2022 USC ALUMNI TOURS

Small Group Journeys with Odysseys Unlimited
Just 12 to 24 Guests - Guaranteed | International Airfare Included
Dear USC Alumni and Friends,

I’m delighted to introduce our 2022 USC-sponsored Odysseys Unlimited tours. For close to 20 years, USC alumni and friends have experienced the world through exciting and high-quality travel opportunities carefully crafted by Odysseys Unlimited.

While we are aware that much is still unknown about traveling next year, we continue to plan ahead with high hopes so that we’ll be ready to fulfill your travel dreams. Since travel regulations continue to change with time, we are excited to announce a new benefit: book your next USC Trojan Travel tour with Odysseys Unlimited risk-free! This new cancellation policy for all 2022 tours offers travelers a full refund of your deposit up to 95 days before the tour’s departure. Know that travel safety and peace of mind remain the highest priorities for both the USC Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited.

This catalog showcases itineraries for March through September 2022. In addition to tours we have offered in the past, such as Legendary Turkey and Along Central Asia’s Silk Road, you’ll also see some new tours such as Exploring Australia & New Zealand. From alluring locations to new experiences to longtime favorites, you’re sure to discover a trip that will intrigue you! Our travelers have come to rely on Odysseys Unlimited for consistent quality on tours around the world. Space on each of these USC Trojan Travel programs is limited to just 24 guests in total, or fewer, and our programs often fill very quickly.

More details about these itineraries and our entire travel program are available at http://trojantravel.usc.edu. If you would like to make a reservation on one of these exciting tours, or would like more information, please call Odysseys Unlimited toll-free at (888) 370-6765. We hope you will join us soon!

Sincerely,

Linda J. Ball ’83
Associate Director, USC Trojan Travel

Cover: The beautiful landscape of Tuscany, which we see on Portrait of Italy (pages 12-13).
Above: The historic village of Ait ben-Haddou, which we visit on Moroccan Discovery (pages 8-9).
Travel ... Just 12-24 Guests – Guaranteed

“... We have yet to find another travel company providing this level of excellence at such good prices.”
– Pamela Ryan & Richard Cyr
Bluffton, SC

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Trojan Travel Small Group Tours

Designed for People Accustomed to Independent Travel

USC Trojan Travel and Odysseys Unlimited

USC Trojan Travel is committed to educating and delighting alumni, family and friends through quality, worldwide travel opportunities. Our program offers travelers many exciting and enriching ways to stay connected to USC and to each other, and our small group tour collection with Odysseys Unlimited offers particular advantages. Here are some of the many reasons to travel with USC and Odysseys Unlimited.

Tours Designed Specifically for Small Groups

Each of these tours is custom-designed specifically for small groups, with a balanced mix of traveling, sightseeing, and cultural encounters. We make sure we set aside time for you to explore on your own or simply to relax. With USC Trojan Travel and Odysseys Unlimited, you’re assured of seeing the highlights – and also the unexpected. And because we generally spend at least two nights in most places and in some cases as many as four, you won’t be run ragged by changing hotels every day. In addition to the freedom, flexibility, and camaraderie that our small groups engender, you’ll enjoy more personal, authentic encounters while traveling. Rather than descending en masse upon an ancient ruin or provincial village, we make a minimum of impact – so we have maximum opportunity for enjoyment, and for responsible travel. Many of our tours include visits with local families in their homes or villages, and excursions to schools and marketplaces. Simply because of our small size, we can move around faster and easier – leaving more time for seeing and doing.

High Quality and Outstanding Value

Traveling is an investment, and we make sure you get the best value for your money. Our trips allow you to stretch your travel dollar so that you can experience a wide variety of cultural, educational and recreational activities without any surprise charges. For USC Trojan Travel and Odysseys Unlimited, “value” doesn’t mean the lowest price around. We believe it’s a ratio of quality and service to price; of expectations met or exceeded based on what was promised – and what is delivered. We strive to provide excellent value by securing the best possible rates and including many meals, comprehensive sightseeing, and most gratuities, while always being mindful of quality and service. Of course, the best value of all is indeed priceless: the privilege of traveling in a small group of just 12 to 24 guests.

What Our Tours are Like ... a note on physical activities

Odysseys Unlimited does not offer “adventure” or “walking” tours; however, walking is an essential element of most of our trips. The amount of walking varies, but you should be in relatively good health to enjoy our tours to the fullest. If you need assistance in getting around, our tours may not be appropriate for you. Tours with visits to ancient sites and archaeological ruins typically include considerable walking, and the use of stairs without handrails. In many places, motorcoaches are prohibited from entering historical city centers, which means walks to and from the coach. In addition, some of our small hotels do not have elevators. If you have any concerns about your ability to participate in a tour, please discuss them with one of our Travel Counselors.

“This was our third tour with Odysseys and we look forward to many more.”
– Nancy & Ira Baumel
New York, NY

These small group tours include a great deal of thoughtful and engaging sightseeing and activities, such as museum tours, river cruises, and UNESCO site visits. As you’ll see on the following pages, we include all the highlights, and much more.
Knowledgeable Tour Directors
We are dedicated to educational travel. Odysseys Unlimited tour directors rank among the best in the business; their love of travel is equaled only by their desire to share their enthusiasm and knowledge with others. Most trips also feature lectures given by local experts.

Distinctive Hotels Enhance Your Small Group Travel Experience
Hotels aren’t the main reason for traveling. But it happens that good accommodations can enhance your overall experience – and great accommodations can contribute to a memorable trip. Our hotels in major cities are usually centrally located so guests can get around easier. Our other “unique lodgings” are often out of the way, offering our small groups a local ambiance that larger groups never experience.

Assisted Hearing Devices
We’re continually seeking new ways to enhance our tours, and many of our tours include the use of hearing devices that enable you to hear the tour guide from up to 30 feet away. No more crowding around the tour guide.

About USC Trojan Travel
You don’t have to be a University of Southern California graduate to join one of our tours. We invite the entire Trojan Family - alumni, family, parents, and friends - to Travel with USC. For more information on USC Alumni Association travel opportunities, visit http://trojantravel.usc.edu or contact the Trojan Travel office at 213-821-6005. We look forward to exploring the world with you!

The hotels were exceptional in every way, especially location, location, location.”
– Richard & Karen Alexander
Rochester, IL
Treasures of Peru

with Machu Picchu & Lake Titicaca

11 days for $4,687 total price
from Los Angeles
($4,095 air & land inclusive plus $592
airline taxes and fees)

A land of treasures archaeological, cultural, and natural, Peru draws those eager to learn about the distant past – and encounter a fascinating present. As our small group takes in some of the country’s highlights – Cuzco, Machu Picchu, Lake Titicaca – we marvel at the riches of an intriguing land somewhat off the beaten path.

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Lima, Peru  We depart today for the Peruvian capital. Upon arrival tonight we transfer directly to our hotel.

Day 2: Lima  We meet our Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and fellow travelers at this morning’s briefing about the journey ahead, then embark on a tour of colonial Lima. A highlight is our visit to treasured Casa Aliaga, one of the oldest homes in Lima (circa 1535), with a rich architectural heritage and a collection of Peruvian art and artifacts. Given the land by his friend conquistador Francisco Pizarro, Jeronimo de Aliaga, one of Lima’s founders, built the home that has been continuously occupied by his descendants ever since, some 18 generations. Next we tour Larco Herrera Museum, whose ceramics collection (including a renowned set of erotic pre-Columbian figures) is unparalleled. We enjoy a welcome lunch at the museum; dinner tonight is on our own. B,L

Day 3: Sacred Valley  This morning we attend a native ceremony, “Offering to the Earth,” then set out for Ollantaytambo, a living town and site of massive Incan ruins dating to the 15th century that still inspire wonder today. After touring here we continue on to the Incan farming town of Chincheros, set on a broad plateau presided over by a snowcapped mountain. Here residents live much as their ancestors did, wearing traditional clothing and conducting business and local government by time-honored means. They also weave as their ancestors did, as we see at a demonstration of this traditional craft. Late afternoon we return to our hotel, where we dine tonight. B,L,D

Day 4: Sacred Valley/Machu Picchu/Aguas Calientes  Early this morning we board a train for the 1½-hour journey to Aguas Calientes, where after lunch we board a bus for Machu Picchu and our first guided visit of the stunning “Lost City of the Incas.” Thanks to its small size, our group will move nimbly through the ruins and have the leisure to absorb the beauty and mystery of this haunting UNESCO World Heritage site. Mid-afternoon we return to Aguas Calientes and our hotel, with time at leisure before dinner together tonight. B,L,D

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Day 6: Machu Picchu/Cuzco  This morning we transfer to the airport for the brief flight to Cuzco. Upon arrival we visit the sacred sites of Koricancha and Santo Domingo then continue on to the beautiful Sacred Valley, a region of Inca sites and indigenous villages. We stop at the colorful Indian market at Pisac before reaching our hotel mid-afternoon. B,L,D

Day 7: Return U.S.  Just 50 miles from Cuzco, Machu Picchu (ca. 1450) was unknown to the outside world until its rediscovery by Hiram Bingham in 1911.

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B – Breakfast; L – Lunch; D – Dinner
our second guided tour of Machu Picchu, when the early morning sun bathes the stones in a haunting, evocative light. After lunch in Aguas Calientes, we return to Cuzco, arriving early evening. Dinner tonight is on our own. B,L.

Day 7: Cuzco  After a morning at leisure, we set out on a tour of the archaeological hub of the Americas, the continent’s oldest continuously inhabited city, and UNESCO World Heritage site. Dynamic and historic, Cuzco is rich with the legacies of its Inca and Spanish forebears. We stop at the ruins of Sacsayhuaman, an Inca masterpiece, then enjoy lunch in the home of a gracious Cuzco family. B,L.

Day 8: Cuzco/Puno  This morning we depart for the day-long journey by coach to Puno, on the shores of Lake Titicaca. As we travel through the rugged snow-capped Andes dotted with small villages and herds of llama and alpaca, we make several stops along the way, beginning with Andahuaylillas, an attractive village known for its lovely 17th-century church. We continue on to the ruins at Raqchi, once the holiest site in the Incan empire; and La Raya, perched on Peru’s altiplano (high plain) and home to the Llama and Alpaca Research Center. We reach our hotel on the shores of Esteves Island on Lake Titicaca late this afternoon; it’s a short distance to the center of Puno from our hotel. Dinner tonight is on our own. B,L.

Day 9: Puno/Lake Titicaca  We spend the day exploring the fascinating life of Lake Titicaca, South America’s largest lake and at 12,500 feet above sea level, among the world’s highest navigable lakes. Up here the air is clearer, the colors sharper, and the horizon farther. By boat we visit the Floating Islands of Los Uros, where the top-hatted Uros people live on “islands” made of the reeds that grow in the lake’s shallows; in fact, the Uros rely on these reeds for their boats, the small huts in which they live, household items, and the handicrafts they sell to visitors. We also visit Isla Taquile, known for the high-quality textiles crafted by the indigenous people who live here; sales of their textiles support the self-sustaining Taquilenos. On our visit, we see the men in their signature woven woolen caps with floppy earpieces, and women in tailored waistcoats and multi-layered skirts. We also witness the breathtaking natural beauty surrounding us, with Bolivia’s snow-capped Cordillera range a striking backdrop to the deep blue of Lake Titicaca. Tonight we celebrate our Peruvian adventure at a farewell dinner at our hotel. B,L,D.

Day 10: Puno/Lima/Depart for U.S.  This morning we visit the mysterious burial towers (chullpas) at Sillustani overlooking Lake Umayo. Built by the warlike pre-Inca Quilla tribe, the towers here represent the best surviving examples of this impressive type of architecture, where entire extended families of Quilla nobles were entombed together. After lunch we transfer to the airport for the flight to Lima, where we check into our day rooms at an airport hotel and have time to rest and relax. Late this evening we depart on our flight to the U.S. B,L.

Post-Tour Extension

April 7-11, 2022

Amazon Rainforest

4 days/4 nights for $1,295 total price

Single Supplement: $235

Discover the Amazon’s amazing flora, fauna, and even villages on this exceptional – and comfortable – tour.

Your Tour Price Includes

• Round-trip air transportation Lima/Iquitos
• 4 nights’ accommodations: 1 night in Lima at Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport (First Class); 3 nights in the jungle at Ceiba Tops Lodge & Resort (Superior First Class)
• 11 meals: 4 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 3 dinners
• Extensive sightseeing, including guided Canopy Walkway tour and visit with ribereños (Amazon river people)
• Fully escorted by an Amazon-born naturalist guide as your Odysseys Unlimited representative
• Private vehicle transportation
• Gratuities for dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

Please note that guests on extension will overnight in Lima on Day 10.

Land only guests: $1,395 total price

Tour Depart: March 28, 2022

Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees

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Single travelers please add $995. Your $500 deposit is fully refundable up to 95 days prior to departure. All 2022 tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Business Class upgrade on round-trip international flight from Miami: $995 (upgrade is subject to availability and prices is subject to change).

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking uphill, on uneven terrain, and at sites of ancient ruins. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to the fullest. In addition, the high altitude of Lake Titicaca (12,500 feet) and Cuzco (11,150 feet) could pose problems for travelers with certain health conditions. You should consult with your physician if you have concerns.
Moroccan Discovery from the Imperial Cities to the Sahara

14 days for $5,679 total price from Los Angeles
($4,995 air & land inclusive plus $684 airline taxes and fees)

This land of dramatic contrasts invites us to encounter its ancient ruins and sacred mosques, endless desert and storied mountains, imposing kasbabs and spirited souks. As we travel from the imperial cities of Rabat, Fez, and Marrakech to the High Atlas and vast Sahara, we open our eyes, and hearts, to a truly foreign land, an age-old culture, and genuinely hospitable people.

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Casablanca, Morocco

Day 2: Arrive Casablanca/Rabat Upon arrival this afternoon in Casablanca, the commercial center of Morocco, we transfer by coach to Rabat and our hotel located near famed Hassan Tower. We have time to relax and refresh before dinner tonight at the hotel. D

Day 3: Rabat One of Morocco’s four ancient capitals, Rabat is again the country’s capital, at once historic and contemporary, as we discover on today’s tour. We visit the necropolis of Chellah, built on ancient Roman ruins, and the Mohammed VI contemporary art museum then have lunch in a private home. On tap this afternoon: the 12th-century Kasbah of the Oudaias, the peaceful Andalusian Gardens, and Rabat’s medina, a UNESCO site. Tonight we enjoy a welcome dinner of traditional Moroccan fare at acclaimed Dinarjat in Rabat’s Old Town. B,L,D

Day 4: Rabat/Meknes/Volubilis/Fez This morning we depart Rabat for Meknes, stopping along the way in Meknes, Morocco’s youngest imperial city and UNESCO World Heritage site. We visit the Bab el Mansour gateway and the ruins of the imperial stables before lunch in a local restaurant. Then we continue on to the ancient Roman ruins at the UNESCO site of Volubilis, known for its intricate and colorful mosaics. Late afternoon we reach Fez and our elegant hotel overlooking the medina. B,L,D

Day 5: Fez Today we explore Morocco’s oldest imperial city, considered the “Athens of Africa” for its wealth of cultural, educational, and religious institutions. We begin with a comfortable walk through the Fez medina, where we see some hidden treasures, including the Blue Gate, the most picturesque of the Old City’s historic gates; the medieval school of Bouanania; the authentic food market. After lunch together in the medina, we tour the old Mellah (Jewish quarter) and its 17th-century synagogue and the royal gates. B,D

Day 6: Fez We begin today with a visit to the Al-Attarine Madrasa, whose highlight is a small courtyard showcasing intricately detailed tilework and carving decorations dating to the early 1300s. We then continue our discovery on a walking tour of the medina focusing on the artisans’ quarters, the 14th-century Koranic schools, and Al Karauine, the medieval theological university. The remainder of the afternoon is free for independent exploration and lunch on our own. Tonight, we enjoy a private dinner at an intimate family-run riad in Fez. B,D

We encounter many of Morocco’s age-old kasbahs on our journey.

Your Small Group Tour Highlights
Private Sahara sunset excursion and camel ride on the dunes
• Visits to five UNESCO World Heritage sites • Ancient ruins of Volubilis • Scenic “Route of a Thousand Kasbahs” • Dramatic Todra Gorge and Atlas Mountain scenery • Kasbah of Ait ben-Haddou • Fez touring • Marrakech’s medina and Djemaa el Fna Square • Storied Casablanca and Hassan II mosque • Outstanding accommodations

Day Itinerary Hotel Rating
1 Depart U.S. for Casablanca
2-3 Rabat La Tour Hassan Sup. First Class
4-6 Fez Hotel Sahrai Deluxe
7-8 Erfoud Le Palais du Desert First Class
9 Ouazarzate Le Berbere Palace Sup. First Class
10-12 Marrakech Sofitel Marrakech Deluxe
13 Casablanca Hyatt Regency Casablanca Deluxe
14 Depart Casablanca for U.S.

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference.
Day 7: Fez/Midelt/Erfoud  Traveling inland today, we cross the fertile plains beyond Fez and continue through the Middle Atlas mountain range. We stop in the small town of Midelt for lunch. Continuing on we cross the Ziz River, passing rows of sky-scraping palm trees and fortified villages before reaching our kasbah-style hotel in Erfoud late in the day. Dinner tonight is at our hotel. B,L,D

Day 8: Erfoud/Rissani/Merzouga  This morning we visit the city of Rissani, with its 18th-century kasbah, a virtually impenetrable warren of alleys. We enjoy a tour highlight this afternoon as we set out on a sunset excursion to the breathtakingly beautiful sand dunes at Merzouga on the edge of the Sahara. In the enormous silence we watch the sun set over the desert as we take a camel ride along the erg. Following this experience, we'll have dinner together in this desert setting before returning to our hotel tonight. B,L,D

Day 9: Erfoud/Tinehir/ Todra Gorge/ Ouarzazate  Our destination today is in the snow-topped High Atlas. The day features one beautiful scene after another, including the village of Tinehir, a stunning mountain oasis rising on a series of riverside terraces lush with palm trees; and the spectacular 984-foot Todra Gorge, home to a variety of rare bird and plant species. Following lunch here we visit El Kelaa des Mgouna, known for its roses, then set out on the fabled “Route of a Thousand Kasbahs” ancient caravan route, a region of fortresses with elaborately decorated façades. Late afternoon we reach the town of Ouarzazate (the “door of the desert”) where we spend the night. B,L,D

Day 10: Ouarzazate/Ait ben-Haddou/Marrakech  En route to Marrakech today, we stop first at uninhabited Ait ben-Haddou, a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of southern Morocco’s most scenic villages that is often used as a location for fashion and film shoots. Its old section consists of deep red kasbahs packed together so tightly they appear to be a single unit. Then as we begin our descent from the High Atlas, we pass through typical villages with fortified walls and stone houses with earthen roofs. In Tizi N’Tichka, we traverse the Pass of the Pastures (alt. 7,415 feet), where life is much as it was centuries ago: shepherds bring their flocks to the high pastures every summer, then return with them to their villages in autumn. We arrive in Marrakech late this afternoon and dine tonight at our hotel. B,L,D

Day 11: Marrakech  Once the capital of southern Morocco, the imperial city of Marrakech is an alluring oasis with a temperate climate, distinct charm, and fascinating sights. Our day-long tour includes the beautifully proportioned Koutoubia Mosque with its distinctive 282-foot minaret visible from miles away; the lovely Andalusian-style El Bahia Palace (part of which is still used by the royal family); and the ruins of 16th-century Palais El Badii. After lunch at our hotel, mid-afternoon we embark on a walking tour of the medina, ending at Djemaa el Fna Square, a UNESCO site and the heart of Marrakech, crowded with snake charmers, entertainers, storytellers, musicians, barbers, and sellers of fruit, water, and spices. Dinner tonight is on our own in this exotic city. B,L

Day 12: Marrakech  This morning we travel by horse-drawn carriage from Menara Park to Majorelle Gardens, a private botanical garden with some 15 species of birds native to North Africa and known for its cobalt blue accents. Following a tour of the gardens we visit the nearby Yves St. Laurent Museum, housed a vast collection of the designer’s haute couture and design works. The afternoon is at leisure before dinner tonight at a local restaurant in the city’s Old Town. B,D

Day 13: Marrakech/Casablanca  We leave Marrakech this morning by coach for storied Casablanca, Morocco’s largest and most cosmopolitan city. After a brief orientation tour of the city, we visit the magnificent Hassan II Mosque, Morocco’s only functioning mosque open to non-Muslims. Sitting on the Atlantic shoreline, the mosque boasts a prayer hall the size of London’s St. Paul’s Cathedral. A stunning architectural achievement, the mosque boasts an equally stunning setting on the banks of the Atlantic shoreline. Tonight we celebrate our Moroccan adventure at a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. B,D

Day 14: Depart for U.S.  After breakfast this morning we transfer to the airport for our return flight to the U.S. B

“One belongs to the whole world, not just one part of it.”
– Paul Bowles

Your Tour Price Includes
• Round-trip air transportation from listed cities
• 12 nights’ accommodations in Deluxe, Superior First Class, and First Class hotels
• 31 meals: 12 breakfasts, 8 lunches, 11 dinners
• Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
• Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
• Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
• Luggage handling for one bag per person
• Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

Tour Departs: April 22, 2022

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Land Only (transfers not included) $4,595

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of $684, which are subject to change. Single travelers please add $1,495. Your $500 deposit is fully refundable up to 95 days prior to departure. All 2022 tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Airline upgrades on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight:
• Business Class – $3,795 per person;
• Premium Economy – $1,195 per person (upgrades are subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).

For reservations, call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free (888) 370-6765 m-f, 9:00am-7:00pm, eastern time or visit trojantravel.usc.edu
Legendary Turkey from Istanbul to the Turquoise Coast

15 days for $4,592 total price from Los Angeles
($4,195 air, land & cruise inclusive plus $397 airline taxes and fees)

Exotic sights, scents, and sounds reign in this fascinating land where Europe and Asia meet. From Istanbul, magnificent “Empress of the World,” to ancient ruins, stunning landscapes, and the dramatic Turquoise Coast where we board privately chartered “gulet” yachts for a distinctive three-day voyage, Turkey engages and beguiles, offering us an unparalleled small group experience.

We spend three nights aboard our authentic gulet along the Turquoise Coast.

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Istanbul, Turkey

Day 2: Arrive Istanbul We arrive in Turkey’s cultural and spiritual heart today and transfer to our hotel located near Taksim Square, the heart of modern Istanbul. As guests’ arrival times may vary greatly, we have no group activities or meals planned; on our own we can explore the area surrounding our hotel or simply relax. Dinner tonight is on our own.

Day 3: Istanbul We get our first real taste of this city straddling two continents today as we set out on a walking tour along lively pedestrian Istiklal Street, lined with boutiques, galleries, restaurants, and late Ottoman-era buildings. We see the acclaimed mosaics and frescoes at Chora Church (now Kariye Museum) then take a panoramic drive along Istanbul’s Old City walls. Then we visit intimate Rustem Pasha mosque, with its exquisite Iznik tiles, followed by the renowned Spice Market. After lunch on our own here, we take a private cruise on the Bosphorus, by the renowned Bosphorus Pasha mosque, with its exquisite Iznik tiles, followed by the renowned Bosphorus Bazaar, the covered market housing some 5,000 shops along 60 “streets.” The remainder of the day and evening is free for independent exploration. B

Day 4: Istanbul Today we encounter Old Istanbul, beginning with the ancient Roman Hippodrome, the 3,500-year-old obelisk brought from Egypt in 390 CE. Next we visit the Blue Mosque, with its 20,000 blue Iznik tiles and signature six minarets. We then visit the renowned Museum of Turkish & Islamic Art, housing priceless artifacts from the 8th to 20th centuries. After lunch at a local restaurant we continue on to Hagia Sophia, the 6th-century church that was Christendom’s most important before becoming a mosque in the 15th century. B,L

Day 5: Istanbul This morning we tour splendid Topkapi, for 400 years the palace of Ottoman sultans that today ranks among the world’s richest museums. We continue on to the Basilica Cistern, the marble-columned underground chamber that provided water to Istanbul in antiquity. Our next stop is the Grand Bazaar, the covered market housing some 5,000 shops along 60 “streets.” The remainder of the day and evening is free for independent exploration. B

Day 6: Istanbul/Gallipoli/Troy/Assos Leaving Istanbul this morning, we travel to the northern Aegean Coast for a brief visit to Gallipoli, haunting site of 31 Allied cemeteries from World War I. Then we ferry across the Dardanelles to Troy, once believed to exist only in Homer’s epic poem until the present site was discovered in the 1870s. After touring here we continue south to Behramkale, ancient Assos, where we spend the night. B,L,D

Your Small Group Tour Highlights

Exotic Istanbul, including Blue Mosque, Topkapi Palace, Hagia Sophia • Private Bosphorus cruise • WWI battlefield of Gallipoli • Ruins at ancient Troy, Pergamum, Ephesus • Rustic village of Sirince • Four-night “Blue Voyage” aboard privately chartered gulet yacht • Cruising to secluded coves and hidden sites • Opportunities for swimming, snorkeling, hiking • Sunken Baths of Cleopatra • Ancient site of Perge • Antalya’s acclaimed Archaeological Museum

Day Itinerary Hotel Rating
1 Depart U.S. for Istanbul
2-5 Istanbul Hilton Istanbul Bosphorus Deluxe
6 Assos/Troy Assos Eden Gardens First Class
7-9 Assos/Troy Assos Eden Gardens First Class
10-12 Turquoise Coast cruise Gulet yacht Not rated
13-14 Antalya Akra Barut Deluxe
15 Depart Antalya for U.S.

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference. Unrated hotels may be too small, too new, or too remote to be listed.
Day 7: Assos/Pergamon/Kusadasi  Today we explore one of Turkey’s most spectacular ancient sites: windswept Pergamon, a major power in the 3rd and 2nd centuries BCE, with a wealth of Hellenistic ruins. Then we continue on to Kusadasi.  B,L,D

Day 8: Kusadasi/Ephesus  Few ancient sites compare to Ephesus, the world’s best-preserved classical city which we explore today. Dating to at least 1300 BCE, Ephesus was Asia Minor’s largest metropolis and principal port. Our tour includes the Terrace Houses, the recently restored “houses of the rich,” with their outstanding mosaic floors and frescoed walls. Then we enjoy lunch in the rustic village of Sirince.  B,L,D

Day 9: Kusadasi/Ephesus  We return to Ephesus to visit the Basilica of St. John, the 6th-century ruins that stand over what is believed to be the burial site of John the Apostle. Then we learn about Ephesus through the ages, as we tour the Ephesus Museum, housing treasures from the archaeological site. After lunch together, we stop at a carpet factory to watch a demonstration of this age-old craft.  B,L,D

Traveling – it leaves you speechless, then turns you into a storyteller.”  
— Ibn Battuta

Day 10: Kusadasi/Göcek  En route to Göcek today, we stop in Dalyan where we board a small skiff for a trip through an intriguing maze of channels. At the Lake of Koycegiz we see our first Lycian rock-cut tombs on the cliffs above. Late this afternoon, we board our gulet and tonight enjoy our first meal on board.  B,L,D

Day 11: Cruising – Aga Limani/Cleopatra Baths  We begin our “Blue Voyage” this morning along the stunning coastline Antony is said to have given Cleopatra as a wedding gift. We cruise to the hidden cove of Aga Limani, where we have the option of taking a three-hour hike to the Greco-Roman ruins at Lydea, ending at the Sunken Baths of Cleopatra. Set in a breathtaking inlet, the Baths offer crystal-clear waters for swimming and snorkeling. Those who prefer a less strenuous day can stay aboard the gulets as we sail to the Sunken Baths.  B,L,D

Day 12: Cruising – Gemiler Island/Kayakoy  Today we cruise to Gemiler Island to tour its 6th-century Byzantine monastery. Then we coach to the Greek “ghost town” of Kayakoy, abandoned after WWI and now preserved as a historical monument.  B,L,D

Day 13: Fethiye/Antalya  We cruise this morning to Fethiye, where we disembark then set out by motorcoach through the Taurus Mountains for Antalya. We reach the seaside city in time for lunch and a visit to the acclaimed Archaeological Museum.  B,L

Day 14: Antalya/Perge  This morning we tour the ruins at Perge, an ancient Greek city once among the world’s prettiest and most prosperous. Then we return to Antalya for a walking tour of its charming Old Town. This afternoon is at leisure before tonight’s farewell dinner at a local restaurant.  B,D

Day 15: Depart for U.S.  This morning we board an early flight for our return to the United States.  B

Our Private Turkish Gulets

| Crew: 4 | Avg. Length: 85 ft |
| Passenger Capacity: 14 | Avg. Width: 21 ft |

This tour includes a three-night cruise aboard a privately chartered gulet yacht. Gulets are teakwood with a broad sun deck, plus both indoor and outdoor dining areas. Cabins are small but comfortable, each with private facilities.

Post-Tour Extension

May 20-24, 2022  Cappadocia & Konya  5 days/4 nights for $895 total price

We visit ancient Konya then explore in depth the bizarre rock formations and underground cities of Cappadocia and the Goreme Valley.

Your Tour Price Includes

• Private motorcoach transportation Antalya/Konya/Cappadocia
• 4 nights’ accommodations: one night in Konya at Hilton Garden Inn (First Class); 3 nights in Cappadocia at Tunak Evleri Hotel (Superior First Class)
• 11 meals: 4 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 3 dinners
• Extensive included sightseeing: Meviana (Whirling Dervish) Museum in Konya, rock churches of Goreme Valley (including open-air museum), Kaymakli’s underground city, Zelve Valley, Avaros and Troglydie villages of Cavusin and Uchisar
• Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
• Services of a driver and tour guide throughout your trip
• Free time in Cappadocia

Tour Depart: May 6, 2022

Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees

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Land Only (transfers not included) $3,395

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Single travelers please add $795. Your $500 deposit is fully refundable up to 95 days prior to departure. All 2022 tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Business Class upgrade on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: $3,995 per person (upgrade is subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking on uneven or cobblestone streets and at sites of ancient ruins. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to its fullest.

For reservations, call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free (888) 370-6765 m-f, 9:00am-7:00pm, eastern time or visit trojantravel.usc.edu
Day 1: Depart U.S. for Naples, Italy

Day 2: Arrive Naples/Amalfi Coast After arriving in Naples this morning, we travel to the storied Amalfi Coast, a popular resort and our base for exploring Italy’s Campania region. We dine at our hotel tonight, as we will throughout our stay here.  

Day 3: Ravello  This morning we experience this breathtaking coast by sea as we cruise from our hotel to Amalfi Center (weather permitting). Here we enjoy a brief tour of the region’s largest town then have lunch on our own. Next we ascend to mountaintop Ravello, with its spectacular gardens and coastal views.

Day 4: Pompeii/Amalfi Coast/Sorrento  Our full-day excursion begins in Pompeii, the city frozen in time by the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in 79 CE but not excavated until 1748. After a tour and lunch on our own here we embark on a breathtaking drive along the winding Amalfi Coast road high above the azure Mediterranean – with stops for photos and in Sorrento along the way. We return to our hotel late afternoon.

Day 5: Amalfi Coast/Montecassino/Rome  

Day 6: Rome  This morning we tour the heart of ancient Rome: the 55,000-seat Colosseum, built in 72 CE to stage gladiator spectacles; and the temples of the Forum, ancient Rome’s political and legal center. The afternoon is free to explore on our own; the possibilities endless: shopping along the fashionable Via Veneto; sipping espresso in beautiful Piazza Navona; seeing the Pantheon, the city’s best preserved ancient building; tossing a coin into Trevi Fountain; or visiting any number of renowned museums and churches.

Day 7: Rome  Another morning of touring followed by a free afternoon. Today we visit the Vatican for a tour of St. Peter’s Square and Basilica, and the Sistine Chapel in the Vatican Museums. Highlights include Michelangelo’s Pieta in St. Peter’s, considered one of the greatest sculptures of all time; his frescoed ceiling of the Sistine Chapel, now restored to its original glory; and art-filled St. Peter’s itself, the most important church in all Christendom.

We spend three nights on the stunning Amalfi Coast, with its sheer cliffs, turquoise seas, and classic Mediterranean landscape.
Day 8: Rome/Orvieto  Leaving Rome, we travel north through a pastoral landscape of gentle agricultural land bounded by mountain wilderness and dotted with traditional villages and medieval hill towns. Mid-afternoon we reach Orvieto, perched high on a plateau above a vineyard-clad plain. After we check in at our hotel in the heart of the city’s medieval quarter, our tour director leads us on an informal walking tour. Tonight we attend a simple cooking demonstration followed by dinner at Zepelin Restaurant.  *B,D*

Day 9: Orvieto  This morning we embark on a guided walking tour of this dramatically set city. We visit the medieval Duomo featuring a frescoed chapel by Fra Angelico and Luca Signorelli’s masterpiece, The Last Judgment. Next we explore the former secret passages of Parco delle Grotte, a labyrinth of underground caves used since Etruscan times. The secret passages of Parco delle Grotte, a labyrinth of underground caves used since Etruscan times. The remainder of the day is at leisure.  *B*

Day 10: Orvieto-Assisi  Today’s excursion is to Assisi, considered a gem of an Umbrian town with inviting piazzas, abundant flowers, buildings of white marble, and a pervasive medieval air. We visit St. Clare Church and the renowned Basilica di San Francesco, the burial place of St. Francis and a sacred pilgrimage site. Inside are Giotto’s priceless frescoes, The Life of St. Francis. There’s time on our own to stroll the fountain-splashed piazzas and to enjoy local specialties for lunch. We also visit Deruta, known for its prized hand-painted Majolica ceramics.  *B*

"Life is a combination of magic and pasta.”  
— Federico Fellini

Day 11: Orvieto/Siena/Tuscany  Continuing our journey, today we visit walled Siena, whose ochre-colored buildings and ancient ramparts evoke the city’s medieval past. Fan-shaped Piazza del Campo is one of Europe’s greatest public squares; its Duomo, housing masterpieces by Michelangelo and Donatello, then have free time for lunch on our own and to explore as we wish.  *B,D*

Day 12: Florence  A living monument to the Renaissance, Florence is the crown jewel of Tuscany. We discover this splendid city on a full-day excursion that includes a morning walking tour. Then we visit the Galleria dell’Accademia to view Michelangelo’s sublime David, as well as his pieces for the papal tombs; and the revered Duomo, with its stupendous dome by Brunelleschi. This afternoon is free to enjoy Florence as we wish. Tonight we enjoy dinner together at our hotel.  *B,D*

Day 13: San Gimignano  We encounter classic Tuscany today as we visit the hill town of San Gimignano, known for the 13 watchtowers that have left its skyline virtually unchanged since medieval times. Later we visit a local winery and enjoy a tasting before returning mid-afternoon to our lodgings, where we have time to relax before tonight’s dinner at a local restaurant.  *B,D*

Day 14: Tuscany/Venice  Leaving Tuscany today, we travel through the Veneto region to Venice, which, along with its lagoon, is a UNESCO site. We arrive early this afternoon; the remainder of the day is free to explore this wondrous city on our own.  *B*

Day 15: Venice  This morning we take a guided walk through vast St. Mark’s Square and surroundings. Our afternoon is free to explore Venice independently; tonight we bid “arrivederci” to Italy and our fellow travelers at a farewell dinner.  *B,D*

Day 16: Depart for U.S.  We depart early this morning for our connecting flights to the U.S.  *B*

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Post-Tour Extension

**June 15-17, 2022**

**Venice – On Your Own**

3 days/2 nights for $395 total price

Single Supplement: $325

*Enjoy time on your own in this most timeless of cities.*

**Your Tour Price Includes**

- 2 nights’ accommodations at Carnival Palace Hotel
- 2 meals: 2 breakfasts
- Transfer to airport

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**Tour Departs: May 31, 2022**

**Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees**

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**Land Only (transfers not included)**

$4,695

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Single travelers please add $1,095. Your $500 deposit is fully refundable up to 95 days prior to departure. All 2022 tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Airline upgrades on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: Business Class – $3,795 per person; Premium Economy – $1,595 per person (upgrades are subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking up hills or stairs, and on uneven or cobblestone streets. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to its fullest.
Exploring Iceland

11 days for $5,697 total price from Los Angeles
($5,395 air & land inclusive plus $302 airline taxes and fees)

It’s a surprising, even astonishing land; one of massive glaciers and rumbling volcanoes, bubbling mud holes and powerful waterfalls; hugely abundant bird life and just 340,000 people; and where the sun never sets for six splendid weeks. It’s also perfect for exploring in a small group, as we discover traveling the breadth of the country and getting an up-close view of this natural “wonderland.”

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Reykjavik, Iceland

Day 2: Arrive Reykjavik/Selfoss Upon our early morning arrival in Iceland’s capital, we meet our Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director, have breakfast at a local restaurant then enjoy a scenic drive east. We stop to view the geothermal exhibit at the Hellisheidi Power Plant. Mid-afternoon, we reach pastoral Selfoss, and our hotel. Tonight: a briefing on the journey ahead followed by a welcome dinner. B,D

Day 3: Selfoss/Vik Our first stop today is at picturesque Seljalandsfoss, Iceland’s most visited waterfall, followed by nearby Skogafoss, another popular waterfall, known for its rainbows on sunny days. We continue on to lovely Vik, Iceland’s southernmost town, where we’re free to explore and shop for items of locally produced wool. This afternoon, we walk along the black-sand beach at Reynisfjara, lined with columnar basalt-filled caves. En route to our hotel, we stop by the Solheimajökull “sliding” glacier. B

Day 4: Selfoss/Reykjavik/Akureyri/Lake Myvatn We transfer to Reykjavik this morning for the one-hour flight to Akureyri, Iceland’s “northern capital,” where, upon arrival, we travel to beautiful Lake Myvatn. One of the world’s natural wonders, Lake Myvatn and its environs of bubbling mud flats, lava fields, and lunar-like volcanic craters comprise a stunning national park. We stop to explore the bizarre lava formations at Dimmuborgir, and also see the region’s unique “pseudo craters,” the boiling mud pots at Namaskard, the explosion crater at Viti, and the flat volcano system at Krafla. B,D

Day 5: Lake Myvatn/Husavik/Vatnajökull National Park This morning we travel to Husavik, where we embark on a bird-watching cruise to Puffin Island. Depending on the season, we may see thousands of seabirds here, including puffins, black guillemots, fulmars, and Arctic terns. On departures that visit after the puffins have migrated for the season (typically in August), we take a whale watch cruise out of Husavik. This afternoon, we visit Vatnajökull National Park, yet another of Iceland’s natural wonders. Here we see Asbyrgi, a huge canyon enveloped by towering walls; in the middle of the partially wooded canyon sits a hoof-shaped rock called “The Island.” Next, we visit Hljodaklettar Echo Cliffs, where we explore the labyrinth of “echoing rocks” created by the spiral basalt formations of the arches and canyons here. Our last stop: jaw-dropping Dettifoss, Europe’s most powerful waterfall and Iceland’s “Niagara.” B,L,D
Day 6: Lake Myvatn/Akureyri/Siglufjordur This morning, we stop at Godafoss, the “waterfall of the gods” named for the carvings of Norse gods discarded here when the country was declared Christian a thousand years ago. Mid-morning, we arrive in Akureyri, where we have free time to explore and for lunch on our own. We travel on to Siglufjordur, where we visit the unique Herring Era Museum then arrive at our hotel in time for dinner there tonight. B,D

Day 7: Siglufjordur/Borgarbyggo We travel towards the southwest corner of Iceland today, passing through more incredible natural scenery. On route, we visit Glaumbaer, a folk museum featuring authentic turf houses. Later we stop at a Gauksmyri farm featuring famed Icelandic horses – small, hardy, and with long manes. We also enjoy scenic views at Grabrok Crater, and stop to view the thermal areas of Deildartunguhver and Hraunfossar Falls. B,D

Day 8: Borgarbyggo/Snaefellsnes Peninsula Today we encounter the stunning Snaefellsnes Peninsula. We begin with a walk along the shell sand beach at the abandoned fishing village of Budir, surrounded by a vast lava field. We also explore the caves and bizarre rock formations along the rugged shore at Arnarstapi, site of thousands of nesting cliff birds. After a lunch of a traditional fresh seafood soup at a rustic oceanfront restaurant, we see the haunting remains of abandoned coastal farms at Djupalonssandur. B,L,D

Day 9: Borgarbyggo/Reykjavik En route to Reykjavik today, we visit Thingvellir National Park, known both for its historic import and as the place where the fissure between the geological plates of North America and Europe is most evident. It’s also a gem of nature, with canyons, caves, waterfalls, and ponds surrounded by snowcapped mountains. We learn about the historic parliament founded here in 930 CE, and walk along a gorge into the rift valley itself. Then we depart for famed Great Geysir and Gullfoss, Iceland’s immensely popular “golden” waterfall. We continue on to Reykjavik, arriving in time for dinner on our own in this stylish city. B,L

Day 10: Reykjavik This morning we embark on a tour of the Icelandic capital. Then the remainder of today is at leisure to explore and enjoy Reykjavik as we please; those who wish can join in an optional tour to the Blue Lagoon. Tonight, we celebrate our adventure over a farewell dinner. B,D

Day 11: Depart for U.S. Today we depart for the airport and our return flights to the U.S. B

Tour Depart: August 27, 2022

Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; flight within itinerary
- 9 nights’ accommodations in First Class hotels
- 20 meals: 10 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 7 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, and hotel porters, and all drivers

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of $302, which are subject to change until final payment is made. Single travelers please add $995. Your $500 deposit is fully refundable up to 95 days prior to departure. All 2022 tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Business Class upgrade on round-trip international flight: $1,595 per person from Boston, Newark, New York, Washington, D.C. (Dulles); $2,195 per person from Chicago, Minneapolis; $2,595 per person from Denver, Seattle (upgrade is subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking on uneven terrain in a natural environment. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy this tour to the fullest.
Discovering Eastern Europe

16 days for $5,397 total price from Los Angeles
($4,895 air & land inclusive plus $502 airline taxes and fees)

Whether you’re seeking to recapture your ancestral heritage or simply wish to discover a beautiful and poignant part of the world, this small group tour offers ample opportunity for enrichment, enlightenment, and enjoyment. With both comprehensive touring and time for independent exploration, it provides a generous overview of four distinctly different – and fascinating – nations.

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Warsaw, Poland

Day 2: Arrive Warsaw After arriving in the Polish capital late this morning, we have free time before we gather for tonight’s welcome dinner at our hotel. D

Day 3: Warsaw Virtually destroyed during World War II, Warsaw was rebuilt in the decades that followed. With the fall of Communism, the city has become more dynamic and progressive while retaining much of its distinct character. We tour this phoenix city today, visiting the faithfully rebuilt Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage site; and the Royal Castle, whose origins date to the late 14th century. We also tour the area of the former Jewish Ghetto and the Jewish Cemetery. This afternoon is free for independent exploration; before dinner on our own tonight we enjoy a private classical piano recital. B

Day 4: Warsaw/Krakow Today we journey south to Krakow, Poland’s second largest city and a major center of Polish culture and education. Krakow survived World War II intact, leaving it with more historic buildings and monuments than anywhere else in the country. Its authentic Old Town is a UNESCO cultural site, and the Main Market Square ranks as the largest medieval square in Europe. Upon arrival late this morning, we have time for lunch on our own before we embark on a tour of the city’s historic area, featuring St. Mary’s Church; the Royal Chambers of Wawel Castle, seat of royalty for more than 500 years; and Wawel Cathedral, the national church. We dine together tonight at our hotel. B,D

Day 5: Auschwitz We travel this morning to the industrial city of Oswiecim – Auschwitz in German – and the concentration camp that is now a museum chronicling the horrors of the Nazis’ Final Solution. We tour Auschwitz I, used mainly to hold prisoners, as well as the vast camp at Birkenau (Auschwitz II), where more than one million people died during the Holocaust. After this somber visit, we return to Krakow where the remainder of the day is free for independent exploration. B,L

Day 6: Krakow This morning we tour the Wieliczka Salt Mine, a UNESCO World Heritage site that is a virtual underground city, with galleries, lakes, chapels, and murals – all carved from salt. The mine’s centerpiece is the Chapel of Saint Kinga, with its chandelier and mural of The Last Supper, carved by three miners over a period of 68 years. Then we return to Krakow, where the remainder of the day is free for independent exploration, with lunch and dinner on our own in this historic capital. B
Day 7: Krakow/Slovakia/Budapest  Heading south today we travel through the snowcapped Tatra Mountains into the country of Slovakia, where we stop for lunch. Continuing our journey, we reach our hotel in Buda’s elegant Castle District early this evening and dine there together tonight. B,L,D

Day 8: Budapest  Today’s half-day tour of the Hungarian capital begins adjacent to our hotel with a visit to Matthias Church, the symbol of Buda’s Castle District, and a stroll around Fisherman’s Bastion for outstanding views of the Pest side of the city across the Danube. Then we cross the Chain Bridge into Pest where we tour Dohány Synagogue, Europe’s largest. Following an afternoon at leisure, tonight we enjoy a typical Hungarian dinner at a local restaurant. B,D

Day 9: Budapest  We’re free to discover the “Paris of the East” on our own today. With splendid architecture, a lively café culture, museums, and a royal castle, this city on the Danube offers endless opportunities for exploration and enjoyment. B

Day 10: Budapest/Danube Bend/ Vienna  Today we pass through the countryside of Western Transylvania as we travel by coach to Vienna. En route we visit Szentendre, a small town packed with artisans’ shops and a museum showcasing the work of ceramicist Margit Kovacs. We continue on to the village of Neszmély where we stop for lunch, then reach the Austrian capital late this afternoon. Dinner tonight is on our own, an opportunity, perhaps, to try Vienna’s famed Wiener Schnitzel. B,L.

Day 11: Vienna  A half-day tour of this jewel of the Habsburg Empire includes a visit to the ornate Vienna Opera House, one of Europe’s grandest; and an inside visit to majestic Schönbrunn Palace. The afternoon is at leisure. Following dinner at a local restaurant, we attend a concert of classical music in this most musical of all cities. B,D

Day 12: Vienna Woods  This morning we enjoy a tour of the Vienna Woods, which gained renown during the heyday of the Austrian Empire. We visit the medieval abbey of Heiligenkreuz and the health spa town of Baden before returning to Vienna, where the remainder of the day is free to explore as we wish. B

Day 13: Vienna/Prague  We leave this morning for Prague, proud capital of the Czech Republic. We reach Prague this afternoon and join our tour director for an informal walk through Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage site. B,L.

Day 14: Prague  We spend the morning exploring the Hradcany (castle) district, home of the distinctive castle towering above the Vltava River. Dating to the 9th century, the castle today is the seat of the president of the Czech Republic. Among the highlights of our tour: a visit to Gothic St. Vitus’ Cathedral and a stroll along Golden Lane, with its picturesque artisans’ cottages. The remainder of the day is free to continue exploring this enchanting city as we wish. B

Day 15: Prague  This morning’s visit to Josefov, Prague’s historic Jewish ghetto, includes the Old Jewish Cemetery with its centuries-old headstones and generations buried atop one another, as well as several of the once-thriving synagogues now part of the Jewish Museum of Prague. Then the remainder of the day is at leisure, perhaps to stroll through Old Town Square or visit Wenceslas Square, site of the demonstrations that led to the Velvet Revolution. Tonight we enjoy a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. B,D

Day 16: Depart for U.S.  We transfer to the airport early today for our connecting flights to the U.S. B

Tour Depart: September 22, 2022

Your Tour Price Includes

- Rail transportation Prague/Berlin
- 3 nights’ accommodations at Hotel am Steinplatz (Superior First Class)
- 3 meals: 3 breakfasts
- Transfer from rail station and to airport

Post-Tour Extension

October 7-10, 2022
Berlin – On Your Own
4 days/3 nights for $995 total price
Single Supplement: $395

Explore the cosmopolitan German capital – a city of art, culture, and history – as you wish.

Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities
- 14 nights’ accommodations in Deluxe, Superior First Class, and unrated hotels
- 24 meals: 14 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 6 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
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“Never let’s you go.”
– FRANZ KAFKA

Budapest’s Chain Bridge and neo-Gothic Parliament building

B,L

– $1,595 per person (upgrades are subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).

– $1,395. Your $500 deposit is fully refundable up to 95 days prior to departure. All 2022 surcharges, and fees of $502, which are subject to change. Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of $502, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add $1,395. Your $500 deposit is fully refundable up to 95 days prior to departure. All 2022 tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Airline upgrades on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: Business Class – $3,595 per person; Premium Economy – $1,595 per person (upgrades are subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking up hills or stairs, and on uneven or cobblestone streets. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to its fullest.

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Paradores & Pousadas Historic Lodgings of Spain & Portugal

15 days for $5,274 total price from Los Angeles
($4,695 air & land inclusive plus $579 airline taxes and fees)

You’re invited on a distinctive small group journey through the Iberian Peninsula to the intimate lodgings of Spain’s paradores and Portugal’s pousadas: medieval monasteries, historic fortresses, and stately palaces, each reflecting the spirit of its region. We feel the spell of Iberia’s rich Roman and Moorish past – and the pull of its vibrant contemporary life.

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Lisbon, Portugal

Day 2: Arrive Lisbon We arrive in the Portuguese capital and transfer to our hotel. As guests’ arrival times vary, we have no group activities planned during the day. Tonight we enjoy a welcome dinner. D

Day 3: Lisbon/Queluz This morning’s city tour includes the Jeronimos Monastery, a masterpiece of Manueline architecture; iconic Belem Tower; and the Monument to the Discoveries commemorating Portugal’s storied explorers. Then we visit the National Palace of Queluz, the former residence of Portuguese royalty now used for state occasions. After returning to Lisbon, the remainder of the day is at leisure to explore as we wish. B

Day 4: Lisbon/Evora Leaving Lisbon this morning, we travel through the rolling hills of the agricultural Alentejo district, with its bountiful fields of wheat, fragrant vineyards, and stands of olive and cork trees. After stopping for lunch in the fortified hilltop town of Monsaraz (pop. 150), late afternoon we arrive in Evora, capital of the Alentejo and site of our pousada, considered Portugal’s finest. B,L,D

Day 5: Evora Our morning walking tour of Evora introduces us to the many charms of this architectural gem – a university town, prosperous regional capital, and UNESCO site thanks to the many relics of its Roman and Moorish heritage. We sample Alentejo wines at a local winery then the afternoon is at leisure to enjoy this “Golden Age” city as we wish. B,D

Day 6: Evora/Merida, Spain/Carmona Today we travel east through countryside peppered with the ruins of fortresses and castles to the Spanish border town of Merida. Once the capital of ancient Lusitania (Latin for the kingdoms of Spain and Portugal), Merida boasts outstanding Roman ruins. There’s time to explore and eat lunch on our own before we continue on to Carmona and our parador, a restored 14th-century Arab fortress. B,D

Day 7: Carmona/Seville This morning we visit splendid Seville, Moorish capital of Spain’s Andalusia region and city of beauty and romance. This is the place that inspired Carmen and Don Giovanni; where fragrant orange trees and flower-bedecked balconies delight the senses; and home of the renowned Catedral, the world’s largest Gothic building. After a tour that includes the Alcázar palace and the Arab quarter, the afternoon is free to explore independently. We return to Carmona late afternoon and dine at our parador this evening. B,D

On Day 11, we tour the Alhambra, the Moors’ historic palace and fortress complex now a UNESCO site.

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**Your Small Group Tour Highlights**

Eight nights’ accommodations in distinguished historic lodgings • National Palace of Queluz, Portugal • Lisbon sightseeing, including Belem • Evora, a UNESCO World Heritage site • Roman ruins at Merida • Moorish Toledo • Tour of Cordoba, a UNESCO World Heritage site • Seville and its renowned Catedral • Granada’s Alhambra and Generalife Gardens • Three-night stay in sophisticated Madrid • Madrid sightseeing, including Prado, Plaza Mayor, and Royal Palace

**Day Itinerary Hotel Rating**

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Day 8: Carmona/Cordoba  Today’s visit to this cultural gem promises to be special indeed. First the capital of Roman Spain, then of Moorish Spain, Cordoba features some of the country’s most important monuments, including the Old Quarter built around the magnificent Mezquita mosque. It was here that the Moors ruled from the 8th to the 11th centuries and fostered a culture of learning and religious harmony known the world over. Cordoba also is home to Andalusia’s only synagogue to survive the expulsion of Spain’s Jews in the 15th century. After touring these and other highlights we have free time to explore on our own. Late this afternoon we return to our parador, where we dine tonight. B,D

Day 9: Carmona/Ronda  Leaving Carmona this morning we travel south to tiny Ronda, one of Spain’s oldest and most aristocratic towns. It’s set high in the mountains with whitewashed houses clinging improbably to the edge of El Tajo Gorge – 500 feet deep and 300 feet wide. B,L

Day 10: Ronda  This morning we take a walking tour of Ronda. We return to our parador, Ronda’s original town hall, for a special tapas lunch then the rest of the day is free for independent exploration. B,L

Day 11: Ronda/Granada/Ubeda  Continuing our journey, we travel today to Granada, the former stronghold of Moorish Spain set in the foot-hills of the snowcapped Sierra Nevada. The city’s undisputed highlight is the Alhambra, the extraordinary palace of Spain’s last Moorish rulers. Sprawled across a hilltop above the Darro River, the Alhambra commands breathtaking views of the city below, as we see on our afternoon tour of this splendid citadel. We also visit the Granadian-style Generalife, the palace’s acclaimed gardens. Late afternoon we travel north to Ubeda and our next parador, where we dine tonight. B,D

Day 12: Ubeda/Toledo/Madrid  A highlight is in store today as we visit Toledo, capital of medieval Spain. Declared a Spanish National Landmark, the city is little changed visually from its 16th-century days as a subject for the artist El Greco. Toledo boasts an incomparable hilltop setting overlooking the Castilian plains and surrounded on three sides by the Tagus River. After lunch on our own we see Toledo’s most important sights on our guided tour, including the massive Gothic Cathedral begun in 1226 and not finished until 1493. Then we continue on to Madrid, arriving late afternoon. Dinner tonight is on our own; perhaps to dine late as the Madrileños do. B,L

Day 13: Madrid  Our morning tour of this monumental and dignified capital includes vast Plaza Mayor, in the heart of Old Madrid; the Moorish medieval district; and opulent 18th-century Palacio Real (Royal Palace), with its 2,800 rooms. Then we sample some of Madrid’s specialties over a lunch of tapas. Our tour ends at the Prado, one of the world’s greatest museums, displaying treasures by Spanish masters Goya, El Greco, and Velazquez. The remainder of the day is free for independent exploration in this most cosmopolitan city. Well known for its “foodies” culture, Madrid offers a bounty of restaurants for dinner on our own tonight. B,L

Day 14: Madrid  Today is at leisure to enjoy the Spanish capital as we wish. Tonight we bid “Adiós” to Spain and our fellow travelers at a farewell dinner. B,D

Day 15: Depart for U.S.  We transfer to the airport this morning for our connecting flights to the U.S. B

Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities
- 13 nights’ accommodations: 5 nights in Deluxe hotels; 8 nights in First Class paradores and pousadas
- 25 meals: 13 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 9 dinners
- Regional wine with dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

Tour Departs: October 6, 2022

Plaza de España, Seville’s popular central square

Tour membership limited to 24 total alumni and friends

Post-Tour Extension

October 20-23, 2022
Barcelona – On Your Own
4 days/3 nights for $795 total price
Single Supplement: $355

Enjoy this bustling seaport, Spain’s cultural and commercial capital, with its medieval Gothic Quarter and popular Ramblas waterfront promenade.

Your Tour Price Includes

- Air transportation Madrid/Barcelona, inclusive of airline taxes and fees
- 3 nights’ accommodations at Hotel Avenida Palace (Superior First Class)
- 3 meals: 3 breakfasts
- Transfers to/from airport

Every step we take on earth brings us to a new world.”

– FEDERICO GARCÍA LORCA

Lisbon’s Monument to the Discoveries

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Along Central Asia’s Silk Road

17 days for $6,794 total price from Los Angeles
($6,195 air & land inclusive plus $599 airline taxes and fees)

Traveling the ancient Silk Road route connecting East and West, we encounter a melange of culture and religion, art and architecture that conjures tales of trade and treasure, intrigue and empire. On this exciting small group journey, we relish the exotic – and embrace the humanity we share with the welcoming people of Central Asia.

Your Small Group Tour Highlights

- Bishkek yurt-making demonstration
- Tamgaly Petroglyphs UNESCO site
- Russian-accented Almaty
- Falconry demonstration
- Tashkent tour, including world’s oldest Quran
- Historic Silk Road gem of Khiva
- Visits with local artisans
- Uzbek folklore performance
- UNESCO site of Bukhara
- Lunches with local families
- Legendary Samarkand
- Visits to Central Asian bazaars
- Regal Registan Square

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

Day 2: Arrive Bishkek Upon arrival in the Kyrgyz capital late tonight, we transfer directly to our hotel.

Day 3: Bishkek After time to rest and have lunch on our own, we meet our Odysseys Unlimited Tour Directors and fellow travelers at a briefing about the journey ahead. Then we take our first steps along the Silk Road, with a panoramic tour of this former Soviet republic’s largest city. Tonight, we enjoy a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. B,D

Day 4: Bishkek/Burana We travel east this morning to the village of Burana, whose 11th-century tower is the sole remaining remnant of the ancient Silk Road city of Balasagun. We walk among the surrounding “balbal” stone statues dating from the 6th to 10th centuries then enjoy lunch in the home of Kyrgyz family. Next: a yurt-making demonstration in this country where the nomadic lifestyle is still practiced. B,L,D

Day 5: Bishkek/Almaty/Kazakhstan En route to Almaty this morning, we stop at Tamgaly Gorge to see the Tamgaly Petroglyphs that date to the Bronze Age. We enjoy a picnic lunch in this archaeological landscape then continue on to Almaty, where tonight we dine at our hotel. B,L,D

Day 6: Almaty Kazakhstan’s largest city and cultural and commercial center, Almaty has a decided Russian flavor, as we see on this morning’s tour. We begin at Panfilov Park and the adjacent Holy Ascension Cathedral, an example of early 20th-century Russian Orthodox architecture. Next, we visit the Museum of Kazakh Musical Instruments, showcasing unique national instruments. Then we head outside the city to ascend Kok Tobe mountain by gondola to enjoy panoramic views of Almaty and the surrounding Tian Shan mountains. Late this afternoon, we attend a falconry demonstration. B,L

Day 7: Almaty/Tashkent, Uzbekistan We fly this morning to the Uzbek capital of Tashkent, where this afternoon we visit the Museum of Applied Arts, housing fine examples of Uzbek crafts, including embroidery, jewelry, ceramics, and carpets. After checking in at our hotel, we have free time this afternoon before dinner at a local restaurant. B,L,D

Day 8: Tashkent Our morning tour begins in the Old City at the Khazrati Imam Complex of mosques and madrassahs. Here we see the world’s oldest surviving Islamic holy book, the 7th-century Uthman Quran, brought to Tashkent by Tamerlane. Next: Chorsu Bazaar, under whose massive green dome locals purchase everything from produce to clothing.
Day 9: Tashkent/Urgench/Khiva Very early this morning, we transfer to the airport for our flight to Urgench, then continue on to Khiva. We get a taste of Khiva’s storied past as a major trading post along the Silk Road as we begin exploring the Itchan Kala, the “inner city” whose entirety is a UNESCO site. We start at the double-domed Pahlavan Mahmoud Mausoleum then visit the Islam Khoja minaret, followed by the Juma Mosque, with its 200 wooden pillars. Late afternoon we attend a performance of the Khiva Puppet Theatre. B,L,D

Day 10: Khiva We continue our exploration of this 1,500-year-old city at the turquoise-tiled Kalta Minor minaret – enormous, stout, and unfinished. We continue on to Kunya Ark citadel; the immense Madrassah of Muhammad Rahim Khan, with its tiled façade; the 163-room Tah Hauli Palace; and the Hunarmand artisans’ workshop. Tonight, we enjoy a small group highlight as we travel through the desert to a lakeside yurt camp, where we have a sunset cocktail party followed by a traditional barbecue dinner and folkloric performance. B,L,D

Day 11: Khiva/Bukhara This morning we journey by train through the Kyzylkum Desert to Bukhara, with lunch on board. Upon arrival in this ancient city of Silk Road commerce and religious piety, we visit the 15th-century Poi Kalyan religious complex. This evening we dine at Akbar House, the preserved home of a 19th-century Jewish merchant. B,L,D

Day 12: Bukhara Today begins with a walking tour of the 16th-century Lyab-i Hauz religious complex. We continue to the domed Taki-Telpak Furushon bazaar known for its headgear: embroidered skull caps, turbans, and heavy fur hats; then on to a bazaar where we watch silk weavers at work. Next, we return to the Old Jewish Quarter to visit the home of a Sufi miniaturist, where we learn about his craft and enjoy a traditional lunch of plov – lamb and rice – the Uzbek national dish. Touring continues this afternoon at the Chor Minor madrassah, with its four minarets; the Chashma-Ayub Mausoleum then visit the studio of renowned ceramicist Akbar Rakhimov. Tonight, we toast our adventure along the Silk Road at a farewell dinner. B,L,D

Day 13: Bukhara/Gijduvan/Samarkand This morning we call on a sacred pilgrimage site: the Memorial Complex of Naqshband, burial site of the founder of the world’s largest order of Sufi Muslims. Next: the Narzullayev Ceramics Workshop, where potters have used traditional methods for more than a century. After lunch here, we board the train for a century earthen Ark of Bukhara Fortress. B,L,D

Day 14: Samarkand Alexander the Great and Genghis Khan left their marks on Samarkand, as did Tamarlane (Timur), who made it capital of his Islamic empire in the 14th century. Our touring today begins at Registan Square, once and current heart of the city, where we join in a calligraphy workshop. We continue to 15th-century Bibi-Khanym mosque, and Siyob Bazaar, the city’s largest market. This afternoon we visit a historic winery for a tour and tasting. B,L

Day 15: Samarkand Our discovery of this crossroads of culture continues today at the Afrasiyab Museum, a huge archaeological site and museum depicting the city’s 2,500-year history; 15th-century Ulugh Beg Observatory, one of the finest in the Islamic world; and the Meros Paper Mill, where artisans craft traditional handmade paper. We join a local family in their home for lunch then explore the Shakhzinda Necropolis and temple complex, whose 20-plus buildings date from the 11th to 19th centuries. This evening, we visit the Gur Emir Mausoleum, Tamarlane’s resting place. After dinner at a local restaurant, we make a last stop to see Registan lit up for the evening. B,L,D

Day 16: Samarkand/Tashkent We return today to the Uzbek capital, passing through Jilanuti Pass, the “Gates of Tamerlane” passage between the Nuratin and Turkestan hills. After arriving in Tashkent early this afternoon, we have time for lunch on our own then visit the studio of renowned ceramicist Akbar Rakhimov. Tonight, we toast our adventure along the Silk Road at a farewell dinner. B,L,D

Day 17: Depart for U.S. Early this morning we depart for the airport for our connecting flight to the U.S. B

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Don’t choose a path, choose traveling companions.”
— Uzbek Proverb

Samarkand, legendary stop on the Silk Road. Tonight, we get our first glimpse of vast Registan, the mosaic-tiled public square flanked by three ornate madrassahs that have stood here since the 14th century. B,L,D

Tour Departures: September 10, 2022
Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees

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Small group touring and the Lands Down Under – they add up to a perfect combination as we travel from Australia’s spectacular Great Barrier Reef and the storied Outback to sophisticated Sydney; from New Zealand’s towering Mt. Cook and breathtaking Milford Sound to high-spirited Queenstown and nautical Auckland.

Days 1 & 2: Depart U.S. for Cairns, Australia

Day 3: Arrive Cairns This afternoon we arrive in Cairns, gateway to Australia’s Far North and the Great Barrier Reef. We transfer to our hotel where tonight we enjoy a briefing and dinner. D

Day 4: Cairns/Kuranda We take an orientation tour of Cairns then board an historic railway to the mountain village of Kuranda. After time to explore here, we descend via the gondolas of Skyrail. We return to our hotel, with the rest of the day at leisure. B

Day 5: Great Barrier Reef This morning we board a boat for a day-long excursion to the Great Barrier Reef, at 1,200 miles long the world’s largest living organism and richest marine resource. We pull up at Michaelmas Cay where we can swim, snorkel, or view the reef from a semi-submersible vessel. B,L

Day 6: Cairns/Alice Springs We take an early morning flight to remote Alice Springs, where upon arrival we venture to Simpsons Gap and Standley Chasm for a picnic lunch amid the sheer rock walls. Then we visit the Alice Springs School of the Air, which provides schooling to widely scattered Outback children. B,L

Day 7: Alice Springs This morning we embark on an Aboriginal “dreamtime” tour, where we meet Walpiri tribespeople and learn about their ancient culture. After this First Australians experience, we encounter the acclaimed Royal Flying Doctor Service then visit the Anzac Hill Monument to Australian and New Zealand soldiers. Tonight, we enjoy a traditional Outback Bushman’s Dinner around a campfire. B,D

Day 8: Alice Springs/Ayers Rock We reach our Ayers Rock hotel early afternoon. After lunch on our own, we visit Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage site that is the traditional land of the Anangu Aboriginal peoples and home to the Olgas rock formations and Uluru (Ayers Rock). We watch the sun set over this fabled sandstone monolith that rises to a height of 1,114 feet. B,D

Day 9: Ayers Rock/Sydney This morning we visit the base of Uluru and the interesting museum here. Mid-day we fly to Sydney, arriving late afternoon. B,D

Day 10: Sydney Today’s tour features The Rocks historic neighborhood, Darling Harbour and Mrs. Macquarie’s Point, Rose and Watson’s bays, and popular Bondi Beach. Then we board a catamaran for a lunch cruise around Sydney Harbour. B,L
Day 11: Sydney  This morning we tour Featherdale Wildlife Park, where wombats, dingos, and koalas reside. Then the afternoon is at leisure; tonight we enjoy dinner together at a local restaurant.  

Day 12: Sydney/Christchurch, New Zealand  After a late morning tour of the iconic Sydney Opera House, this afternoon is free for independent exploration. This evening we board a flight to Christchurch, New Zealand’s “Garden City.”  

Day 13: Christchurch/Mount Cook National Park  This morning’s orientation tour features the Botanic Gardens and Cathedral Square, the beating heart of Christchurch and site of Christchurch Cathedral. Then we board our motorcoach for the journey south to Aoraki/Mount Cook National Park, in the Southern Alps. En route, we stop in the town of Geraldine for lunch and to see sheep dogs and a sheep shearer in action at a local farm. We continue on to Mount Cook, arriving late afternoon.  

Day 14: Mount Cook  This morning’s tour of alpine Mount Cook Village includes a visit to the Sir Edmund Hillary Alpine Center, where we see a 3D planetarium movie about the region. We also visit the Hillary Gallery, commemorating Sir Edmund’s achievements, including the first ascent of Mount Cook’s difficult South Ridge in 1948 (at 12,316 feet, Mount Cook is New Zealand’s tallest mountain). After time in the village for lunch on our own, this afternoon is at leisure to relax amid the breathtaking scenery, hike, or take an optional scenic flight (weather permitting).  

Day 15: Mount Cook/Queenstown  We depart this morning for Queenstown, stopping en route in historic Arrowtown for lunch on our own followed by a visit to Kawarau Bridge Bungy, the world’s first bungy jump operation open to the public. Mid-afternoon we reach Queenstown, New Zealand’s “adventure capital.” We dine tonight at our hotel.  

Day 16: Milford Sound  Our day-long excursion to Milford Sound includes a nature cruise through the breathtaking fjords. We have lunch on board then later have the opportunity to return to Queenstown on an optional scenic flight (weather permitting).  

Day 17: Queenstown  Today is at leisure to enjoy New Zealand’s adventure capital as we wish.  

Day 18: Queenstown/Rotorua  We depart today for the Maori center of Rotorua, with its geysers, bubbling mud pools, and hot thermal springs. Upon arrival, we take a panoramic tour of this city on the shores of Lake Rotorua. This evening we visit Te Puia Thermal Reserve and Cultural Centre for a traditional hangi dinner and Maori performance.  

Day 19: Rotorua  This morning we visit Rainbow Springs Nature Park, a popular showcase of native flora, fauna, and birdlife, and where we also tour the National Kiwi Trust, which rehabilitates injured kiwis, the national bird.  

Day 20: Rotorua/Auckland  En route to Auckland, we stop this morning at Ruakuri Caves to see the unique glowworms that illuminate the underground grottoes and caves. We reach Auckland late this afternoon; we’re on our own for dinner tonight.  

Day 21: Auckland  Our half-day tour of this city set atop 48 volcanic hills features glittering Auckland Harbour and the America’s Cup Village. We also visit the War Memorial Museum, with its prized Maori and Pacific Islander collections. Tonight we enjoy a farewell dinner at our hotel.  

Day 22: Depart for U.S.  Very early this morning we depart for the airport for the flight to Los Angeles (via Sydney) and our return flights home.  

We are all visitors to this time, this place.”  
– Australian Aboriginal Proverb  

Post-Tour Extension

October 26-28, 2022
Auckland – On Your Own
3 days/2 nights for $295 total price
Single Supplement: $225
Enjoy additional time in the sparkling “City of Sails,” at your own pace.

Your Tour Price Includes
• 2 nights’ accommodations at Grand Millennium Auckland (Superior First Class)
• 2 meals: 2 breakfasts
• Transfer to airport

Tour Departs: October 5, 2022
Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees
Los Angeles $8,984
Dallas, Houston, Phoenix, Portland (OR), $9,284
San Francisco, Seattle
Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, Miami, Minneapolis, Orlando, Tampa $9,384
Baltimore, Charlotte, Cincinnati, New York, $9,484
Philadelphia, Washington, DC
Land Only (transfers not included) $7,895

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Tour Prices
Tour prices quoted are guaranteed through December 31, 2022, and include accommodations based on double occupancy; airfare from your departure city; airline taxes, surcharges, and fees, and port charges and cruise line fees (where applicable), which are subject to change until final payment has been made; internal air, rail, and motorcoach transportation; meals, sightseeing, and transfers as described; hotel taxes; entrance fees for included sightseeing; the services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director; luggage handling for one bag per person; and all gratuities as described below. Please note that the cost of air upgrades is subject to change.

Gratuities
Tour prices include all gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers on base tours and on optional extensions when accompanied by an Odysseys Unlimited representative. Please note that gratuities for the Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour) are not included. These tips are optional and should be extended on a voluntary basis. Gratuities are not included on “On Your Own” optional extensions.

Not Included in Your Tour Price
Airfare from your hometown to your departure city; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; immunizations and inoculations; communications charges; airport transfers when purchasing a land-only package; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour), which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: $10-$15 per guest, per day); and a Travel Protection Plan. Additional baggage fees levied directly by the airline(s) may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Registration and Payment
A deposit of $500 per person confirms your reservation and is fully refundable up to 95 days prior to departure. Full payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure and may be made by personal check or credit card. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. reserves the right to cancel any reservations that are not paid in full at any time after final payment is due. If you make your reservation after the final payment date, payment in full will be required upon reservation.

Cancellations and Refunds
If you must cancel your tour, the effective date of cancellation will be upon our receipt of your written notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges:
For all tours

Prior to departure | Charge
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95 days or more: | Full refund
94-65 days: | 25% of tour price
64-45 days: | 50% of tour price
44-30 days: | 75% of tour price
29-0 days: | No refund

Please note that we will not refund the cost of any unused portion of your tour package, should you or your travel companion cancel your participation during the tour. If because of low participation Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. cancels your tour, you will receive a complete refund of all payments you have made to us.

Pre-Departure

After reserving your tour, you will receive pre-departure mailings that include a detailed itinerary, visa requirements, and reading list. We will send your final tour documents, including airline itineraries (with e-ticket numbers) two to three weeks before departure.

Single Travelers

We welcome single travelers, and offer a limited number of single accommodations on each tour. Because hotel and cruise rates are priced by the room or cabin, the per person cost for accommodations occupied by one person is higher than that shared by two people. We will endeavor to keep single supplements at a reasonable cost. Please note that single rooms in many foreign hotels may be smaller than those to which you are accustomed.

Changes to Your Reservation

We will not charge a fee for any changes made to your reservation outside of 95 days before departure. From 94 to 30 days before departure, if you make any changes to your reservation, a $100 per person administrative fee will apply, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by airlines, hotels, or other third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason or at any time, you will be charged the single supplement.

Please note that no changes to your reservation can be made within 30 days of departure.

Required Information

Upon reservation, we will need to obtain from you the following, in accordance with the Transportation Security Administration’s (TSA) Secure Flight program (for details, please visit www.tsa.gov), as well as for our travel partners: for international tours – your full name as it appears on your passport, date of birth, and gender; for domestic tours – your full name as it appears on the accepted form of government-issued photo identification that you plan to use, date of birth, and gender. In addition, airlines may require that we provide them with your contact information prior to departure. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, or if you use a different passport (international tours) or other form of government-issued photo identification (domestic tours) than originally cited, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket’s reissue.

Travel Documents

A passport valid for at least six months after the completion of your tour is required for U.S. citizens on all international tours in this catalog. If your tour requires a visa(s), we strongly recommend that you have at least six blank visa pages available; for tours not requiring a visa(s), we recommend that your passport have at least three blank visa pages. We will send you specific visa and entry requirements after you make a reservation. You are responsible for obtaining these documents. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please contact your embassy or consulate to ensure you obtain the proper documentation.

Smoking

For the convenience of the majority of our travelers, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. has a No Smoking policy (including e-cigarettes and vaping) on all tour buses. We will arrange sufficient rest stops so those who wish to smoke may do so.

Health and Medical Issues

We welcome all travelers, but request that you be in good health to participate in an Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. tour. All of our tours involve a reasonable amount of walking (typically two to three miles per day), often uphill or
on uneven or cobblestone streets. You must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own. We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance if you require the use of a wheelchair or have other personal needs; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that a number of our itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and the USC Alumni Association reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical condition or behavior, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other tour members. In that event, the USC Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour. While we do our best to accommodate food allergy concerns, we cannot guarantee zero cross-contamination.

Air Transportation
Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round-trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown and contracts with those airlines they feel provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer more direct service, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates that enable us to offer you the best possible travel value. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. Please note that seat assignment on your flight is usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is unable to guarantee any seat assignments. Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available on most tours. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. In addition, we recommend that you not purchase your tickets until final payment is due. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and the USC Alumni Association will incur no liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes therein. In any event, neither Odysseys’s Unlimited, Inc., nor the USC Alumni Association is responsible for losses, direct or indirect, or missed components of a trip which result from air delays, cancellations, rerouting or any other air-related problem.

Responsibility
The liability of the USC Alumni Association, as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under its control. It serves only as an agent for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. The USC Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within its control, including, without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise line, and other independent suppliers. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality. Cruise itineraries may change due to factors such as government regulations, water levels, or weather conditions.
To reserve your place on tour, please call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 888-370-6765. Please have the information outlined below available to share with an Odysseys Unlimited Travel Counselor.

If you prefer, you may also complete this Reservation Form and submit it to Odysseys Unlimited’s office. Once this request is received, a Travel Counselor from Odysseys Unlimited will contact you within two business days to securely take your credit card information for the deposit. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA, or by personal check. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure. If paying by check, please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and include with the form.

Send to: Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.
Attn: Special Interest Groups
One Newton Place
275 Washington Street, Suite 300
Newton, MA 02458

I/we would like to request __________ place(s). (Deposit amount is $500 per person.)

Full Passport Name ___________________________________________ Date of Birth __________ Gender ______

Full Passport Name ___________________________________________ Date of Birth __________ Gender ______

Address _______________________________________________________________________________________

City ___________________________ State ____________ ZIP ______________

Home Ph. (_____ ) ___________________________ Cell Ph. (_____ ) ___________________________

E-mail(s) _______________________________________________________________________________________

Badge Name(s) ___________________________________________________________________________________

Please book my/our air from __________________________ I/We request an air upgrade to _______________________

I will share a room with ______________________________________ I request a single room (limited availability) □

Tour Name __________________________________________

Departure Date _______________________________________

Post-Tour Extension (as described on tour page): Please sign me/us up □

RESERVATION FORM