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ASIA – INDIA – SOUTH PACIFIC

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Dear Friends,

It has been said that “we wander for distraction; we travel for fulfillment”. It makes no difference where in the world your travel takes you, the experience is so much more meaningful when you become immersed in the culture.

In this brochure to ASIA, INDIA and the SOUTH PACIFIC, you will find a collection of itineraries that we think will capture your imagination and change your life. Discover captivating destinations filled with cultural and historical interest and make friends with local people whose customs and lifestyles may move you in ways you never imagined. Use these distinctive accommodations, chosen for their character and location, as a base from which to participate in a host of activities.

Consider this 2024 Regional brochure to Asia, India and the South Pacific as inspiration for your travel with Lakani. Each program has been priced based on two people traveling together in Lakani Style. Choose to take these tours as they are shown, customize them to suit your taste, or plan a journey completely from scratch. It's your choice.

Discover the extraordinary. Be moved and enriched on a travel experience like no other to this region of the world. Please join us.

With best traveling wishes,
Heidi Lakani

P.S. If you wish to travel with a small group in the company of a Lakani Tour Manager, please ask about Lakani Small Group Journeys or Private Jet Tours.



THE LAKANI PROMISE

The Lakani World Tours logo is intentional in its design. The four directional points represents our experience in travel to the far corners of the world, as well as the four fundamental principles which guide each program we create.



QUALITY & VALUE

Every detail matters

Every Lakani World Tours program includes the best sightseeing and services that the area has to offer. While we recognize that quality does not come cheaply, we provide value through our experience and strong relationships with proven suppliers.



INTEGRITY

Worthy of your trust

The Lakani team provides honest answers, objective advice and strong commitments. We also offer the usual industry assurances and safeguards: we are a registered California Seller of Travel. Naturally, references are available.



EXPERIENCE & INNOVATION

Uniquely crafted vacations with cultural enrichment

The Lakani team of seasoned industry veterans draws from their experience and their never ending quest to uncover new and unusual sights, activities and lodging to share with travelers.



SERVICE

Your wish is our command

We believe that attitude is everything. Service begins the first time you call us and continues throughout your entire journey. The Lakani Travel Specialists and its team of expert Tour Managers consistently endeavor to anticipate the desires and expectations of every Lakani traveler.



EXPLORE THE WORLD THE LAKANI WAY: THE LUXURY OF CHOICE

The Lakani World Tours team understands that not all travelers desire the same experience. So, we have put our knowledge into creating Travel Experiences that offer ways of journeying that appeal to guests of all interests.



Pre-Designed Private Travel offers a collection of trips that are ready for you to purchase just as they are to fit in with your time schedule – or you can customize them to suit you and your traveling companion (s) for an additional cost. These tours include breakfast daily, private transfers with VIP Meet & Greet service and sightseeing throughout, and the services of an experienced English-speaking local guide.

Custom Made Journey Ideas offer you suggestions for areas you may wish to travel to on your own, with companions, or family members. Every itinerary we craft includes Lakani approved accommodations, experienced local guides, transfers, and sightseeing. Breakfast is always included, but other meals may be dictated by the destination or route.



Small Group Tours are created particularly for those destinations where travelers enjoy having a Tour Manager for more comfort and security, or simply because they want to meet other like-minded travelers. These tours are for 8 to 14 guests and include private transfers with VIP meet and greet, all meals and Dine by Choice where possible, all sightseeing, and special encounters with locals. These departures are set dates and are ideal for single travelers too.

Lakani Private Jet Journeys are designed for those travelers who wish to include a collection of destinations all on one trip. They may be unusual places that are harder to reach along with some well-loved destinations that deserve another visit. The chartered jet has a hand-picked crew who serve chef-prepared meals and fine wines and beverages. Often times we are using private landing strips with red-carpet arrival service. The small group size of 10 –15 guests are accompanied by a professional Lakani Tour Manager as well as an Operations Director to insure exceptional personal attention. Accommodations are of the highest caliber, and are mostly in suites. Private transfers and VIP meet and greet are included, as well as exclusive venues and performances. Dine by Choice is also offered, including Michelin-star restaurants.



Lakani has the world's countries covered with these travel experiences.
Where do you want to travel next?



SOUTH SEAS CAPTIVATING & INSPIRING

Feel the warm gentle breezes of the South Seas on warm sandy shores; admire stunning Fjords, lakes and mountains; step back into ancient history at the sight of 4000-year-old Aboriginal cave paintings; taste award-winning wines in both New Zealand and Australia; get up close to adorable koalas and charismatic kangaroos; and discover the biodiversity of Papua New Guinea and the Trobriand Islands.

Explore renowned natural wonders and meet some of the friendliest people on the planet. Hot springs, glowworm caves, magnificent glaciers, and incredible adventures await in New Zealand. The six states of vast Australia present an array of remarkable experiences. From snorkeling and diving on the Great Barrier Reef to trekking through rainforests found across the country; climbing Sydney Bridge to exploring Uluru by foot, camel, or Segway; and incredible beaches to the scenic Blue Mountains. What could be more captivating than the festivals in the Highlands of Papua New Guinea! Then indulge in luxurious relaxation on one of the South Sea islands. Your Lakani journey to Down Under will be simply unforgettable!

Enriching Encounters

Become immersed in the culture of the people introduced to you by Lakani World Tours. Embark on a cultural tour with an Aboriginal guide, the best way to connect with Australia's age-old traditions and stories. Join a sheep farm family for lunch and a shearing demonstration. Step into Lord of the Ring's magical land of Hobbiton. Immerse yourself in the Highlands of Papua New Guinea and learn about the Mudmen and Huli Wigmen tribal traditions and dances. Lakani believes authentic, life-changing experiences are important to those who travel. Engage with locals throughout the South Seas and treasure those memories with newfound friends forever.

Extraordinary Guides

Wherever you travel, your guides are key to making your journey the most rewarding and memorable experience. All Lakani guests benefit from experienced guides who have been vetted throughout many years of working in the region. Guides are chosen for their historical and cultural knowledge and experience, as well as their ability to connect with guests and attention to service. Lakani matches guides to guests. Whether you are traveling as a family with children, with a group of like-minded friends, or on a celebratory trip with your special someone, your guide will make sure that your vacation is all that you expect and more.





ASIA/INDIA CAPTIVATING & INSPIRING

Engage the senses in the fascinating culture of Asia and the Sub-continent of India. Listen to the sounds of nature that inspire Asian art; the deep gongs and chiming of temple bells important in the spiritual life of the locals; ringing of bicycles and tuk-tuks as they maneuver through the bustling streets; and the distinctive traditional music of singers and instruments. Feast your eyes on colorful traditional attire; the many shades of green in the fields and forests; and the beautiful flowers that adorn palace and temple gardens. Smell an incredible variety of spices as you wander through marketplaces; and let your tastebuds explode with flavor on your journey through Asia.

Discover incredible landmarks and natural wonders across Asia and India. From the astounding Angkor Wat Temple complex in Cambodia to the Tiger's Nest perched on a Himalayan cliff in

Bhutan; India's stunning Taj Mahal to The Great Wall of China; over 2000 temple remains on the Bagan plains of Myanmar to the stunning gates of Fushimi-Inari Taisha in Japan; and the Petronas Towers in Malaysia to the iconic Taipei 101 building in Taiwan. Admire the most beautiful natural wonders from the Chocolate Hills of the Philippines to the karst formations of Halong Bay, Vietnam; the massive Gobi Desert with a number of distinct eco-systems to the rock pillars of Zhangjiajie, China; and the Pak ou Caves, Laos to the huge monolith of Sigiriya, Sri Lanka. Many of these unforgettable sights are listed with UNESCO World Heritage Sites and Lakani will take to as many of them as you wish to see.

Enriching Encounters

Become immersed in the culture of the people introduced to you by Lakani World Tours. Learn how to wear a Kimono and the Japanese art of the Tea Ceremony from a master. Meet with local Hill Tribes in Southeast Asia and China, see their homes and discover their interesting traditions. Step back in time in Mongolia and experience the lifestyle and customs of the 13th century. Encounter the wildlife, possibly even the elusive Bengal tiger, of Chitwan National Park in Nepal. Join a chef for a cooking demonstration while cruising Halong Bay, and attend a cooking class in Hoi An, Vietnam. Engage with locals throughout Asia and the Indian subcontinent and you will be amazed at how meaningful those encounters become and how long the memories will stay with you.

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SUMPTUOUS SURROUNDINGS TO SUIT YOUR JOURNEY

Lakani standards are high when it comes to your ultimate comfort and enjoyable experience. You can be sure that the Lakani team has inspected each property in the Lakani Hotels of Choice collection. At the end of the day, relax in elegance, and yet be immersed in the locale. Whether you are in the heart of the city in Tokyo, overlooking Marina Bay in Singapore, or in full view of the Taj Mahal in Agra, in Sydney overlooking the harbor, in an alpine retreat on Lake Wakatipu in Queenstown, or luxuriating in a bungalow in Fiji, you may be assured that Lakani includes the best accommodations suited to your interests. Indulge in suites, or over water bungalows, or perhaps the character of the destination.

Wherever you travel, Lakani has the perfect accommodation to suit your style and interests.



AUTHENTICALLY LOOKING AFTER EVERY GUEST

The Lakani team has collectively hundreds of years' experience. Each member has been working in the deluxe arena of international travel throughout their career. Destinations have been thoroughly vetted in person. The select lodging, transportation companies and local guides have been working with the Lakani team for decades. You can be assured that we are in constant communication so that your journey runs as smoothly as you can imagine. These last couple of years have shown us all that the relationships that we maintain overseas are even more important. With the constant changing of protocols throughout the world, we must be vigilant in terms of open and closing times, testing, masking, and vaccination requirements, and overall consistent sanitation. You can rely on Lakani to update you, not only before you travel, but also along the way.

RETURN GUESTS ARE TESTAMENT TO LAKANI'S SUCCESS

Lakani World Tours appreciates the kind comments from so many happy travelers. Additionally, we owe a debt of gratitude to the Travel Advisors and their clients who return again and again for unforgettable vacation experiences. It is one of the reasons why we are always researching and creating new, interesting, and rewarding itineraries.



HERE ARE SOME OF THE TESTIMONIES WE ARE PLEASED TO SHARE:

All of the guides were very knowledgeable and courteous, the sightseeing was beautiful and transportation was well coordinated and the hotel accommodations were best ever. – A. Meyers

The trip was fantastic. Thanks for all who made it work to our specific needs and requests. Hotels were beautiful and often more than expected and our guide was amazing! – C. Brachs

Our trip couldn't have been more perfect. Our guides were well versed, friendly and took time to understand our preferences, and added so much more to the trip. – Mr. and Mrs. M. Henry

*This was our fourth trip with Lakani, and we hope to take that many more with you. Nothing but perfection from the time we called the office until our return home. The wonderful and fond memories we have of our trips are all in the category of "Once in a Lifetime".
– Mr. and Mrs. H. Carter*

MEANINGFUL TRAVEL

Lakani firmly believes in supporting and giving back to local communities with whom we connect. Whether they are traditional artisans or modern artists and craftspeople, we are committed to helping them become successful and financially independent. Wherever you travel throughout the world, you are contributing to the people whose lives depend on working in tourism. Lakani goes one step further in making sure that we give back to the people who open their homes and hearts to show us their special part of the world. For every finalized booking, Lakani World Tours donates to a local non-profit charitable organization.

Voluntourism is becoming more relevant and widespread. If you would like to volunteer in some way to help a community while on tour, Lakani World Tours can make this a reality. This may be as simple as providing and serving breakfast to school children, to a more substantial commitment of assisting with home-building or repairs. The options are many and depend on the destination and your own interests.



Your Choice of freedom and flexibility in travel to

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OKINAWA



Best time to travel: **MAR – MAY & SEP – NOV**

The Japanese prefecture of Okinawa includes over 150 islands in the East China Sea between Taiwan and mainland Japan. The largest island of the group, known as the Ryukyu Islands, is Okinawa, named after the prefecture and, at roughly 466 square miles, it is the smallest of the five main islands of Japan. Evidence shows that the islands were inhabited during the Early Shell Mound period, over 5000 years ago. Following World War II, Okinawa became an important site for US military bases, of which there are 32 on the island. Consider this all-year subtropical island addition to your Lakani Japan itinerary.

Highlights

- The subtropical islands are a year-round destination
- Enjoy beautiful white sand beaches and crystal-clear water
- Dive and snorkel on the colorful coral reefs
- Visit 300,000-year-old Gyokusendo Cave at Okinawa World
- Discover cultural attractions like Shuri Castle and Nakagusuku Castle, and Peace Memorial Park
- Delight in Okinawan cuisine with some Taiwanese influences along with the tropical fruits and cane sugar grown on the islands

HOKKAIDO



Best time to travel: **MAR – MAY & SEP – NOV**

Japan's northern prefecture of Hokkaido is home to its second largest island by the same name. Over 15,000 years ago, during the Jomon period in Japanese pre-history, the inhabitants of Hokkaido were hunter-gatherers. It is generally believed that the indigenous Ainu people's spirituality originated during the Jomon period when they believed in natural spirits. Throughout the centuries, the lifestyle became more agricultural, and trade ensued with the south. When Russia seemed to be a threat, the Tokugawa shogunate took control and during the Meiji Restoration, Hokkaido became the official name of the island and eventually the prefecture. Its natural beauty, abundance of National Parks, and culture make it an attractive addition or stand-alone program for any Lakani visitor to Japan.

Highlights

- Visit National Parks with mysterious and serene lakes, volcanic hot springs, caldera lakes, and wetlands.
- Hike along pristine wilderness trails
- Head to top resorts for skiing and snowboarding in excellent powder
- Take in the world-famous annual Sapporo Snow Festival
- Taste Sapporo Beer and ramen, for which the city is known
- Explore Goryokaku Park in Hakodate with beautifully preserved historic buildings and surrounding moat
- Admire sensational sunset views from Mount Hakodate

2024 Prices

Starts: Tokyo
Ends: Kyoto

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$16,395 Low Season

\$17,495 Mid Season

\$17,995 High Season

\$18,595 Peak Season

Best time to travel: **MAR – MAY &
SEP – NOV**

8 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own personal expert local guides

Signature Experiences Included:

- Experience a day trip to Nikko to visit Toshogu Shrine and other monuments in this UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- Cruise on Lake Ashi with view of Mt. Fuji
- Luxuriate at one of the country's most exclusive Ryokan, the Gora Kadan
- Enjoy First Class seats on the famous Bullet Train
- Experience a traditional tea ceremony

DAYS 1 – 3 • Meals: B**Tokyo, JAPAN / Nikko****Peninsula Hotel**

Ancient cultures look to the future blending invention, tradition and simplicity, which are trademarks of this graceful country.

Arrive Tokyo where you will have an opportunity to tour the Imperial Palace Plaza, the residence of Japan's Imperial Family. It is located on the former site of Edo Castle, in a large park area surrounded by moats and massive stone walls. Get some shopping done at the Ginza Shopping District and the Nakamise shopping arcade. For more cultural heritage see the Meiji Shrine, the Asakusa Kannon Temple and the Edo Tokyo Museum.

A full day excursion to Nikko includes the Toshogu Shrine with Yomeimon Gate, Futaarasan Shrine, Kegon Waterfall and Lake Chuzenji. The temples, shrines and their natural surroundings have earned UNESCO World Heritage status.

DAY 4 • Meals: B 1D**Tokyo / Kamakura / Hakone****Gora Kadan**

Drive to Hakone visiting Kamakura en route to see the bronze Great Buddha, Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine and the Shonan Pacific Coast. In Hakone, enjoy a cruise on placid Lake Ashi and experience the gondola ride across Owakudani Boiling Valley. Spend the night in a deluxe ryokan.

DAYS 5 – 8 • Meals: B**Kyoto/Nara & Depart Home****Ritz Carlton Hotel**

Travel to Kyoto via the high speed bullet train. Visit the Kinkakuji Temple, the Rock Garden of Ryoanji Temple, and the Niijo Shogun Castle. Experience a Tea Ceremony in a private home and learn the tradition of wearing a Kimono with Obi, and the art of Calligraphy writing. Travel to Osaka via Nara and visit the cultural sites of the Todaiji Temple with the Great wooden Buddha, Deer Park, the Kasuga-taisha Shrine, and the Horyuji Temple. On day 8 transfer to the airport in Osaka for your departure flight.



This itinerary can be modified based on your specific interests, preferred travel dates & budget. Visit our website for more details.

TAIWAN



Best time to travel: **OCT – APR**

The island country of Taiwan, whose main island covers over 13,800 square miles shares maritime borders with Japan, China, and the Philippines. Two thirds of the country is made up of five rugged forested mountain ranges that are home to a diverse population of wildlife. The western third is where most of the cities and towns are located, on gently rolling plains. Arrive in the capital, Taipei, known for its blended Chinese culture with influences from Japan, Southeast Asia and America. Visit its highlights, particularly the National Palace Museum with Chinese artifacts dating back 5000 years, historic Fort San Domingo, and the world's tallest green building, Taipei 101. Lakani will arrange an exciting exploration of the many cultural and natural wonders the island has to offer, including Buddhist temples, charming villages, mountains, hot springs of Tainan, and Taroko Gorge.

PHILIPPINES



Best time to travel: **NOV – APR**

The archipelago of over 7000 islands with a multitude of ethnic groups, a mix of foreign influences, and a fusion of culture and arts is one of the most splendid and diverse countries in Asia. Tour the capital city of Manila and see its many highlights, including Rizal Park, Fort Santiago, Casa Manila Museum, Chinatown, and the country's oldest stone church, St. Augustin. Fly north to the City of Laoag and visit Saint Williams Cathedral, Museo Ilako, and the uniquely constructed Saint Augustine's Church, also known as the Paoay Church. Explore Vigan, an UNESCO World Heritage Site known for its remarkable architecture. Lakani will create just the right balance of sightseeing with relaxation in a luxurious resort on one of the lovely tropical islands, like Pamalican.

INDONESIA



Best time to travel: **APR – NOV**

With over 18,000 islands, the country of Indonesia has much to offer the traveler. Enjoy relaxation, luxurious resorts, scenic highlands, and unique underwater life on the popular island of Bali. Visit the temples of Ubud, and take a drive to Kintamani, perched on the edge of a crater with stunning views of the Batur region. Tour the ancient temple compound of Borobudur, an UNESCO World Heritage Site near Yogyakarta on Java, and take a jeep excursion around the island to see the incredible volcanic scenery in Bromo Tengger Semeru National Park. Trek into the jungle and go whitewater rafting in the wilds of the world's sixth largest island, Sumatra. Take an excursion to Komodo island to see the unusual Komodo Dragon. Let Lakani arrange the vacation suited to your interests.



The Republic of Korea is the southern part of the Korean Peninsula with a population of 51 million people within 39,000 square miles of diverse landscapes of mountains, valleys, narrow and broad coastal plains, river basins, and rolling hills. With four distinct seasons, the ideal time for touring is in spring and fall. You may wish to catch the cherry blossoms in April or fall foliage in October-November.

The Three Kingdoms of Korea – Gogoseon, Silla and Balhae – were unified in the 7th century and then ruled by two major dynasties until the Korean Empire of the 20th century was annexed into the Empire of Japan in 1910. Japanese rule concluded with the end of World War II and Korea was divided into two zones which ultimately became the Republic of Korea and North Korea.

South Korea is a highly developed country with the world's tenth largest economy. It has notably one of the fastest internet connection speeds and an excellent high-speed railway network. The country is famous around the world for its pop culture, especially in music.

Lakani has been working in South Korea for decades and will create the perfect custom vacation for guests of all interests, be it a honeymoon, a family reunion, or a long-awaited vacation. Begin in the gleaming capital, Seoul, where grand royal palaces, charming traditional villages, art galleries, and street markets await. Take a unique trip to the demilitarized zone on the border of North Korea. Board the express train to Gyeongju, the former capital of the Silla kingdom that ruled the Korean Peninsula for over 900 years, known as 'the museum without walls' for its collection of antiquities. Stay in Busan, home to one of the world's busiest ports. Its fish market is worthy of a visit as is the scenic Haedong Yonggungsa Temple and the beautiful culture village. Fly to Jeju Island for a fabulous finale to your journey through Korea. In addition to walks to see the coast and waterfalls with impressive temples lava tubes, enjoy the works of French Art Nouveau artists at a stunning art gallery. Your experience is sure to be truly remarkable.

South Korea Highlights include:

- Ascend South Korea's tallest building at the Lotte World Tower to the highest glass-floored observatory in the world for uninterrupted views of the city
- Gain insight into ancient Korean life at Bukchon Hanok Village and Changdeokkung Palace
- Visit UNESCO World Heritage Site Bulguksa, an 8th-century Buddhist temple on the slopes of Mount Toham
- Walk around the gardens of the Nurimaru APEC House and tour the scenically located Haedong Yonggungsa Temple
- Step inside the exquisitely designed Bonte Museum on Jeju Island and see the outstanding collection of Korean artworks and handicrafts

Best Time to Visit:

MAY, SEP – NOV



OTHER DESTINATIONS TO COMBINE WITH YOUR SOUTHEAST ASIA JOURNEY

MALAYSIA



Best Time to Visit: **DEC – APR**

Discover the delights of Malaysia; from the iconic Petronas Twin Towers high over Kuala Lumpur to the Batu Caves of Gombak to the islands of Penang and Langkawi. Include a visit to Borneo where you'll uncover the culture of two Malaysian states.

BRUNEI



Best Time to Visit: **JAN – SEP**

Admire the world's largest residential palace and in the small oil-rich sultanate of Brunei located on the Island of Borneo, surrounded by Malaysia and the South China Sea. Visit important monuments, including the country's architectural masterpiece, Omar Ali Saifuddien Mosque, in Bandar Seri Begawan, and enjoy the nature reserves for hiking.

BORNEO



Best Time to Visit: **MAR – OCT**

Venture onto the island of Borneo, where the many national parks, rainforests, mountains and remote areas are home to unique and endangered wildlife species in Malaysian and Indonesian regions and Brunei Darussalam. Immerse yourself in indigenous culture on a Longhouse stay, visit remote villages on a river excursion, or experience the wide variety of active sports on the island.

SINGAPORE



Best Time to Visit: **DEC – JUN**

Explore the sovereign island city-state in Southeast Asia, known for its futuristic skyscrapers, beautifully manicured gardens, and diversity in culture and gastronomy. Enjoy a tour of the Singapore Zoo, where cages are not the norm, and take a cable car to Sentosa Island to see a wide variety of attractions.



Hong Kong, a former British colony, is today a semi-autonomous Chinese territory. It is a vibrant, densely populated urban port city with a skyscraper-studded skyline. Though small, it is diverse – with an ultra-modern financial district, and old-world traditional neighborhoods, a beach area, and even a Disneyland. There are three main sections – Hong Kong Island, the more urban Kowloon (mainland) side and Lantau Island – each connected through a metro system, and ferries. Hong Kong is still one of the best shopping cities in the world and is a great place to take a ‘foodie tour’, get a foot massage or have a new tailor made suit made just for you!

Hong Kong can be fun for everyone – for those who love culture, Asian history, urban scenery or great restaurants. Hong Kong can be a destination itself, but most often it is best as an add-on to another Asian journey. Lakani World Tours can create a travel itinerary best suited for you – depending on your time, interests, and budget. Here are some of Hong Kong’s sightseeing highlights:

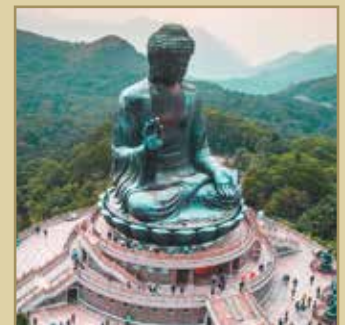
Hong Kong (Kowloon side) – Walk through the Flower Market, Yuen Po Street Bird Garden, a traditional-style garden with stalls selling exotic songbirds & handcrafted birdcages; view the Wong Tai Sin Temple or Chi Lin Nunnery, a complex of Buddhist temples. Take the short ferry across to Hong Kong Island, or perhaps a harbor cruise. In the evening watch the nightly free sound and light show.

Hong Kong Island – Take the Victoria Peak Tram for grand views of the city and beyond. Shop in famed yet quaint Stanley Market. Take a sampan ride around the traditional junks in Aberdeen Harbor for a view of the traditional fisherman’s life.

Lantau Island – Location of the international airport, it is also home to Hong Kong’s Disneyland, and the thrilling Ngong Ping 360, a ‘sky-land-sea’ cable-car journey. See the Big Buddha and Po Lin Monastery, a beautiful monastery with an impressive giant, bronze Buddha set at the top of a long wide staircase.

Macau – explore the UNESCO historic center, from when Macau was a Portuguese colony, and then test your luck at one of the glitzy international casinos. You can get to Macau (on the Chinese mainland) from Hong Kong by ferry, helicopter, or now on the new 34-mile bridge (the longest sea bridge in the world).

Best time to visit:
OCT – MAY



11 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own personal expert local guides

Signature Experiences Included:

- Enjoy a close encounter with a Panda
- Visit one of the world's most iconic castles – the Potala Palace
- Learn about the Yellow Hat Sect of Buddhism and tour its three great monasteries
- View stunning panoramas while driving through mountain passes on the largest plateau on Earth

2024 Prices

Starts: Chengdu

Ends: Shanghai

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$7,890

Intra-tour Air: **\$1,650**

Best Time to Visit:

Jun – Aug



DAYS 1 – 2 • Meals: B

Chengdu, CHINA

Ritz Carlton

Explore the world's largest and highest plateau with an average elevation of 14,000 feet. Still one of the planet's most sought out frontiers, you will see why Tibet captivates all visitors. Begin in the gateway to Tibet, Chengdu, also home to the Giant Panda habitat. Learn about these loveable creatures on an excursion to the Panda Center.

DAYS 3 – 5 • Meals: B

Lhasa, Tibet

St. Regis Lhasa Hotel

Fly to Lhasa and take time to become acclimatized to the altitude. Lhasa is home to the Tibetan, Han, and Hui people. Visit the 7th century Potala Palace, the architectural wonder that dominates the city, which you can see from your hotel. Tour the immense Jokhang Temple, also dating from the 600's and now the most celebrated temple in Tibet. Encounter pilgrims making their way along Barkhor Street surrounding the temple. Venture to the city outskirts to the Drepung Monastery, one of the three great teaching monasteries, and a former home to several Dalai Lamas. Continue to the Sera Monastery, dedicated to the Yellow Hat Sect of Buddhism. It is also an important monastic university, where you may have an opportunity to catch a glimpse of one of its famous debate sessions.

DAY 6 • Meals: B

Gyantse, Tibet

Gyantse Hotel

Admire stunning mountain views on your journey to Xigatse today. You'll cross the Kambala Pass, which at over 15,000 feet above sea level offers stupendous views of Yamdrok Lake, the most beautiful lake in Tibet. On your way through Karo La Pass you'll stop for a chance to view the famous Mt. Noi jin Kangsang glacier. In Gyantse, visit the Phalkor Monastery and the giant architectural monument of the city, Kumbum Pagoda.

DAY 7 • Meals: B

Xigatse

Hilton Xigatse

The second largest city in Tibet, Xigatse is home to the celebrated Tashi Lhunpo Monastery. The monastery was built in 1447 at the time of the first Dalai Lama and is the seat of the Panchen Lama.

DAYS 8 – 11 • Meals: B

Lhasa, Tibet / Shanghai, CHINA

Ritz Carlton / Shanghai Fairmont Peace

Your journey by road back to Lhasa will take you most of the day. In Lhasa, visit the Ganden Monastery, one of the earliest and largest monasteries of Tibet with more than 50 structures. The Ganden completes your tour of all three of the great Gelug university monasteries of Tibet. Fly to Shanghai and spend the day at leisure. Perhaps you'll choose to relax at the hotel's Willow Stream Spa, take a walk along the Bund Promenade or browse the shops on Nanjing Road. Transfer to the airport in time for your international flight home.

2024 Prices

Starts: Beijing
Ends: Shanghai

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$7,495 LOW Season (DEC – FEB)

\$7,895 HIGH Season (MAR – NOV)

Intra-tour Air: **\$1,180**

Best Time to Visit This Destination:

Apr – May; Sep – Oct

12 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own personal expert local guides

Signature Experiences Included:

- Walk on the Great Wall of China
- Visit the Yungang Grottoes and the Hanging Temple
- See the life size terra cotta warriors in Xian
- Enjoy the Tang Dynasty Cultural Performance
- Explore the old town of Pingyao and Qiao's family courtyard
- Watch locals practice Tai Chi in the morning at Temple of Heaven

DAYS 1 – 3 • Meals: B**Beijing, CHINA****Peninsula Hotel**

Discover memories on this journey with its natural beauty, ornate temples, grand palaces and gracious people. Arrive Beijing where you will clear customs and immigration and be transferred to your luxury hotel.

Explore Beijing and see the Summer Palace, Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City. Pass by the 2008 Summer Olympic village, site of the "Bird Nest" and "Water Cube". Walk along a portion of the 5,500-mile-long Great Wall. See the extraordinary Shi San Ling, where thirteen of the sixteen Ming emperors are entombed.

DAYS 4 – 6 • Meals: B**Datong/Pingyao****Grand Hotel Datong / Pingyao Financial Club**

In Datong, visit the Yungang Grottoes or Cloud Ridge Caves. Tucked within the nooks of old caverns and hidden under the remains of a Qing Dynasty fortress, are more than 50,000 Buddhist statues spread over a half mile of caves. See one of the three largest Buddhist grottoes in China along with the Nine Dragon Screen and Shanhua Temple. The ancient commerce town of Pingyao is one of the best preserved traditional Chinese cities and centered within a completely intact Ming dynasty wall. In Pingyao, visit the Hanging Temple and the Jinci Temple, as well as the Qiao's family courtyard.

DAYS 7 – 8 • Meals: B**Xian****Hyatt Regency**

Tour the burial site of Emperor Qin Shi Huang. Guarding this Imperial Tomb for over 2,000 years are thousands of life-size terra cotta warriors. Visit the site where the terra cotta figures have been excavated and where excavations and restoration continue today.

DAYS 9 – 12 • Meals: B**Shanghai/Suzhou & Depart Home****Fairmont Peace Hotel**

Travel along the tree-lined Huangpu River waterfront boulevard, and the former "Wall Street" of foreign powers known as "The Bund". Stroll through Shanghai's Old Quarter and visit the Yuyuan Gardens and the Shanghai Museum. Take an excursion to the garden city of Suzhou, also known as the "Venice of the East". On day 12 transfer to the airport for your departure flight.



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4 or 7 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Inclusions:

- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own private expert local guides
- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary

Highlights:

CAMBODIA:

- Visit Ankor Wat, the jewel of Khmer architecture
- Visit APOPO Herorats Center

LAOS:

- Travel to Tham Pak Ou Cave and Kuang Si Waterfall
- Attend a traditional Baci Ceremony

2024 Prices

CAMBODIA:

Starts: Siem Reap Ends: Siem Reap
Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

Land Cost:

\$1,595 Low Season (APR – SEP)

\$1,995 HIGH Season (JAN – MAR; OCT – MID DEC)

LAOS:

Starts: Luang Prabang Ends: Luang Prabang
Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

Land Cost:

\$1,995 Low Season (APR – SEP)

\$2,695 High Season (JAN – MAR; OCT – DEC)

\$2,895 Peak Season

Best Time to Visit: **NOV – MAR**



DAYS 1 – 4 • Meals: B

Siem Reap, CAMBODIA

Raffles Grand Hotel D'Angkor

Cambodia, a country of Southeast Asia showcases an array of art, culture and history. You'll enjoy the gentle charm of the people. You'll observe the dramatic contrasts between the modern world and its timeless grandeur.

Tour the crowning jewel of Khmer architecture, Angkor Wat, the national symbol and highlight of any visit to Cambodia. At the fortified city of Angkor Thom, see the Terrace of the Elephants, and the Terrace of the Leper Kings. Take a boat ride over Tonle Sap Lake and visit the floating fishing villages of Kampong Kleang. Meet the Herorats at the APOPO Visitor Center and witness how the giant African rats are trained to save lives by sniffing out landmines.

For those who wish to continue to Laos, may do so with the following program. You may also wish to include the capital of Cambodia, Phnom Penh, or the capital of Laos, Vientiane. Internal air between the countries is an additional cost.

***Save when taking the 7 Day program: Ask for Details**



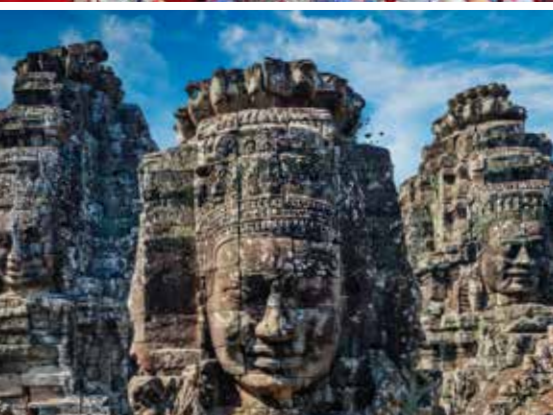
DAYS 1 – 4 • Meals: B

Luang Prabang, LAOS & Depart Home

Sofitel Luang Prabang

A land of warm hospitality, unspoiled beauty and remarkable cultural riches as seen in the incredible frescoes and priceless images of Lord Buddha. In 1995, Luang Prabang was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site for its historic temples and colonial-style buildings. Dating back to 1513 AD and containing a collection of antique wooded Buddha statues, Wat Visoun is one of the oldest temples in Luang Prabang. Also, visit Wat Aham, and Wat Xieng Thong.

Take an excursion by boat and car to Tham Pak Ou Caves and Kuang Si Waterfall. Inside these extraordinary caves, see hundreds of Buddha images of various styles and materials. Float down the famed Mekong River through steep limestone cliffs. Attend a traditional Baci Ceremony and Lao Dance at the village of Ban Xang Hai.



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2024 Prices

Starts: Hanoi
Ends: Ho Chi Minh City

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$4,695

Intra-tour Air: **\$375**

Best Time to Travel: **OCT – APR**

10 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own personal expert local guides

Signature Experiences Included:

- Tour Hanoi's Old Quarter
- Cruise Halong Bay and have a demonstration of Vietnamese cuisine
- Visit the Hoi An Market to purchase ingredients for a cooking class
- See the incredible underground network of Cu Chi Tunnels

DAYS 1 – 2 • Meals: B

Hanoi, VIETNAM

Sofitel Legend Metropole Hotel

Visit the narrow lanes, parks, and traditional shops of Hanoi's Old Quarter. See the Temple of Literature and the miniature One Pillar Pagoda. Experience the vast Ho Chi Minh Memorial Complex, Hoan Kiem Lake, and Ngoc Son Temple.

DAY 3 • Meals: BLD

Halong Bay

Paradise Elegance Cruise

Cruise Halong Bay and see thousands of sculpted limestone islands rising from the azure waters. Join the on-board chef for a cooking demonstration on Vietnamese cuisine and enjoy a unique dinner in Tien Ong cave.

DAYS 4 – 5 • Meals: 2B 1L

Hue

Azerai La Residence

Visit the Imperial Citadel, Thien Mu Pagoda and Tomb of Emperor Minh Mang by boat. Tour Dien Tho, the Queen mother's residence.

DAYS 6 – 7 • Meals: B

Hoi An

Anantara Hoi An

En route to Hoi An, journey over scenic mountain roads with spectacular views of the coast. In Danang, visit the Cham Museum before going to the Hoi An Market to purchase ingredients for a cooking class. Near the famed Japanese Covered Bridge, tour the Sa Huynh Museum, the Tran Family Chapel, Phuoc Kein Assembly Hall, and lantern workshops.

DAYS 8 – 10 • Meals: BL 1D

Ho Chi Minh City & Depart Home

Park Hyatt

Near Ho Chi Minh City, see the incredible underground network of the Cu Chi Tunnels, and visit farms of orchids, eggplants, or bamboo, plus a traditional family rice field. In Ho Chi Minh City tour the historic center to see the ornate City Hall, the old Opera House, the neo-Romanesque Notre Dame Cathedral, and the Central Post Office. Tour modern Vietnam at the Reunification Palace and War Remnants Museum. In the evening, enjoy a Bonsai River Dinner Cruise. On Day 10 transfer to the airport for your departure flight.



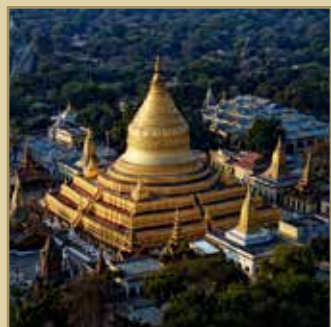
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MYANMAR – *Land of 10,000 Temples*



Best Time to Visit:

OCT – APR



Officially known as the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, the country of 57 million people gained independence in 1947 under the name of Burma. In the ensuing years, conflict and unrest resulted in a military dictatorship under the Burma Socialist Program Party in 1962. Although a multi-party system was voted in after the People Power Uprising of 1988, the military council refused to cede power and continues to rule to this day. Burmese Politician and 1991 Nobel Peace Prize laureate, Aung San Suu Kyi, served as head of state from 2016 – 2021, and even though her party won a clear majority in the 2020 Myanmar general election, the Burmese military again seized power, and so the political strife goes on.

The city-state of Pagan, now known as Bagan, was formed in the late 9th century and within 200 years it had absorbed its surrounding states and become the Pagan Kingdom. Pagan's rulers and wealthy built over 10,000 Buddhist temples in the Pagan area. By the end of the 13th century, Mongol invasions led to the collapse of the Pagan Empire and the following centuries were ruled by Shan States, then the Ava Kingdom and the Hanthawaddy Kingdom. All were multi-ethnic states, and this period is considered to be a golden age for Burmese culture. The thousands of temples that dot the plains of Bagan are impressive and are considered one of the richest archaeological sites in Asia and the ancient city is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. A balloon excursion over the region provides a fabulous perspective.

Visitors to Myanmar normally arrive by air into Yangon – the former capital and the largest city. Here you can visit the most sacred Buddhist pagoda in Myanmar – Shwedagon Pagoda – which is believed to contain the relics of four previous Buddhas and one of the oldest Buddhist stupas in the world. Learn about the legends of the pagoda from your expert guide that Lakani arranges for you. Fly to Heho and travel by car and boat to the beautiful Inle Lake. From there you can fly to Mandalay, the second largest city, situated on the Irrawaddy River. Explore the many sights of the last Royal capital of Burma and see the Shwenandaw Monastery, Mandalay Palace, Kuthodaw Pagoda and see stunning views from Mandalay Hill. You may choose to cruise on the Irrawaddy River to Bagan, where you visit the Archaeological Zone to see Shwezigon stupa, Gubyaukgyi Temple with its fine stucco carvings, Htilominlo Temple, and the massive Dhammayanghi Temple with a lovely view of the sunset from the terrace. Return to Yangon for your departure.

Myanmar Highlights include:

- Admire colonial architecture of central Yangon on a visit to famous Bogyoke Aung San Market
- Visit Pindaya Caves containing over 8,000 images and statues of Buddha
- Attend a gold leaf hammering workshop in Mandalay
- Explore the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Bagan and perhaps capture views from a balloon

2024 Prices

Starts: Bangkok
Ends: Bangkok

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$5,795

Intra-tour Air: From **\$490**

Best Time to Visit: **OCT – APR**

**Ask about an extension to
Phuket Island**

9 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own private expert local guides
- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary

Signature Experiences Included:

- Travel on the picturesque Chao Phraya River, and through the Klongs (canals) in Bangkok
- See the Grand Palace, a perfect example of an ancient Siamese court
- Visit the Villages of the Akha and Yao, home to hill tribes of northern Thailand
- Learn about elephants with an excursion to Elephant Nature Park

DAYS 1 – 2 • Meals: B**Bangkok, THAILAND****Peninsula Hotel**

In Bangkok, travel on the picturesque Chao Phraya River, “the River of Kings” and down the Klongs (canals) of Thonburi. Observe and photograph the serene family homes and temples along the waterways which gave the city the nickname, “Venice of the East”. Visit a major riverside landmark, Wat Arun, the Temple of Dawn. The shrine has a pagoda decorated with glazed ceramic pieces from top to bottom towering into the sky. Visit the Grand Palace, situated close to the bank of the Chao Phraya River. It is a perfect example of an ancient Siamese court. Also, visit Wat Phra Kaew, the Temple of the Emerald Buddha. This carved, single piece of jadeite, is believed to have supernatural powers and is dressed in robes according to the season by the King of Thailand himself.

DAYS 3 – 4 • Meals: B**Bangkok / Chiang Rai****Anantara Golden Triangle Elephant Camp**

Fly to Chiang Rai and experience sightseeing in a unique way by travelling through the city by Tuk Tuk. Visit Wat Phra Singh and a local market. Travel to the Golden Triangle, the famed area where Laos, Myanmar, and Thailand meet. Take a boat trip along Mekong River to cross the border and see Don Sao Island in Laos. Located in a region known for poppy production but now in an “opium free zone”, visit the unique Opium museum. Drive to Mae Sai, the northern most point of Thailand, on the Thai-Myanmar border. Visit the villages of the Akha and Yao, home to two of the six hill tribes of the area.

DAYS 5 – 9 • Meals: B 2L**Chiang Rai / Chiang Mai****Bangkok & Depart Home****137 Pillars House / Peninsula Hotel**

Visit Wat Rong Khun and the Baan Pong Nam Ron Hot Spring. Travel by private car from the Golden Triangle to Chiang Mai. The most sacred temple in Chiang Mai, Wat Phra That Doi Suthep is situated on top of Doi Suthep mountain. Enjoy an excursion to the Elephant Nature Park and get a briefing on the history of the rescued and orphaned elephants. Learn about the daily care of the elephants and see them interacting and playing in their natural surroundings with their own chosen herds. Enjoy a picnic lunch beside a waterfall. Day 8 return to Bangkok for an overnight prior to your departure flight on Day 9.



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MONGOLIA – *Discover the land of Genghis Khan*



Best Time to Visit:

JUN – SEP



The world's largest landlocked country, bordered by Russia and China, is also the world's least populated sovereign nation. Its vast landscape includes the Gobi Desert, mountains, and grass covered steppe. Mongolia has been inhabited by pastoral nomads since prehistoric times. Cave rock paintings found at the Khoit Tsenkher Cave date from 20,000 years ago showing mammoths, lynx, Bactrian camels, and ostriches. Neolithic agricultural settlements followed by horse-riding nomadism in the Copper and Bronze Age which became the dominant culture that continued throughout history. The incredible horsemanship is one of the many cultural opportunities you will have as a visitor to Mongolia.

The storied past of Mongolia included empires formed by nomads under a designated ruler or Khan. One of these empires, the Xionnu, emerged as the greatest threat to the Qin Dynasty of China, which led to the construction of the Great Wall. Several empires later there was a chieftain named Temujin who succeeded in uniting the Mongol tribes between Manchuria and the Altai Mountains. In 1206, he took the title of Genghis Khan and formed the Mongol Empire – the largest contiguous land empire in world history.

The capital city of Ulaanbaatar is also the largest city and home to about half of the country's population. You will begin your adventure in Ulaanbaatar where you may stay in luxury and comfort in a five-star hotel. Touring the capital city, you will have a chance to view an excellent display of history dating back to the Stone Age in the Mongolian National History Museum. Then fly to the Gobi Desert to experience one of the most exotic areas in the world. Travel to the desert sand dunes and spend a night in a traditional Ger. Mongolia is a resting place of dinosaurs, and you'll have a chance to explore the area called Flaming Cliffs. Return to the capital for more discoveries. Visit Mongolia during Naadam Festival and see the famous games that take place from 11 to 13 of July annually. You'll take away indelible memories from this unique destination.

Mongolia Highlights include:

- Venture into the Gobi Desert for an authentic view of traditional Mongolian nomadic lifestyle
- Listen for the singing sands of the Gurvan Saikhan National Park and stay in a Mongolian ger
- Explore petrified forests, remains of mammals, and skeleton of a hornless rhinoceros in the Cemetery of the Dinosaurs
- Admire the collection of Bogd Khan, ruler of Mongolia in early 20th century at the Winter Palace
- Visit 13th Century Complex for an insight into the lifestyle, art and crafts from the time of Genghis Khan



The Republic of Uzbekistan is a double landlocked country in Central Asia whose earliest recorded settlers arrived from Eastern Iran around 800 BC, although there is evidence of human activity as far back as the Paleolithic Era. Conquered by the Muslims in the 7th-century, the region's inhabitants became followers of Islam. With their strategic location on the Silk Road between China and the Mediterranean Sea, the cities of Samarkand, Khiva, and Bukhara grew prosperous, and witnessed the emergence of leading figures of the Islamic Golden Age, a period of cultural, economic, and scientific growth. Following the dissolution of the Soviet Union in 1991, the country declared independence as the Republic of Uzbekistan and kept Tashkent as its capital.

Lakani has many years of experience with travel in Uzbekistan and will create the ideal tour customized to meet the interests of its visitors. Begin in Tashkent and visit Amir Temur Museum, the modern domed building housing portraits and artifacts relating to Tamerlane. Take a walk around Amir Temur Square and the beautiful fountains of Independence Square. Drive, fly, or take the train to Samarkand, added to the UNESCO World Heritage list as a Crossroad of Cultures. Spend at least two days here to explore the city and its stunning mosaics. Admire the Registan, the public square that was the heart of the ancient city during the Timurid Empire. It is framed by Ulugh Beg Madrasah, Sher-Dor Madrasah, and Tilya-Kori Madrasah – three Islamic schools each displaying unique Islamic architecture. See the Observatory of Ulugbek, the Shah-i-Zinda Ensemble of mosaic tombs and mausoleums, and the important Amir Temur Mausoleum. Experience a night in a typical Yurt Camp, where you may take a camel ride to the beautiful Lake Aydarkul. Travel to Bukhara and discover the charming old city bazaars, mosques, madrassas, and covered markets. Enjoy the scenic desert drive on the way to Khiva, an UNESCO World Heritage Site. Learn about life in this historic town from the experienced local guide visit its colorful sites. Your time in Uzbekistan is sure to be unforgettable.

Uzbekistan Highlights include:

- Explore three cities on the famous Silk Road and see their impressive antiquities
- Feast your eyes on the striking mosaics of the Kalta Minor Minaret in Khiva
- Spend the night in a traditional yurt and take a camel ride
- Indulge in the specialties of Uzbekistan – Plov and Shivit Oshi
- Visit Samarkand's famous 15th century Bibi-Khanym Mosque
- Taste wines that can only be found in Uzbekistan at the Museum of Winemaking at Khovrenko Winery in Samarkand

Best Time to Visit:
MAY, SEP – NOV



14 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own private expert local guides
- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary

Signature Experiences Included:

- Enjoy the vibrant metropolis and financial capital of India, Mumbai
- See the temples cut out of rock in the Ajanta and Ellora caves
- Stroll through Kochi, a spice trading island bedecked with elegant European architecture

2024 Prices

Starts: Mumbai

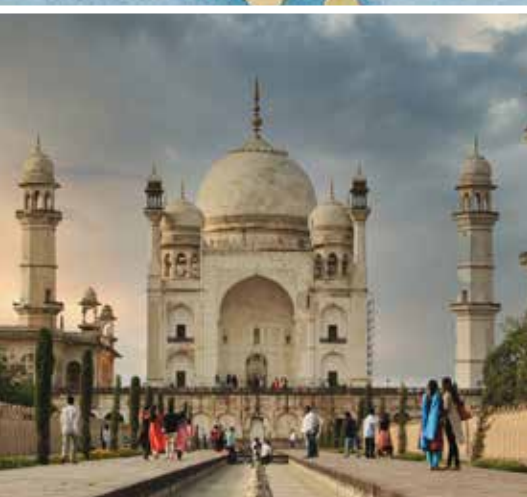
Ends: Kumarakom

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$6,595

Intra-tour Air: From **\$695**

Best Time to Visit: **OCT – MAR**



DAYS 1 – 2 • Meals: B

Mumbai, INDIA

Taj Mahal Palace

Arrive in Mumbai and be transferred to your luxury hotel. Tour Mumbai, a vibrant metropolis and financial capital of India. See the Gateway of India, the Prince of Wales Museum, the Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus and other examples of colonial architecture. Enjoy an excursion to the Elephanta Caves to see the rock-cut temples of the 7th century.

DAYS 3 – 4 • Meals: B

Mumbai / Aurangabad

Vivanta by Taj

Fly to Aurangabad to see the UNESCO World Heritage Sites of the Ajanta and Ellora caves and their many centuries-in-the-making temples cut out of solid rock. Visit the Sunheri Mahal, the History Museum and the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Museum. Take a stroll through the Bani Begum Gardens.

DAYS 5 – 7 • Meals: B

Aurangabad / Hyderabad

Taj Falaknuma Palace

Fly to Hyderabad for a tour of a ruined city and capital of the ancient Kingdom of Golkonda. The fortress citadel was rebuilt for defense from invading Mughals of the north in 1687. Visit the old city of Hyderabad including the Salar Jung Museum.

DAYS 8 – 9 • Meals: B

Hyderabad / Chennai

The Leela Palace

Fly to Chennai, the Gateway to South India. You will proceed with an excursion to Mahabalipuram, which is a fabulous open-air museum of sculptures of living rock, Monolithic shrines scooped out caverns magnificently sculpted within the world's biggest Bas relief in rock. Visit the Shore Temple built in 700–728 AD, it is so named because it overlooks the shore of the Bay of Bengal.

DAYS 10 – 14 • Meals: B

Chennai / Kochi

Brunton Boatyard

Kumarakom & Depart Home

Kumarakom Lake Resort

Fly to Kochi, also called the Queen of the Arabian Sea and once an important trading center for spices in the 14th Century. Visit the Dutch Palace, the Jewish Synagogue, St. Francis Church, and the Santa Cruz Basilica. Tour Fort Kochi and the harbor. Get to know Kumarakom as you enjoy the beautiful lakeside resort. On day 14 transfer to the Cochin airport to board your flight on to your next destination.

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2024 Prices

Starts: Delhi
Ends: Delhi

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$6,195 Low Season (JAN – APR)

\$6,595 High Season (OCT – MID DEC)

Intra-tour Air: From **\$195**

Best Time to Visit: **OCT – MAR**

9 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own private expert local guides
- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary

Signature Experiences Included:

- Experience the sites of Old and New Delhi
- Morning and afternoon game drives to look for the elusive tiger
- Marvel at the magnificent Taj Mahal in Agra
- See the Palace of the Winds in Jaipur

DAYS 1 – 2 • Meals: B

Delhi, INDIA**Oberoi Hotel**

Arrive in Delhi and transfer to your luxury hotel. Your visit to India will convince you to redefine the concept of beauty. In New Delhi, see the 12th century Qutab Minar, visit the mausoleum of emperor Humayun, and drive through Lutyens' Delhi including the India Gate. Enjoy stops at the beautiful Governmental buildings: the Presidential Palace, Parliament House, and the Secretariat. Drive past the magnificent Red Fort, the Jama Masjid, and the medieval market of Chandni Chowk while exploring Old Delhi. Visit the Raj Ghat, Mahatma Gandhi's memorial.

DAY 3 • Meals: B

Delhi / Agra**Oberoi Amarvilas**

Travel by private car to Agra, home of the magnificent Taj Mahal. Visit this masterpiece of marble and the greatest monument depicting love in the late afternoon and early morning. Also see the Agra Fort, notable for its smooth blending of Hindu and Muslim architectural styles.

DAYS 4 – 5 • Meals: BLD

Agra / Ranthambhore**Oberoi Vanyavilas**

Today continue your journey to Ranthambhore via the deserted city of Fatehpur Sikri, the former capital of the great Mughal ruler, Emperor Akbar. Ranthambhore is not only famous for its tigers, but also sloth bears, hyena, deer and other endangered species. You will enjoy morning and afternoon game drives for the elusive tiger during your stay.

DAYS 6 – 9 • Meals: B

Ranthambhore / Jaipur**Delhi & Depart Home****Oberoi Rajvilas/Oberoi Gurgaon**

Traveling to Jaipur today, you will visit Amber Fort and the Hawa Mahal "Palace of Winds" enroute. See the Maharaja's Palace and Jantar Mantar, the largest stone and marble hand-crafted observatory in the world. In the late morning of day 8 return to Delhi and relax in your day room until your departure time in the very early morning of day 9.



Add to the experience of your Journey with an extension to South India.

Call for details.

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8 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own private expert local guides
- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary

Signature Experiences Included:

- Soar above the Himalayan peaks for a great aerial view of Mt. Everest (weather permitting)
- See Boudhanath, one of the largest stupas in the world
- Visit Chitwan National Park, one of the best wildlife viewing national parks in Asia
- Learn about the Asian elephant and take an elephant safari through the jungle

2024 Prices

Starts: Kathmandu

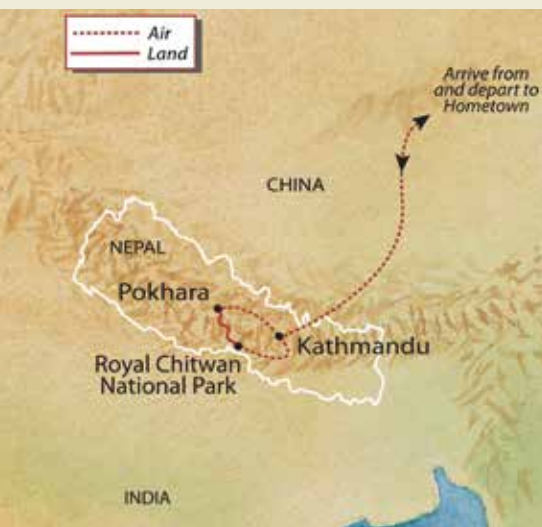
Ends: Kathmandu

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$4,295

Intra-tour Air From: **\$495**

Best time to visit: **MAR – APR, OCT – DEC**



DAYS 1 – 2 • Meals: B

Kathmandu, NEPAL

Dwarika's Hotel

On arrival in Kathmandu you will be met and transferred to your hotel and begin your tour in the unique and fascinating capital of the Royal Kingdom of Nepal. It is a deeply spiritual land isolated by the high Himalayas. Visit Durbar Square where the city's kings were once crowned, legitimized and from where they ruled. See the traditional heart of the old town with its spectacular architecture. Visit Hanuman Dhoka, the ancient residential quarters and temples, and the 2,500 year old site of Swayambhunath. Take a memorable one hour flight-seeing journey above the Himalayan peaks with a great aerial view of majestic Mt. Everest (weather permitting). Visit the temples of Pashupatinath, Bhaktapur and Boudhanath to see one of the world's largest stupas.

DAYS 3 – 4 • Meals: B

Kathmandu / Pokhara

Temple Tree Resort & Spa

Take a flight to Pokhara – an area of spectacular scenery with snowy peaks and serene lakes with surrounding greenery making it the jewel of the Himalayas. Tour the city of Pokhara and visit Bindhyabasini, one of the oldest temples in the Pokhara Valley. Take a boat ride on Phewa Lake, encircled by Sarangkot and Kaskikot hills, and holding a pagoda style temple. Explore Sarangkot with a panoramic view of the Annapurna Himalaya.

DAYS 5 – 8 • Meals: BLD

Pokhara / Chitwan National Park / Kathmandu & Depart Home

Taj Meghauri Serai / Dwarika's Hotel

Spend two days in Chitwan National Park, famous as one of the best wildlife viewing national parks in Asia. There are opportunities to see horned rhinos, deer, monkeys and some 450 species of birds. If lucky you may see leopards, wild elephants, sloth bears or the elusive Bengal tiger. Learn about the Indian elephant and take an elephant safari through the jungle. Take a morning walk through the jungle with an experienced naturalist to learn about the flora and fauna or explore the park in an open-air jeep for animal viewing. On day 7 return to Kathmandu for an overnight then on day 8 transfer to the airport for your departure flight.



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2024 Prices

Starts: Colombo
Ends: Colombo

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$3,395 Low Season (MAY, SEP)
\$3,695 Mid Season (JAN – APR, JULY, AUG)
\$4,195 High Season (NOV – MID DEC)

Best Time to Visit: **All Year**

8 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own personal expert local guides

Signature Experiences Included:

- Climb the Sigiriya Rock Fortress, called the "8th wonder of the world"
- Explore Minneriya National Park, dedicated to preserving Sri Lanka's wildlife
- Enjoy a spice tour in Matale
- Witness a Cultural Dance Show in Kandy
- Tour the colonial Dutch architecture in Galle & Colombo
- See the famous Gangarama Buddhist Temple

DAY 1**Colombo / Kotugoda, SRI LANKA****The Wallawwa**

On arrival in Colombo, you are transferred to your resort hotel in the relaxing coast town of Negombo.

DAYS 2 – 3 • Meals: B**Dambulla / Sigiriya****Jetwing Vil Uyana**

Discover the Dambulla Caves Rock Temple, dating back to the 1st century BC. In Sigiriya, climb the famed historic 5th century Sigiriya Rock Fortress, called the "8th wonder of the world". Visit the age-old city of Polonnaruwa, and the Minneriya National Park – A wildlife sanctuary, the park is a dry season feeding ground for the regional elephant population.

DAY 4 • Meals: B**Matale / Kandy****Kings Pavilion**

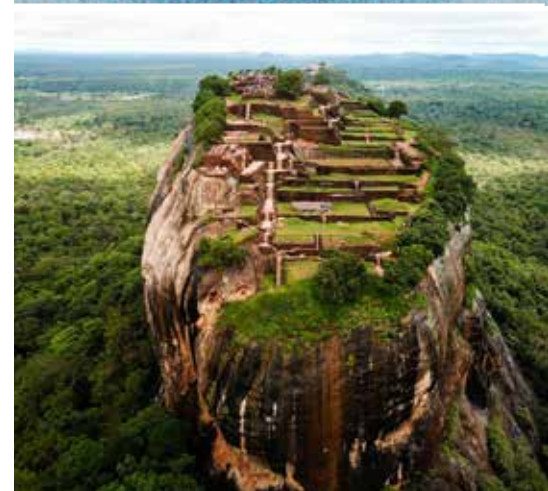
Stop in Matale to enjoy an aromatic garden tour and taste its world-famous spices such as vanilla and cinnamon. Stay in the Hill Country capital of Kandy, the last stronghold of Sinhala kings and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Explore the city's holy Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic, Gem Museum, Kandy Bazaar, and the Royal Botanical Gardens. In the evening enjoy a vibrant and unique Cultural Dance Show.

DAYS 5 – 6 • Meals: B, 1D**Bentota & Galle****The Villa Bentota**

The coastal town of Bentota faces the Indian Ocean and sits on a tropical lagoon. Relax in this haven landscape dotted with coconut palms. Enjoy a boat trip on the Madu River, a complex coast ecosystem of mangroves and islands, while watching for monkeys, cormorants, and egrets. Visit Galle, one of the best preserved colonial era cities - an ancient seaport with a multi-cultural feel. Stroll through the fortress ramparts, and explore the ancient churches and old Dutch-style manors with their complex latticework. Visit the Dutch Museum, Groote Kerk (Great Church) and the National Maritime Museum. Climb up the 60-foot high lighthouse for a grand view.

DAYS 7 – 8 • Meals: B**Galle / Colombo****Uga Residence**

Drive back to Colombo to explore this vibrant capital city and main port of Sri Lanka. View its collection of colonial buildings, as well as the famous Buddhist temple, Gangaramaya Temple, and the city's oldest Dutch church. An evening tour gives you a unique look at this classic metropolis. Depart from the Colombo airport on Day 8.



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MALDIVES — *An island paradise experience*



Best Time to Visit:

MAY, SEP – NOV



Located in the Indian Ocean southwest of Sri Lanka and India, the Republic of Maldives is an archipelagic state consisting of 1,196 tropical islands spread out over 540 miles from north to south and formed by 26 natural atolls. The capital is Male, located on the North Male Atoll traditionally called the “King’s Island” where the ancient royal dynasties ruled.

The remote islands are either inhabited by natives, by hotel resorts, or are uninhabited. Most resorts occupy an entire island and therefore create an unusually exclusive holiday experience. Sample some of the freshest seafood at one of the resort’s restaurants, prepared using ingredients grown in the island’s gardens. Or dine privately in your own bungalow or on a candlelit beach.

Lakani will help you to select the accommodations suited to your interests. From over-water villas to elegant bungalows with private pools. Sip cocktails beside your infinity pool, read on your private deck, indulge in world-class spa treatments, cruise on a traditional yacht, or explore the stunning coral reefs and abundant marine life. Your unforgettable experience in this island paradise is ideally combined with a tour of Sri Lanka or India. Please contact Lakani for suggestions.

Maldives Highlights include:

- Luxury accommodations to your specifications
- Opportunities to sunbathe and stroll on white sandy beaches
- Snorkel and dive in the clear cerulean Indian Ocean
- Visit a Sea Turtle Rehabilitation Center or spot dolphins at sunset
- Immerse yourself in the cultures influenced by diverse peoples who have settled on the islands throughout history

2024 Prices

Starts: Bangkok

Ends: Bangkok

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$8,350 Low Season (JAN, FEB, JUN - AUG)**\$8,995** High Season (MAR - MAY, SEP - NOV)Intra-tour Air From: **\$1,485**Best Time to Visit: **MAR - MAY &
SEP - NOV****9 Days - Pre-Designed Journey**

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own private expert local guides
- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary

Signature Experiences Included:

- Visit a farmhouse to have a glimpse into their daily life
- Visit the Thimphu National Textile Museum to learn about Bhutan's living national art of weaving
- Climb up to the impressive Taksang "Tiger's Nest"

DAY 1**Bangkok, Thailand****Novotel Suvarnabhumi Airport Hotel**

On arrival in Bangkok, you will be met and transferred to your hotel for a brief overnight before continuing your journey to Bhutan.

DAYS 2 & 3 • Meals: BLD**Bangkok / Paro / Thimpu****Taj Tashi**

Fly to Paro and transfer to Thimpu. Visit a Nunnery outside Thimpu, then continue to the School of Arts and Crafts, followed by a stop at the Textile Museum, the Heritage Museum, Changangkha Lhakhang (temple), national Library, Traditional Hospital and see how paper is made from the daphne plant with cosmos flower petals and other plants. Visit Tashichho Dzong.

DAYS 4 & 5 • Meals: BLD**Thimpu / Punakha****COMO Uma Punakha**

Drive to Punakha en route stopping at Dochu LaPass to see the eastern Himalayas. Visit Khamsum Yuley Namgay Chorten, Sonagasa and Punakha Dzong. The Dzong was damaged by flood, earthquake and then several times by fire, and was rebuilt each time to its original grandeur. The Dzong houses the most sacred relics of the Drukpa Kagyu School including the Rangjung Kasarpani.

DAYS 6 - 7 • Meals: BLD**Punakha / Paro****COMO Uma Paro**

Drive to Paro to visit the old watch tower Ta Dzong, now a national museum, and the Rinpung Dzong. Take an excursion to the Taksang Palphug Monastery, often referred to as "Tiger's Nest". It is one of the most venerated and famous monasteries in Bhutan and is an impressive sight not to be missed.

DAYS 8 - 9 • Meals: B**Paro/Bangkok & Depart Home****Novotel Suvarnabhumi Airport Hotel**

Fly to Bangkok for an overnight prior to your return flight home.



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COMBINING AUSTRALIA WITH OTHER SOUTH SEAS ISLAND NATIONS

AUSTRALIA



Best time to visit: **ALL YEAR ROUND**

From the city life of Sydney to the Outback to the tropics of Queensland and the Great Barrier Reef, Australia has many attractions. Cruise Sydney's magnificent harbor or view it from the top of the Harbour Bridge. Visit the historic sites of Sydney and the iconic Opera House as well as the unique lanes of smaller Melbourne. Get into nature at the great rock Uluru and learn of its significance to the Aboriginal people or the tropical rain forests of the Queensland coast along with the beaches and coral reefs. Wine regions include Hunter Valley, Yarra Valley in the southeast and in Western Australia the Margaret River region.

Spend a week or a few exploring Australia's cultural, historical, and culinary attractions. Or combine a visit to Australia with neighboring New Zealand.

Highlights:

- Sydney Harbor by boat
- Queen Victoria Market, Melbourne
- UNESCO World Heritage Site Uluru
- Great Barrier Reef
- Daintree National Park
- Hamilton Island

TASMANIA



Best time to visit: **ALL YEAR ROUND**

The Australian state of Tasmania, on its own island, can be included with an Australia itinerary or visited as its own destination as you can easily spend a week just exploring Tasmania. In Hobart, the largest city in Tasmania, old sandstone warehouses on the docks have new life as galleries, restaurants and hotels. Visit the Maritime Museum and the unusual Museum of Old and New Art, as well as area wineries. See the views from Mount Wellington and visit the old penal colony at Port Arthur. A stop at a wildlife center seems required to be sure to see the ferocious marsupials that share their name with the island. Visit Mole Creek Caves to see the glow-worm displays and underground rivers.

Scenic waterfalls and gorges and beautiful beaches are found in the islands national parks. Those looking for more adventure can join a wilderness cruise along high vertical sea cliffs exploring waterfalls and sea caves while watching for seals, whales and abundant sea birds.

Highlights:

- Hobart waterfront, UNESCO World Heritage Site Port Arthur
- Glow-worms at Mole Creek Caves, beaches of Freycinet National Park,
- Rainforest walk at Mt. Field National Park

2024 Prices

Starts: Auckland
Ends: Queenstown

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$8,995

Intra-tour Air: **\$350**

Best time to visit: **SEP – APR**

8 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own personal expert local guides

Signature Experiences Included:

- See the view of Auckland from Mt. Eden
- Visit the Hobbiton Movie Set from the Lord of the Rings
- Partake in the Shotover Jet boat ride
- Fly over Milford Sound and experience an alpine landing

DAYS 1 – 2 • Meals: B**Auckland, NEW ZEALAND****Park Hyatt**

On arrival in Auckland you will be met and transferred to your hotel for early check-in. Your tour of Auckland will include a drive over the Auckland Harbor Bridge to Westhaven Marina, Viaduct Harbour, Tamaki Drive and waterfront. Discover the wild west coast of Auckland, as you visit the rainforest with a huge variety of New Zealand's flora, along with a stop at a gannet colony (Oct – Apr).

DAYS 3 – 4 • Meals: B**Rotorua****Solitaire Lodge**

Today's drive will take you to Matamata for a tour of Hobbiton, where you will discover the real Middle-earth of the most picturesque farmland in the North Island of New Zealand. Rotorua is the home of the New Zealand Maori culture. Visit St. Faith's Church on the shores of Lake Rotorua. The hot geothermal air under the ground heats the church naturally in cold periods, having to be shut off in summer. Continue to the Skyline Gondola where you will take a Gondola ride up Mt. Ngongotaha for magnificent views over Rotorua.

DAYS 5 – 8 • Meals: B**Queenstown****Sofitel Queenstown Hotel**

Fly to Queenstown where you will visit the gold-rich area of Arrowtown. This quaint town is a popular destination all year round and its rich heritage attracts visitors of all ages. Cross over the Edith Cavill Bridge which straddles the Shotover River, which is adjacent to the popular Shotover Jet attraction. It's an adrenaline rush you'll never forget. Take an excursion to Milford Sound by fixed wing aircraft to see the unique character of the region with rainforest, lakes, rivers, waterfalls and the fjords carved by the glaciers. You will join a cruise on the fjord, and experience an alpine landing. You will have your last day in New Zealand at leisure to enjoy Queenstown on your own. On Day 8 you will be transferred to the airport for your flight home.



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PAPUA NEW GUINEA – *Authentic, Amazing & Exotic*



Best Time to Visit:

JUN – OCT



Papua New Guinea, one of the last great unexplored lands, remains a place of great wonder and mystery. A country of over four million people, it is home to exotic animals, extraordinary art and flamboyant warriors. A wondrous place for intrepid travelers who wish to discover unique colorful cultures and take a step back in time. Must-sees include meeting the Huli Wigmen, a Southern Highland tribe nearly untouched by modern civilization, and traveling the jungle waterways of the Karawari River to visit isolated Kundiman villages. Another highlight is staying in a floating Haus Tambaran (Spirit House) in the remote Sepik River region.

Papua New Guinea is for curious and adventurous travelers open to discovering a unique world.

Though a destination, we suggest an en-route stop-over in Cairns, Australia

HIGHLIGHTS OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Port Moresby –A cosmopolitan city, embracing technology and development with a blend of the new and remnants of the colonial days. Explore the history in this once WWII strategic military location.

Ambua & the Tari Valley – In the Southern Highlands and home of the flamboyant Huli Wigmen, a colorful and proud people still live the same way that their ancestors did. They are one of the largest cultural groups in Papua New Guinea and display their art in the form of body decoration.

Karawari River Region - one of the most remote and unspoiled areas. jungle-fringed waterways known for spectacular primitive art and an incredible array of parrots and orchids.

Sepik River Region – stay on the permanently docked riverboat for day boat trips through the dense rainforest. Experience traditional village life and culture.

Mount Hagen - in the upper Wahgi Valley of the Western Highlands region. It has some of the oldest evidence of agriculture in the world and is also the business heart of the highlands. Home to the Melpa people, and host to the huge annual Mount Hagen Cultural Show.

Madang – a hidden jewel in the South Pacific and a montage of tribal cultures, immense beauty, friendly people and pristine diving.



Fiji, an archipelago of more than 300 islands in the Southern Hemisphere of the Pacific Ocean. It's famed for rugged landscapes, palm-lined beaches and coral reefs with clear lagoons. It is a paradise for snorkeling, diving, and other beach activities, as well as tropical trekking. It's a wonderful destination for water sports enthusiasts and hikers as well as for couples seeking a romantic vacation or honeymoon or families wanting fun in the sun. Fiji is well-known for its friendly people and casual atmosphere.

Lakani World Tours can create a travel itinerary best suited for you – depending on your time, interests, and budget. Some of the more popular islands are:

Viti Levu – The island also offers a variety of resorts (budget to luxury) as well as some tropical treks and the renowned Garden of the Sleeping Giant - a vast collection of more than 2000 varieties of magnificent orchids.

The Coral Coast – on the southwest side, protected from onshore swells by a fringing reef, with a mix of white sand and coral beaches. Most beaches offer calm swimming conditions for families with young children while others are strictly for keen surfers. The town of Sigatoka offers a bustling market with foods, souvenirs, and handicrafts, as well as Hindu temples, mosques and Indian shops.

Denarau – A small separate island connected to Viti Levu by a short bridge, and just 20 minutes from the airport. It has well-respected international golf resorts.

Suva – the capital port city with British colonial architecture. It is a popular day-trip to discover Fiji's history and culture.

The Mamanuca Islands – a volcanic archipelago of about 20 islands just a short boat ride (or seaplane) from Nandi. Stay in Fiji's only overwater bures at Likuliku.

Castaway Island, an island of the Mamanuca Group, is a private resort island features sandy beaches & hilly areas offering scenic views.

Mana Island - Small, remote island with aqua water & white-sand beaches lined with palm trees, plus an airport.

The Yasawas Islands – a string of islands with great sailing, diving, and snorkeling, as well as beaches, villages, and a wide variety of resorts. They are accessible by boat or seaplane.

Vanua Levu – Fiji's second largest island, offers great diving (Jacques Cousteau documented its underwater world).

Taveuni – the garden island with the natural beauty of a lush forest, waterfalls, national park forests, and accommodation in keeping with a natural paradise.

Waya Island – boasts terrific hikes over forest-clad volcanic hills with gorgeous views from the summit, particularly if timed to coincide with sunrise or sunset.

Best time to visit: **JULY – SEP**



OTHER SOUTH SEAS DESTINATIONS

PALAU



Best time to visit: **NOV – MAY**

Discover the colorful ‘must snorkel’ reefs of this island nation in the Pacific, known for its diverse dive sites, World War II battlefields and pristine sandy beaches.

TONGA



Best time to visit: **MAY – NOV**

The South Pacific Kingdom of many islands, with its Royal Palace, Anahulu Cave, natural blowholes, and Ha’amonga ‘a Maui Trilithon or “Stonehenge of the Pacific” awaits your visit.

AMERICAN SAMOA



Best time to visit: **APR – OCT**

Pristine landscapes of volcanoes, rainforests, and coral reefs are highlights along with Samoan heritage and World War II history, on this tropical island U.S. territory in the South Pacific.

NEW CALEDONIA



Best time to visit: **MAY – JUNE, SEP – OCT**

A French overseas territory since 1946, the archipelago has the richest diversity of fish, birds and plants in the world per square kilometer. Explore the indigenous species and learn about the Kanak people who have lived here since time immemorial.

VANUATU



Best time to visit: **APR – OCT**

The island country whose archipelago of volcanic origin was first inhabited by Melanesian people gained independence in 1980. Immerse yourself in island relaxation on Champagne Beach, or adventures from volcano hikes to swimming in Tanna’s Blue Cave, diving at a WWII wreck, or kayaking around the islands.

TAHITI



Best time to visit: **NOV – APR**

With 118 islands, French Polynesia offers a wide range of activities and experiences from relaxing beach holidays to scuba diving and snorkeling, swimming with whales, playing golf, and much more.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Reservations and Payments: Deposits and payments for our Select Tours for Independent Travelers, and Custom Made Tours vary according to the individual itinerary. We may require a non-refundable planning fee that will automatically be credited to your final payment. Final payment is due no later than 90 days for journeys without trains and cruises. For journeys that include a train or cruise, the final payment is due at least 120 days prior to departure. Payments may be made by check, American Express, VISA or MasterCard. Payments for internal air requirements are subject to the policies of the airlines involved and will be advised at the time of confirmation.

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Refunds & Cancellation Policy: All requests to cancel confirmed reservations must be received in writing. Cancellation fees are applicable to land, cruise, rail, intra-tour air, single supplements and extension of any extra services.

Journeys that do not include a train or cruise:

Cancellations received:	Cancellation fee:
90 or more before departure	\$250.00 per person
89 - 60 days before departure	20% of program cost
59 - 30 days before departure	50% of program cost
29 - or less and en route	100% of program cost

Journeys with train or cruise in itinerary:

Cancellations received:	Cancellation fee:
120 or more before departure	10% of program cost
119 - 90 days before departure	20% of program cost
89 - 60 days before departure	50% of program cost
59 - or less and en route	100% of program cost

Lakani Tour price includes:

Hotels: Based on two people sharing a room in deluxe or best available hotels. Single supplements apply for each journey for those requiring single accommodations and will be quoted at time of booking. Lakani reserves the right to substitute hotels for those named in the brochure when necessary.

Meals: Meals are included as indicated for each journey.

Sightseeing: All sightseeing shown in the itinerary with English speaking guide via deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach where available or practical. Four-wheel drive vehicles may be used for sightseeing or safaris in certain areas such as Africa, as indicated in the itinerary. Entrance fees are included throughout.

Transfers: Individual arrival and departure transfers between airport and hotel to join and leave the journey.

Luggage: Transportation and transfer of two medium suitcases, except where mandated by air carriers. Overweight charges imposed by an airline will be borne by the traveler.

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Travel Insurance: Lakani World Tours recommends all travelers purchase travel insurance.

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Unused Services: Refunds will not be made for any missed/unused services or meals

Smoking Policy: Smoking is prohibited at group meals, on buses and during all group activities.

Airfares: International air is not included and therefore Lakani is not responsible for any air ticket cancellation fees due to itinerary or departure changes or cancellation.

Airline Baggage Regulations: Each airline has its own rules regarding baggage allowance. Number, size and weight limitations of suitcases can vary by airline, class of service and frequent flier status. It is recommended that all travelers check with the individual airlines and/or their websites for up to date information. Luggage exceeding the maximum restrictions is subject to expensive overage fees or is at risk of being left behind. Luggage allowance may be restricted within a country by regional airlines or air charter companies. Please refer to your final credentials for those restrictions. Lakani World Tours cannot be held liable for fees or inconveniences imposed by the airlines.

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Travel Insurance: recommends all travelers purchase travel insurance.

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