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We believe travel has the power to enhance our lives in extraordinary ways, and we're excited to showcase this selection of educational travel opportunities with Orbridge for 2025.

These uniquely curated tours are designed to provide unforgettable experiences as well as the opportunity to forge new friendships and develop a deeper connection to the world around us. Small group sizes help maximize enjoyment of the people and places we encounter.

Advantages of traveling with us:

Convenience. We understand the joy of travel lies in immersing yourself in the destination, not the logistics of getting there. That's why we take care of the details, leaving you with the simple task of packing your bags.

Educational Enrichment. Each trip is thoughtfully crafted to expand your understanding and appreciation of the places you visit. Accompanied by knowledgeable expedition leaders, travel directors and expert local guides, you'll gain insights and perspectives that go beyond the surface, making your journey truly transformative.

Camaraderie. The magic of each tour is the chance to connect with fellow graduates who share a common bond. Whether you're reminiscing about the past or sharing stories of recent adventures, the sense of connection and shared experiences offers an added dimension to your travel.

For complete tour details call **866-639-0079** or visit **texas-am.orbridge.com**.

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Julie Scamardo
Manager of Traveling Aggies
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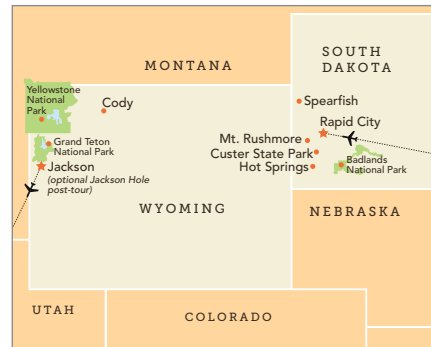


National Parks & Lodges of the Old West

JUNE 6-14, 2025

Jackson Hole Post-Tour: June 14-16, 2025

Join us on an immersive adventure through the heart of America's most captivating landscapes, traversing the wildlife-rich terrain of Custer State Park, Yellowstone, and Grand Teton National Park. Each engaging day is its own journey, highlighted by exploration of iconic monuments, leisurely hikes, educational discussions, and authentic Old West charm.

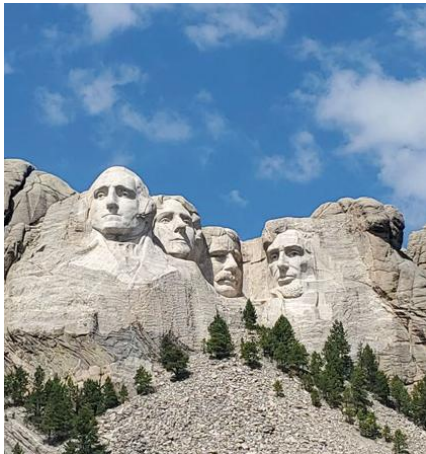


Program Highlights

- Marvel at local history. Admire the grandeur of Mount Rushmore and Crazy Horse Memorial and visit the world's largest mammoth site.
- Appreciate nature's inspiration. With endless panoramic vistas, dramatic geological wonders, lush grasslands and a myriad of flora and fauna, the Old West is the perfect backdrop for relaxation, contemplation and reflection.
- Gain perspective and insight. An Orbridge Expedition Leader and local guides provide an enriching learning experience throughout the tour, each offering geological, historical and cultural interpretations at every location.
- Explore at leisure. Enjoy extended time to discover Yellowstone's variety of thermal features, hiking trails and visitor center and museum.
- Rest in comfort. After fulfilling days, retreat to well-appointed properties and various landmark lodges that are national treasures themselves.

9-Day Itinerary

- Day 1:** Arrive in Rapid City, SD (D)
 - Day 2:** Rapid City | Badlands National Park | Custer State Park (B,D)
 - Day 3:** Mammoth Site | Crazy Horse | Custer (B,D)
 - Day 4:** Custer | Mount Rushmore | Spearfish Canyon (B,D)
 - Day 5:** Spearfish Canyon | Cody, WY (B,L)
 - Day 6:** Cody | Yellowstone National Park (B,L,D)
 - Day 7:** Yellowstone National Park (B,D)
 - Day 8:** Yellowstone National Park | Grand Teton National Park | Jackson (B,D)
 - Day 9:** Depart Jackson (B)
- Optional 3-Day Jackson Hole Post-Tour*



What's Included

- 8 nights in unique accommodations and inspiring landmark lodges
- 8 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 7 dinners including special welcome and farewell meals
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Expedition Leader as well as expert local guides
- All activities as described in the 9-day itinerary
- Admission and park fees
- Private deluxe motor coach with air conditioning and comfortable seating
- Luggage portorage (where available)
- Gratuities to Orbridge Expedition Leader, local guides, drivers, porters and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times

SPECIAL RATES

PPDO: **\$5,695** | Single: **\$7,595**

JACKSON HOLE POST-TOUR

PPDO: **\$1,295** | Single: **\$1,895**



Southwest National Parks

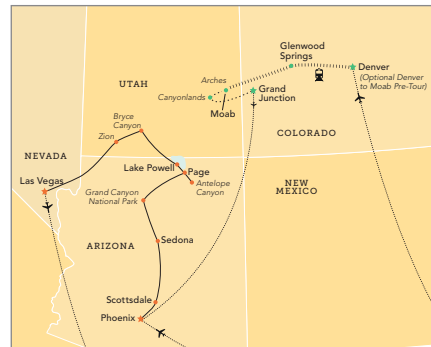
MAY 14-22, 2025

Denver to Moab Aboard Rocky Mountaineer Pre-Tour: May 10-14, 2025

Journey with us into the awe-inspiring realm of the American Southwest, unveiling the mesmerizing geological marvels tucked within our treasured national parks. Traverse the timeless landscapes of the Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon, and Zion, where the intricate dance of uplift and erosion has etched an extraordinary tapestry across the Southwest plateau.

Program Highlights

- Connect with nature. Immerse yourself in the otherworldly surroundings of the Southwest's natural wonders. Each day offers active exploration and time for serene contemplation amidst the vastness of the parks.
- Choose your own adventure. While in Grand Canyon National Park opt for independent touring or join an optional once-in-a-lifetime flightseeing excursion to tour the park by helicopter.
- Gain perspective and insight. An Orbridge Expedition Leader and local guides seamlessly enrich the learning experience throughout the tour, each providing geological, historical, and cultural interpretations at every location.
- Explore at leisure. Zion National Park is a masterpiece of nature. Take advantage of a full day to discover its marvelous sandstone cliffs and diverse array of ecosystems.
- Fuel your inspiration. Admire the radiant colors displayed on the walls of Antelope Canyon. Experience the tranquility of rafting down the Colorado River. Stand in awe before the magnificent hoodoos at Bryce Canyon. Capture these indelible moments to cherish for a lifetime.



9-Day Itinerary

- Day 1:** Arrive in Phoenix, AZ | Scottsdale (D)
 - Day 2:** Scottsdale | Sedona | Grand Canyon National Park (B)
 - Day 3:** Grand Canyon National Park (B)
 - Day 4:** Grand Canyon National Park | Page | Lake Powell (B,D)
 - Day 5:** Lake Powell | Bryce Canyon National Park, UT (B,L,D)
 - Day 6:** Bryce Canyon National Park | Zion National Park (B)
 - Day 7:** Zion National Park (B,D)
 - Day 8:** Zion National Park / Las Vegas, NV (B,R)
 - Day 9:** Depart Las Vegas (B)
- Optional 5-Day Denver to Moab Pre-Tour*



What's Included

- 8 nights accommodations
- 8 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 4 dinners (including a welcome dinner) plus a special farewell reception
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Expedition Leader as well as expert local guides
- Admission and park fees throughout
- All activities as described in the 9-day itinerary, unless noted otherwise
- Private deluxe motor coach with air conditioning and comfortable seating
- Luggage portorage
- Gratuities to Orbridge Expedition Leader, local guides, drivers and porters
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times

SPECIAL RATES

PPDO: **\$5,395** | Single: **\$6,995**

DENVER TO MOAB PRE-TOUR

PPDO from: **\$4,295** | Single from: **\$5,795**

DATES, RATES & ITINERARY SUBJECT TO CHANGE



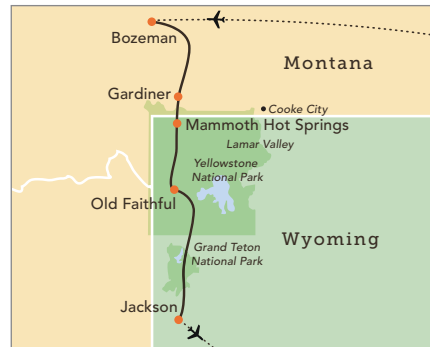
The Wolves & Wildlife of Yellowstone

JANUARY 25-31, 2025

Embark upon a thrilling wintertime expedition to Yellowstone National Park for a unique opportunity to witness packs of wolves in their pristine natural habitat. Visiting Yellowstone in winter is an experience that transcends words.

Program Highlights

- Venture into the heart of Yellowstone National Park to scout for wildlife aboard custom-outfitted safari vans. These heated vehicles feature oversized windows and a rooftop hatch for premium viewing from every seat.
- Prepare for incredible photography opportunities. Yellowstone is a prime location for spotting majestic wolves from a respectable distance.
- Keep binoculars close at hand as you explore this Serengeti of North America, home to the largest concentration of mammals in the lower 48 states. Resident bison, elk, pronghorn, bighorn sheep, moose, and other wildlife live among seven large predator species.
- Experience awe-inspiring geothermal features at Mammoth Hot Springs, including Old Faithful—a true icon of Yellowstone's marvels—as well as mud pots and fumaroles.
- Gain a deep understanding of the wolves' revival story as well as the vast flora and fauna that exist in this complex ecosystem from knowledgeable naturalists who will accompany you throughout this journey.
- Delight in a horse-drawn sleigh ride through the National Elk Refuge, a sanctuary to one of the largest elk herds in North America.



7-Day Itinerary

- Day 1:** Arrive in Bozeman, MT (D)
- Day 2:** Bozeman | Paradise Valley | Lamar Valley, WY | Gardiner, MT (B,L,R,D)
- Day 3:** Gardiner | Lamar Valley, WY | Cooke City, MT | Gardiner, MT (B,L,D)
- Day 4:** Gardiner | Lamar Valley, WY | Mammoth Hot Springs | Old Faithful (B,L,D)
- Day 5:** Old Faithful | Jackson (B,L)
- Day 6:** Jackson | Grand Teton National Park | National Elk Refuge | Jackson (B,L,D)
- Day 7:** Depart Jackson (B)



What's Included

- 6 nights accommodations
- 6 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 5 dinners (including special welcome and farewell dinners) plus a wine and cheese reception
- A fully guided program with 2 expert Orbridge Expedition Leaders who are professional naturalists
- All unique excursions and activities listed in the 7-day itinerary including transportation
- All in-field lectures and presentations
- Use of in-field gear, including high-quality binoculars and spotting scopes, Yaktrax, snowshoes and adjustable hiking poles
- Hot beverages, water and snacks throughout touring
- Admission and park fees throughout
- Luggage portorage
- Gratuities to Orbridge Expedition Leaders, hotel housekeeping staff, drivers, porters and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times

SPECIAL RATES

PPDO: **\$5,995** | Single: **\$8,395**



Toronto to Vancouver by Rail

MAY 6-12, 2025

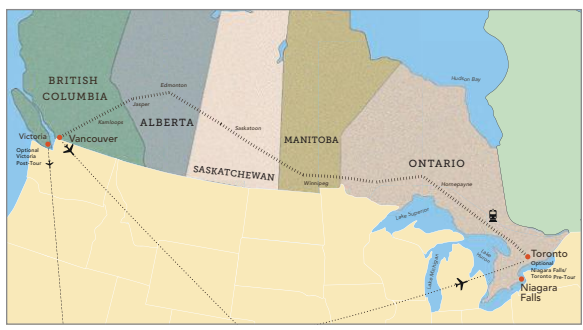
Victoria Pre-Tour: May 4-6, 2025

Niagara Falls & Toronto Post-Tour: May 12-14, 2025

This five-star journey features hotel stays at luxurious, historic rail properties bookending four amazing days and nights in Prestige Class aboard VIA Rail's *The Canadian*.

Program Highlights

- Unwind and unplug. Enjoy the serenity of traveling by rail with time to truly disconnect from the outside world.
- Relax in comfort. Your private Prestige Class stateroom provides 50% more living space compared to other cabin categories.
- Embrace the countryside. Crossing five provinces, admire the diverse and picturesque landscapes each creating a colorful changing tapestry day after day.
- Indulge on board. Three-course lunches and dinners are prepared by onboard chefs using a selection of local and regional ingredients.
- Enjoy the atmosphere. Whether joining an onboard lecture or presentation, gathering for a wine tasting, playing board or card games, or simply watching the outside panoramas pass by, each day offers a variety of optional activities aimed to define the leisurely pace of the journey.



7-Day Itinerary

- Day 1:** Arrive in Toronto, Ontario, Canada (R)
- Day 2:** Toronto | Board VIA Rail's *The Canadian* | Hornepayne (B,L,D)
- Day 3:** Winnipeg, Manitoba (B,L,D)
- Day 4:** Saskatoon, Saskatchewan | Edmonton, Alberta (B,L,D)
- Day 5:** Jasper | Kamloops, British Columbia (B,L,D)
- Day 6:** Vancouver (B,R)
- Day 7:** Vancouver | Depart for U.S. (B)

Optional 3-Day Niagara Falls & Toronto Pre-Tour

Optional 3-Day Victoria Post-Tour





What's Included

- 1 night at Fairmont Royal York in Toronto and 1 night at Fairmont Hotel Vancouver, both famous, luxury Canadian Railway hotels
- 4 nights accommodations in Prestige Class onboard VIA Rail's *The Canadian*
- 6 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 4 dinners (snacks and bar orders are included while aboard *The Canadian*)
- Special welcome and farewell receptions
- Admission to all activities and tours as described in the 7-day itinerary
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director
- Onboard concierge services
- Private motor coach transportation for the sightseeing tour
- Gratuities for Orbridge Travel Director, drivers, porters, VIA Rail attendants and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times

SPECIAL RATES

PPDO: **\$7,495** | Single: **\$12,995**

NIAGARA FALLS & TORONTO PRE-TOUR

PPDO: **\$1,295** | Single: **\$1,795**

VICTORIA POST-TOUR

PPDO: **\$1,295** | Single: **\$1,795**



Cruise the Majestic Nordic Fjords

JUNE 27 - JULY 6, 2025

Oslo to Bergen Pre-Tour: June 24-28, 2025

Stockholm Post-Tour: July 6-8, 2025

Seize this opportunity to experience the magnitude of Norway's breathtaking fjords in unparalleled luxury and style. Cruising aboard state-of-the-art *Le Lapérouse*, ignite your inner explorer with visits to incredible UNESCO World Heritage Sites, immersive hiking and kayaking adventures, and enriching cultural and historical excursions.

Program Highlights

- In the tradition of great French explorers, discover the essence of Norway during guided excursions and hikes.
- Trace the paths of Vikings at centuries-old sites, including Nordfjordeid and Stavanger.
- On board indulge in delectable gourmet French and international cuisine crafted from local sourced ingredients.
- Among the vessel's unique features is the Blue Eye Lounge, an innovative and immersive underwater observation area featuring large, curved windows that provide views of the subaquatic environment. This multi-sensory experience provides the opportunity to feel the ocean's vibrations through the seats and listen for marine sounds using the hydrophone headsets.
- Take advantage of opportunities to kayak, revive by the pool or book a massage or spa treatment (*additional fees apply*).



10-Day Itinerary

- Day 1:** En Route from U.S.
- Day 2:** Arrive in Bergen, Norway – Embarkation (R,D)
- Day 3:** Geiranger (B,L,D)
- Day 4:** Olden (B,L,D)
- Day 5:** Nordfjordeid (B,L,D)
- Day 6:** Stavanger (B,L,D)
- Day 7:** Sandnes (B,L,D)
- Day 8:** Arendal (B,L,D)
- Day 9:** Gothenburg, Sweden (B,L,R,D)
- Day 10:** Oslo – Disembarkation | Depart for U.S. (B)

Optional 5-Day Oslo to Bergen Pre-Tour
Optional 3-Day Stockholm Post-Tour



What's Included

- 8 nights aboard luxurious *Le Lapérouse*
- All onboard hand-crafted meals: 8 breakfasts, 7 lunches and 8 dinners (served with wine, beer or non-alcoholic beverages) plus special welcome and farewell receptions
- Unlimited select complimentary beverages available 24/7 on board the ship, including in the comfort of your stateroom
- Private tours and special small-group excursions as noted in the 10-day itinerary
- Full guiding services of a team of Orbridge Expedition Leaders and expert local guides
- Private motor coach transportation
- Luggage portage
- Gratuities to ship crew, Orbridge Expedition Leaders, local guides, drivers, porters and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times

SPECIAL RATES

PPDO from: **\$7,445** | Single from: **\$13,645**

—includes \$450 per person port fee—

OSLO TO BERGEN PRE-TOUR

PPDO: **\$2,695** | Single: **\$3,595**

STOCKHOLM POST-TOUR

PPDO: **\$1,895** | Single: **\$2,795**



Flavors of Dordogne

SEPTEMBER 12-20, 2025

Bordeaux Post-Tour: September 20-22, 2025

Step into a world where medieval charm meets modern sophistication, where every cobblestone street tells a story, and every vineyard whispers secrets of centuries past.

This is Dordogne, a captivating region in the heart of southwest France overflowing with history, architecture, and enchanting beauty.

Program Highlights

- With your small group enjoy seven nights accommodations at Château de Mercuès, a luxurious Relais & Châteaux property with phenomenal views over the Lot valley and Cahors vineyards.
- Meet the esteemed vintners at Château de Haute-Serre and Château de Cayx wineries for vineyard tours and tastings.
- Delight in extraordinary French dishes at Michelin-starred Château de La Treyne, Les Glycines and Le Duèze.
- Embrace the region's dynamic history during guided tours of Pech Merle, Rocamadour and Château de Beynac.
- Join an expert chef for an inspirational cooking class to learn recipe secrets, tips and tricks.
- Immerse yourself in the magnificent and seemingly endless beauty of Dordogne.



9-Day Itinerary

- Day 1:** En Route from U.S.
- Day 2:** Arrive in Toulouse, France | Mercuès (D)
- Day 3:** Haute Serre | Cahors (B,L)
- Day 4:** Rocamadour (B,L)
- Day 5:** Pech Merle | Saint-Cirq Lapopie (B,L,D)
- Day 6:** Sarlat-la-Canéda | Les Eyzies-de-Tayac | Eyrygnac (B,L)
- Day 7:** Beynac | La Roque-Gageac (B,L)
- Day 8:** Luzech | Puy l'Évêque (B,D)
- Day 9:** Mercuès | Toulouse | Depart for U.S. (B)

Optional 3-Day Bordeaux Post-Tour



What's Included

- 7 nights accommodations
- 7 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 3 dinners served with wine
- All lessons, private tours and tastings, and unique small-group excursions noted in the 9-day itinerary
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director and expert local guides
- Private motor coach transportation
- Luggage portage
- Gratuities to Orbridge Travel Director, local guides, drivers and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times

SPECIAL RATES

PPDO from: **\$6,295** | Single from: **\$9,995**

BORDEAUX POST-TOUR

PPDO from: **\$2,395** | Single from: **\$3,195**



Stunning Scotland

JULY 26 - AUGUST 4, 2025

Bristol, Bath & The Cotswolds Pre-Tour: July 23-27, 2025

St. Andrews Post-Tour: August 4-6, 2025

Join us as we explore the inspiring history, exuberant culture and fascinating sites of Scotland. From windswept highlands to serene islands, home to revered castles and iconic towns, Scotland is a vibrant country overflowing with rich traditions, natural beauty and welcoming hospitality.

Program Highlights

- Discover Glasgow during an immersive guided city tour, including points of interest such as the Gallery of Modern Art, Glasgow Cathedral and Barras Market.
- Visit a local distillery to learn about whisky making from professionally trained guides followed by a tasting of their creations.
- Explore impressive Stirling Castle, situated on a volcanic outcrop on the River Forth, and hear of the castle's turbulent history.
- See Culloden Battlefield, which was the site of the final battle of the Jacobite Rising.
- Experience a special welcoming followed by an exclusive, behind-the-scenes tour at breathtaking Glamis Castle.
- Embrace the charming town of St. Andrews—home to Scotland's oldest and most prestigious university and the birthplace of golf, first played 600 years ago.
- Witness the impressive showcase of military pipes and drums, Highland dancers, and marching formations of the celebrated Edinburgh Tattoo.



10-Day Itinerary

- Day 1:** En Route from U.S.
- Day 2:** Arrive in Glasgow, Scotland (D)
- Day 3:** Glasgow | New Lanark | Glasgow (B,L)
- Day 4:** Glasgow | Stirling | Glencoe (B,D)
- Day 5:** Glencoe | The Scottish Highlands (B,D)
- Day 6:** Loch Ness | Inverness (B,D)
- Day 7:** Inverness | Aberdeen (B,L,D)
- Day 8:** Aberdeen | St. Andrews | Edinburgh (B)
- Day 9:** Edinburgh (B,D)
- Day 10:** Edinburgh | Depart for U.S. (B)

Optional 5-Day Bristol/Bath/Cotswolds Pre-Tour

Optional 3-Day St. Andrews Post-Tour



What's Included

- 8 nights hotel accommodations
- 8 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 6 dinners including special welcome and farewell meals
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director and expert local guides
- Private motor coach transportation
- Admission to all locations listed on the 10-day itinerary, including the performance of the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo
- All ferry fees
- Gratuities to Orbridge Travel Director, local guides, drivers, porters (where available) and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times

SPECIAL RATES

PPDO: **\$6,495** | Single: **\$8,995**

BRISTOL, BATH & THE COTSWOLDS PRE-TOUR

PPDO: **\$2,195** | Single: **\$2,995**

—includes rail transportation between
London, Bristol and Glasgow—

ST. ANDREWS POST-TOUR

PPDO: **\$1,695** | Single: **\$2,195**



Antarctica Discovery

JANUARY 18-29, 2025

Buenos Aires Pre-Tour: January 16-19, 2025

Iguazú Falls Post-Tour: January 29 - February 1, 2025

Embark on an unforgettable odyssey, where discovery and adventure converge on the vast canvas of the White Continent. Immerse yourself in stark and surprising landscapes that define this breathtaking region.

Program Highlights

- Cruise in elegance and comfort. *Ocean Victory* boasts a delicate balance between modern refinement and responsible travel. From the vessel's energy-efficient systems to its minimized carbon footprint, every detail has been meticulously crafted to ensure a minimal impact on the environments we explore.
- Get lost in luxury. The ship's five-star amenities include two hot tubs, spa, gym, spacious lounges, and outdoor bar.
- Dine in style. Savor exquisite cuisine in elegant dining spaces, featuring floor-to-ceiling windows, in both the Panorama and Beagle Restaurants.
- Explore at leisure. *Ocean Victory* is well-equipped with Zodiac boats and a fleet of kayaks, allowing you to discover remote coastlines and wildlife-rich areas up close. Expert guides, scientists, and lecturers enrich the learning experience throughout the tour.
- Choose your own adventure. Join the optional Polar Camping excursion on land: with specialized performance gear and expert guidance, sleep unsheltered in a cozy bivy sack for the utmost connection to nature. Kayaking enthusiasts can join the optional Sea Kayaking outing: a one-time opportunity to explore the outstanding grandeur and magical beauty of the polar expanse by kayak. (Participants must have prior kayaking experience.) *Optional activities must be booked on board the ship. Each have limited availability, are weather permitting, and extra fees apply.*



12-Day Itinerary

[†]Travel time from/to U.S. may take up to two days depending on flight schedules.

- Day 1:** En Route from U.S.[†]
- Day 2:** Arrive in Ushuaia, Argentina (R)
- Day 3:** Ushuaia – Embarkation (B,D)
- Day 4:** Drake Passage (B,L,D)
- Day 5:** Drake Passage (B,L,D)
- Days 6-9:** South Shetland Islands | Antarctic Peninsula (B,L,D daily)
- Day 10:** Drake Passage (B,L,D)
- Day 11:** Drake Passage (B,L,D)
- Day 12:** Ushuaia – Disembarkation | Depart for U.S. (B)

*Optional 4-Day Buenos Aires Pre-Tour
Optional 4-Day Iguazú Falls Post-Tour*



What's Included

- 1 night luxury hotel accommodations (including breakfast) in Ushuaia prior to embarkation
- 9 nights aboard *Ocean Victory* including all onboard meals (with select wines and beers at lunch and dinner)
- 24-hour self-service coffee and tea facilities onboard
- All scheduled landings and excursions listed in the itinerary (subject to weather and ice conditions)
- An insulated waterproof/windproof expedition parka, which is yours to keep
- A pair of insulated rubber boots for shore landings for duration of the cruise (to be returned prior to disembarkation)
- Access to a photographic trip log (shared with guests after the voyage via an online link)
- All shipboard gratuities
- All luggage portorage
- All port fees
- Transfers from the hotel to the ship on embarkation day
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times

SPECIAL RATES

PPDO from: **\$10,995** | Single from: **\$16,995**

BUENOS AIRES PRE-TOUR

PPDO: **\$1,895** | Single: **\$2,295**

IGUAZÚ FALLS POST-TOUR

PPDO: **\$2,595** | Single: **\$3,995**

DATES, RATES & ITINERARY SUBJECT TO CHANGE



The Galapagos Islands – Western Itinerary

FEBRUARY 11-18, 2025

Mashpi Lodge Pre-Tour: February 8-11, 2025

Machu Picchu Post-Tour: February 17-23, 2025

Nestled in the Pacific Ocean, the Galapagos Islands are a haven for explorers, nature enthusiasts, and those seeking a profound connection with the natural world. Join us on an expedition voyage through these enchanting islands to witness firsthand the stunning display of nature’s endless wonders.

Program Highlights

- Visit must-see highlights of Quito during a full-day, guided city tour, including Old Town Quito, the colorful San Francisco Market, La Compañía de Jesús (the “Golden Church”), and Casa del Alabado Archaeological Museum.
- Experience unparalleled opportunities for immersive, up-close encounters with a myriad of wildlife. Walk among curious creatures on shore, snorkel beside sea lions and turtles in the clear waters of the world’s second largest marine reserve, and witness genuine interactions between species in the wild.
- Benefit from knowledgeable naturalist guides who will provide insight on the origins of the unique flora and fauna endemic to the Galapagos Islands.
- Choose from a variety of water activities, as *Isabela II* is well-equipped with snorkel gear and ocean kayaks. Guides will also lead numerous outings by panga and glass-bottom boat.
- Enjoy exclusive access to many island locations. *Isabela II* has sailing privileges other vessels do not, so no other boats will be in sight during many moorings and shore landings.
- Visit historic sites, including the Charles Darwin Research Station and Sullivan Bay on Santiago Island, one of the first sites visited by Charles Darwin.



8-Day Itinerary

- Day 1:** En Route | Arrive in Quito, Ecuador
- Day 2:** Quito (B,L,R)
- Day 3:** Quito | Flight to Baltra | Santa Cruz: Highlands | Puerto Ayora – Embarkation (B,L,D)
- Day 4:** Bartolomé | Santiago: Sullivan Bay (B,L,D)
- Day 5:** Santa Cruz: Dragon Hill | Santiago: Buccaneer Cove (B,L,D)
- Day 6:** Isabela: Punta Vicente Roca | Fernandina: Punta Espinoza (B,L,D)
- Day 7:** Baltra – Disembarkation | Flight to Quito, Ecuador (B,L)
- Day 8:** Quito | Depart for U.S. (B)

Optional 4-Day Mashpi Lodge Pre-Tour
Optional 6-Day Machu Picchu Post-Tour



What's Included

- 2 nights at 5-star Casa Gangotena in Quito (or similar) prior to embarkation
- 4 nights aboard *Isabela II* featuring exploration by panga and glass-bottom boat, naturalist-led hikes and excursions, and evening lectures
- 1 night at Wyndham Quito Airport (or similar) after disembarkation
- 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 4 dinners plus a special welcome reception in Quito
- A guided city tour of Quito
- All excursions and presentations
- Complimentary use of shorty wetsuits, snorkeling equipment and ocean kayaks
- Galapagos National Park entrance fee and transit card
- Internal round-trip airfare between Quito and the islands as noted in the itinerary
- Gratuities to local guides, hotel porters and drivers in Quito
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times

SPECIAL RATES

PPDO from: **\$5,795** | Single: **\$9,995**

MASHPI LODGE PRE-TOUR

PPDO: **\$1,995** | Single: **\$2,895**

MACHU PICCHU POST-TOUR

PPDO from: **\$5,190** | Single from: **\$7,190**

—includes \$1,195 per person internal airfare—



African Expedition by Private Train

AUGUST 9-23, 2025

Cape Town Pre-Tour: August 6-10, 2025

Explore the diverse sights of four African countries during this private train expedition—an exclusive journey guiding you through historically notable cities, inspiring scenery, and legendary national parks. Uncover a tapestry of cultural wonders, untamed dynamic landscapes and thrilling wildlife encounters throughout this soul-stirring expedition.



Program Highlights

- Journey through stunning landscapes aboard a private train—your haven on the rails featuring well-appointed sleeping compartments, fine dining and inviting social spaces.
- Visit notable landmarks including the Nelson Mandela Statue, Casa de Ferro, Cecil Rhodes' Grave and the ruins of Great Zimbabwe.
- Participate in riveting game drives through reserves and national parks alongside knowledgeable guides with opportunities to observe the Big Five (rhino, leopard, elephant, Cape buffalo and lion).
- Experience the thundering beauty of Victoria Falls where a spectrum of dancing colors create mesmerizing photo opportunities.
- Explore the Zambezi River by boat—a unique chance to see elephants and hippos up close.

16-Day Itinerary

- Day 1:** En Route from U.S.
- Day 2:** Arrive in Johannesburg, South Africa
- Day 3:** Pretoria (B,L,D)
- Day 4:** Full Day Aboard Train (B,L,D)
- Day 5:** Kingdom of Eswatini (B,D)
- Day 6:** Maputo, Mozambique (B,L,D)
- Day 7:** Kruger National Park (B,L,D)
- Day 8:** Drakensberg Mountains (B,D)
- Day 9:** Makalali Game Reserve (B,L,D)
- Day 10:** Full Day Aboard Train (B,L,D)
- Day 11:** Great Zimbabwe (B,D)
- Day 12:** Bulawayo | Matobo National Park (B,D)
- Day 13:** Hwange National Park | Victoria Falls (B,L)
- Day 14:** Victoria Falls (B,D)
- Day 15:** Victoria Falls | Depart for U.S. (B)
- Day 16:** Arrive in U.S.

Optional 5-Day Cape Town Pre-Tour



What's Included

- 9 nights aboard the private train plus 4 nights deluxe hotel/ lodge accommodations
- 13 breakfasts, 7 lunches and 11 dinners including a special farewell dinner
- All excursions described in the itinerary including admission and park fees
- Expert naturalist guides throughout including an Orbridge Travel Director Team
- Access to onboard physician
- Transfer and excursion transportation aboard air conditioned buses
- Gratuities for Orbridge Travel Directors, onboard guides, drivers, porters, attendants and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times

SPECIAL RATES

PPDO from: **\$11,995** | Single from: **\$18,995**

CAPE TOWN PRE-TOUR

PPDO: **\$2,995** | Single: **\$3,995**

DATES, RATES & ITINERARY SUBJECT TO CHANGE



Discover Egypt and the Nile Valley

FEBRUARY 23 - MARCH 7, 2025

Alexandria Pre-Tour: February 20-24, 2025

Jordan Post-Tour: March 7-13, 2025

Join us for a historical and cultural immersion into Egypt's ancient treasures and timeless wonders. This unhurried journey reveals Egypt's monumental historical events, staggering technological achievements, and compelling human stories.

Program Highlights

- Stand in awe before the Great Pyramid of Giza and the Great Sphinx, each an ancient marvel illustrating the enduring legacy of an incredible civilization.
- Delve deep into the annals of history at the Grand Egyptian Museum, where treasures from Egypt's rich past come to life.
- Witness the grandeur of the Karnak Temple Complex—one of the largest religious buildings in the world, which includes contributions from approximately 30 pharaohs over thousands of years.
- Mid-journey, embark upon your private dahabiya—a traditional Egyptian sailing vessel—for four relaxing days and nights along the Nile River.
- Be captivated by the intricate carvings inside the unique temple of Kom Ombo.
- Visit Elephantine Island—the only ongoing excavation site open to tourists—to view its sacred temples and traditional Nubian villages.
- During an optional excursion (additional fee), visit the temples of Abu Simbel carved into a massive rock cliff, which were relocated and perfectly reconstructed after building the High Dam in the early 1960s.



13-Day Itinerary

- Day 1:** En Route from U.S.
 - Day 2:** Arrive in Cairo, Egypt
 - Day 3:** Cairo | Giza (B,L,D)
 - Day 4:** Cairo (B,L)
 - Day 5:** Cairo | Flight to Luxor (B,L)
 - Day 6:** Luxor | Esna – Embarkation | Nile River (B,L,D)
 - Day 7:** Edfu | Nile (B,L,D)
 - Day 8:** Edfu | Nile | Kom Ombo (B,L,D)
 - Day 9:** Kom Ombo | Nile (B,L,D)
 - Day 10:** Nile – Disembarkation | Aswan (B,L)
 - Day 11:** Aswan (B,D)
 - Day 12:** Aswan | Optional Abu Simbel Excursion | Flight to Cairo (B,L,D)
 - Day 13:** Cairo | Depart for U.S. (B)
- Optional 5-Day Alexandria Pre-Tour*
Optional 7-Day Jordan Post-Tour



What's Included

- 7 nights luxury hotel accommodations
- 4 nights aboard a stately dahabiya
- 11 breakfasts, 9 lunches and 7 dinners
- All excursions listed on the 13-day itinerary including admission to sites and venues
- Excursion transportation
- Internal airfare from Cairo to Luxor and Aswan to Cairo
- Gratuities to hotels, drivers, dahabiya staff, porters and guides
- Group airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times



SPECIAL RATES

PPDO from: **\$6,995** | Single: **\$11,495**

ALEXANDRIA PRE-TOUR

PPDO: **\$1,995** | Single: **\$2,995**

JORDAN POST-TOUR

PPDO: **\$4,995** | Single: **\$6,895**



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Email: _____ Class Year: _____

Home Phone: _____ Alt. Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Guest #2 Name (Title/Salutation): _____

Email: _____ Class Year: _____

Home Phone: _____ Alt. Phone: _____

Category Preference: 1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____

Pre-Tour Category (if applicable / choose one): Classic Double Deluxe Double Classic Single Deluxe Single

Post-Tour Category (if applicable / choose one): Classic Double Deluxe Double Classic Single Deluxe Single

DEPOSIT:

_____ guests joining program (\$2,500/person for *Antarctica Discovery and African Expedition by Private Train*; \$850/person for all other programs) +

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DEPOSIT PAYMENT:

Check ACH (*Automated Clearing House*) MasterCard/Visa American Express Discover

Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____ CW: _____

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I/we have read, understand, and agree to the full Terms & Conditions at terms.orbridge.com; and I/we agree that Orbridge, LLC is authorized to charge my credit card above and/or take my/our deposit for this program.

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