly overnight to Beijing, China's historical capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: EXPLORE IMPERIAL BEIJING

This morning head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square, where you will discover the magnificence of the Forbidden City and find a complex full of imperial treasures. Take a leisurely stroll through the narrow alleys of the warren-like hutongs, then soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven. In the evening, enjoy the local delicacy, Peking duck.

DAY 4: WALK ON THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Taking a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate the sheer magnificence of the wall and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it. Next, visit a jade factory to see how this revered stone, treasured across China, is skillfully crafted. Spend the afternoon at the idyllic Summer Palace, strolling through traditional Chinese gardens and seeing the exquisite architecture.

DAY 5: TRAVEL TO XIAN

Catch a bullet train to ancient Xian, the capital city of several of China's most important dynasties. Take a walking tour of the narrow and winding streets of the lively Muslim Quarter and gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road. In the evening, enjoy a dumpling feast and an exuberant Tang Dynasty dancing show.

DAY 6: MEET THE WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of these life-size warriors and visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Workshop. Later, stroll on the city wall and enjoy a refreshing beer tasting at a local brewery.

DAY 7: BULLET TRAIN TO CHENGDU

Board the bullet train to Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan province. Take a stroll through People's Park to see Matchmaker's Corner, where parents search for suitable partners for their children.

DAY 8: VISIT GIANT PANDAS

Visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre to see and learn about China's celebrated bears up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. A look around the informative museum gives an overview of the reserve's breeding programme. Later, drive to Chongqing where you will board your Yangtze River cruise.

DAYS 9-11: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Spend the next three days cruising through some of China's most spellbinding scenery. There'll be shore excursions to enjoy, such as a visit to Mount Shuanggui to explore the picturesque scenery of a national forest park, and a relaxing boat trip along the scenic Goddess Stream. The Three Gorges themselves can be admired from the deck of the cruise ship, with the dramatic scenery an absolute highlight of your trip. On the final day, you'll get to visit the Three Gorges Dam, the world's largest hydroelectric dam and a staggering feat of engineering. Then, disembark your Yangtze River Cruise and drive to the breathtaking Zhangjiajie, stopping at the strange buildings of 72 Qilou.

DAY 12: DISCOVER ZHANGJIAJIE

A scenic area of over 3,000 sandstone pillars, rising from misty folds of subtropical forest and cloaked in vibrant green vegetation, Zhangjiajie is a triumph of nature. Begin your explorations with a ride up the remarkable Bailong glass elevator. Embedded into the mountain, the elevator soars up the mountain side to a towering height of 326 metres in just two minutes. Soak up the amazing views from the top before taking a cable car back down to earth. End the day with a scenic sampan cruise on Lake Baofeng, a turquoise expanse of water amongst picturesque karst scenery.

DAY 13: THE GLASS BRIDGE

Explore the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of the Huanglong Cave. Then, brace yourself for an exhilarating walk across Zhangjiajie's Glass Bridge, the world's longest and highest glass-bottomed bridge stretching 430-metres over the Grand Canyon.

DAY 14: ASCEND TIANMEN MOUNTAIN

Soar up the heights of Tianmen Mountain by cable car which, at seven kilometres, is China's longest. At the summit, marvel at Tianmen Cave, nicknamed 'Heaven's Door', reached by 999 steep steps, and take a thrilling walk along a glass skywalk, aptly named the 'Walk of Faith'. Transfer to the airport for your evening flight to Shanghai.

DAY 15: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Today, visit the peaceful Yu Garden, wander the atmospheric alleys of the old town, and stop at a silk mill. Admire the magnificent colonial architecture with a stroll along the historic Bund, then take in sweeping views from atop the Jin Mao Tower. This evening, enjoy a panoramic cruise along the Huangpu River and dine on classic Shanghainese cuisine.

DAY 16: FLY SHANGHAI TO UK

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See giant pandas in Chengdu


Marvel at the Great Wall of China

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IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Explore China's biggest and best cities and sights, including the Great Wall, the Terracotta Warriors, the giant pandas, a cruise on the Yangtze and Shanghai. To top it all off, we've added the breathtaking scenery of Zhangjiajie National Park, a true natural wonder.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

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TOUR TICKLIST

- Walk on the Great Wall
- See the Terracotta Army
- Cruise the Yangtze and Li rivers
- Explore the spectacular Zhangjiajie
- Watch giant pandas play
- Marvel at high tech Chongqing



Soar 326 metres above the forest floor in Zhangjiajie's glass Bailong Elevator



CLASSIC
CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING 2

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Uncover the best of China, from its most iconic sights to up and coming gems! With the natural landscapes of the Li and Yangtze rivers and Zhangjiajie, alongside the vibrant cityscapes of Beijing, Chongqing and Shanghai, you'll get the best of both worlds.



See Chongqing's skyline come alight



Watch life unfold along the Li River

PRICES & DEPARTURES
Departing Wednesday returning Monday

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- Single room from £1,080
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- Domestic transportation
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- ▸ Refresh your body and mind at one of Chongqing's top hot spring resorts. Choose from fifty naturally heated pools infused with Chinese medicinal herbs and essential oils.
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- ▸ Watch Chongqing's skyline come to life in a magical light show, where over 5,000 synchronised drones choreograph a stunning performance above the city's soaring riverside towers.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1–2: FLY TO BEIJING
Fly overnight to Beijing, China's historic capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to relax or start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: IMPERIAL BEIJING
Begin the day in the emblematic Tiananmen Square before making your way across it and into the imperial magnificence of the sprawling Forbidden City to discover its many treasures. Then, take a leisurely stroll through the narrow alleys of a warren-like hutong neighbourhood and learn more about living in this traditional area. This evening, dine on a delicious local delicacy, Peking duck.

DAY 4: THE GREAT WALL
Just outside Beijing, a true bucket-list sight snakes its way across the landscape – the Great Wall of China. Today you'll get to walk on this iconic structure, climbing to one of its many watchtowers if you're feeling energetic. Visit a jade factory (there is an opportunity to shop for a small, handcrafted piece), then spend the afternoon exploring the gardens of the Summer Palace, a Qing Dynasty lakeside retreat known for its exquisite architecture.

DAY 5: ALLEYWAYS OF XIAN'S MUSLIM QUARTER
Board the bullet train to Xian, capital city of multiple ancient dynasties. Take a walking tour of the lively Muslim Quarter, a heaven for foodies and knick-knack lovers, while gaining insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road. In the evening, enjoy a dumpling dinner and Tang Dynasty dancing show.

DAY 6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS
One of the 20th century's greatest archaeological discoveries, the enigmatic Terracotta Warriors stand ready for battle around the, as yet unexcavated, tomb of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang. Spend the morning viewing their ranks then visit a workshop to see where they are intricately recreated. Stroll the beautifully preserved city walls that encircle Xian's old town, pausing for a refreshing beer tasting at a local brewery.

DAY 7: FLY TO GUILIN
Fly to the scenic city of Guilin. Later, wander among the colourful stalagmites and stalactites of the Reed Flute Cave.

DAY 8: LI RIVER CRUISE
Wind your way down the Li River surrounded by some of China's most picturesque landscapes. Sit back, relax and savour the glorious rural scenes of lush paddy fields, grazing buffalo and local fishermen, all backed by towering karst peaks. Arrive in Yangshuo, a charming town amid this beauty.

DAY 9: TAI CHI IN YANGSHUO
Yangshuo sits in an exquisite position on the banks of the Li, surrounded by emerald-green paddy fields and dramatic limestone karsts. Start the morning with a Tai Chi lesson, before heading out to explore the countryside further. This afternoon is yours to spend as you wish.

DAY 10: CHONGQING HOT SPRINGS
Hop on a bullet train to Chongqing, a futuristic city where tradition meets innovation. You can spend the afternoon soaking in the mineral-rich waters of one of the city's top hot springs resorts, something that has been practised here for thousands of years or enjoy the bustle of Jiefangbei Pedestrian Street with its plentiful shops, food stalls and other entertainments.

DAY 11: DRONE SHOW
Travel to Dazu, home to the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Dazu Rock Carvings, to view the thousands of Buddhist, Taoist and Confucianist idols and symbols carved into rock faces over 70 sites. This evening, enjoy the Glamorous Drone Show, where over 5,000 drones illuminate the night sky in a mesmerising display of colour and precision.

DAY 12: GIANT PANDAS
Start the day by visiting China's beloved bear, the iconic giant panda, at Chongqing's Panda House. Next, wander the charming cobble stone streets of Ciqikou, lined with teahouses, craft shops and tempting snacks. Continue to Liziba Intersection, where metro trains famously glide straight through a residential high-rise. Later, board your Yangtze River Cruise, home for the next three nights.

DAY 13: CRUISE THE YANGTZE
Set sail on the mighty Yangtze River. Spend the day relaxing onboard or disembark to see the elegant pavilions of Mount Shuanggui and view the cliff brush writings of Song Dynasty calligraphers.

DAY 14: THE THREE GORGES
Enter the breathtaking landscapes of the Three Gorges. You'll pass first into Wu Gorge, known for its quiet beauty and forest-covered mountains, then Qutang Gorge, the shortest, narrowest and most dramatic of the three. Take a relaxing cruise along the Goddess Stream in a smaller vessel.

DAY 15: THREE GORGES DAM
Pause to visit the Three Gorges Dam, appreciating its scale from the viewing area before learning more about the project in the small museum. Disembark your river cruise ship and continue the journey by road to Zhangjiajie, a UNESCO Global Geopark.

DAYS 16–18: DISCOVER ZHANGJIAJIE
Lose yourself in breathtaking Zhangjiajie, a landscape of thousands of towering quartz-sandstone columns draped in greenery and often swathed in swirling mists. Over the next three days, you'll discover something spectacular around every corner! Ride the remarkable Bailong glass elevator, take a scenic train through the Ten-Mile Natural Gallery, hold your nerve on the Glass Bridge, cruise Rainbow Lake and soar up to the heights of Tianmen Mountain by cable car, where you can marvel at Tianmen Cave and test yourself on the 'Walk of Faith', a thrilling glass skywalk. Fly to Shanghai.

DAY 19: BUSTLING SHANGHAI
Visit the peaceful Yu Garden and the atmospheric alleys of the old town then admire the magnificent colonial architecture along the historic Bund, before visiting a silk mill. Next, head to the top of Jin Mao tower for incredible views of the city. This evening, view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise and get a taste for Shanghainese cuisine at your farewell dinner.

DAY 20: FLY SHANGHAI TO UK
Fly to the UK, arriving home the same or following day.

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- Face the Terracotta Army
- Watch giant pandas play
- Stay in rural Yangshuo
- Cruise the Yangtze River
- Stroll old gardens in Suzhou



Take in Guilin's iconic karst peaks along the Li River

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- Domestic transportation
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Practise Tai Chi with a master

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▸ Long practised in China, many people start their day with a session of Tai Chi – do the same with a morning class with an instructor and continue your day feeling invigorated.
- ▸ Discover the captivating charm of Suzhou as you glide through its tranquil waterways, enjoying a boat ride along the storied Grand Canal, where the essence of the city's rich history and vibrant culture comes to life.
- ▸ Watch the long-practised art of calligraphy, with a demonstration in the basic techniques of this beautiful, stylised writing, it is the perfect way to connect with local culture.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO BEIJING

Fly overnight to Beijing, China's historic capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: IMPERIAL BEIJING

This morning, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City to discover a complex full of imperial riches. Spend the afternoon soaking up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven, an orderly oasis in a bustling urban landscape. This evening, sit down to a traditional dinner of Peking duck.

DAY 4: THE GREAT WALL

This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Stretching thousands of miles from the Yellow Sea to the Gobi Desert, a walk on this incredible structure is the best way to appreciate both the sheer magnificence of the wall itself and the dramatic scenery that surrounds it. Visit a jade factory then spend the afternoon at the idyllic Summer Palace, wandering through traditional Chinese gardens and seeing the exquisite architecture.

DAY 5: HUTONGS

Take a leisurely stroll through the narrow alleys of the warren-like hutongs and learn more about living in this traditional area. Later, take the bullet train to Xian, the ancient former capital.

DAY 6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and visit the workshop to see where they are intricately recreated. Later, quench your thirst with a beer tasting at a local brewery. Tonight, dine on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings and enjoy a dazzling Tang Dynasty dance performance.

DAY 7: ANCIENT CITY WALL

Take a stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th century city walls that enclose Xian's old town, then try your hand at traditional Chinese calligraphy. Later this afternoon, explore the narrow streets of the atmospheric Muslim Quarter, which are lined with Islamic food stalls. Here, you will gain an insight into the city's fascinating culture and significance as the start of the Silk Road.

DAY 8: BULLET TRAIN TO CHENGDU

Board the bullet train to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province.

DAY 9: CHENGDU GIANT PANDAS

Visit Chengdu's famous Panda Conservation Centre to see and learn about China's celebrated bears up close in surroundings that mirror their natural habitat. A look around the informative museum gives an overview of the reserve's breeding programme. Later, stroll through the vibrant People's Park with a stop at Matchmaker's Corner, where parents search for worthy suitors for their children. Sip tea in a traditional teahouse before wandering the atmospheric Wide and Narrow Alleys. This evening, dine on flavourful Sichuan cuisine.

DAY 10: BOARD YOUR CRUISE

Board the bullet train to Yichang to board your Yangtze River cruise vessel, where you will stay for the next four nights.





Enter the magnificent Forbidden City



Uncover the Yangtze's hidden streams

DAYS 11-13: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Visit The Three Gorges Dam which showcases a massive feat of engineering. As you cruise upstream, nature takes over revealing some of the world's most dramatic scenery including the Three Gorges themselves. Over the next few days prepare for one breathtaking panorama after another. Enjoy a side trip to the attractive Shennong or Goddess Stream, as well as various shore excursions.

DAY 14: DISCOVER GUILIN

Disembark in Chongqing and then board the bullet train to the beautiful city of Guilin. Enjoy a walk around Ronghu Lake and Shanhu Lake to admire the Sun and Moon pagodas.

DAY 15: LI RIVER CRUISE

Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to the charming town of Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen.

DAY 16: TAI CHI LESSON

Yangshuo sits in an exquisite rural location, surrounded by landscapes of emerald-green paddy fields and dramatic limestone karsts. Begin your day with an invigorating Tai Chi class led by a local master, before spending the rest of the morning exploring the countryside. Later, enjoy a soothing Chinese reflexology massage, followed by an afternoon at leisure.

DAY 17: TEA TASTING

Travel back to Guilin, stopping at a tea plantation to explore among the tea bushes, enjoy a tasting and learn about China's rich tea heritage. Then ride a scenic cable car up Yao Mountain for panoramic views of Guilin's dramatic karst landscape.

DAY 18: FLY TO SHANGHAI

Fly to the exuberant and cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Later, spend some time in the city's Xintiandi area, a vibrant entertainment district made up of traditional 19th century Shikumen architecture.

DAY 19: HISTORIC SUZHOU

Travel to Suzhou. Suzhou is renowned for its gardens – visit one of its finest, the Humble Administrator's Garden. Cruise the Grand Canal before returning to Shanghai for a dinner of Shanghainese cuisine.

DAY 20: EXPLORE SHANGHAI

Shanghai is China's great metropolis, where east and west collide. Visit a silk mill, stroll through the classical Yu Garden and old town, then take in sweeping views from Jin Mao Tower. Later, enjoy a cruise along the Huangpu River.

DAY 21: MORE SHANGHAI

Explore Nanjing Road and Tianzifang, the city's best shopping areas, and admire the colonial architecture of the Bund. End the day with a dazzling ERA acrobatic show.

DAY 22: FLY SHANGHAI TO UK

Fly to the UK, arriving home the same or following day.

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CLASSIC
CHINA

PHYSICAL RATING 1

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

From the Great Wall and Terracotta Warriors, to cruising on the Yangtze and the breathtaking Li River, this tour encompasses China's most magnificent sights as well as spending a little extra time in its most exciting cities.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departure days of the week vary

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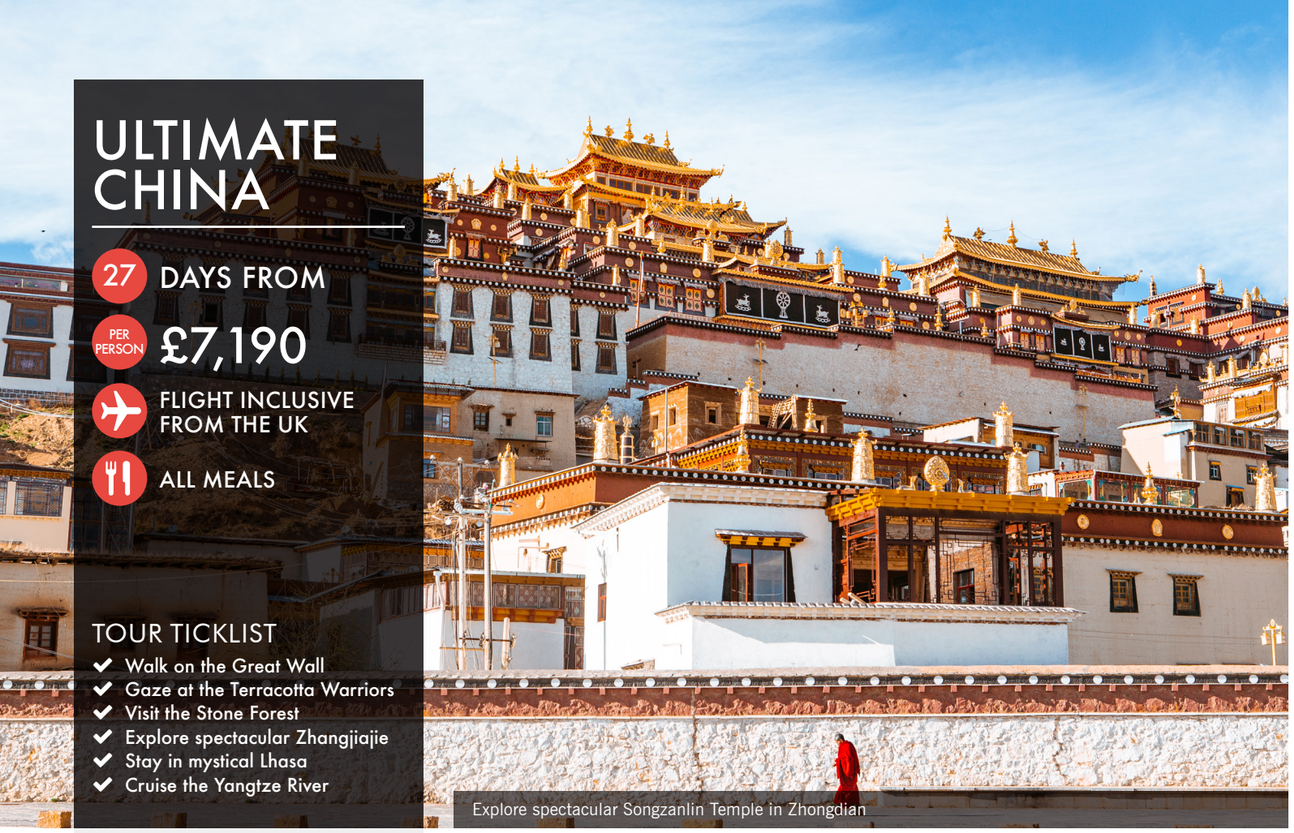
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ALL MEALS

TOUR TICKLIST

- Walk on the Great Wall
- Gaze at the Terracotta Warriors
- Visit the Stone Forest
- Explore spectacular Zhangjiajie
- Stay in mystical Lhasa
- Cruise the Yangtze River



Explore spectacular Songzanlin Temple in Zhongdian

PRICE INCLUDES

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- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Connect with Tibetan communities

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▸ Venture to a Tibetan village in the highlands of Yunnan province to meet the local community, visit a traditional family home and experience the intriguing blend of the Tibetan and Chinese way of life.
- ▸ Take a deep breath and step out on Tianmen Mountain's famed glass skywalk, aptly named the 'Walk of Faith'. Hugging a cliff face, follow it around the mountain for unparalleled views of Zhangjiajie.
- ▸ Watch the monks at Sera Monastery debate complex philosophical questions with lively and intense gestures and hand claps.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO BEIJING
Fly overnight to Beijing, China's historic capital. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

DAY 3: IMPERIAL BEIJING
This morning, head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Later, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven and enjoy a traditional Peking duck dinner.

DAY 4: THE GREAT WALL
This morning is dedicated to China's most iconic sight – the Great Wall. Take a walk on this incredible structure for an appreciation of its magnitude and for ancient engineering capabilities. Visit a jade factory then spend the afternoon in the idyllic gardens of the Summer Palace.

DAY 5: BULLET TRAIN TO XIAN
Take the bullet train to Xian and in the evening, enjoy a delicious feast of traditional Shui Jiao dumplings followed by a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.

DAY 6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS
China's Terracotta Army with its enigmatics ranks of warriors and horses, has long intrigued visitors. Spend the morning viewing them before visiting a workshop where they are expertly recreated. After lunch, stroll along the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that enclose Xian's old town.

DAY 7: REED FLUTE CAVE
Fly to Guilin and visit Reed Flute Cave to see the colourful stalagmites and stalactites.

DAY 8: LI RIVER CRUISE
Take a relaxed cruise along the Li River to charming Yangshuo. Around every river bend is a view to take your breath away as jagged karst peaks loom over rural scenes of lush greenery, grazing buffalo and local fishermen. This afternoon you can spend some time browsing Yangshuo's vibrant markets.

DAY 9: YANGSHUO
Start the day learning the flowing movements of Tai Chi from a local master. Explore the picturesque countryside then enjoy free time.

DAY 10: TRAVEL TO KUNMING
Take a bullet train to Kunming, capital of Yunnan Province.

DAY 11: THE STONE FOREST
Take a fascinating wander through the towering limestone pillar formations of the UNESCO-listed Stone Forest.
This evening, dine on the local dish, 'Across the Bridge' noodles.

DAY 12: BULLET TRAIN TO LIJIANG
Board the bullet train to Lijiang, set in the foothills of Jade Dragon Snow Mountain.

DAY 13: JADE DRAGON SNOW MOUNTAIN
The magnificent Jade Dragon Snow Mountain comprises several peaks, the tallest of which soars to 5,500 metres. Taking a cable car, explore one of the gorgeous high meadows and enjoy the amazing vistas. On the way back to Lijiang, visit Baisha old town to view its spectacular Ming Dynasty frescoes and Baisha village, a settlement of the Naxi minority people.



CLASSIC
CHINA, TIBET

PHYSICAL RATING 3

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This really is the ultimate tour for those who want to experience China and Tibet in depth! From modern cities and ancient history to rural villages and spectacular landscapes, this is the tour to discover all of China's highlights in just one visit.



Explore Buddhist monasteries



Discover the otherworldly peaks of Zhangjiajie

DAY 14: TIGER LEAPING GORGE
Journey to the extraordinary 3,000-metre-deep Tiger Leaping Gorge. Next, continue to the monastery town of Zhongdian, also known as Shangri-La. This afternoon is at leisure to acclimatise to the altitude.

DAY 15: TIBETAN ZHONGDIAN
Visit a Tibetan-style village for a glimpse of a rural way of life. Also visit Dafo Temple, explore Songzanlin Monastery and tour the old town.

DAY 16: MYSTICAL LHASA
Fly to the city of Lhasa, the heart and soul of Tibet. This afternoon is at leisure to help acclimatise to the altitude.

DAY 17: THE BARKHOR CIRCUIT
Lhasa is a modern, fast-growing city, but among the narrow, old, atmospheric streets you will feel a million miles from the modern world. Wander the Barkhor Circuit with traditionally dressed locals and explore the sacred Jokhang Temple. There will also be a visit to Sera Monastery, a renowned seat of Buddhist learning, and a local Tibetan arts and crafts shop.

DAY 18: POTALA PALACE
The Potala Palace towers over the city from its seat on Marpo Ri (Red Mountain). Explore the former winter palace of the Dalai Lama, and later the nearby Norbulingka that served as his summer retreat.

DAY 19: FLY TO CHENGDU
Fly to Chengdu, capital of Sichuan Province. Take a stroll through People's Park to see Matchmaker's Corner, where parents search for suitable partners for their children.

DAY 20: PANDAS
Visit the adorable resident pandas of Chengdu's famous conservation centre. Later, transfer to Chongqing and board your Yangtze River cruise vessel.

DAYS 21-23: YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE
Over the next three days, enjoy various side trips and shore excursions including the Three Gorges Dam. Disembark and drive to Zhangjiajie, a scenic area of over 3,000 sandstone pillars.

DAY 24: DISCOVER ZHANGJIAJIE
Zhangjiajie's forest of towering sandstone pillars is nature at its most surreal. Ride the Bailong glass elevator skyward, soak up the incredible views before a scenic train through the Ten-Mile Natural Gallery.

DAY 25: TIANMEN MOUNTAIN
Soar up Tianmen Mountain on China's longest cable car. At the summit, climb 999 steps to the dramatic Tianmen Cave, 'Heaven's Door', and brave the thrilling glass 'Walk of Faith'. Later, fly to Shanghai.

DAY 26: EXPLORE SHANGHAI
Explore China's great metropolis, visiting the Yu Garden, old town, and a silk mill, before ascending Jin Mao Tower and admiring colonial architecture on the Bund. This evening, view the city from the Huangpu River on a panoramic cruise and enjoy a farewell meal of traditional Shanghainese cuisine.

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THE NILE
EGYPT

A cruise along the Nile is a journey through Egypt's timeless history and landscapes. Floating along one of the world's longest rivers through lush farmland and serene desert stretches, travellers are afforded the chance to explore ancient temples and tombs, and a vibrant local culture that stretches back over 4,000 years.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE NILE RIVER

1 LUXOR'S EAST BANK

Called the 'world's greatest open-air museum', the ancient Egyptian capital of Thebes occupies the eastern bank of the Nile at Luxor. An archaeological treasure trove, its sights include the atmospheric Luxor Temple and the huge Karnak Temple where you'll find the grand Hypostyle Hall with its towering columns, a true wonder of the ancient world.



2 LUXOR'S WEST BANK

Discover the starkly beautiful landscape that is home to the grand Temple of Hatshepsut, the mortuary complex of one of Egypt's earliest female pharaohs. Visit the world-famous Valley of the Kings, the Theban Necropolis where the mighty Pharaohs of the New Kingdom were laid to rest.



3 EDFU

Built over 2,000 years ago and lost for centuries, Edfu is one of the best-preserved sites in Egypt. Dedicated to the falcon god Horus, whose colossal figure flanks the entrance, its intact walls contain a wealth of legible inscriptions and artwork.



4 KOM OMBO

Kom Ombo is renowned for its unique double temple dedicated to the crocodile-headed god Sobek and falcon-headed Horus. Occupying a dramatic position overlooking the Nile, the temple features intricate carvings, mummified crocodiles, and even insights into ancient Egyptian medical practices.



5 ASWAN

Aswan's location, gazing out over the sparkling Nile and soaring sand dunes, is undeniably romantic and the easy pace of life here is supremely relaxing. Cruise out to the island temple of Philae, relax in the gardens of Elephantine Island and drift on white sailed feluccas through this timeless landscape.



6 ABU SIMBEL

Journey south to the great temple dedicated to Ramesses II, with its immense 20-metre-high statues. Once gazing out over the southern reaches of the Nile, the entire temple was moved block by block to a new location approximately 200 metres inland and 65 metres higher than its original site, avoiding the encroaching waters of the Aswan Dam.





All aboard: MS Tamr

Newly renovated in 2023, take in the unforgettable sights of the legendary River Nile in comfort and style aboard this contemporary five-star river ship.





YOUR STATEROOM

After a day exploring this fascinating river, retreat to your beautifully appointed cabin and relax in elegant surroundings. Take in breathtaking river views from your floor-to-ceiling windows that open to a Juliet balcony whilst enjoying a refreshment from the minibar. When it's time to turn in for the night, you can look forward to a restorative sleep in your comfortable king-sized bed – ensuring that you're raring to go for the adventures ahead.

FACILITIES ON BOARD

With its five-star interior, the MS Tamr offers a luxurious base from which to explore the mysteries of the Nile. Time onboard can be spent relaxing on the spacious sundeck and enjoying the views of the river or unwinding in the sophisticated lounge. The inviting outdoor pool is available for a swim or a cool down, and you'll also find a fitness centre onboard. There is also an onboard spa and sauna for any pampering needs.

WINE & DINE

Enjoy diverse international and local dishes, buffet style, at the main restaurant, where dedicated chefs ensure that every palate is catered for. For an intimate experience, the a la carte restaurant offers fine dining crafted with fresh, regional ingredients. Savour your favourite tipple in the stylish Lounge Bar, where cocktails and refreshing drinks pair perfectly with panoramic river scenes.







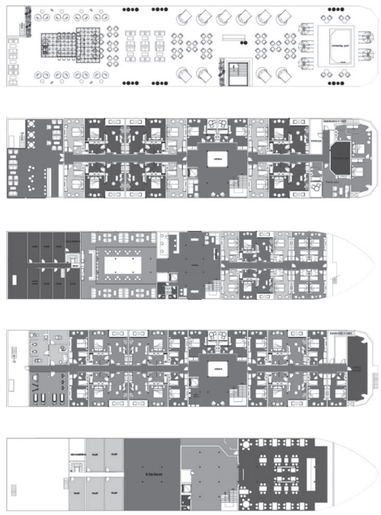


YOUR JOURNEY

There are few rivers as famous as the River Nile – not just for being one of the world's longest rivers at 6,650km, but for its historical significance and its present-day importance as a source of irrigation, drinking water and transportation for the 95% of Egypt's population that live within a few kilometres of its banks. The ancient Egyptians considered the Nile as a sacred place and aligned many of their pyramids and monuments alongside the river, believing it was a pathway to the afterlife.

Trace the Nile's incredible past as you sail along this ancient and fabled waterway. Board your river cruise in Luxor and continue for five days to Aswan. On your cruise, you'll visit some of Egypt and the Nile's most celebrated and revered sites, including Luxor's East Bank, home to the Avenue of the Sphinxes and the Temples of Luxor, and the West Bank, one of the most stunning landscapes in Egypt. Stop at the Valley of the Kings, the Temple of Horus, the Temples of Edfu, the Temple of Kom Ombo, the Aswan Dam and so much more.

Please note that some departures may be accommodated on a different Nile cruise ship of the same standard.



DREAMS OF EGYPT

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ALL MEALS

TOUR TICKLIST

- Explore Egypt's ancient pyramids
- Cruise the world's longest river
- Visit Karnak and Luxor
- Discover the Valley of the Kings
- Experience the Khan el Khalili bazaar
- Visit the war cemeteries at El Alamein



Admire the pyramids and Sphinx of Giza



CLASSIC
EGYPT

PHYSICAL RATING 1

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Home to the last surviving wonder of the Ancient World, Egypt is a country steeped in history and legend. This tour combines iconic monuments and temples with a four-night cruise along the Nile, where ancient landscapes and riverside life unfold before you.



See the Citadel of Qaitbay, Alexandria



Enjoy a felucca ride in Aswan

PRICE INCLUDES

- 10 breakfasts, 9 lunches, 10 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus - 4 star accommodation & 5-star Nile cruise
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- Visa fees for UK passport holders



Cruise from Luxor to Aswan

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Cruise the Nile in style aboard a five-star ship for four nights. Your air-conditioned, outward-facing stateroom offers a comfortable base, while the spacious sun deck and onboard pool are the perfect place to relax and watch the timeless landscapes of the Nile drift by.
- Experience the colossal majesty of Abu Simbel, built for Ramesses II and his beloved wife, Nefertari, in the 13th century BC. The entrance to the Great Temple, guarded by four 20-metre-high statues of Ramesses II, leads into vast halls adorned with intricate reliefs and imposing statues of Osiris.
- The richly decorated pharaonic tombs of the Valley of the Kings never fail to impress. Follow in the footsteps of Howard Carter as you enter the atmospheric tomb of Tutankhamun, the boy king, before exploring additional tombs of your choice.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO CAIRO

Fly to Cairo, the 'city of a thousand minarets', and transfer to your hotel.

DAY 2: PYRAMIDS OF GIZA

Visit two of Egypt's most iconic sites: the Pyramids of Giza and the unblinking Sphinx. Continue to the Grand Egyptian Museum, home to an extraordinary collection of statues, mummies and pharaonic treasures. Later, visit the famous Khan el Khalili Bazaar, a souk known for its jewellery, leather goods and traditional coffeehouses.

DAY 3: OLD CAIRO & SAKKARA

Spend the morning exploring Cairo's oldest district, the Coptic Quarter. Explore its Coptic churches and the Coptic Museum, with its extensive Christian artefact collection.

Later, continue to Sakkara, an ancient necropolis famed for its painted catacombs and the famous Step Pyramid of Djoser. Built for the Pharaoh by his architect, the high priest Imhotep, this 27th century BC structure was Egypt's earliest known pyramid. Inside, you'll see wonderful carvings on the alabaster stone walls.

DAY 4: EXPLORE ALEXANDRIA

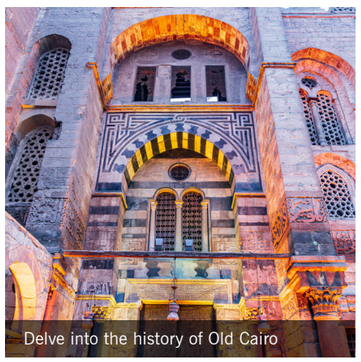
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DAY 5: EL ALAMEIN

This morning, we visit El Alamein, the site of two pivotal battles of the Second World War. The Allied victory in the second battle was instrumental in ending the Axis threat to Egypt. Visit the military museum and war cemeteries before travelling southeast back to Cairo. Stop en route to visit the historic Monastery of St Macarius, continuously inhabited by Coptic Orthodox monks since the 4th century AD. Tonight, stay in a hotel close to Cairo Airport.

DAY 6: LUXOR'S EAST BANK

Take a short one-hour flight from Cairo to Luxor, where we transfer to the port and board your Nile cruise ship for your four-night cruise. Refresh yourself before this afternoon's visit to Luxor's East Bank. Begin at the Temple Complex of Karnak, famed for the majestic Hypostyle Hall with its 134 gigantic stone columns, along with the Avenue of the Sphinxes and the Sacred Lake.



Delve into the history of Old Cairo

DAY 7: LUXOR'S WEST BANK

Explore the West Bank at Luxor, one of Egypt's most stunning landscapes. Visit the mysterious Colossi of Memnon, a pair of 18-metre-high statues, en route to the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut, the gigantic funerary complex of Egypt's second-ever female pharaoh.
This afternoon, visit the Valley of the Kings, resting place of dozens of pharaohs of the New Kingdom (c. 1550–1070 BC). Here, visit the wonderfully-decorated Tomb of Tutankhamun along with other richly-painted tombs of your choice. Return to the ship and sail south toward Esna.

DAY 8: TEMPLES OF EDFU & KOM OMBO

Enjoy a morning visit to the Temple of Horus at Edfu, one of Egypt's most beautiful and well-preserved temples, dating back to the 3rd century BC. Return to the ship for lunch as you cruise on to the town of Kom Ombo, where we visit the unusual double temple of Kom Ombo, dedicated to the falcon-headed god Horus and the crocodile-headed god Sobek. Sail on to Aswan, where we dock for the next two nights.

DAY 9: ABU SIMBEL

Visit the iconic and unforgettable Abu Simbel, at the southern edge of Egypt. This dramatic temple complex, one of Egypt's most spectacular ancient monuments, is dedicated to Ramesses II, often considered the greatest pharaoh of the New Kingdom. Admire the many halls and imposing statues. Afterwards, enjoy lunch at a traditional Nubian restaurant in a beautiful setting beside Lake Nasser before returning to the ship in Aswan.



Wander the ancient ruins of Karnak Temple

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DAY 11: FLY CAIRO TO UK

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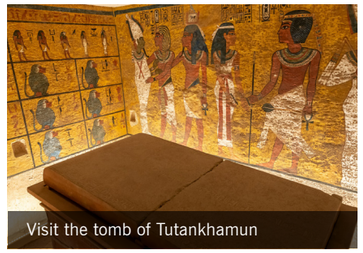
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- Tour the catacombs of Alexandria
- Cruise from Luxor to Aswan
- Wander the Roman ruins of Jerash
- Float in the buoyant Dead Sea
- Experience Petra by candelight
- Stay at a Bedouin camp in Wadi Rum

Marvel at the grandeur of Karnak Temple

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Visit the tomb of Tutankhamun

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- Venture inside the tomb of Tutankhamun at one of Egypt's most famous archaeological sites, the Valley of the Kings. Marvel at the beautifully preserved hieroglyphics surrounding his sarcophagus and see the mummy of the Boy King himself.
- Step aboard a traditional felucca and let the Nile carry you gently past Aswan's islands, soaking up the timeless scenery and peaceful rhythm of river life.
- Experience 'Petra by Night'. After sunset, walk the lantern-lit gorge to the Treasury to see it illuminated by over 1,500 candles, flickering in a mesmerising play of light and shadow.

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DAY 11: FLY CAIRO TO AMMAN
Depart Egypt and take a short flight to Amman, Jordan. Transfer to your hotel before this evening's Jordan briefing.

DAYS 12: DISCOVER JERASH
Begin your Jordan adventure with a visit to the Roman city of Jerash, known as the 'Pompeii of the East'. Wander its well-preserved streets and admire the restored hippodrome. Continue to Ajloun, where we visit the 12th-century castle overlooking the Jordan Valley.

DAY 13: EXPLORE AMMAN
Explore the desert castles outside Amman before returning to the old city for a tour, including its impressive Citadel and historic Roman theatre.

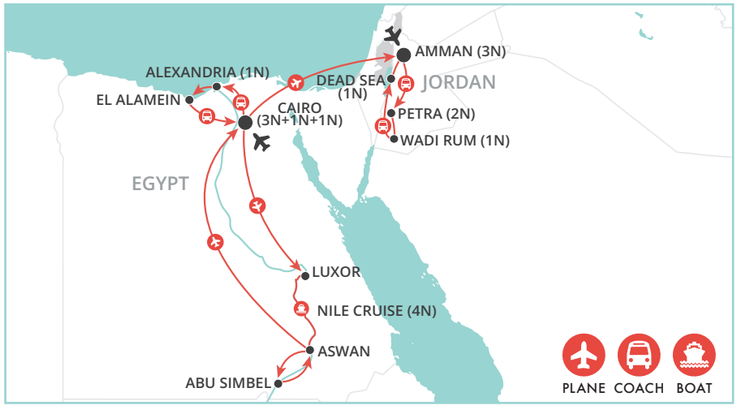
DAY 14: MOUNT NEBO
Visit Mount Nebo, traditionally associated with the final days of Moses, with its awe-inspiring views and the chance to explore the ruins of 4th- and 5th-century churches, still adorned with richly detailed mosaic floors. Continue to Madaba to visit the Orthodox Church of St George, famed for its mosaic map. Your evening ends in the town of Petra, where you'll enjoy an authentic Levantine cooking class with a local chef.

DAY 15: PETRA
Explore beautiful Petra, the Lost City of the Nabataeans, carved directly from the pink sandstone cliffs. Surrounded by imposing mountains and approached through a deep, narrow gorge known as the Siq, Petra is a poignant remnant of the ancient world. Spend an afternoon at leisure. After sunset, you'll return to Petra and see the Treasury lit by the glow of over 1,500 candles.

DAY 16: WADI RUM DESERT CAMP
Start with a visit to Little Petra before transferring to Wadi Rum, the Valley of the Moon. This wondrous desert is filled with ancient valleys, towered over by sandstone mountains. A comfortable 4x4 will whisk you into the heart of the wadi, where you'll follow in the footsteps of Lawrence of Arabia and hear the desert's long history. This evening, stay in a unique Bedouin camp with en suite private tents.

DAY 17: THE DEAD SEA
Head north for our final stop – the Dead Sea, the lowest point on Earth. Your afternoon is at leisure to float in its buoyant waters, famous for their mineral-rich properties, before our farewell dinner.

DAY 18: FLY AMMAN TO UK
Fly to the UK, arriving home the same day.



CLASSIC
EGYPT, JORDAN

PHYSICAL RATING 1

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

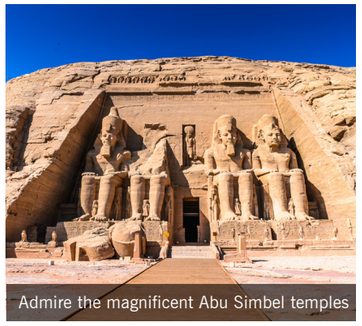
From the mighty Pyramids of Giza to the starlit sands of Wadi Rum and the buoyant waters of the Dead Sea, this grand adventure showcases the very best of Egypt and Jordan. You'll cruise the ancient waters of the Nile, head underground to explore the tombs of Pharaohs, and discover the legacy of Lawrence of Arabia.



Stay at a Bedouin camp in Wadi Rum



Relax in the Dead Sea



Admire the magnificent Abu Simbel temples

PRICES & DEPARTURES
Departing Wednesday returning Saturday

2027 DATES			
27 Jan - 13 Feb	£7,690	31 Mar - 17 Apr	£7,690
03 Feb - 20 Feb	£7,690	13 Oct - 30 Oct	£7,890
10 Mar - 27 Mar	£7,690	27 Oct - 13 Nov	£7,890
17 Mar - 03 Apr	£7,690	17 Nov - 04 Dec	£7,890
24 Mar - 10 Apr	£7,690		

2028 DATES			
26 Jan - 12 Feb	£7,690	29 Mar - 15 Apr	£7,690
02 Feb - 19 Feb	£7,690	27 Sep - 14 Oct	£7,990
09 Feb - 26 Feb	£7,690	11 Oct - 28 Oct	£7,990
01 Mar - 18 Mar	£7,690	25 Oct - 11 Nov	£7,990
08 Mar - 25 Mar	£7,690	08 Nov - 25 Nov	£7,990
15 Mar - 01 Apr	£7,690	15 Nov - 02 Dec	£7,990
22 Mar - 08 Apr	£7,690		

Flight and supplement information

- Based on London and selected regional airport departures (see page 79 for details)
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from £7,290 (Cairo - Amman)
- Single room from £2,300
- Tipping paid locally US$265

MORE INFORMATION
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SMALL SHIP COASTAL CRUISE & TOUR

Explore further on shore and at sea

Journeying along scenic shorelines, hopping between life-filled islands and stopping at smaller ports with access to places bigger ships can't reach, a coastal cruise boasts all the convenience of a cruise ship and something a little more adventurous! With the same relaxed, small ship feel as a river cruise, our Coastal Cruise & Tour holidays sit naturally alongside them in this brochure. Part of our Cruise & Tour collection, which blends the best of the world's ocean cruises with our award-winning tour itineraries, they bring you closer to the heart of your destination.

SAIL IN STYLE

If you've not cruised before, you're in for a real treat. Travelling in style, having to unpack just the once, modern cruise ships provide accommodation, dining and bar choices that outshine any hotel. Add a choice of entertainment, leisure and relaxation options available and you'll begin to understand why cruising is so popular.

EXPERIENCE EXTRAORDINARY TOURING

Where the coastline ends, we begin. Connecting seamlessly with your cruise, the land element of your holiday will take you places cruise ships just cannot reach. Fully escorted by our famous National Escorts all the way, we'll show you the iconic attractions and hidden gems, immersing you in the local culture the way only we can.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

On your Wendy Wu Coastal Cruise & Tour holiday, everything you need for an unforgettable holiday is included, beginning with return flights from the UK and all connecting transfers. The Wendy Wu part of your tour includes four-star hotels, all meals, touring with guides, sightseeing and entrance fees. Our cruise partners each offer different inclusions onboard but all feature outside staterooms, dining and onboard entertainment.

STAR CLIPPERS

Star Clippers offers an authentic sailing experience aboard elegant tall ships, combining the romance of traditional seafaring with modern comforts. With access to smaller ports and a relaxed, intimate atmosphere, guests can enjoy a more authentic and adventurous way to explore the world.

HX EXPEDITIONS

With small, purpose-built ships and expert expedition teams, guests can experience wildlife, culture and nature up close. Science, sustainability and exploration are at the heart of every journey.

THE GALAPAGOS

A volcanic archipelago, 600 miles off Ecuador's Pacific coast, the Galapagos Islands have been a beacon for scientists, naturalists and travellers alike for centuries. With a biodiversity that earned them a place on the UNESCO World Heritage list, this remote collection of 127 islands, islets and rocks, offer one of the world's great wildlife adventures.

1 GIANT TORTOISES

The Galapagos' emblematic creature, it's believed the islands were named for these slow-moving-slow-chewing behemoths! No visit is complete without spotting them in the highlands of Santa Cruz, in breeding centres on San Cristóbal or Urbina Bay.



2 GALAPAGOS PENGUINS

The only penguins on the equator, Galapagos penguins are the rarest, and second smallest, penguin species. Nesting in lava tubes and crevices they can raise up to three sets of hatchlings a year, particularly when food is abundant.



3 POST OFFICE BAY

In the 18th century, crews on whaling vessels came up with an inventive way to get letters home – a wooden barrel. They would leave their post in the barrel to be picked up and delivered by those on homeward voyages. This tradition still happens today.



4 PRINCE PHILIP'S STEPS

This steep volcanic rock stairway gives access the Genovesa Island's high rocky plateau where you can observe large colonies of some of the Galapagos' most famous birds – boobies, frigatebirds and storm petrels.





HX EXPEDITIONS

ECUADOR | GALAPAGOS

Experts in expeditions since 1896. For 130 years, HX Expeditions have been taking curious travellers on mindful adventures to the world's most awe-inspiring places. On comfortable, purpose-built ships, your journey will be filled with cultural encounters, wonderful wildlife, awe and inspiration as you see, do and learn. Friendly, informal and intimate with warm and professional service, your time on a HX expedition will be an adventure in all the right ways.









ONBOARD

HX EXPEDITIONS

With local naturalist guides on hand onboard and onshore for talks, hikes, visits and activities, daily adventures on an HX cruise come at no extra cost, and there are all-inclusive meals, drinks and Wi-Fi too. The Beagle Restaurant offers a wide range of delicious modern dishes, all prepared using fresh ingredients, while the rest and relaxation options range from hot tubs to a sun deck and comfortable lounges, to help you prepare for your on-land adventures.

The heart of a HX expedition lies in the onboard Science Centre. It offers plenty of opportunities to gain a deeper understanding of everything you've seen on land and sea, wherever your destination might be. There are lecture spaces, a small library, with talks and discussions hosted by the Expedition Team. They're the ones who help you prepare and keep you safe and happy during shore excursions.

INCLUSIONS ONBOARD

- All meals
- Wi-Fi
- Selected soft & alcoholic drinks
- Gratuities included
- Selected expeditions & activities
- Access to the Science Centre



NEW

GALAPAGOS CRUISE & MACHU PICCHU

CRUISE & TOUR

- 19 DAYS FROM
- PER PERSON £13,990
- FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM THE UK
- ALL MEALS
- 8 NIGHT HX EXPEDITION CRUISE INCLUDED

TOUR TICKLIST

- Explore the Sacred Valley
- Ascend to Machu Picchu
- Wander Quito's cobbled streets
- Cruise through the Galapagos Islands



Explore islands full of unique and wonderful wildlife

PRICE INCLUDES

- 18 breakfasts, 17 lunches & 18 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation, plus HX Expedition cruise
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



MS SANTA CRUZ II

Sleek, spacious, sustainable and socially conscious, HX's MS Santa Cruz II brings a relaxed atmosphere and cosy yet classy surroundings to its 90 guests. On this adventure everything is included, so you can make the most of the elegant restaurant and Science Centre, filling up on both delicious food and Galapagos knowledge to fuel you on the daily excursions and encounters. Head to the Sky Deck for more bird and wildlife spotting after a day exploring.

Your Cruise Features

- ▶ Selected excursions & activities
- ▶ Selected meals and drinks
- ▶ Fitness room and hot tubs
- ▶ Gratuities included

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO LIMA

Fly to Lima, Peru's historical capital. On arrival, transfer to your hotel where you can relax or start exploring this enchanting city.

DAY 2: TRAVEL TO CUSCO

Fly to Cusco and transfer to the Sacred Valley, home to Incan citadels and beautiful scenery. En route to the hotel, pause at Manos de la Comunidad, to learn about traditional crafts from local artisans.

DAY 3: EXPLORE THE SACRED VALLEY

Head to Moray to admire the impressive circular terraces curved by the Incas, then to Maras to discover the old evaporation ponds used to harvest salt. This afternoon, visit the beautiful Santuario de Colibries. Continue to Ollantaytambo to wander through preserved Incan houses and an old fortress.

DAY 4: TRAIN TO MACHU PICCHU

Board a panoramic train for the scenic journey to Aguas Calientes, gateway to Machu Picchu, a site considered one of the world's greatest archaeological discoveries. A bus will take you up to the ruined citadel, set high on a mountain ridge, where you'll have plenty of time to explore.

DAY 5: TO CUSCO

Spend this morning as you wish, returning to Machu Picchu or strolling through Aguas Calientes. Board a train back to Ollantaytambo and transfer to Cusco.

DAY 6: DISCOVER CUSCO

Embark on a tour of Cusco, the Imperial Capital of the Incas. Start at Sacsayhuaman, the remains of a colossal citadel set above the city. Stop at the Cristo Blanco for panoramic views then browse the wares of San Pedro Market. Back in the city centre, explore Koricancha and Cusco Cathedral.

DAY 7: FLY TO LIMA

Fly back to Lima this morning. Later, take a city tour that takes in the Plaza Mayor with its impressive, UNESCO-listed, colonial buildings and the Larco Museum, packed with fascinating pre-Columbian artefacts.

DAY 8: FLY TO QUITO

Board a flight to Ecuador, arriving in the capital city, Quito.

DAY 9: EXPLORE QUITO

Today you'll be immersed in Quito's rich history and culture. Begin with a guided tour of the remarkable, UNESCO-listed Old Town, admiring architecture and tasting chocolate as you go. Then, head out of Quito to find the Equator at 'Middle of the World City', where you can jump between hemispheres!

DAY 10: BOARD THE MS SANTA CRUZ II

Transfer to the airport for the short flight to Baltra Island. On arrival, you'll transfer to the port to board your expedition ship. Settle into your cabin and explore the ship's facilities as you set off on an extraordinary journey.

Sail along the northern coast of Santa Cruz, popping ashore to walk around Cerro Dragon (Dragon Hill) to spot shorebirds, flamingos and land iguanas.

DAY 11: CRUISE – ISABELA & FERNANDINA

From the remote tip of Isabela Island, trace the rugged coastline in a panga (small boat) with a naturalist guide to see colonies of flightless cormorants and Galapagos penguins. Continue to Fernandina, where you'll scour the volcanic shoreline for sea lions, penguins and Galapagos hawks.



DAY 12: CRUISE – SANTA CRUZ

Disembark on Santa Cruz Island, visiting the Charles Darwin Research Station where you can observe just-hatched giant tortoises and Darwin's finches. Wander through a prickly pear cactus forest, home to plenty of birds, and see giant tortoises roaming free in the highlands. This afternoon is free for an activity of your choice.

DAY 13: CRUISE – FLOREANA ISLAND

Hop into a panga and cruise along the north shore of Floreana Island savouring the sights of Baroness Cave and Post Office Bay. The day ends at Cormorant Point, with a stroll along a green beach to observe the birdlife at a brackish lagoon.

DAY 14: CRUISE – BALTRA ISLAND

Enjoy an easy morning aboard the MS Santa Cruz II, making use of the ship's onboard facilities, as you anchor at Baltra Island. This afternoon, land at Las Bachas Beach on Santa Cruz, a place of pristine white sand and turquoise waters. Swim or snorkel from the beach in search of sea turtles.

DAY 15: CRUISE – SANTIAGO ISLAND

Spend the day in and around the rugged volcanic beauty of Santiago Island. Visit Buccaneer Cove and Puerto Egas, taking a guided excursion through a colony of fur seals and vibrant birdlife.

DAY 16: CRUISE – RABIDA & BARTOLOME

Take a panga around the tiny Rabida Island with its red-hued beaches. Later, cruise to Bartolome Island to swim, snorkel or ride in a glass bottom boat to see the wildlife below the waves.

DAY 17: GENOVESA ISLAND

Take a short but steep climb up Prince Philip's steps to the rocky plateau atop Genovesa Island. Here you can observe large colonies of boobies, frigatebirds and storm petrels. Later, discover the pristine beach at Darwin Bay.

DAY 18: DISEMBARK THE MS SANTA CRUZ II

The final morning of the adventure is spent on the north shore of Santa Cruz Island, where you'll head into the lush highlands to see giant tortoises in their natural habitat. Disembark the MS Santa Cruz II and transfer to Baltra Airport for your flight to Quito.

DAY 19: FLY TO UK

Fly home to the UK from Quito, arriving the same or following day.



Discover magnificent Machu Picchu

CRUISE & TOUR

PERU, ECUADOR, GALAPAGOS

PHYSICAL RATING 2

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This tour brings together two legendary destinations. Explore Peru by land, discovering the mystical Machu Picchu as you go, before cruising the enthralling Galapagos archipelago to see the wildlife that inspired a scientific revolution.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Tuesday returning Saturday

2026 DATES	Outside (EH)	Outside (EE)
01 Dec - 19 Dec	£13,990	£14,490
2027 DATES	**Outside (EH)**	**Outside (EE)**
23 Mar - 10 Apr	£14,490	£14,990
02 Nov - 20 Nov	£14,490	£14,990
2028 DATES	**Outside (EH)**	**Outside (EE)**
07 Mar - 25 Mar	£14,990	£15,490

Flight and supplement information

- Based on London and selected regional airport departures (see page 79 for details)
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Single room outside from £4,890
- Land only from £13,190
- Tipping paid locally USD 60 (Peru and Ecuador)
- Gratuities on cruise included
- Galapagos National Park Entrance Fee & Transit Control Card included

MORE INFORMATION

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Spot endemic marine iguanas

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Much of the wildlife of the Galapagos Islands you'll find nowhere else in the world. Completely unfazed by human presence, you get to observe these many creatures up close in their natural habitats.
- ▶ Set in a serene stretch of cloud forest in the Sacred Valley, the Santuario de Colibries shelters a variety of brightly coloured hummingbird species that flit between the flowers of beautiful gardens.
- ▶ Stop at the wonderful Manos de la Comunidad to discover more about the rich indigenous culture of Peru. A showcase for local artisans who craft textiles, pottery and jewellery, you can see traditional skills in action and pick up a souvenir or two.

THE PACIFIC COAST

Sail the Pacific shores of Costa Rica and Panama, where rainforest-cloaked islands, glassy bays and coral reefs make for one of Central America's most biodiverse stretches of coastline. Each day brings a new landfall, from remote marine parks to a classic island beach, and the unhurried rhythm of life under sail gives you time to enjoy them.

1 ISLA TORTUGA

Often considered Costa Rica's most beautiful island, Isla Tortuga is all powdery white sand, swaying palms and crystal-clear water. Relax on the beach, glide across the bay by glass-bottom boat, or kayak along the shore.



2 GOLFITO

Glide across the glassy Golfo Dulce towards the wilderness of the Osa Peninsula to reach Golfito, a former banana town. Watch for dolphins, kayak through mangroves, or try your hand at surfing at Pavones.



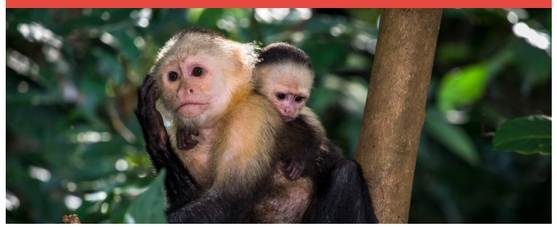
3 QUEPOS & MANUEL ANTONIO

Quepos is the gateway to Manuel Antonio National Park, where trails wind from dense rainforest onto beautiful beaches. A lively, authentic town, it's also a great spot to sample local Costa Rican food.



4 COIBA NATIONAL PARK

Cross into Panamanian waters to UNESCO-listed Coiba National Park, a marine reserve of rainforest-covered islands and azure seas where sharks, dolphins and whales cruise offshore.





STAR CLIPPERS

COSTA RICA | PANAMA

Recreating the romance of a bygone era, Star Clippers' ships are authentic recreations of classic sailing clippers teamed with state-of-the-art features and activities, amenities and the atmosphere of a private yacht. Your experience will be intimate and unique, spending days on the deck under wind-filled sails, the smaller ship size allowing calls at ports not frequented by bigger vessels. Well cared for by a highly skilled crew, sumptuous food and with plenty of activities onboard and onshore, it's easy to see why Star Clippers has forged a reputation for once-in-a-lifetime adventures.









ONBOARD

STAR CLIPPERS
Unique Sailing Adventures

For more than 30 years Star Clippers has been giving travellers the chance to experience the thrill of sailing aboard a tall ship.

Life onboard is convivial, the indoor-outdoor Tropical Bar the heart of the ship and social hub; it's here you'll come for onboard activities and nightly entertainment planned by the crew and officers. Complimentary watersports, such as snorkelling, kayaking, water-skiing, paddle boards and windsurfing, are available, while shore excursions show off the best of your chosen destination. Plentiful deck space has sun loungers and two small saltwater swimming pools, while the library's leather armchairs offer a peaceful retreat. Venturing up to the lookout station, placed at the first yardarm of each mast, offers the perfect location to watch the sea, sky, and happenings on the deck below; it's a must.

With an open-seating dining policy, meals are laidback and delicious. Lunches can be barbeques on paradisical islands while dinner is served in the elegantly appointed dining room, a suitable setting for the chef's finest culinary presentations, flavours borrowed from all corners of the earth.

INCLUSIONS ONBOARD

- All meals
- Swimming pools and sunbathing areas
- Watersports
- Library



NEW

COSTA RICA TALL SHIP ADVENTURE

CRUISE & TOUR

16 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON £7,590

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM THE UK

ALL MEALS

7 NIGHT STAR CLIPPER CRUISE INCLUDED

TOUR TICKLIST

- Spot a host of wonderful wildlife
- Gaze on Arenal Volcano
- Sail the Pacific coast by tall ship



Explore the lush rainforest around the base of the majestic Arenal Volcano

PRICE INCLUDES

- 15 breakfasts, 14 lunches, 15 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



STAR CLIPPER

A true clipper, the Star Clipper is in many ways a modern cruise vessel but with all the trimmings of a legendary era of sailing. Life onboard is relaxed, with the vibe of a private yacht, each cabin spacious and well equipped. Expect teak decks, polished mahogany and brass, voluminous sails, plus two swimming pools and a convivial dining room and bar area.

Your Cruise Features

- ▶ All meals
- ▶ Swimming pool and sunbathing area
- ▶ Watersports
- ▶ Library

ITINERARY

DAY 1: FLY TO SAN JOSE

Arrive in San Jose, Costa Rica's vibrant capital city. The rest of the day is yours to relax or begin exploring, with a welcome dinner at your hotel this evening.

DAY 2: TRAVEL TO TORTUGUERO

Travel across Costa Rica to the Caribbean coast, passing through the spectacular rainforest of Braulio Carrillo National Park as well as open pastures and small farming towns. Transfer to a boat and cruise through the wilderness-encompassed canals of Tortuguero, looking out for wildlife and colourful birds as you go, to reach your rainforest lodge. Later, enjoy a guided walking tour of Tortuguero Village, soaking up its Afro-Caribbean vibes and learning about the locals' sea turtle conservation efforts.

DAY 3: TORTUGUERO NATIONAL PARK

Head deeper into the lush rainforest of Tortuguero National Park, using the network of life-filled canals that criss-cross the area. You'll likely spot a wealth of wildlife, including otters, howler and capuchin monkeys, toucans, herons and maybe even a sloth lounging in the trees. Return to your lodge for a free afternoon.

DAY 4: TRAVEL TO ARENAL

Board boats to return through the canals to the pier, and travel on by road to Arenal. You'll drive through the northern lowlands with views of mountains and vast agricultural fields. Pause to meet a local family at their palm plantation to learn about the cultivation and harvesting process of the traditional product, heart of palm. Arrive under the watchful gaze of Arenal Volcano, its perfect cone swathed in a verdant blanket of green.

DAY 5: VOLCANOES & LOCAL FLAVOURS

Follow the Mirador Arenal 1968 trail, walking across old lava fields for spectacular views of the volcano and Lake Arenal. Your guide will be on hand to give insight into geology and the surrounding ecosystems. This afternoon, enjoy an interactive chocolate and coffee experience, learning about the process from cultivation to preparation of these two iconic Costa Rican products.

DAY 6: TRAVEL TO MONTEVERDE

Take a scenic boat cruise across Lake Arenal for a final glimpse of the mighty volcano before continuing by road to Monteverde. Arrive in Santa Elena and begin exploring with your local guide, learning all about the town's journey to ecotourism hub. The afternoon is free until twilight, when you'll head out into Monteverde's cloud forest for a night walk. Discover the species that emerge after dark and gain a deeper appreciation of the forest's biodiversity.

DAY 7: CLOUD FOREST & RURAL TRADITIONS

Take a guided walk in the Curi Cancha Reserve, exploring its rich biodiversity. Follow wandering trails through the cloud forest, spotting the birds, mammals and native flora that make this ecosystem so unique. This afternoon, enjoy a sustainable farm and artisan cheese tour, an authentic rural experience with a local family that includes a cheese tasting!





Visit Coiba National Park



Category 3 Cabin, Star Clipper

CRUISE & TOUR
COSTA RICA, PANAMA

PHYSICAL RATING 2

IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

A nature-filled adventure by land and sea! Delve into the ecosystems that make Costa Rica a natural wonderland then set sail along the Pacific coast of Costa Rica and Panama to discover paradise beaches and wildlife-filled national parks.

PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Saturday returning Sunday

2028 DATES	Cat 4	Cat 3	Cat 2
22 Jan - 06 Feb	£7,590	£7,690	£7,890
29 Jan - 13 Feb	£7,590	£7,690	£7,890

Flight and supplement information

- Based on London and selected regional airport departures (see page 79 for details)
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Single room outside from £2,260
- Land only from £6,790
- Tipping paid locally USD 150
- Gratuities on cruise EUR 80

MORE INFORMATION

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DAY 8: BOARD STAR CLIPPER

Transfer to Puerto Caldera and board your tall ship, Star Clipper. The rest of the day is free to explore the ship's facilities and settle in. Throughout your cruise, when your ship comes into port, there will be a range of excursions available to help you explore each destination. These excursions are at your own expense.

DAY 9: CRUISE – AT SEA

Spend the day enjoying life on a tall ship, watching the wind fill the sails, relaxing around the pool, keeping watch on the top deck or even climbing the rigging and steering the ship.

DAY 10: CRUISE – COIBA NATIONAL PARK

Cross into Panamanian waters and arrive at the UNESCO-listed Coiba National Park, a marine reserve of rich rainforest-covered islands and azure waters. Here, you can explore on land, searching out rare flora and fauna or the world under the waves, snorkelling vibrant coral reefs or spotting sharks, dolphins and whales.

DAY 11: CRUISE – GOLFO DE CHIRIQUI

Another spectacular marine park, Golfo de Chiriqui protects 25 islands and 19 coral reefs which host abundant wildlife. Snorkel, surf or kayak in the park's calm, clear waters or take a big game fishing trip.

DAY 12: CRUISE – GOLFITO

Cross the calm waters of the Golfo Dulce, looking towards the intense wilderness of the Osa Peninsula to reach the town of Golfito, a former banana town. Today offers opportunities to surf at Pavones, go sport-fishing or dolphin watching on the life-filled waters or kayak in the nearby mangrove forest.

DAY 13: CRUISE – QUEPOS

The gateway to the magical Manuel Antonio National Park, Quepos is a small and busy but authentic Costa Rican town. From here, you can walk the trails of the national park, passing from rainforest onto paradisiacal beaches, or try out some excellent local restaurants.

DAY 14: CRUISE – ISLA TORTUGA

Back in Costa Rican waters, stop at what is considered the country's most beautiful island, with powder white sands, swaying palms and crystal clear waters. Here you can relax on the beach, rent a kayak, take a glass-bottom boat cruise or, if you're feeling more adventurous, embark on a canopy tour.

DAY 15: ARRIVE AT PUERTO CALDERA

Bid the Star Clipper and her crew farewell as you disembark at Puerto Caldera. Meet your guide and transfer across the Pacific lowlands and into the Central Valley. Stop for a coffee tour and learn more about Costa Rica's rich coffee heritage before arriving back into San Jose. Enjoy a farewell dinner this evening.

DAY 16: FLY SAN JOSE TO UK

Transfer to the airport and fly home to the UK, arriving home the following day.



Try to spot sloths in the treetops

▸ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Embark on a cruise through the resplendent waterways of Tortuguero National Park, passing between the marshy islands that provide shelter for a diverse range of wildlife, including sea turtles, otters and monkeys.
- ▶ Visit a local family on their palm plantation to learn all about the traditional Costa Rican delicacy, 'palmito' or heart of palm. Learn about sustainable practices, how the hearts are extracted and taste this mild, nutrient rich vegetable.
- ▶ Discover more about two of Costa Rica's most prolific exports; cacao, a native fruit long sacred to indigenous communities and coffee, introduced by the Spanish in the 18th century. On an interactive experience, follow the process of each from cultivation to product and enjoy a tasting.

TAILORMADE TOURING

Extraordinary journeys, exactly the way you want it

WHAT IS A TAILORMADE HOLIDAY?

Quite simply, a tailormade holiday is a journey designed and created especially for you. There's no one-size-fits-all when it comes to travel so tailormade holidays are the perfect opportunity for travellers looking to embark on that once-in-a-lifetime adventure or epic honeymoon, for people who want to indulge their special interest, or for those who simply want to do things their own way.

WHY TRAVEL TAILORMADE?

You're completely in control of the what, where and when. You can choose the pace, where to linger longer, where to pass through and where to bypass completely. The hotels (from comfortable to all out luxury), what and where you eat, the number of nights, when you depart, the sort of experiences that you'll have, is all up to you too!

Whether you have a fully formed itinerary in mind, or just a vague inkling of what you want to see and do, one of our Personal Travel Specialists will be able to craft you something marvellous – with as much, or as little, input from you as you wish.

WHY GO TAILORMADE WITH WENDY WU?

We've long prided ourselves on our abilities to make extraordinary tours, so it goes without saying that we're also pretty good at putting together tailormade ones. Our team of Personal Travel Specialists, who are wonderfully well-travelled and expert travel planners, are on-hand to advise and recommend – just let them know what you're after and they'll do the rest. With a wide range of accommodation options, private guiding when you want it and exceptional knowledge of local flavours and the most authentic local experiences, we've got you covered.

How does it work?

It's really so simple – just follow the steps below:

"We are writing to say a very big thank you for giving us a wonderful tailormade holiday. We were so impressed by how well organised the whole trip was, with reps on hand to meet us at each new destination, local guides for every city who were very informative, and a brilliant driver who looked after us so well during the entire tour."

Kevin & Shirley Mears

1: Research

Do some research to decide where you want to go – it could be one, two or even more countries! Think about when you'd like to go, how long for and what your budget may be. For inspiration, you can always have a look at our website, or have a flick through our brochure and see not only the showstopping sights on offer, but the exciting and unusual experiences too!

2: Call us

Give us a call or fill in a quote request form on our website and we'll call you! Together we'll go through all your thoughts and ideas, making recommendations here and advice there. Also, don't forget to mention if you have any specialist interests – you can't live without your regular game of golf, or have a penchant for migratory birds – these are the little details we can use to make the holiday extra special.

3: Sit back

Sit back, relax and leave it with us. We'll create you an itinerary that combines all your ideas and come back to you with a proposed itinerary and quote in no time.

4: Perfect it

Tweak it, switch it around, change a hotel here, a meal there – you can make all the adjustments you need to make your trip exactly what you're after. We are extremely flexible and always happy to help.

5: Book it!

When your adventure has reached that ultimate level of perfection and includes everything that you want and need, it's time to book! Call your tailormade consultant, say the word and they will do the rest. Other than a visa form or two, all there is left to do is think about what to pack and get excited!











Hotels

Our group tours feature hand-picked four-star properties selected for their comfort, modern amenities and convenient location for sightseeing. We occasionally include a stay in three-star plus hotels or lodges where we feel the character of the property will enhance your tour, or to allow access to a more unique and memorable location.

Here is a taster of the type of hotels you will be staying in on your tour.

SAMPLE TOUR HOTELS


DoubleTree by Hilton – Shanghai


Lijiang Waterfall Hotel – Guilin


Mercure Beijing Downtown – Beijing


Lotus Blanc Hotel – Cambodia


Little Residence Hoi An – Vietnam


Bhaya Classic – Vietnam


Anik Palace Hotel – Cambodia

Please note that there is no universal hotel classification system, and standards of facilities and service may differ from those in the UK. A sample list of hotels is available on each tour page of our website, and full accommodation details will be provided in your final travel documents.

Preferred Airline Partners



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Wendy Wu Tours is delighted to be a British Airways preferred partner. Choose from four travel classes and experience more than a flight, flying in comfort to Southeast Asia with direct flights from London Heathrow to Bangkok, Kuala Lumpur or Hong Kong. From these hubs, you can connect onto the Oneworld network to Hanoi, Saigon, Siem Reap and Phnom Penh.



CATHAY PACIFIC

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Cathay Pacific offers 5 daily flights from London and 4 daily flights from Manchester to its hub – Hong Kong*. With stopover, you can enjoy seamless connections to Asia Pacific. Voted as 'World's Best Airline' four times in the annual Skytrax Awards, you can experience elevated dining and 2025 Skytrax Awards World's Best Economy Class and World's Best Inflight Entertainment.

*Frequency and schedule are subject to change



SINGAPORE AIRLINES

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Experience award-winning service with Singapore Airlines. From the UK, choose from four daily flights from London Heathrow and a double-daily service from London Gatwick. From Manchester, a daily service operates. Enjoy seamless connections via Singapore Changi Airport to destinations across Southeast Asia. Delight in a choice of up to four cabins including Economy Class, Premium Economy, Business Class and First Class Suites. No matter which cabin you fly, enjoy a world-class experience.



Emirates

EMIRATES

Fly to China, South East Asia and India via Dubai, connection from Eight UK airports: London Heathrow, Gatwick, Stansted, Birmingham, Manchester, Newcastle, Glasgow and Edinburgh. Exceptional in-flight service, award-winning entertainment and a more generous seat pitch and the chance to stopover in Dubai all make Emirates a popular choice for our customers to China.

Fly from your Local Airport

We offer one of the widest choices of regional departures, so you can start your holiday from your nearest airport. Fly from London, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Newcastle, Manchester, Birmingham or Belfast with no supplement to pay in most cases.

Fare supplements may apply for certain tour dates and departures. Please call our reservations team for a quote if you'd like to fly from an airport not listed here.

For a full list of airline partners, please visit our website.

Your questions answered

A selection of our most frequently asked questions.

BEFORE YOU TRAVEL



Q. How soon after making our booking will we receive confirmation?

A. Once we have received your deposit payment, we will send you a confirmation invoice within 24 hours.

Q. Do you send us information about the destinations we will visit?

A. It is essential that you read the relevant Detailed Tour Itinerary before booking, which you can find on wendywutours.co.uk, or we can arrange for one to be sent to you. If there are any particular challenges such as the length of time spent on your feet, journey times or accommodation standards, they will be explained in these concise trip notes. Two weeks before you travel, you will receive a detailed day-by-day itinerary, a travel guide and phrasebook as well as a suggested packing list with your final documents.

Q. Will I know which hotels I will be staying at?

A. Every hotel on our tours has been hand-picked for its comfort, amenities and location. You'll mainly stay in four-star properties, though we occasionally choose a characterful lodge or three-star-plus hotel where it adds something special to the experience or opens up a more unique destination. A sample hotel list is available on each tour page on our website, with your confirmed hotels included in your final documents.

Q. How do I get my visa?

A. When you make your booking, we will advise you on the latest visa requirements for your destination. Our Operations team will contact you around 10 weeks prior to your departure date to guide you through the visa process.

Q. Do I need travel insurance?

A. Your protection and safety are our main priority. That's why having adequate travel insurance is a condition of booking with us for all the destinations you plan to travel to.

Q. What vaccinations do I need?

A. Wendy Wu does not give specific health advice, but we do recommend you see your doctor at least six weeks before you travel, to allow time for any necessary vaccinations.

Q. What size are your tour groups?

A. Our Classic and Classic Flex tours average around 20 passengers with a maximum of 28, while our Go Beyond tours and Solo Departures are smaller, averaging 14 with a maximum of 18. You may cross paths with other Wendy Wu Tours groups at some destinations.

Q. Do you run guaranteed departures?

A. Group tours are guaranteed to run subject to a minimum of 10 passengers. We will endeavour to run groups of a smaller size if viable to do so.

Q. As a single traveller, will I have to pay a single supplement?

A. We have several options to suit solo travellers. Our dedicated Solo Departures are reserved exclusively for single travellers and include a private double room and airport lounge access on departure from UK, all included in the tour price. If you'd prefer to join a standard departure, you can add the single room supplement for a room of your own. Alternatively, our 'Happy to Share' option will match you with a same-gender travel companion, removing the supplement entirely. Please note that 'Happy to Share' requests must be made more than 75 days before departure.

Q. What is the maximum luggage allowance on your tours?

A. If your tour includes internal flights your main suitcase or backpack must not exceed 20kg and your hand luggage must not exceed 5kg as this is the maximum allowance on most internal flights. If there are no internal flights on your tour, then your allowance is the international flight limit.

Q. What currency should I take?

A. We recommend carrying a mix of local currency cash and a credit/debit card for your trip.

In China, mobile payment apps (such as Alipay and WeChat Pay) are the most widely used payment method.

Scan the QR code below for our full Guide to Paying in China.

Q. How fit do I need to be?

A. All of our group tours are assigned a Physical Rating, with the specific requirements for each tour clearly outlined in the Detailed Tour Itinerary on our website. Please don't hesitate to contact us for advice. Our Private Tours are also available for those who need a more flexible itinerary.

Q. Will i have a guide with me throughout my trip?

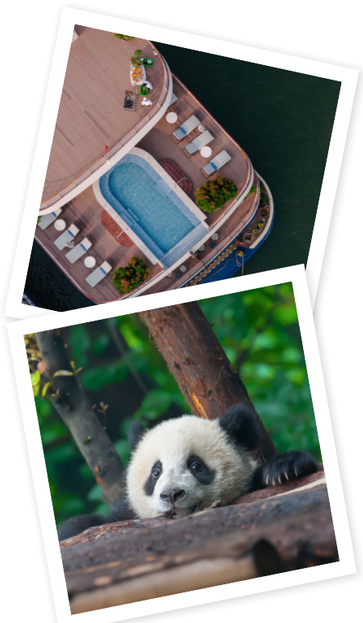
A. Yes – on any group tour of 10 or more passengers, a dedicated National Escort will be with you from the moment you arrive to the moment you depart. Smaller groups of less than 10, Private Tours and Short Stays may be looked after by our expert local guides at every location.

Q. Can special requests be arranged?

A. For dietary requirements, special occasions or any other requests, please let us know at the time of booking and we'll do everything possible to help. While we can't guarantee every request, we'll always do our best to accommodate you.

Q. Is there a dress code on your tours?

A. Our dress code is very relaxed; however, please note that clothing covering the arms and legs is required when visiting some religious buildings.



WHILE ON TOUR



Q. What sort of vehicles do you use?

Air: Internal flights are based on economy class, with reputable airlines.

Road: Coaches with air conditioning are used on our group tours for city sightseeing, short excursions to the countryside and longer transfers where necessary. On Classic and Classic Flex tours, we operate a seat-and-a-half policy on coaches, giving you extra space and comfort throughout. On our Private/Tailormade Tours, we use vehicles suitable for the size of the party.

River: Ships or boats are used on tours which have a cruising element, from river cruising ships on the Mekong to comfortable, well-equipped sailing vessels on Halong Bay. To undertake these excursions, you will need to be capable of boarding and disembarking from these boats, sometimes without assistance and/or handrails.

Q. Are meals included?

A. On our Classic tours, all meals are included, from dinner on your first evening right through to breakfast on your departure day. On Classic Flex, Go Beyond, Private Tours and Short Stays, included meals are detailed in your itinerary.

Throughout your journey, you'll enjoy a variety of local dishes, with occasional Western options, typically served at local restaurants. In more remote areas, menus may be simpler but no less authentic.

Q. Do you allow children on your tours?

A. We allow children 12 years and over on our group tours. Alternatively, our Tailormade/Private Tours offer greater flexibility whilst on tour and are suitable for any age group.

Q. Who will I be travelling with?

A. Our groups are typically made up of travellers from the UK, Ireland, Australia and New Zealand, ranging in age from 40 to 65 – though adults of all ages travel with us.

What everyone has in common is a love of travel and adventure.

Q. What hours of the day do your tours operate?

A. They generally start at about 8am and end shortly after your evening meal. Occasionally, an earlier start is required to meet a flight or train departure, or to visit a site at its very best.

Q. How does the tipping system work on your tours?

A. Tipping is expected in most parts of the world, but knowing when and how much can be tricky. For your convenience, Wendy Wu Tours operates a kitty system on group tours where your National Escort manages everything on your behalf, ensuring amounts are fair for local people and stress-free for you. The contribution is stated on each tour page and confirmed in your final documents.

Any additional tipping is entirely at your discretion – restaurant staff, porters and river guides always appreciate a personal thank-you for exceptional service. For groups of fewer than 10, contributions will be slightly higher. On Private Tours and Extensions, we recommend allowing £10 per person, per day.

Health & Safety

Your health, safety and well-being on holiday are of paramount importance to us. Wendy Wu Tours is a fully insured and bonded tour operator with comprehensive public liability cover. Working closely with an independent health and safety organisation, our local partners carry out health and safety checks on accommodation, transport and excursions; and work with our destination partners and suppliers towards improving health and safety standards throughout the regions in which we operate. All travellers should be aware that safety standards vary across the different regions we visit and may not match the standards we enjoy in the UK. In the unlikely event of a problem or emergency on tour, Wendy Wu Tours has a Crisis Management process in place to support all of our customers. We also have a dedicated 24 hour emergency support number.





Travelling Responsibly

For the last 25 years we've been taking groups of travellers to unique and spectacular places, and know full well how impactful, inspiring and horizon-broadening exploring the world can be. Over the years we have been building as many mutually beneficial, sustainable and responsible relationships as possible in the destinations that we visit, so they too are able to thrive.





Local Economic Empowerment

We believe travel should positively benefit the communities we visit. That's why we prioritise locally-owned restaurants, hotels, and experiences that support local businesses and create sustainable livelihoods. When traveling with us, you help empower local artisans, entrepreneurs, guides, drivers and so many others, ensuring that tourism leaves a positive, lasting impact.

Respectful Cultural Experiences

We are committed to fostering meaningful, authentic, and respectful interactions with the communities we visit. Our tours are designed to celebrate local traditions, honour cultural heritage, and support experiences led by local experts. We encourage travellers to engage with an open mind, follow local customs, and contribute to the preservation of cultural identity in a responsible way.

Lower Impact Travel

We are reducing our environmental impact by building more rail journeys into our itineraries, and promoting low-season travel. Trains offer a greener alternative to flying, lowering carbon emissions while providing a more immersive travel experience. By promoting more departures in the low season, we also help ease pressure on popular destinations, support local economies year-round, and create a more sustainable way to explore the world.

Sustainable Tourism Education

We believe responsible travel starts with awareness. That's why we provide our travellers with practical tips on reducing their environmental impact and supporting communities in a meaningful way. Through pre-departure resources and on-tour guidance, we empower our travellers to make informed, sustainable choices that help protect the destinations we visit for future generations.

Animal Welfare Matters

Some of the world's most memorable travel experiences involve wildlife and animals. We believe travel should foster understanding and appreciation of the natural world, local cultures and different ways of life, while contributing positively to the environments and communities we visit. That is why we are committed to promoting responsible animal experiences with consideration for respect, care and welfare, and align with best practice standards.

Visit our website to learn more.

Your loyalty matters

Many of our customers enjoy the Wendy Wu Tours experience so much that they travel with us again and again and are happy to recommend us to their friends and family.

WENDY'S LOYALTY CLUB

Our Wendy Wu Tours loyalty scheme will get you exclusive offers and updates before anyone else plus you'll move up membership levels with every new trip you take – which means bigger savings!

BRONZE

Enjoy £100pp off your next booking after completing your first tour with us.

GOLD

Save £200pp off your 5th and 6th bookings after four tours with us.

SILVER

Receive £150pp off your 3rd and 4th bookings once you've travelled with us twice.

PLATINUM

Unlock £250pp off every booking once you've travelled with us six times.

These exceptional discounts can even be combined with any special offer.

RECOMMEND A FRIEND

Recommend us to a friend, and if they book, we'll give you an extra £50 off your next booking with us as a token of our appreciation.

Terms and conditions apply. Refer to our website for full details.



Essential Booking Information

Before you book with Wendy Wu Tours, please take a moment to read this summary along with the Detailed Tour Itinerary for your tour and our full Booking Conditions (available on our website). When you book with us it's on the understanding that you've read and understood these.

Your Financial Protection

Your holiday is in safe hands. For flight-based holidays, we hold an ATOL licence (No. 6639), issued by the Civil Aviation Authority, meaning your money is protected if anything goes wrong. You'll receive an ATOL Certificate when you book, clearly outlining exactly what's covered.

For non-flight package holidays, we're a proud member of ABTA (No. W7994), providing further peace of mind through a bond held by ABTA The Travel Association.

Book With Confidence

Your holiday also falls under the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018, meaning we are fully responsible for the proper performance of your entire package. In the unlikely event of insolvency, your payments are protected and – where transport is included – your safe return home is guaranteed.

Book with confidence. Your holiday is protected every step of the way.

Payment

To secure your booking, we ask for a non-refundable deposit of £350 per person. The remaining balance is due at least 75 days before departure. In some cases (for example flight upgrades) a higher deposit may be needed.

Travel Documents

For most destinations, you'll need a passport with at least 6 months' validity and two blank pages. While we assist and cover the cost of pre-arranged travel visas for UK and Irish passport holders (unless otherwise specified), you are ultimately responsible for ensuring you have the correct passport and visas to travel.

Health & Travel Insurance

Please arrange any recommended vaccinations in good time before your trip. You'll also need suitable travel insurance in place before booking.

Changing Your Booking

If you need to make changes before paying your balance, there's a £50 admin fee plus any additional costs incurred, such as non-refundable flights or cruise deposits.

Cancelling Your Booking

If you need to cancel, the following charges usually apply:

- 75+ days before departure: loss of deposit
- 42–74 days: 30%
- 28–41 days: 60%
- 15–27 days: 90%
- 14 days or less: 100%

Some parts of your trip may be non-refundable – if this is the case, we will explain it to you when you book.

If We Need to Change Your Holiday

Occasionally, we may need to make changes to your holiday. If this happens, we'll let you know as soon as possible. If it's a major change, you can choose a different holiday or receive a full refund.

Special Requests

If you have any special requirements (such as dietary needs), please let us know before booking. We'll do our best to accommodate them, though we can't guarantee every request.

Fitness & Medical Conditions

Each tour has a 'physical rating' and the activity levels are described in the tour's Detailed Tour Itinerary. It is your responsibility to check these carefully and be sure you can participate without adverse effect on the group.

Booking Conditions

You can find the full Booking Conditions on our website or via the QR code. They include important additional details, so please read them carefully before booking.

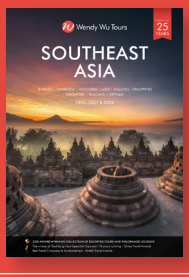
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- Fully inclusive prices with no hidden extras
- Outstanding guides
- Unrivalled knowledge and expertise
- Specialist advice from our experienced consultants
- Extensive range of group, private and tailormade holidays
- Depart from many regional UK airports
- Visa service included
- Holder of Feefo Platinum Trusted Service Award
- Safe and secure with ABTA, ATOL & IATA
- Winner of industry's 'Best Long Haul Specialist Operator' 16 years in a row

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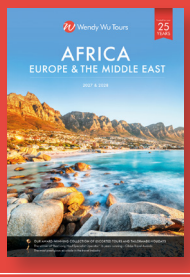












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