



FAMILY

WORLDWIDE ADVENTURES



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Welcome

to the Intrepid way of travel

Like for many of you, travel means more to me than just a holiday. It's introduced me to some wonderful people, taken me around the world and saved me from a finance job I didn't enjoy.

Travel is more than just the where. It's also about the how. That's why our commitment to responsible travel is so important to me. I like coming to work every day knowing that I'm doing my bit to deliver the best travel experience ever for our customers, and at the same time our business is giving back to the places we visit and the locals we meet along the way.

We're now the world's largest provider of adventure travel experiences, and that means it's our responsibility to be a leader in sustainable tourism. We're always looking for ways to improve, from carbon-offsetting our trips and putting a stop to elephant rides to recycling around the office.

International travel with children in-tow can be a challenge (trust me, I know of what I speak) but a group tour definitely reduces the risk of tears and tantrums. And this year in particular, there's a lot for the kids to get excited about. We've got a brand new family safari through Tanzania, with an extra stop at the spice island of Zanzibar, an active hike and bike trip in Slovenia, orangutan-spotting adventures in the Borneo jungle and a coast-to-coast tour through the highlands of Sri Lanka.

Enjoy this brochure. I hope it sparks a flash of inspiration or maybe stokes a little wanderlust.

James

James Thornton
Managing Director



Why family group travel?

The world's a big place, and it's human nature to get out there and explore it. But when there's a plethora of different languages to learn, borders to cross and cultures to negotiate, you can spend a lot of energy on simply getting from A to B. Small group family adventure travel allows you to maximise your precious time together. Instead of worrying about logistics, you can focus all your energy on having the family experience of a lifetime.



Shared family experiences

Our Family Adventures are not about kid's clubs and separate activities. Our trips encourage the whole family to get involved and share in the experience together. From riding camels through the desert and sea kayaking over a sunken city to meeting Africa's quirky wildlife and getting to know a family in Cuba, our trips introduce your family to new experiences that will create lasting memories to be shared around the dinner table for years to come.

Hassle-free Family Adventures

We've put years of research into our itineraries, activities, operators and accommodation. So why spend hours agonising over every detail of your trip when you can leave it to someone who lives and breathes your style of travel? Whether your family has limited time or you want to explore a destination that's outside your comfort zone, your family will have the support and expertise you need for a hassle-free holiday.

Ready-made friends

We all know how much energy is needed to keep up with our kids and their constant need for entertainment. But on a Family Adventure, ready-made companions are aplenty as all the kids naturally band together. We strive to match the kid's ages on each of our trips, and with a highly trained, kid-friendly leader on board, you can join in on the fun or happily watch them in their games of discovery.

Family friendly leaders

We carefully plan our trips to showcase the people and places of where we visit and so you as a family can truly get the best out of your holiday. The local leaders are key to the success of your experience and the highest praise on our trips is almost always reserved for them. They are not just great organisers and knowledgeable about their country – they are its greatest advocates and so more than just a traditional tour guide.

In an unfamiliar place, it's important to have a leader who speaks the local language, knows the good operators and is able to help if there are any problems or special requests. Whether you have a special request to see something special or your child has a food allergy, the leader will do everything they can to ensure your requirements are met.

They are the true superstars of our trips and can turn a great family holiday into the best family holiday ever!



Nok, Thailand

Nok has been one of the best tour guides we have ever had and has done a wonderful job to make the tour quite a memorable experience.

~ Peter Stone, Thailand Family Holiday



Bibiana Gatulik, Borneo

Bibiana was fantastic, friendly, fun, approachable, well organised, patient. Just amazing.

~ Susan Plowman, Borneo Family Adventure

Trip Styles

Every one of our trips has a particular style. It's a way to help you pick the adventure that suits you best. Just the essentials, a bunch of inclusions or a little of both? The choice is yours.



Basix

FOR TRAVELLERS ON A BUDGET

These are amazing experiences at a great price. Basix trips use simple, convenient accommodation, travel on local transport where possible and include plenty of free time. Pick and choose inclusions to fit your budget.

INCLUSIONS

Lots of free time and optional extras, so you can tailor your trip to suit your budget. Each trip has an expert local leader and is full of real life experiences.

ACCOMMODATION

Clean, well-located budget accommodation sometimes with shared facilities. Our family basix itineraries include participation camping in some unique locations.

TRANSPORT

Our basix trips are run in overland trucks, moving at a slower pace to discover and explore.



Original

THE ORIGINAL INTREPID STYLE

These are the trips we built our reputation on! Original trips offer a great mix of included activities and free time to explore on your own. They use centrally located hotels and come with a few meals along the way.

INCLUSIONS

A balance of free time and added inclusions, plus a couple of meals along the way. Each trip has an expert local leader and is full of real life experiences.

ACCOMMODATION

Simple, tourist-class hotels, close to the action. Some itineraries feature homestays or unique accommodation, such as a Tuscan apartment or Saharan desert camp.

TRANSPORT

A mix of local and private transport. Think taxis, trams, trains, vans or camels.



Comfort

MORE CREATURE COMFORTS

We've smoothed away adventure travel's rougher edges to craft a style of travel that has an added degree of... well, comfort. Enjoy a more relaxed pace, comfortable accommodation and lots of included activities.

INCLUSIONS

Plenty of included activities and some meals. Each trip has an expert local leader and is full of real life experiences.

ACCOMMODATION

Comfortable hotels with private amenities and often with plenty of local character. Some itineraries feature homestays or unique accommodation, such as a Moroccan riad or a French chateau.

TRANSPORT

More private transport than Original and shorter travel days.

Why Intrepid?

We get it – when it comes to travel, all that choice can be a little overwhelming. How can you be sure we are the people for the job?

You can read in the following pages about our expert local leaders, added inclusions and decades of experience, but we reckon when it comes to adventure, attitude is everything.

Why Intrepid? Because we believe:

MOMENTS ARE BETTER SHARED

The beauty of group travel isn't just sharing new places, it's sharing new perspectives. It's the stories you hear and the friendships you forge, the people that stick around long after the tan has faded.

TRAVEL WORKS BEST WHEN IT'S BALANCED

Time is your most precious resource, especially on a holiday. That's why our trips are built with balance in mind. A little group time, a little you time – the way it should be.

CURIOSITY IS A VIRTUE

We love the highlights, but we think the real magic happens well away from a beaten path. It's the local coffee houses, hidden galleries and backstreet bodegas you won't find in a search engine.

WITH GREAT TRAVEL COMES GREAT RESPONSIBILITY

The world's an amazing place and we want to do our bit to keep it that way. Sustainable travel doesn't mean no fun, it means that travel can be used to benefit others.

ADVENTURE SHOULD BE FOR EVERYONE

Age, pillow preference, budget – it doesn't matter where you're from, what matters is where you'd like to go. Whether you favour a soft landing or a wild take-off, Intrepid stands for you.

Look out for these symbols



We have no minimum numbers on most of our trips. Once you've booked, your trip will run as scheduled.



We offset our emissions each year by investing in highly accredited renewable energy products.

PHYSICAL RATING

Each of our trips has a physical rating, so you can tell how physically exerting a trip is and how fit you'll need to be to enjoy it. As a guide:

- Easy and relaxing
- Bring your walking shoes
- An average level of fitness required
- Action packed, physically demanding
- Full-on active adventure for the more agile traveller



Check out our best-selling trips.



Swimming available on these trips.



Designed to include suitable activities for teenagers.



Exciting new additions to our current range of itineraries.



Highlights trips that receive a traveller rating of over 4.75 out of 5.



WINTER DEP

A special departure that embraces all the delights of a winter wonderland.





Where you stay.

We take a lot of care choosing your accommodation and try to avoid the big chain hotels. Your accommodation could be a locally run hotel in Europe, a jungle lodge in Latin America or a small, family-friendly hotel. No matter where you stay, it will be of good quality and most rooms will be ensuite and have air-conditioning as standard. Plus we pick hotels that provide triple or quad rooms and always try and offer conjoining rooms when they are available.



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School's out. Pools are in.

Most families expect to be able to swim when they're on holiday, so we've made sure there are swimming opportunities on all of our trips. Travelling on one of our family adventures does not mean you have to scrimp on time by the pool or by staying in dormitories or poorly run hotels. We offer good accommodation with an authentic feel and some incredible pools where the kids can jump, dive and swim to their heart's content while you relax and read a book – and try to avoid getting splashed! We know there is nothing more refreshing than a dip in a pool after a long and exciting day, and there will be plenty of those.



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Responsible travel

The world's an amazing place and we do what we can to keep it that way. Travel should benefit the places it touches, and we've made a commitment to be a responsible business and live this promise every single day.



BEING A RESPONSIBLE BUSINESS

Being a responsible business is ingrained in who we are and what we do. As part of our commitment to the United Nations Global Compact (www.unglobalcompact.org), we report every year on our pledge to tackle global sustainability issues like climate change, labour standards, human rights and corruption.



INTREPID AND CARBON EMISSIONS

When you travel with us, you can relax in the knowledge that every ounce of carbon your trip generates has been offset. We offset our emissions each year by investing in highly accredited renewable energy projects. In 2010 the Intrepid group of companies (including our offices) went carbon neutral.



AVOID BUYING FROM OR GIVING TO CHILDREN

In some destinations your family may see children selling items in the street or begging, but by giving handouts or purchasing their wares you may actually be contributing to keeping them out of school. Share your time, a game or some fun instead – and if you really want to give something meaningful for their future, do it through an established, well-run organisation like The Intrepid Foundation.

THE INTREPID FOUNDATION

We created The Intrepid Foundation in 2002 with a simple mission: to invest in grassroots projects in the regions we operate. In 14 years we've raised over \$4 million for more than 75 not-for-profit organisations in over 25 countries. 100% of your donation will go to your chosen recipient (we cover all the admin fees) and Intrepid will match your donation dollar for dollar*.

HOW TO DONATE

You can donate to The Intrepid Foundation anytime: through your travel agent or Intrepid specialist, on The Intrepid Foundation homepage or during the online booking process. Learn more at theintrepidfoundation.org

*up to AUD 1,000 per donor and a total of AUD 400,000 for all donors each financial year (excludes emergency appeals).



Photo competition

Like what you see in this brochure? We're always on the lookout for great shots from our travellers. Enter our monthly photo competition for the chance to be featured in our brochures and social media, plus you'll go in the draw to win a swag of travel prizes.*

To enter, visit intrepidtravel.com/photo-competition

* Terms & conditions apply

Intrepid loyalty

Loyalty should be rewarded don't you think? And a reward should be a bit better than a hug coupon or a free cup of coffee. If you suffer from incurable wanderlust and end up taking nine Intrepid trips, we'll give you the tenth for FREE^, plus the coveted title of Intrepid Legend. We'll even throw in that hug coupon for good measure (you deserve it). It's just our little way of saying thanks.

Find out more at intrepidtravel.com/loyalty

^See website for terms & conditions

After a private holiday?

If you like the sound of our style of travel but would rather holiday with just your family and friends, we can help. Most of our trips are also available as private departures and come with all the excitement and inclusions of a regular departure, but we can tweak and adjust the details until they fit you just right.

Get in touch with our team, who will work with you to provide the best family travel experience for you and your family. Contact us at groups@intrepidtravel.com for more details.



What to expect on a Family Adventure

DEDICATED FAMILY ITINERARIES

All our family trips are planned and researched by experts and are dedicated family itineraries rather than rebadged adult trips. The trips are delivered in a kid-centric way to maximise involvement and interest from the children, at the same time as providing an immersion into the local culture for the adult members of the group. Our family experts have also specifically crafted the itineraries to make sure they run at a family-friendly pace and keep travelling time to a minimum. You won't have to pack your suitcase every day, and you'll get more time in each place for free time or to explore at your leisure. We also visit key sites at the best time of day and ensure that meals times are relevant to the group dynamic.

EXPERT LOCAL LEADERS

The enthusiasm, dedication and knowledge of our leaders is fundamental in turning your holiday from a good one into a great one. Not only do they look after the logistics, ensuring that everything runs smoothly and you can holiday with your kids rather than organising them, but they are a massive hit with the kids, teaching them local games and customs and enthralling them with tales of adventure and history.

AUTHENTIC ACCOMMODATION

We steer clear of big name hotels but utilise a variety of accommodation chosen with the needs of the family in mind. We prefer locally run hotels and authentic accommodation that represents the country or region that you're visiting. All of our accommodation is checked by our health and safety team and will be clean, safe and good value.

SAFETY

As an adventure travel specialist, our itineraries are designed to give you an authentic experience and immerse you in the destination. But at the same time, we also want to ensure you have a safe trip. With staff on the ground providing up-to-the-minute information, we can make informed decisions and respond quickly to any destination situations. Additionally, we regularly check all of our equipment, accommodation, vehicles and activities. So you can relax in the knowledge you're safe in our hands.

DATES TO FIT THE HOLIDAYS

After weeks of deliberating over which destination to travel to, it would be disappointing to find out that your chosen trip doesn't depart on the date that you need it to. We understand your frustrations, so Intrepid Family Adventures are designed with departures to fit in with the school holidays. So once you know where you want to go, you can be assured that you can travel outside of term-time.

Asia



Asia might be a small word, but it's got big meaning. It means temples, beaches, markets and mountains; ancient cities, modern metropolises and tiny villages; elephants, tigers, and even rhinos. Asia means a world of endless possibilities and different cultural experiences at every stop. Whether you're mud fishing in Vietnam, hanging with orangutans in Borneo, playing cricket in India, or learning Kung Fu in Hong Kong, Asia is one great big friendly family waiting for you to join in the fun.



Want to kick up the adventure level? That's where active family holidays come in. Kayaking Halong Bay or jungle ziplining, these trips have wild days and sleepy nights (pages 15-16).



Joining our range of comfort trips in Vietnam and India is a new Borneo journey, featuring a stay on incredible Manukan Island (page 19).



India might seem a little daunting at first, but with our new trip you'll take in the best of both the north and south in two easily manageable chunks (page 24).

WHERE IN THE WORLD

Thailand
Vietnam
Cambodia
Nepal
India
Sri Lanka
Japan
China

Weather

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Tokyo	Blue	Blue	Blue	Light Blue	Yellow	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Yellow	Light Blue	Blue
Delhi	Yellow	Yellow	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Red	Red	Orange	Orange	Yellow	Yellow
Beijing	Blue	Blue	Blue	Yellow	Yellow	Brown	Brown	Brown	Yellow	Yellow	Blue	Blue
Hanoi	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Yellow	Yellow

- Monsoon 25-35°C
- Very hot & dry 35°C+
- Hot & dry 25-35°C
- Hot & wet 25-35°C
- Pleasantly warm 20-30°C
- Warm & wet 20-25°C
- Cool 15-20°C
- Cold & dry 0-15°C
- Cold & wet 0-15°C
- Below freezing -0°C



Vietnam - Andrew Nicholson

Thailand, Laos & Vietnam Family Holiday

15 DAYS, BANGKOK TO HANOI



STYLE
ORIGINAL

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PHYSICAL
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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Guesthouse (1 nt), hotel (11 nts),
overnight boat (1 nt), overnight
sleeper train (1 nt)



14 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 3 Dinners



Boat, longtail boat, minibus,
overnight sleeper train, private bus

Day 1 Bangkok There are so many exciting ways to see Bangkok – hail a tuk-tuk to explore the busy streets or shop up a storm in the markets. **Day 2 Bangkok/ Overnight Train** Cruise down the Chao Phraya River to Wat Pho temple and its giant reclining gold buddha. Then hop on an overnight train north. **Days 3-4 Chiang Mai** Be mesmerised by the hypnotic chanting of Buddhist monks at Doi Suthep. Ride around this newly cycling-mad city, then take a Thai cooking class and see who can make the best pad Thai! **Day 5 Chiang Khong** Wander the markets in this peaceful riverside village. Enjoy a final Thai dinner before crossing the mighty Mekong into Laos. **Day 6 Mekong River** Float along the Mekong River en route to Laos. Experience a slower pace of life in the river villages. **Days 7-8 Luang Prabang** Explore the Pak Ou Caves and count the numerous Buddhist statues. Take a dip in the

fantastically blue waters of Kuang Si Falls. Explore the Night Bazaar and try a steaming bowl of khao pun. **Days 9-10 Vang Vieng** Take in the mountain scenery and snippets of small village life along the hilly highway to Vang Vieng. Take to the water and explore in a kayak. Trace a path on a hike around the surrounding karst limestone hills. **Day 11 Vientiane** Discover faded mansions, leafy boulevards, and an Intrepid Foundation-sponsored organisation in Laos' untouched capital. **Day 12 Hanoi** Explore Hanoi independently and get a taste for French-influenced Asia. Roam through the Old Quarter and watch a traditional water puppet show. **Day 13 Halong Bay** Pick up a kayak and explore wonderful beaches and secret coves. Fall asleep to waves lapping the hull. **Day 14 Hanoi** Return to Hanoi for our last night in Vietnam. The trip ends after breakfast on day 15.



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Angkor Wat, Cambodia - Darrell Wade



Indochina Family Holiday

15 DAYS, HANOI TO SIEM REAP



Dining at KOTO in Hanoi, you'll not only feast on delicious specialties, you'll also support an excellent cause that connects street kids with careers in hospitality.

The novelty of travelling on the back of a cyclo seems to never wear off. Explore Phom Penh's atmospheric riverfront from the back of this three-wheeled wonder.

Angkor Wat is simply one of South East Asia's most amazing sights, and a three-day pass gives you plenty of time to explore this staggering Khmer complex.

Days 1-2 Hanoi Arrive in Vietnam's picturesque Hanoi. Explore Hanoi by bus and get a taste for French-influenced Asia. Enjoy lunch at the community-minded KOTO restaurant. Then visit the Ethology museum, Temple of Literature and watch a traditional water puppet show. **Days 3-4 Halong Bay** Set sail on beautiful Halong Bay. Thousands of limestone peaks dot the emerald waters of the bay and there's plenty of time to explore the islands and their stalactite-encrusted caves. Spend a night aboard a boat, enjoying a delicious meal and a lovely sunset before falling asleep to the gentle rocking of the bay. Return to Hanoi and board an overnight train to Danang. **Days 5-7 Hoi An** Stop by My Khe Beach en route to Vietnam's ancient Hoi An. Packed with artisans, tailors and food stalls, this is a bargain hunter's heaven. Meet some locals and learn about their lives, admire fabrics

in shops and markets, get clothes tailor-made or head out to the beach on a scenic bicycle ride. **Days 8-9 Ho Chi Minh City** Touchdown in Vietnam's vibrant Ho Chi Minh City. Take some time to explore this bustling city. A tasty local-style lunch awaits at the Ben Thanh Market. Hop on a boat to Ben Tre to visit the Mekong Delta. Check out local cottage industries and cruise down coconut-shaded waterways. **Days 10-12 Phnom Penh** Fly to Cambodia's capital. Jump on a remork and a local barge to reach an island in the Mekong to explore. **Days 13-15 Siem Reap** Head on to Siem Reap, the gateway to the World Heritage-listed Angkor Archaeological Park. Take your time exploring the incredible Angkor temples and perhaps head out to see surrounding areas. Enjoy Phare, the Cambodian Circus, before this trip ends on Day 15.



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (12 nts), overnight boat (1 nt),
overnight sleeper train (1 nt)



14 Breakfasts, 5 Lunches, 1 Dinner



Plane, private bus, boat,
overnight sleeper train, remork



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Halong Bay - Brett Barnes

Vietnam Family Holiday

13 DAYS, HANOI TO HO CHI MINH CITY



STYLE
ORIGINAL

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TVFA

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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (9 nts), motorised boat (1 nt),
overnight sleeper train (1 nt),
homestay (1 nt)



12 Breakfasts, 5 Lunches, 2 Dinners



Plane, private bus, boat,
overnight sleeper train



Days 1-2 Hanoi Arrive in Hanoi and explore the city on a full day tour, including a visit to the Ho Chi Minh Complex, Temple of Literature and lunch at KOTO, a restaurant that helps Hanoi's disadvantaged youth with life skills and employment opportunities. Then it's off to an evening water puppet show, a form of traditional Vietnamese entertainment that started in rice fields centuries ago. **Days 3-4 Halong Bay/ Overnight Train** Cruise the warm waters of Halong Bay and admire towering limestone peaks and the strange rock formations of the caves. Take a dip in the South China Sea and, at night, be captivated by Vietnam's star-filled sky. **Days 5-6 Hue** A former imperial capital and important Buddhist centre, Hue is filled with ancient sites. Discover the Imperial Citadel and the lovely octagonal Thien Mu Pagoda. Explore the lively Dong Ba Market and search for 'poem hats' between

the stalls. Later, swap the bustle of the markets for the tranquillity of Vietnam's Perfume River with a cruise on a dragon boat. **Days 7-9 Hoi An** Travel past picturesque rice paddies and verdant mountains to the quaint backstreets of charming Hoi An. Take an orientation walk and visit CHIA, an Intrepid Foundation project. Shop for handicrafts, get clothes tailor-made or enjoy a picnic on the beach. **Days 10-13 Ho Chi Minh City/Mekong Delta** Fly to Vietnam's fast-paced Ho Chi Minh City and fill up on traditional cuisine at a local market. Spend time exploring the city, before travelling to remote villages to get a taste of Vietnam's rural life. Explore the mangroves of the Mekong Delta by paddling a sampan (traditional boat) around the tributaries before boarding a private boat to cruise the major waterways of the delta. Back in town, soak up the last of Ho Chi Minh City, where this adventure ends.

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Halong Bay, Vietnam

Comfort Vietnam Family Holiday

13 DAYS, HANOI TO HO CHI MINH CITY



Enjoy that extra level of comfort on this superb trip through Vietnam. The best sights, sounds and highlights, with comfortable accommodation at night.

There's a great mix of included activities and free time, which is perfect in atmospheric destinations like Hoi An, with the beach just a short bike ride away.

Head to the heart of the Mekong Delta and enjoy the delicious cooking and generous hospitality of a local family.

Days 1-2 Hanoi Explore Hanoi on a city tour, which shows you the very best sites and hidden gems of the city. Enjoy lunch at KOTO restaurant, which supports disadvantaged youth, and take in a water puppet show. **Day 3 Halong Bay** Travel to Halong Bay and set sail through waters dotted with dramatic limestone peaks, small green islands and white sandy beaches. Spend the afternoon swimming, exploring caves and grottoes, or relaxing on deck. **Days 4-6 Overnight Train/Hue** Return to Hanoi and board an overnight train to Hue. Visit the walled Imperial Citadel and Forbidden Purple City. Enjoy a dragon boat cruise along the Perfume River, visiting a Buddhist monastery and the royal tomb of Emperor Tu Duc. In the afternoon, grab an ice cream and watch the sun set over the river. **Days 7-9 Hoi An** Arrive in Hoi An, a city with friendly locals and old-world charm, then

visit Cua Dai beach. Enjoy an orientation walk around Hoi An and then visit the Children's Hope in Action Centre, a community-based project that supports disadvantaged families in the region. **Day 10 Ho Chi Minh City** Take a flight to Ho Chi Minh City. Visit Ben Thanh for a traditional market-style lunch, then explore at your own pace. **Day 11 Mekong Delta** Head out to explore the waterways of the Mekong Delta by boat. Visit an orchard to sample tropical fruits then stop at some local cottage industries. At sunset, head to tonight's homestay and enjoy generous hospitality and a delicious meal of local specialties. **Days 12-13 Ho Chi Minh City** Rise early and return to Ho Chi Minh City in the afternoon and spend one last evening in Vietnam before this trip comes to an end the next morning.



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (9 nts), motorised boat (1 nt),
overnight sleeper train (1 nt),
homestay (1 nt)



11 Breakfasts, 5 Lunches, 4 Dinners



Private bus, boat, minibus, plane,
overnight sleeper train



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Vietnam Active Family Holiday

9 DAYS, HANOI TO HOI AN



Experience the tranquil beauty of rural Vietnam while cycling through the lush rice paddies and limestone karsts of Ninh Binh.

Exploring Halong Bay by kayak allows you to access places the junk boats can't. Paddle through grottoes, land on secluded islands and inspect stalactites up close.

Be romanced by the well-preserved architecture, welcoming atmosphere and superb eateries of Hoi An.

Days 1-2 Hanoi Welcome to Hanoi, Vietnam's elegant capital. Wander down to Hoan Kiem Lake to watch people practising yoga or 'laughter workshops', then seek out the city's best pho. Explore Hanoi, then stop in at KOTO for lunch. An Intrepid Foundation-supported initiative, KOTO stands for 'Know One, Teach One'. This is feasting for a cause! After lunch, in the afternoon, cycle around Hanoi and outskirts old west lake. **Day 3 Mai Chau** Following a hearty local breakfast, drive to Luong Son. Peaceful, picturesque and paved, today's cycle to Mai Chau reveals a very different side to Vietnam, away from the hustle and bustle of Hanoi. **Day 4 Ninh Binh** Discover the village life and scenic countryside of provincial Vietnam. Cycling from Mai Chau to Ninh Binh, be treated to views of limestone karsts mountains, lush rice paddies and gently flowing waterways. An easy ride means

plenty of chances to hop off and take some photos of the stunning scenery. **Days 5-6 Halong Bay** Trade wheels and solid ground for some time at sea in Halong Bay, a beautiful natural harbour of limestone islands, giant caves and emerald waters. Enjoy an introductory kayak excursion, then spend the night aboard a traditional junk boat. Head out for a full day of kayaking in this exquisite setting. The day's exploration is sure to be fantastic fun. **Days 7-9 Hoi An** Fly down to Hoi An, a delightful old city with colonial-era architecture and an easygoing atmosphere. Explore both the town and its surrounds by foot and bike. With its gorgeous riverside setting, abundance of excellent eateries and first-rate shopping, Hoi An is a highlight for many travellers to Vietnam. Perhaps pick out a restaurant for a final night of feasting with your group. This trip ends after breakfast on Day 9.



STYLE ORIGINAL	TRIP CODE TVFB	PHYSICAL ●●○○○
Minimum age 11 Group size 3-5 families	Hotel (5 nts), motorised boat (2 nts), homestay (1 nt)	
8 Breakfasts, 5 Lunches, 3 Dinners		
Private bus, bike, kayak, boat, plane		



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Thailand Active Family Holiday

9 DAYS, BANGKOK TO BANGKOK



Blissfully glide across the Mae Teang river on a kayaking voyage, then learn about rural Thai life on a village visit.

Fly through the jungle just like a gibbon monkey on a thrilling ziplining experience in Chiang Mai.

Cycle to riverside villages outside of Bangkok, then get to know the locals with a homestay experience.

Days 1-2 Bangkok The great Thai adventure begins! Hail a tuk-tuk and get busy exploring the busy streets of Bangkok. Pedal past the riverside temple Wat Pho and the opulent Grand Palace on a leisurely guided bike tour. then catch an overnight train north in the evening. **Day 3 Chiang Mai** Climb the sacred steps to northern Thailand's revered golden temple, Doi Suthep, and be mesmerised by the chanting of the monks. Take part in a delicious Khan Toke dinner with live entertainment. **Day 4-5 Hilltribe Trek** Take a day of fresh mountain air and discovery by foot. Explore the markets of Chiang Mai, stop for a refreshing dip by a waterfall, then make friends with the locals at an overnight stay in a Thai village. **Days 6 Chiang Mai** Glide down the Mae Teang River on an inflatable kayak, paddling through lush jungles, stopping to pick fruit and keeping eyes peeled for wildlife. Learn

about rural life and traditions on a visit to the Lahu Hill tribe village, then return to Chiang Mai. Listen for the soft cry of gibbon monkeys while soaring through the forest for an exhilarating day of ziplining and tree top discovery. Take an afternoon to relax before returning to Bangkok on an overnight train. **Day 7 Amphawa Homestay** Hop on a bike and explore riverside villages outside Bangkok, where local Thais flock for the famous floating markets. Then enjoy some local hospitality with a homestay experience. **Days 8-9 Bangkok** Bargain and barter with the locals at the floating market, which is full of weird and wonderful goods. Return to Bangkok and say farewell to the group with a final dinner before the trip concludes. Finish up in Bangkok where there are still many fun and fascinating attractions to visit. Perhaps ride the Skytrain or visit the huge shopping centres.



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Minimum age 11
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (4 nts), homestay (4 nts),
overnight sleeper train (2 nts)



8 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 4 Dinners



Private bus, sleeper train, bike, kayak



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Elephant Nature Park, Thailand - Ben Roseveare

Thailand Family Holiday

12 DAYS, BANGKOK TO BANGKOK



A long-tail boat trip on the canals is the perfect intro to Bangkok. Follow it up with a visit to Wat Pho, where the larger-than-life reclining Buddha is mindblowing.

A Ban Hua Tung homestay takes hospitality to the next level, with home cooking and a cultural dance performance.

The activities in Chiang Mai are both fun and educational – bathing rescued elephants or learning about natural medicines and wild foods in sacred foothills.

Day 1 Bangkok The best way to kick off this Thailand adventure is to get stuck into Bangkok's world famous street food. Stuff yourself with pad Thai and meat skewers. **Days 2-3 Kanchanaburi** Cruise the canals of Bangkok to see the magnificent Reclining Buddha at Wat Pho and perhaps explore the city's chaotic floating markets. Then it's off to Kanchanaburi to visit the infamous Bridge on the River Kwai and to take a dip under the seven-tiered waterfall in Erawan National Park. Maybe take the chance to kayak under the bridge on the way back to town. **Day 4 Ayutthaya/ Overnight Train** Visit the ancient temples of Ayutthaya, one of the most well-preserved historical sites in Thailand. Travel back in time to a significant period in Siamese history and maybe even enjoy a game of hide-and-seek among the ruins. **Day 5 Chiang Mai** Enjoy the views from the top of Doi Suthep before

spending an evening exploring Chiang Mai's colourful Night Bazaar – the food here is some of the best in the city. **Day 6 Village Homestay** Watch bath time at the Elephant Nature Park before learning a little more about the plight of these gentle giants. Spend the night in a small village and enjoy a traditional home-cooked dinner. **Days 7-8 Chiang Mai/Overnight Train** Explore a community forest with local guides and learn about the different kinds of herbal medicines and wild foods that can be found there. Back in Chiang Mai, take a boat tour down the river, explore golden temples or try a Thai cooking class. **Days 9-10 Hua Hin** Take some time to relax with a coconut on the beautiful beaches of Hua Hin. **Days 11-12 Bangkok** Finish up back in Bangkok where there are still many fun and fascinating attractions to visit. Perhaps ride the Skytrain or visit the huge shopping centres.

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	Minimum age 5 Group size 3-5 families	
	Hotel (8 nts), overnight sleeper train (2 nts), homestay (1 nt)	
	11 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 1 Dinner	
	Longtail boat, bus, minivan, songthaew, overnight sleeper train	



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Cambodia Family Holiday

8 DAYS, PHNOM PENH TO SIEM REAP



Get a real insight into Khmer life and traditions over dinner with a local family in Battambang.

It will be like Tomb Raider and Indiana Jones rolled into one as you explore the incredible ruins of Angkor Wat.

Discover Cambodia's answer to Cirque Du Soleil with a memorable acrobatic performance by Phare in Siem Reap.

Days 1-2 Phnom Penh Touch down in the former capital of the East and discover a city where the charm of yesteryear is re-emerging. Jump on a remork and a local barge to reach an island in the Mekong to see the lifestyle of people who make their living from silk weaving, agriculture and aquaculture. Finish the day with a memorable sunset cruise.

Days 3-4 Battambang Head to Cambodia's second biggest city, stopping en route to see local pottery being made. Battambang is delightful, boasting an attractive riverfront, graceful French architecture and a laidback air. Join a local family for dinner and get a glimpse into everyday Khmer life and customs. Explore the local countryside by bike, stopping in at villages to see local produce being made, and perhaps take a ride on the famous Bamboo Train. **Days 5-8 Siem Reap** Tour a local not-for-profit silk worm farm and learn

how this natural fabric is made before arriving in Siem Reap. The following days include plenty of excursions and activities. Be awed by the intricate stone carvings and elaborate constructions of the world's largest religious site, feeling like you are part of Tomb Raider or Indiana Jones in the World Heritage-listed Angkor Wat Archaeological Park. Drop in at the Angkor Centre for Conservation of Biodiversity to meet the wide variety of animals rescued from illegal trafficking. Following lunch at a local homestay, pop into the Banteay Srei Butterfly Centre and be surrounded by beautiful flying jewels of colour. Spend the final night of this Cambodian adventure being entertained by the acrobatics and theatrics of Phare, Cambodia's answer to Cirque Du Soleil. This trip comes to an end on the morning on Day 8.



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (7 nts)



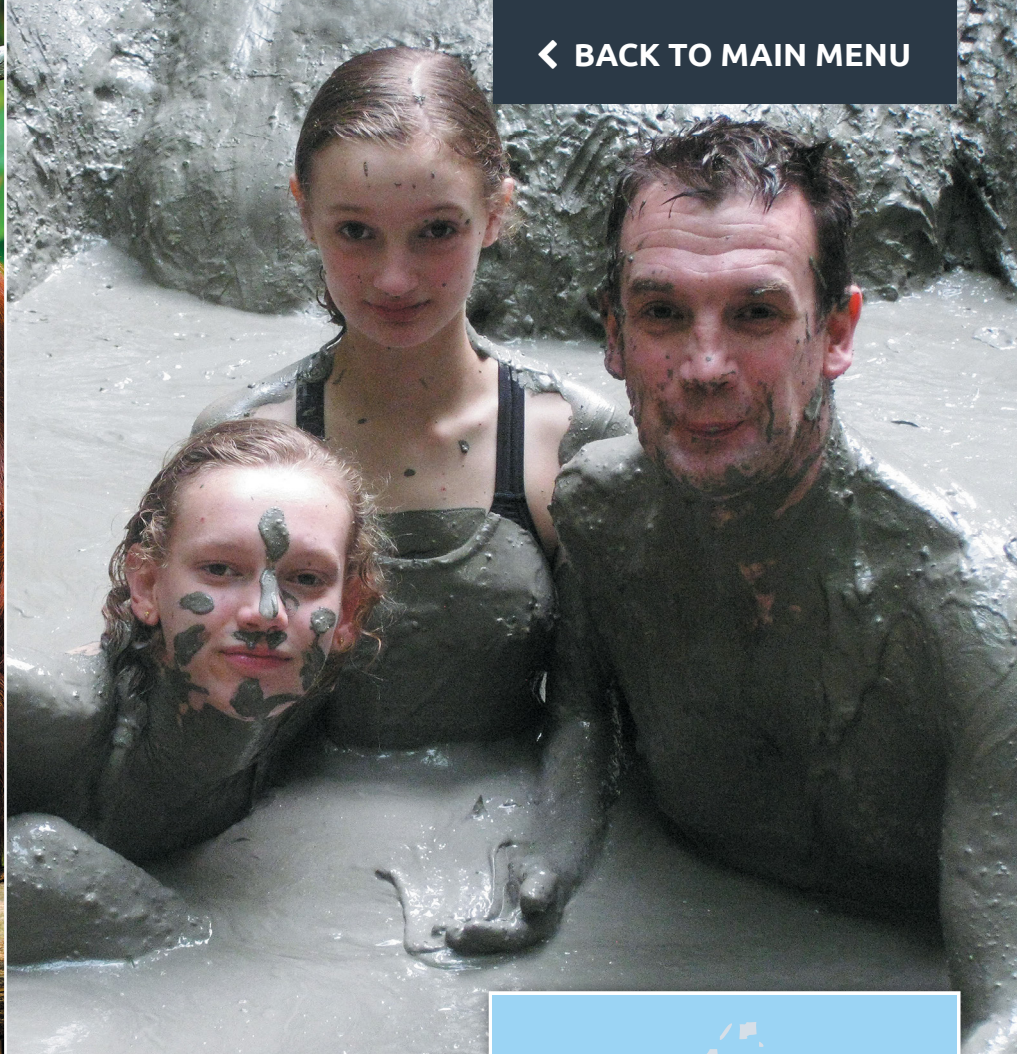
7 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 1 Dinner



Cyclo, private vehicle, remork, local river boat, mountain bike



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◀ BACK TO MAIN MENU

Comfort Borneo Family Holiday

10 DAYS, KOTA KINABALU TO KOTA KINABALU



Watch young orangutans learning to climb for the first time at the Sepilok Sanctuary.

Soak up the relaxed beach vibe on glorious Manukan Island and get up close to marine life on an included snorkelling trip.

Experience the hospitality of the Dusun people while enjoying lunch in a rural village.

Day 1 Kota Kinabalu Enjoy a warm welcome in Kota Kinabalu. Explore this intriguing city born between the Borneo jungle and the South China Sea. **Day 2 Kinabalu National Park** Take part in an eye-opening lunch at a Dusun village, then stretch the legs on a walk through Kinabalu National Park. Travel on to wander between manicured rows of tea on a visit to a tea plantation. **Days 3-4 Kinabatangan River** Hop aboard a nature cruise on the Kinabatangan River. Look out for crocodiles, macaques, wild orangutans and proboscis monkeys. Be woken by the the call of a Bornean gibbon, or perhaps a hornbill, before a morning river cruise. Snap photos of proboscis monkeys and macaques swinging between the trees. **Days 5-6 Sandakan** Pay a visit to Borneo's world-famous orangutan sanctuary and come face to face with these amazing creatures. Learn about the

efforts to rehabilitate this amazing species. Visit the sanctuaries of Borneo's adorable sun bears, which are only found in the tropics of South East Asia. Later, watch the lazy habits of bachelor proboscis monkeys, something that can only be done in Borneo. **Days 7-8 Manukan Island** Travel by plane and ferry to the clear turquoise waters of Manukan Island. The pristine beaches are the perfect spot for snorkelling or an impromptu game of beach football. Witness the incredible array of colourful coral and brightly coloured marine life living just below the surface on a snorkel safari of Manukan Island. **Days 9-10 Kota Kinabalu** Visit Mari Mari and learn how the indigenous tribes lived in a bygone era. See first-hand how the tribes would hunt, cook and live together. Spend the final day shopping for memorable trinkets in the city's many markets.



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Guesthouse (1 nt), hotel (4 nts), jungle lodge (2 nts), beach resort (2 nts)



9 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 2 Dinners



Boat, bus, longtail boat, minibus, plane, van



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Borneo Family Adventure

11 DAYS, KOTA KINABALU TO KINARUT



Stay overnight among the birds and beasts of the jungle, at Kinabatangan Jungle Camp, situated right next to an oxbow lake.

A homestay in a Malay village offers an authentic experience of the local culture. Try learning the language as you play with the local children.

Swim, snorkel and stroll at Pulau Tiga, the world-famous 'Survivor Island' – the ideal tropical destination for the whole family.

Day 1 Kota Kinabalu Welcome to Kota Kinabalu, the capital of Sabah, a place where ancient traditions and exotic wildlife thrive. Choose to visit islands in Tunku Abdul Rahman National Park, just off the coast.

Day 2 Kinabalu National Park Get a taste of Borneo's mountain life in beautiful Kinabalu National Park, home to Borneo's highest peak, Mt Kinabalu. **Day 3 Poring Hot Springs** Hit the walking trails, explore waterfalls and enjoy the view on a canopy walk before relaxing in the Poring Hot Springs. **Days 4-5 Kinabatangan Jungle Camp** A local homestay provides the opportunity to interact with villagers, learn about their unique way of life and how they contribute to the preservation of Borneo's ecosystem. Spend a night camping in the jungle, looking out for the wildlife that surrounds the lake. **Days 6-7 Sepilok Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre** Visit the Labuk Bay

Proboscis Monkey Sanctuary to see these cheeky creatures feeding and playing. The following day, take a walk along the jungle trails and meet the residents of the Sepilok Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre, where orphaned orangutans are cared for before being released back into the wild. **Days 8-9 Pulau Tiga National Park** Travel to 'Survivor Island' and enjoy some beachside bliss at this idyllic getaway. Swim in the clear, turquoise waters or snorkel among colourful fish and sea turtles. Visit one of the nearby bubbling mud volcanoes or simply relax on one of Borneo's white-sand beaches. Take a boat trip to Snake Island, a breeding ground for the yellow-lipped sea krait. **Days 10-11 Kinarut** Return to Borneo's mainland by speedboat and spend the final night on a city beach. Perhaps indulge in a delicious feast of local specialties before heading home the following day.



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- Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families
- Hotel (6 nts), longhouse (2 nts), jungle hut (1 nt), homestay (1 nt)
- 10 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 4 Dinners
- Plane, van, longtail boat, bus, minibus, boat



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Himalayas - Chris Cullen

Himalayan Teenage Adventure

11 DAYS, KATHMANDU TO KATHMANDU



Incredible hospitality awaits – sip chai in mountain tea-houses, stay in a traditional house in isolated Bandipur, and enjoy a Nepalese dining experience in Nuwakot.

Trek into the incredible Annapurna Range, through remote villages that offer superb panoramic views of the mountains, then camp high up in the Himalayas.

Strap on a safari hat and head deep into the jungles of Chitwan NP – search out hidden tigers in a jeep, and look out for crocs while floating in a dugout canoe.

Day 1 Kathmandu Explore streets filled with prayer flags, discover hole-in-the-wall eateries and get caught up in the zany mix of modernity and time-honoured tradition in Nepal's unique capital.

Day 2 Nuwakot After a half-day sightseeing tour of Kathmandu, journey to the delightful village of Nuwakot and spend a relaxing night in a converted farmhouse. **Day 3 Bandipur** Head west to the village of Bandipur, set at the foothills of the legendary Himalayas. Spend some time visiting ornate temples in the village, or taking in the impressive views of the surrounding area. **Day 4 Pokhara** Arrive at Pokhara and explore this lakeside town. Head out onto the lake on a boat trip, and in the evening enjoy a fun movie night. **Days 5-6 Annapurna Trek/Pokhara** Strap on your walking shoes and get ready to experience a full day of trekking in the incredible Annapurna

Mountain Range. Navigate rural trails that link remote farming communities and meet the villagers of these isolated hamlets. Spend the night camping high in the Himalayas and witness a spectacular sunset over the snow-capped peaks. Continue the trek, stopping off at picturesque teahouses and saying 'namaste' to smiling farmers along the way. In the afternoon, arrive back in Pokhara. **Days 7-9 Chitwan National Park** Navigate the chutes and channels of the Seti River on a two-day rafting trip. Camp on a secluded beach with mountains that feel close enough to touch. Swap the helmet for a safari hat and go on a game drive and canoe trip in Chitwan NP. Look out for tigers, crocodiles, rhinos and monkeys. **Days 10-11 Kathmandu** Fly back to Kathmandu. Hunt for the perfect souvenir in one of the stalls around Durbar Square or perhaps end the trip with a farewell feast.



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Minimum age 11
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (5 nts), camping without facilities (2 nts), lodge (2 nts), farmstay (1 nt)



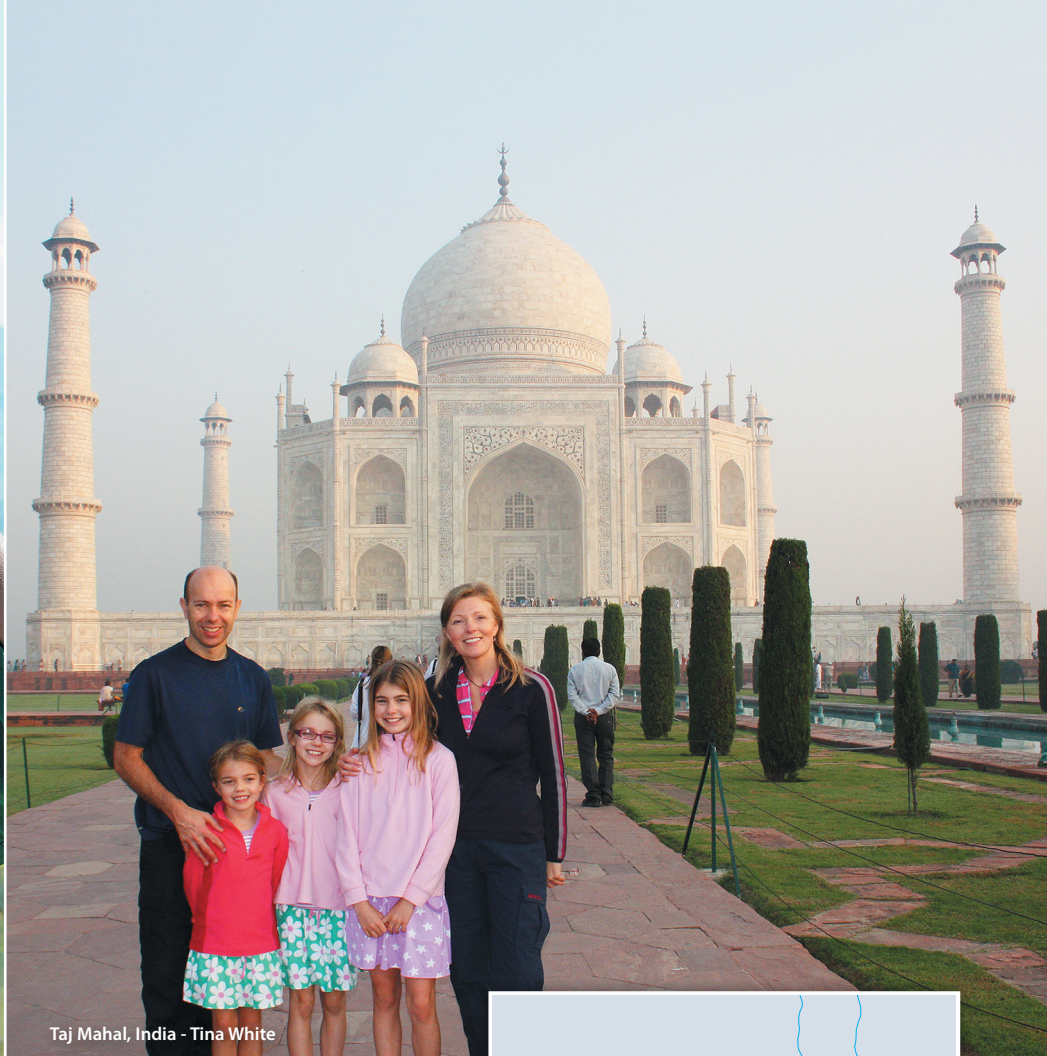
10 Breakfasts, 5 Lunches, 6 Dinners



Plane, minibus, boat



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Taj Mahal, India - Tina White

Northern India Family Holiday

10 DAYS, DELHI TO DELHI



Everyone's seen a photo of the Taj Mahal, but nothing compares to seeing it in person in the glowing morning light – you'll understand what beauty really is.

Experience the moving town that is an Indian train – watch the colourful landscape fly by as the chai wallah walks down the aisle singing about his tea.

Act like Mowgli on the hunt for Shere Khan in your own real life version of 'The Jungle Book'.

Day 1 Delhi Welcome to Delhi, a magical city of surprising contrasts. Get to know this mammoth metropolis on a guided sightseeing tour of Old and New Delhi. Visit the Jama Masjid, Delhi's largest mosque. Marvel at New Delhi's wide boulevards and imposing buildings and pass by Parliament House, President House and India Gate. **Day 2 Agra** Rise early to catch a train to Agra and explore the impressive Agra Fort and climb to the top to get your first view of the Taj Mahal. **Days 3-4 Ranthambhore NP** Get up early before the sun to see it rise over the Taj Mahal. Marvel at the ornate beauty before heading onwards to Ranthambhore via the abandoned city of Fatehpur Sikri. Explore Ranthambhore National Park, a real-life 'Jungle Book' that's home to historical ruins as well as wildlife. The Bengal tiger, crocodiles and three types of antelope are all found here. **Days 5-6 Jaipur** Glimpse a complete

cross-section of Indian life on our journey ride to the 'Pink City' of Jaipur, where camels and bullock carts fill the streets and monkeys live in the city walls. Marvel at the Amber Fort and visit the City Palace, once the home of the maharaja, before seeing the 18th-century Jantar Mantar, an astronomical observatory built by the city's founder. **Days 7-8 Nawalgarh/Surajgarh** Drive through the princely state of Rajasthan and catch glimpses of life in the most colourful of India's regions. See saris-clad women carrying terracotta pots of water and, if time allows, stop for a game of cricket with the locals. We will visit Asha Ka Jharna, an Intrepid Foundation project. Discover the world's largest concentration of frescos here, where small tracks run between tiny towns housing fine mansions. **Days 9-10 Delhi** Return to Delhi. Stop by Ghandi's house, chase a bargain in the markets or bid farewell to India with a hearty local meal.



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (7 nts), heritage property (2 nts)



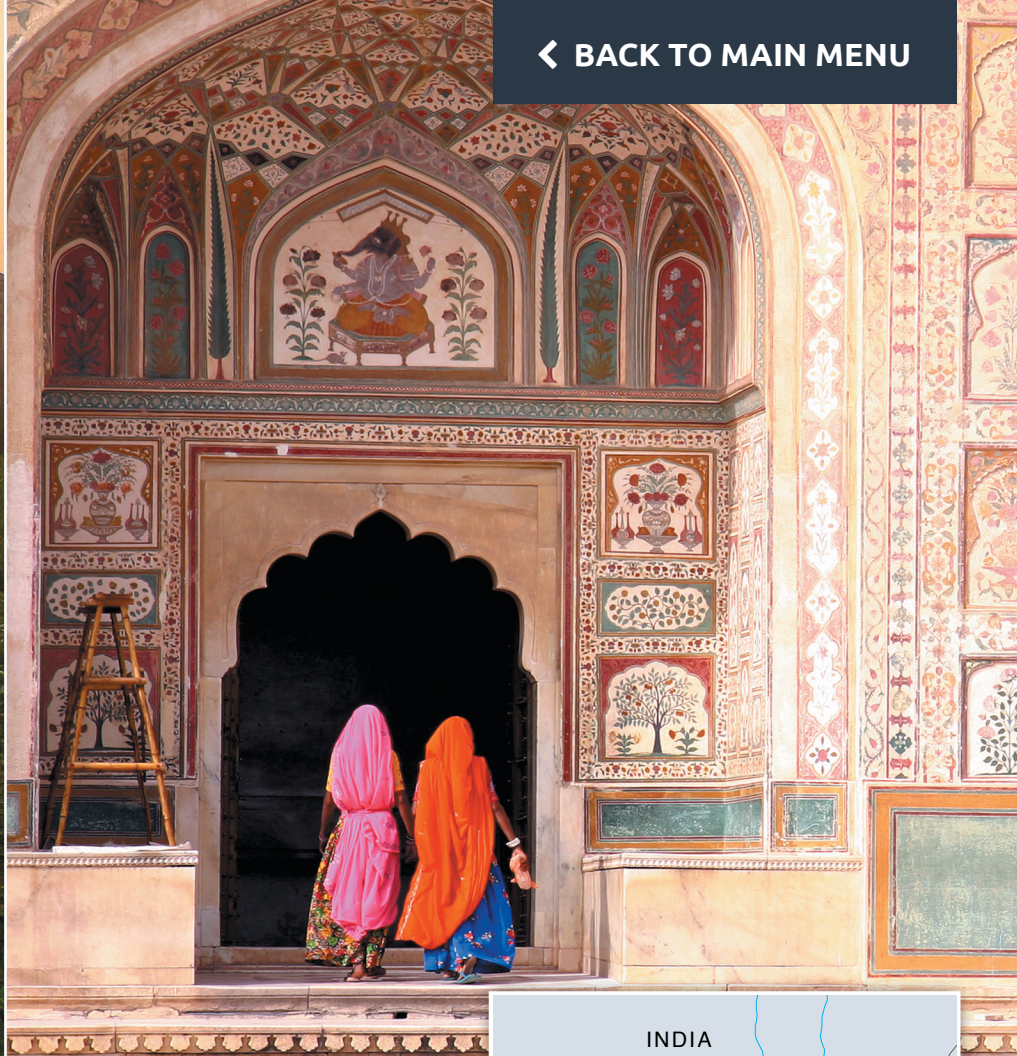
9 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 3 Dinners



Cycle rickshaw, private bus, train, bus, shuttle bus, canter



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Comfort Northern India Family Holiday

10 DAYS, DELHI TO DELHI



Little can describe the feeling of nervous anticipation in hope of seeing a Bengal tiger stalk through the jungles of Ranthambore National Park.

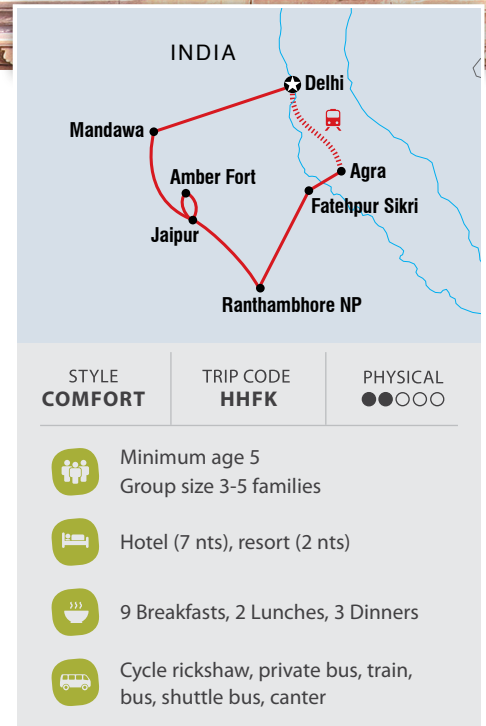
India is bursting with colour, alive with people, dripping with spice and incense – you'll never forget the smells, tastes and sights of the markets and bazaars.

Enjoy classic, historical accommodation and some extra creature comforts in this chaotic country on a comfort trip.

Day 1 Delhi Begin your Indian adventure in one of the oldest cities in the world. Kick things off with an exploration of Old Delhi, a visit to Jama Masjid and India Gate. **Day 2 Agra** Rise early to catch a train to Agra. Explore the World Heritage-listed Agra Fort, which is accessed by crossing a moat once infested with crocodiles! **Days 3-4 Taj Mahal/Ranthambhore National Park** Watch the sun rise over the Taj Mahal, before visiting the abandoned city of Fatehpur Sikri and enjoy the regal grounds and intricate Rumi Sultana Palace. Leave the city for the jungle and head to Ranthambhore National Park. Spend time spotting wildlife and keep an eye open for tigers. Look out for gazelles, hyenas, sloth bears and leopards too.

Days 5-6 Jaipur Take a train northwest to Jaipur and the capital of Rajasthan. Walk through the streets of the 'Pink City' and see camels and rickshaws, and

monkeys climbing wires overhead. Visit the sprawling City Palace and its impressively mustachioed guards, then continue on to the distinctive Palace of Winds, with its detailed honeycombed facade filled with concealed windows. **Days 7-8 Mandawa** Drive through the Aravalli Hills to the Amber Fort. This opulent palace is packed with elaborate sights – don't miss the Mirror Palace that's covered floor-to-ceiling in thousands of reflective tiles. The following day, leave the city behind for a more relaxed village vibe as you head towards Mandawa. Visit Asha Ka Jharna, an Intrepid Foundation project and enjoy a walking tour of the havelis. **Days 9-10 Delhi** Return to Delhi in the afternoon. Use the rest of the day however you like; perhaps visit Chandni Chowk, buy local crafts from artisans in Janpath market or gobble down street snacks.



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India Family Holiday

14 DAYS, DELHI TO KOVALAM



Get back to nature as you safari for rare animals in Periyar National Park – a prize for the one that spots the tiger or leopard!

Cruise around the Malabar backwaters onboard a traditional Keralan houseboat, complete with carpets. Have fun with locals and maybe try your hand at fishing.

Finish up this adventure with three relaxing days in a slice of royally-sanctioned paradise in Kovalam.

Day 1 Delhi Arrive in India's chaotic capital, packed with historical sights, galleries, and endless bazaars. Squeeze through the streets of Old Delhi, going with the flow on a rickshaw. **Day 2 Agra** Explore the dark red sandstone of Agra Fort. Search through throne rooms and climb the ramparts to get your first tantalising glimpse of the Taj Mahal. **Days 3-4 Ranthambore NP** See the Taj Mahal bathed in early morning light, then explore the ghostly abandoned city of Fatehpur Sikri. By road, journey to Ranthambore NP. Get wild on a search for the majestic Bengal tigers, usually found hiding amid Ranthambore's ruined forts and temples. **Days 5-6 Jaipur** Head to red-walled Jaipur. Walk the Pink City's streets, busy with camels, motorbikes, and rickshaws. Haggles in Jaipur's busy bazaars and backstreets. Watch fortune-tellers ply their trade beneath the stunning

honeycomb windows of the Palace of Winds. Witness the sparkling Mirror Palace of the Amber Fort, covered floor-to-ceiling in thousands of reflective tiles.

Days 7-8 Kochi Explore the palaces and forts of the former spice-trading town of Kochi on a hunt for the best coconut curry, then enjoy a memorable Kathakali performance. **Days 9-10 Periyar NP** Visit a local spice farm, take a guided nature walk, then boat across the lake, looking out for elephants bathing in the shallows. **Day 11 Malabar Backwaters** Swap jungles for waterways and head west to discover sleepy Alappuzha. Board a Keralan houseboat for the night and cruise through a world where children often learn to swim before they can walk. **Days 12-14 Kovalam** End this trip with a relaxing slice of paradise, with stunning pools and beaches in Kovalam.



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (10 nts), resort (2 nts), house boat (1 nt)



13 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 3 Dinners



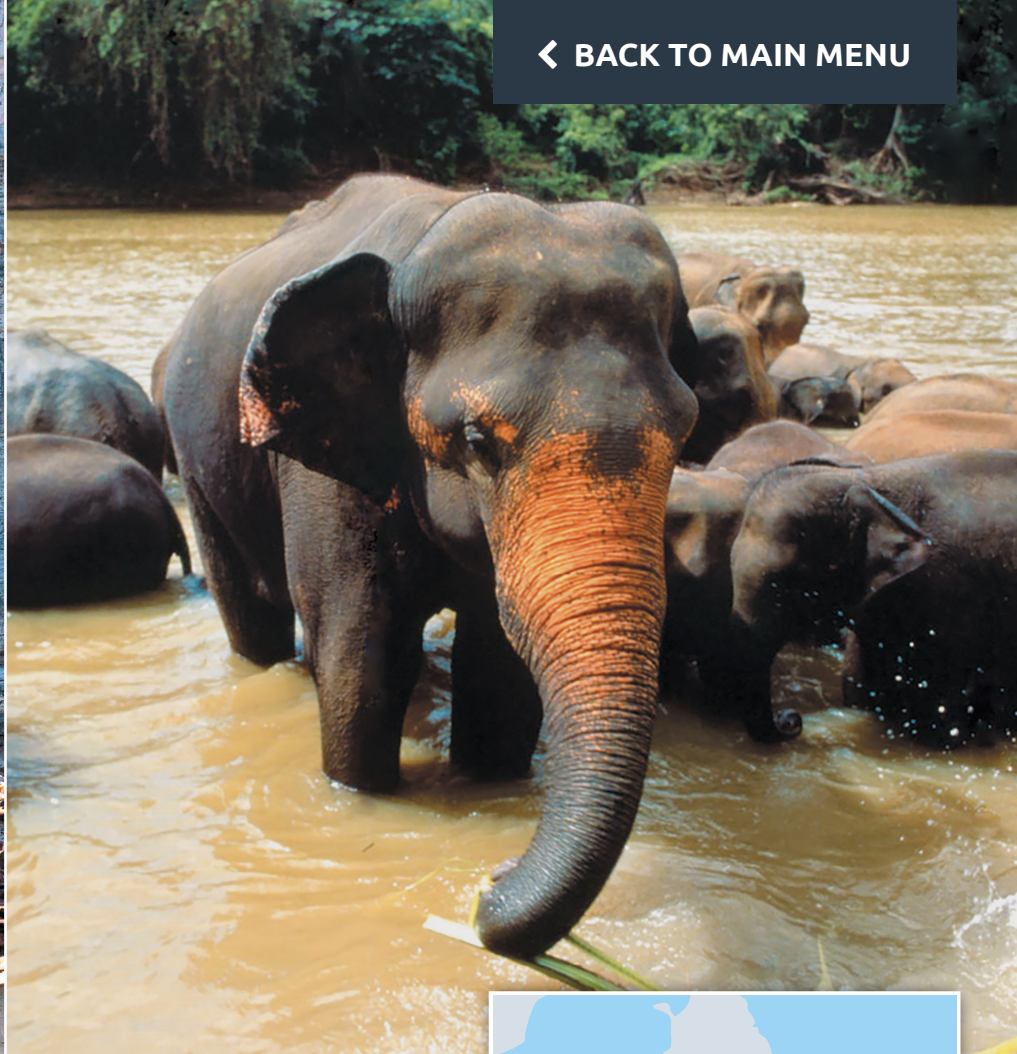
Plane, private bus, cycle rickshaw, train, canter



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Sri Lanka - Polonnaruwa Gal Vihare



Sri Lanka Family Holiday

14 DAYS, NEGOMBO TO COLOMBO



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (12 nts), luxury camping (1 nt)



13 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 4 Dinners



Private bus, train, bike



Day 1 Negombo Welcome to Sri Lanka, the 'Pearl of the Orient'. Settle in poolside. **Day 2 Dambulla** Weave through the Negombo fish market, then drive inland to the Pelwehera area for our overnight stay. **Day 3 Sigiriya** Shake off any cobwebs with a climb to the top of enormous Sigiriya rock and its elaborate ancient fortress. **Day 4 Polonnaruwa** Cycle through the Sri Lankan countryside to witness local life waking up. Head up to the thriving religious and commercial centre of Polonnaruwa. **Days 5-6 Kandy** Rise early for a guided tour of Dambulla Cave Temple and count the Buddha statues, then stop at a fragrant spice farm. Check out Buddha's tooth in the temple named after it, relax in the Botanical Gardens, then learn the steps to traditional Kandian dancing from local performers. **Day 7 Kithulgala** Get adventurous with whitewater rafting and a nature walk through

Bandarakele. Spend the night on the banks of the Kelani River. **Days 8-9 Bandarawela** Take a scenic train to the distinctive British-style village of Nuwara Eliya. Head out to nearby waterfalls, see the crop-to-cup process of a local tea plantation, and call in on a local family for some traditional, home-cooked food. **Day 10 Udawalawe** Visit the Elephant Transit Home, watch the gentle giants feeding, then jump in a jeep for a real safari adventure. Look out for macaques, crocodiles and maybe even leopards. **Days 11-12 Tangalle** Take some time for a bit of beachside R&R with calm waters, pristine sands and palm-fringed shores. Hit the beach or lounge by the pool. Pay a visit to a turtle project to see these endangered creatures up close and hear about important conservation work. **Day 13 Colombo** Travel via Galle and the famous dutch fort to Colombo, where the trip ends on Day 14.

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Senso-ji temple, Tokyo, Japan

Japan Family Holiday

11 DAYS, TOKYO TO KYOTO



Tokyo's dazzling neon lights are only the beginning. Feast on market-fresh sushi, try your hand at calligraphy, or cook your own okonomiyaki on a Tokyo Bay boat cruise.

Bask in the soothing waters of an onsen in Hakone. These Japanese hot-spring baths are the perfect antidote to a couple of days of walking around the big city.

Explore Kyoto and discover why it's labelled Japan's prettiest city. There's no better city to discover Japan's past and present.

Days 1-4 Tokyo From its spectacular Imperial Palace and ornate pagodas to quirky shopping malls, neon lights, spotless streets and delectable dishes, Tokyo is an engrossing destination for adults and youngsters alike. Take part in a calligraphy lesson, visit the Sony showroom for a glimpse of the latest techno gadgets being developed, visit the high-tech fashion shopping malls, and witness the eye-opening Tsukiji Fish Market. There will also be time to take a stroll through the city's picture-perfect gardens and ancient temples. With Japanese culture reserving a healthy respect for the inner child in everyone, there'll be no shortage of activities vying for attention. **Days 5-6 Hakone** Leave the fast-paced city behind on a train ride to idyllic Hakone. Take advantage of the area's delightful hot springs and enjoy incredible views of Mt Fuji as this iconic mountain takes over the skyline. Spend the next

day exploring the area, including a cable car ride, a boat cruise across Lake Ashi and a visit to the volcanic valley of Owakudani (Great Boiling Valley). Enjoy a traditional home-cooked meal and then step back in time by spending a night in a ryokan, a traditional Japanese-style inn. **Days 7-11 Kyoto** Spend time soaking up Kyoto's charming mix of past and present. Japan's one-time capital is a pretty city with a cultural treasure-trove of temples and gardens, and it's a lovely, easily navigated place to enjoy both on foot and by bike. Visit the monkey park in Kyoto. Maybe visit the Nishiki Market for the very best in Japanese food, look out for geishas in Gion, or join an optional cooking lesson for a fitting finale to an enchanting family holiday – one that has been a total feast for the senses.

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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (8 nts), guesthouse (2 nts)



10 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 3 Dinners



Bullet train, train, cable car, taxi, tram

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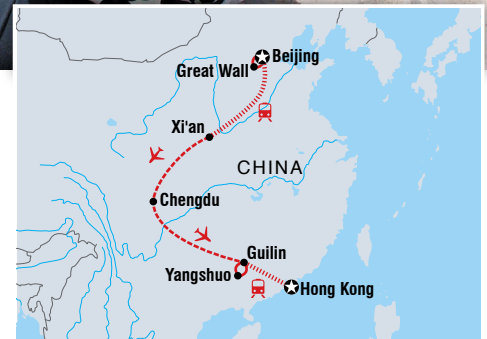
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The Great Wall, Beijing – Laurence Roughton

China Family Holiday

14 DAYS, BEIJING TO HONG KONG



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (12 nts), overnight train (1 nt)



12 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 4 Dinners



Plane, taxi, private bus, metro, train



Day 1 Beijing Welcome to China! Meet everyone at a welcome meeting this evening. **Day 2 Great Wall** Pull on some comfy shoes and make tracks for the Mutianyu section of the Great Wall of China. Go for a walk along this ancient wonder. **Day 3-4 Beijing** Head out on a walking tour around the Forbidden City, Tiananmen Square and the Temple of Heaven Park. Watch an incredible acrobat performance this evening before jumping on a sleeper train bound for Xi'an. **Days 5-6 Xi'an** Explore the historical splendour of this ancient city as we cycle along the ancient city wall of Xi'an. Then visit the Terracotta Warriors – an army of 8,000 clay soldiers buried some 22 centuries ago in front of Emperor Qin Shi Huang's tomb. **Days 7-8 Chengdu** Spend the morning visiting Tianfu square and people's park to experience the relaxed life that Chengdu is famous for. Then we visit the Giant Panda

Breeding Research Base in Chengdu and spot pandas munching on bamboo and slowly clomping around the grounds. **Days 9-11 Yangshuo** Take a respite from the hustle and bustle of busy China in Yangshuo. Explore the countryside by bike and ride past paddy fields backed by limestone karst scenery. Sample local cooking before cycling back to Yangshuo. Then learn the techniques of Chinese cuisine in a cooking class, embark on a boat trip down the river, take a calligraphy class or learn some kung fu. **Days 12-14 Hong Kong** Make your way to the top of Victoria Peak for views of the Hong Kong skyline, catch a ferry out to the city's secluded islands and beaches or hit the shopping malls. Then enjoy a final night of sumptuous dining before this adventure ends.

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Africa & The Middle East



Gather your tribe of budding adventurers and nature-lovers and follow the call of Africa and the Middle East. These places specialise in the big, the beautiful, the epic. Desert, mountain, jungle and savannah are home to stunners like the Sahara's sand dunes, Marrakech's markets, Giza's pyramids, Petra's hidden cities, and the Serengeti's lions. Ride camels, Nile feluccas and jeeps as you experience the rich cultures of where human civilisation first began.



There's nothing like camping in the wild surrounded by lions to bring you closer together as a family – don't worry, the Maasai warriors will be on guard in Kenya (page 34).



Experience all the different ways to get moving in Morocco – pick from horse, bike, donkey, or good ol' two feet on an active adventure (page 31).



How to finish up a safari adventure of sunrise walks, camera traps and game drives? Try a few chilled out days on the luxurious beaches of Zanzibar (page 35).

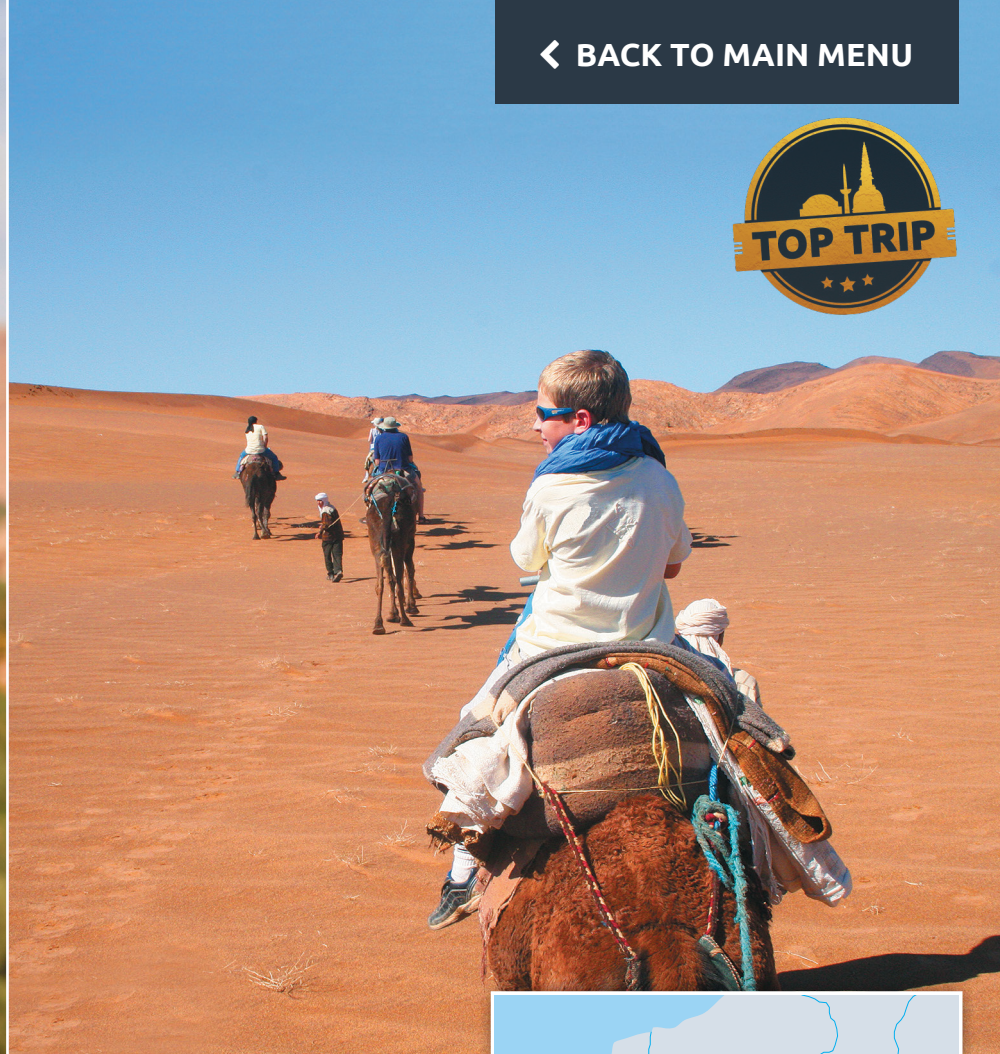
WHERE IN THE WORLD

Morocco
Egypt
Jordan
East Africa
Namibia
Botswana
South Africa

Weather

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Nairobi	Monsoon	Monsoon	Monsoon	Monsoon	Monsoon	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry
Victoria Falls	Monsoon	Monsoon	Monsoon	Monsoon	Monsoon	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry
Kruger, SA	Monsoon	Monsoon	Monsoon	Monsoon	Monsoon	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry	Very hot & dry
Cairo	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool
Petra	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool
Marrakech	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool	Cool

- Monsoon 25-35°C
- Very hot & dry 35°C+
- Hot & dry 25-35°C
- Hot & wet 25-35°C
- Pleasantly warm 20-30°C
- Warm & wet 20-25°C
- Cool 15-20°C
- Cold & dry 0-15°C
- Cold & wet 0-15°C
- Below freezing -0°C



Sahara Family Holiday

8 DAYS, OUARZAZATE TO MARRAKECH



Embark on a two-day desert adventure and witness the rolling dunes of the Sahara from the back of a camel.

Meet the famous 'Blue Men' of the desert, the Bedouin tribe. Maybe play traditional drums with them, as the desert sky lights up with stars.

Crossing the Tizi-n-Tichka pass is a road trip you won't forget. Gaze in awe at spectacular views across the High Atlas Mountains.

Day 1 Ouarzazate Located at the crossroads of three valleys, Ouarzazate sits on the doorstep of the Sahara. **Day 2 Tazzarine** Gain a fascinating insight into the lives of the past residents of Ouarzazate's kasbah by exploring the fortress. Head out across the Tizi n'Tiniffit mountain. Tonight's base will be the village of Tazzarine. This oasis on the desert's edge, just a few miles from the Draa Valley, boasts a rich cultural heritage thanks to its location along ancient caravan routes. **Days 3-4 Sahara/Camel Trek** Meet the camelteers in nearby Iferd and load up for the leisurely two-day trek into the heart of the desert. After a few hours, arrive at the first stopping post to set up camp, watch the sun set across the Saharan dunescape, dine under the stars and listen to traditional songs. The following morning, take in the incredible views of this desert hideaway with a walk

across the sweeping sand dunes. Make for the Atlas Mountains on camelback before driving to Tazzarine for the night. **Day 5 Ait Benhaddou** Cross the Draa Valley today and spend time exploring the charms of the kasbah at Ait Benhaddou, the setting for lots of famous movies and TV shows. This picturesque World Heritage site remains one of Morocco's best-preserved examples of fortified architecture, while the surrounding villages (and movie studio) are equally ripe for exploring. **Days 6-8 Marrakech** Meet local villages, cross the High Atlas Mountains, then negotiate the winding streets and carnival atmosphere of Marrakech's main square. There'll be plenty of time to explore the souqs in search of the perfect souvenir. Be entertained by snake charmers and jugglers, then in the evening join the locals to sample the delicious fare from the popular food stalls of the Djemaa el-Fna.

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Minimum age 5 Group size 3-5 families		
Hotel (4 nts), camping with facilities (3 nts)		
7 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 3 Dinners		
Minibus, camel		



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Morocco Family Holiday

8 DAYS, MARRAKECH TO MARRAKECH



Morocco is a feast for the senses. Sip mint tea in rural villages, see goats climbing trees in the desert, and tap your foot to traditional Berber music in Marrakech.

With French, Portugese and Jewish influences, Essaouira is about as exotic as it gets. Feast on fresh-caught seafood and be dazzled by a blue-specked townscape.

From Sidi Kaouki to Agadir, the Northern Atlantic coast offers many chances for quality beachside time with the family.

Day 1 Marrakech Navigate Marrakech's sea of colourful pottery, donkey carts, perfumed gardens, acrobats and merchants – taking in all the sights, sounds and smells of this classic Moroccan city.

Days 2 Aroumd Enjoy a half-day city tour of Marrakech before we transfer to Aroumd where we will enjoy a gentle stroll through the village and some free time. **Days 3-4 Atlas Mountains** Rise to the heights of the Atlas Mountains, one of north Africa's most breathtaking landscapes. Using the Berber village of Ifergane as a base, explore the captivating scenery that features palm-lined oases, gushing mountain streams and quaint local communities. Perhaps hop on a donkey and trot around one of the lush fields, see the local leather industry in action, or enjoy a sweet mint tea while watching the sunset over the mountains.

Days 5-6 Essaouira Jump on a camel and explore the

expansive dunes of Sidi Kaouki from this unique and memorable vantage point. Continue on to Essaouira and see why the whitewashed houses, bright blue shutters and wood workshops of this charming town have inspired artists from Orson Welles to Jimi Hendrix. Spend some free time browsing the plentiful markets and art galleries for that perfect souvenir, or witness a fresh seafood auction and feast on the catch of the day at a nearby restaurant. **Days 7-8 Marrakech** Return to Marrakech and delve deeper into the many facets of this eclectic city on a guided tour. Hone your bargaining skills in a souq, marvel at entertainers vying for attention in the medina and watch chefs whipping up local delicacies. Farewell this adventure on Day 8.



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (7 nts)



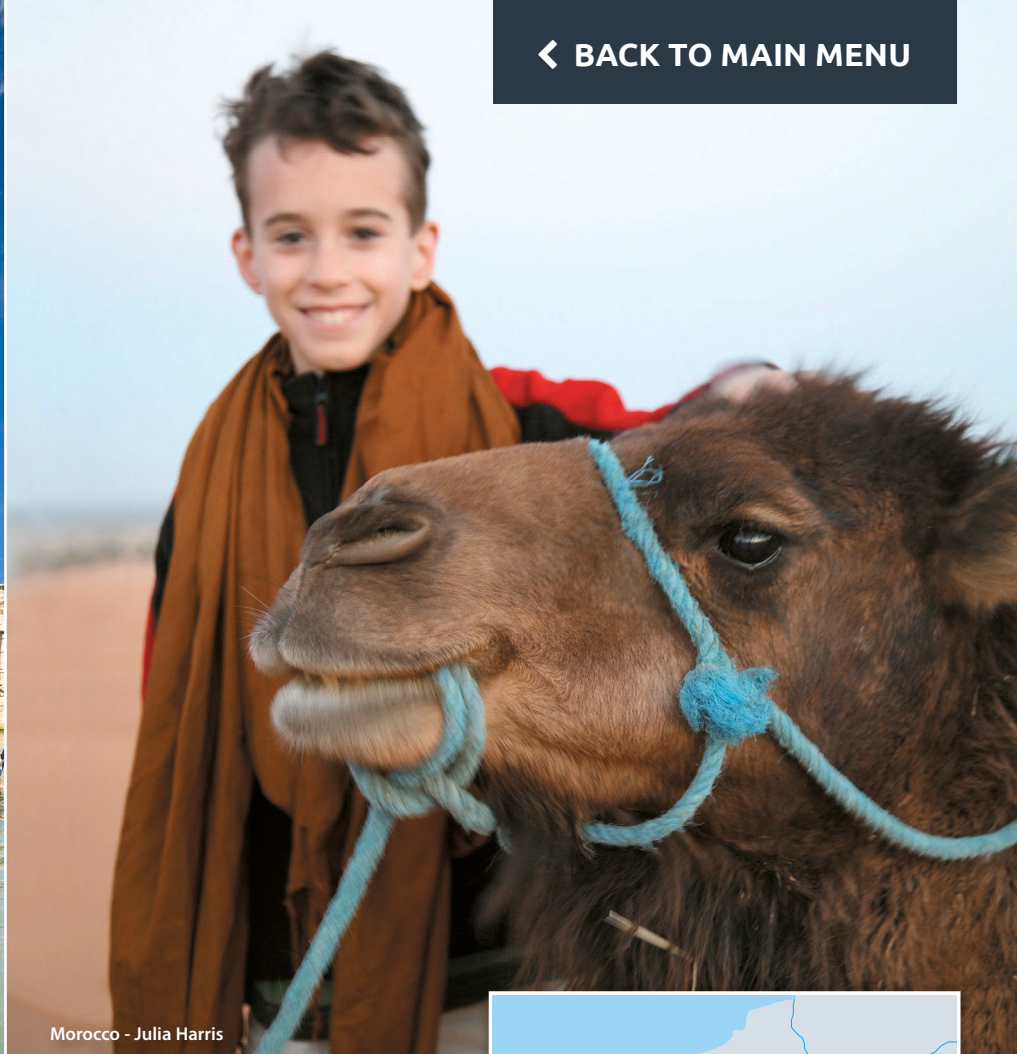
7 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 3 Dinners



Minibus



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Morocco - Julia Harris

Morocco Active Family Holiday

7 DAYS, MARRAKECH TO MARRAKECH



- Discover the vibrant city of Marrakech from a different perspective, bike through the main sites and enjoy a freshly squeezed orange juice at the end of your trip.
- Gallop on horseback through the sandy beaches and mimosa forests of Morocco's coastline in Essaouira.
- Ride a mountain bike down the slopes of the Atlas mountains and spend the night enjoying Berber hospitality.

Days 1-2 Marrakech Salaam Aleikum! Welcome to Morocco, where you'll find everything from genie lamps and leather slippers to wondrous souqs and mosques. Encounter the King's Palace, Medina Market and the Koutubia Mosque on a leisurely bike ride across Marrakech. Take the afternoon to meet locals at the spice market or relax with some freshly squeezed orange juice. **Day 3 Essaouira** Visit the charming white-washed city of Essaouira on the edge of the Atlantic Ocean. Stop by the intriguing Jewish quarter, then head to the fish market for the freshest of seafood lunches. Then saddle up with a switch to horsepower on a memorable horseback ride across the sandy beaches. **Day 4 Around** Spend a thrilling day mountain biking down the lush and spectacular scenery of the Atlas Mountains, then be rewarded for your efforts with a classic Moroccan meal. In the

evening, retire to an overnight stay in Around and enjoy the hospitality of a local Berber family. **Day 5 High Atlas/Marrakech** Take in sweeping views of the Imlil and Atlas Mountains after hiking up one of three trails that rise to 2684 metres above sea level. The walk will give you a real feel for the region and its people. In the afternoon, descend into the valley behind the Imlil Mountains then put your feet up after returning to Marrakech. **Days 6-7 Marrakech** A free day allows time to recharge, and what better way to do this than at a traditional Moroccan hammam with a massage and spa. If you're still looking for action then maybe head out on a tour, or wander through the Medina and pick up some last-minute gifts. Get lost bargain-hunting for goods in the endless maze of winding alleyways. This Moroccan adventure finishes after breakfast on Day 7.

STYLE ORIGINAL	TRIP CODE XMFA	PHYSICAL ●●●○○
Minimum age 11 Group size 3-5 families		
Hotel (5 nts), gite (1 nt)		
6 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 3 Dinners		
Private bus, bicycle, public bus		


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Egypt - Tim Winkworth

Egypt Family Holiday

9 DAYS, CAIRO TO HURGHADA



Egypt is home to some of the world's most amazing ancient icons. Explore the Pyramids, Sphinx and Valley of the Kings with expert local guides.

Sleep under the stars, feast on hearty cuisine and be dazzled by the riverside scenery on a felucca sailing trip down the Nile.

Finishing in Hurghada, you have plenty of time to unwind at the end of your adventure. Snorkel the coral reefs of the Red Sea or simply relax on the beach.

Days 1-2 Cairo/Overnight Train Glimpse the pyramids in the distance as you make your way through Cairo's charismatic and chaotic streets. Head out to Giza with a knowledgeable guide and be awed by the world's last remaining ancient wonder. Explore the pyramids and the enigmatic Sphinx before heading to the Egyptian Museum to marvel at the treasures of an ancient kingdom. In the evening, board an overnight train. **Day 3 Aswan** Arrive in the traditional trading centre of Aswan, where the Nile runs deep and fast between granite rocks and the white sands of the desert meet the banks of the river. Enjoy some free time to explore and perhaps head out on an optional camel ride before dinner at a Nubian village. **Day 4 Nile Felucca** Live one of the great travelling dreams and float down the Nile, the world's longest river, on a felucca. In the evening, camp out on deck and fall

asleep beneath the stars. **Days 5-6 Luxor** Visit the temple of Kom Ombo to see mummified crocodiles before transferring to Luxor by bus. Known more famously as the ancient city of Thebes, this town has plenty of activities to enjoy – from ancient temples to a memorable light and sound show. The following day, uncover the Valley of the Kings – the home of the infamous tomb of Tutankhamun. **Days 7-9 Hurghada** Board a horse-drawn carriage and travel to Karnak, one of Egypt's grandest temples. After exploring this architectural wonder, leave the Nile behind and head for Hurghada, a vibrant beach resort where coral reefs are just waiting to be explored. The trip ends after breakfast on Day 9, and you are free to return home or continue your adventure.

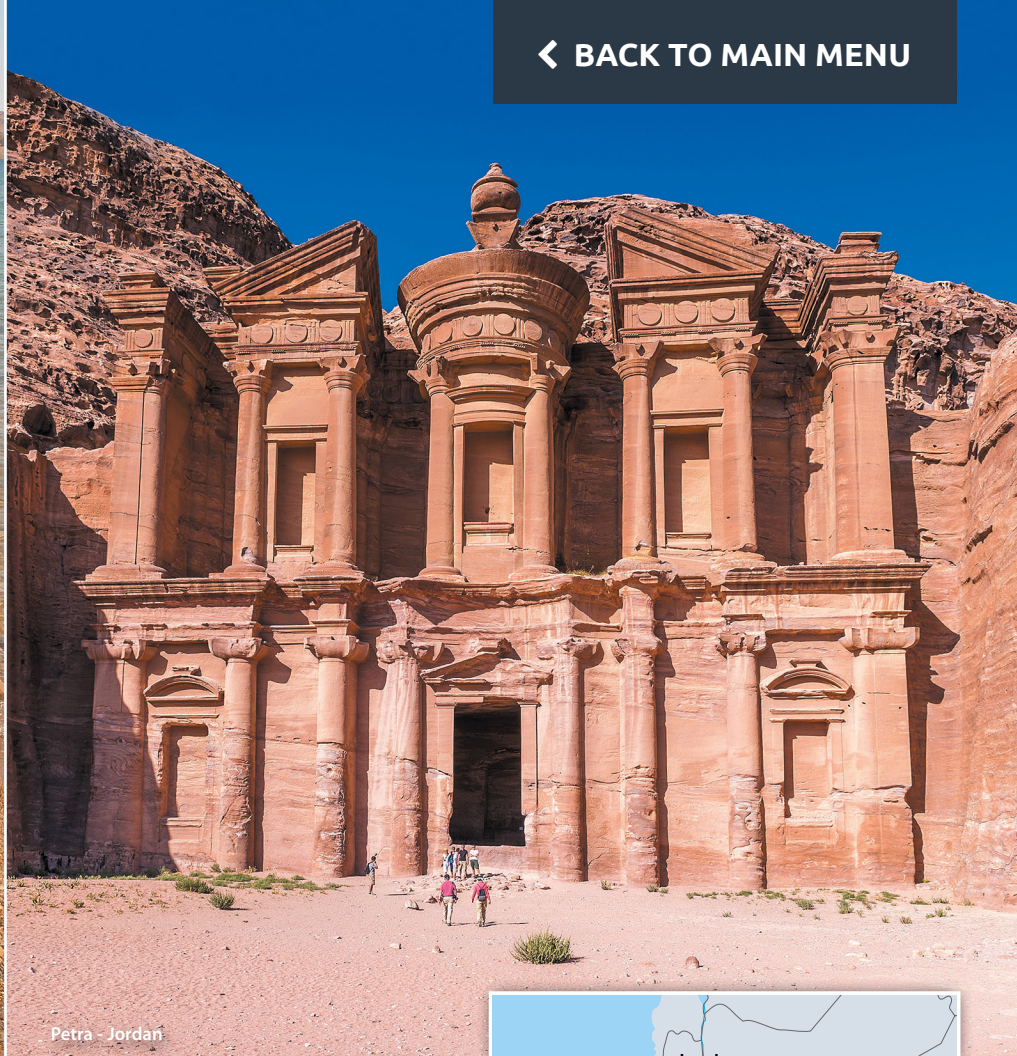


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- Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families
- Hotel (6 nts), overnight sleeper train (1 nt), felucca (1 nt)
- 8 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 5 Dinners
- Minibus, overnight sleeper train, felucca, horse-drawn carriage



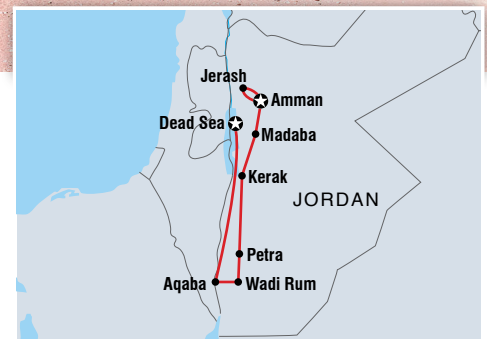
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Petra - Jordan

Jordan Family Holiday

8 DAYS, AMMAN TO THE DEAD SEA



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (6 nts), camping with facilities (1 nt)



7 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 6 Dinners



Minibus, 4x4 jeep



Days 1-2 Amman/Jerash Start this family adventure in Jordan's exciting capital, Amman. Follow the 'Soap House Trail', then be transported back in time on a visit to the ancient Roman city of Jerash. Admire its well-preserved structures including several theatres, a hippodrome and public baths. **Day 3 Madaba/Kerak** Travel along the Desert Highway to Madaba, where Muslim and Christian places of worship sit side by side and sixth-century Byzantine mosaics line the ground like giant jigsaws. Stop by Mount Nebo, believed to be the final resting place of Moses, and spot Bedouin tents on the horizon. Finally, take a walk around the traditional Dana village to meet some of the locals. **Day 4 Petra Visit** Discover Petra, Jordan's revered ancient site. Journey through the kilometre-long stretch of stone wall, which eventually spills out into the breathtaking 'rose city'. Trek the challenging

ascent to the Monastery and be rewarded with dramatic vistas. Later, learn about Arabic culture and cuisine in a cooking class. **Day 5 Wadi Rum** Venture out into the vast expanse of Wadi Rum desert, where sandstone cliffs shimmer on the horizon. Enjoy a 4x4 tour through this mind-boggling landscape, before spending a night camping among the dunes. **Day 6 Aqaba** Travel to Aqaba on the Red Sea Coast for some fun, sun and relaxation. Perhaps go snorkelling in the coral-filled shallow waters, take a walk along the shoreline, or simply kick back by the pool. **Days 7-8 Dead Sea** Head further north along King's Highway to the Dead Sea. Be amazed at the density of the water, which allows your body to float effortlessly, and feel rejuvenated by the healing mineral properties the sea is famous for. On the final day, this trip will end at the Dead Sea resort after breakfast.

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Kenya - Tina White

Kenya Family Safari

8 DAYS, NAIROBI TO NAIROBI



Make friends with warriors of the Maasai tribe around the camp fire; they'll be on guard for lions while you camp overnight.

Take a safari through the Massai Mara on the lookout for the Big 5 in their natural environment.

Keep your eyes peeled for black and white rhinos on an adventure through Lake Nakuru National Park.

Day 1 Nairobi Begin this African adventure in Kenya's rambunctious capital. Visit an elephant orphanage and giraffe centre and come face to face with these incredible creatures. Explore the city's enviable array of restaurants, bars and cafes. **Day 2 Lake Nakuru** Keep an eye out for white rhinos as you drive along Lake Nakuru's shores. Marvel at the rich birdlife inhabiting the lake. Camp overnight beside the still waters. **Day 3 Lake Naivasha** Meet friendly locals on a village visit and then seek out the animals at Lake Naivasha. Take in the sensational sight of giraffes, buffaloes, hippos and other four-legged creatures venturing to the lake's shore for a drink. **Day 4 Crater Lake walk** Explore a birdwatcher's paradise of floating reed islands and acacia-lined shores. Watch zebras and giraffes moving through the bush, then enjoy the camp and the swimming pool. **Day 5 Great Rift Valley**

and Loita Hills Travel across the Great Rift Valley floor into the heart of Maasai country. Visit the Maasai, who are known for their vibrant red dress and elaborate jewellery, and gain an insight into the culture and ancient ways of this proud east African community. **Days 6-7 Masai Mara** See the world-famous Masai Mara National Reserve, a huge area of woodlands and open plains backed by the striking Esoit Oloololo Escarpment. Jump on board a 4x4 vehicle and go for a game drive through the wilderness of the Mara. Game drive again through the sweeping plains of this famous reserve, which play host to numerous gazelles and buffaloes. Lunch by the Mara River alongside crocs and hippos. **Day 8 Nairobi** Swap African bush for the busy streets of Nairobi. Travel across open plains and Maasai farmlands on the way back to the capital.



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (1 nt), permanent tented camp (2 nts), camping no facilities (1 nt), lodge (2 nts), camping with facilities (1 nt)



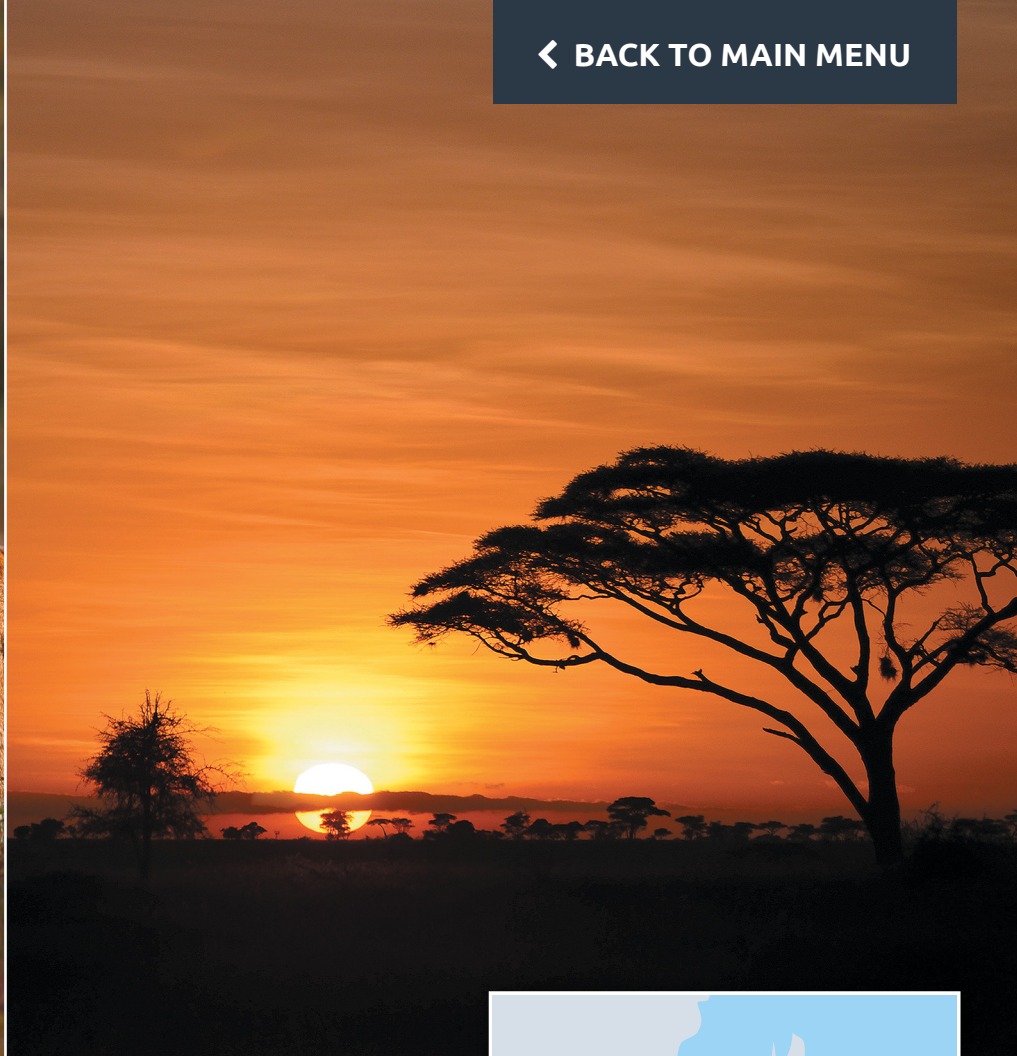
7 Breakfasts, 6 Lunches, 6 Dinners



Overland truck, 4x4 safari vehicle



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Tanzania and Zanzibar Safari

10 DAYS, DAR ES SALAAM TO DAR ES SALAAM



Keep an eye out for hippos wallowing in the mudflats on a boat safari down the Wami River, then follow nocturnal game footprints on a sunrise walking safari.

Learn all about the Maasai, then bust out some local dance moves at a Swahili beach party.

Enjoy a tropical getaway to the incredible paradise of Zanzibar, where days of beach-loving life and water activities await.

Days 1-3 Saadani NP/Babs' Camp Head to the only wildlife park in Tanzania that borders the sea, offering a unique combination of mainland and marine plants and animals. Lunch at a wildlife outlook tower, then take a game drive, keeping an eye out for lions, buffalo, and elephants. Enjoy a sunrise walking safari along the salt flats, following the footprints of night-time animals. Learn how to set up a camera trap to get the perfect wildlife shot (hopefully!) and take a late afternoon game drive in search of the big predators. Board a boat safari along the Wami River. Look out for beautiful colobus monkeys and enormous hippos emerging from the mud. Compete to see who can spot the most wildlife on a game drive back to the park.

Days 4-6 Saadani NP/Simply Saadani Camp Drive to your beachside camp, set on the Indian Ocean and surrounded by national park. Explore Mafui Creek by

canoe or hike through bush trails. Visit a local fishing village or travel to Madete marine park, where you'll learn about endangered green turtles and watch babies hatch. Later, get an insight into life as a Maasai, including their clothes, hair and face paint, then have a local language lesson. After a dance class, dress up in traditional "Shuka" (Maasai blankets) and enjoy a Swahili barbecue, where you can show off your new dance moves. **Days 7-10 Zanzibar** Catch a flight across the Indian Ocean to the famous 'Spice Island' of Zanzibar. Chill by the pool, head to the pristine powder of the beach, and maybe dive into the warm ocean for swimming and snorkelling. Grab a hammock and swing the day away in this ultimate slice of paradise. Get active with lots of water sports, or simply rest up and do as little as you like at the end of this Tanzanian adventure.



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Minimum age 11
Group size 3-5 families



Tented lodge (6 nts), hotel (3 nts)



9 Breakfasts, 7 Lunches, 9 Dinners



4x4 safari vehicle, plane, canoe



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Kenya - Jo Jukes



Namibia & Botswana Family Safari

19 DAYS, WINDHOEK TO VICTORIA FALLS



There's nothing quite like seeing and feeling the rumble and roar of Victoria Falls, the most legendary cascades on the continent.

Learn the culture, crafts, tracking skills and ancient survival techniques of the San tribe on a fun bushwalk.

Day 1 Windhoek Begin in this old German colonial town. **Day 2 Sesriem** This is the gateway to awe-inspiring sand dunes and ancient lakebeds. **Day 3 Namib Desert** Explore Sossusvlei and Dead Vlei's photogenic and otherworldly landscapes. **Days 4-5 Swakopmund** Travel to the end of the famous and barren 'Skeleton Coast'. **Day 6 Spitzkoppe** Encounter Cape fur seals at Cape Cross. **Day 7 Brandberg** Search for the elusive desert elephant and see ancient San Cave paintings. **Days 8-9 Etosha National Park** Take game drives for the Big Five. **Day 10 Grootfontein** Visit a San people village. **Day 11 Rundu** Camp on the banks of the Okavango River. **Day 12 Shakawe** Cross into Botswana. **Days 13-14 Okavango Delta** Take mokoros out for island game walks. **Day 15 Bagani** Return to Namibia. **Days 16-17 Chobe National Park** Look out for elephants, hippos and crocodiles. **Days 18-19 Victoria Falls** Cross into Zimbabwe for one of the world's most spectacular sights.

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Minimum age 7
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (1 nt), camping with facilities (11 nts), camping with basic facilities (4 nts), chalet (2 nts)



18 Breakfasts, 15 Lunches, 7 Dinners



Overland vehicle, boat, mokoro

East Africa Family Safari

17 DAYS, NAIROBI TO DAR ES SALAAM

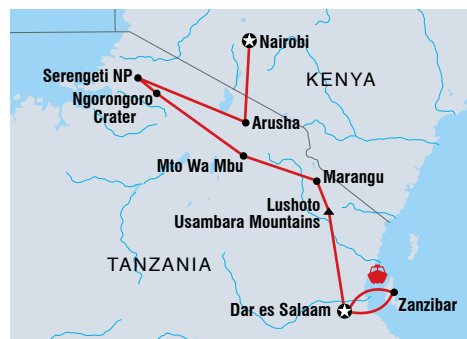


Take a mind-blowing safari across the floor of the Ngorongoro Crater in an open-roof 4x4 for a chance to see the endangered black rhinoceros.

Enjoy an authentic, interactive experience of two quite different African cultures, the semi-nomadic Maasai tribe and the Bantu-speaking Chagga people.

Days 1-2 Nairobi Get a first wildlife glimpse at the Langata Giraffe Sanctuary. **Days 3-4 Arusha** Take a camel ride to a Maasai village, soak up their legendary culture, then browse markets back in Arusha. **Days 5-6 Serengeti** Take game drives to seek out big cats, zebras and gazelles. **Day 7 Ngorongoro Crater/Mto Wa Mbu** Explore an extinct volcano for rhinos, lions, leopards and elephants. Camp in Mto Wa Mbu village. **Days 8-9 Marangu** Visit an inspirational local school, then enjoy a fascinating Chagga community visit. **Days 10-11 Lushoto** Spend two nights in Tanzania's lush Usambara mountains. Take walks with amazing views, and have fun learning about rural life while visiting a cultural centre and a working farm. **Days 12-13 Dar es Salaam** Travel to Tanzania's tropical coast, visit villages and laze by the water. **Days 14-16 Zanzibar** Wander historic Stone Town, visit a spice plantation, and maybe even snorkel with dolphins! **Day 17 Dar es Salaam** End your trip in this bustling port city.

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Minimum age 7
Group size 3-5 families



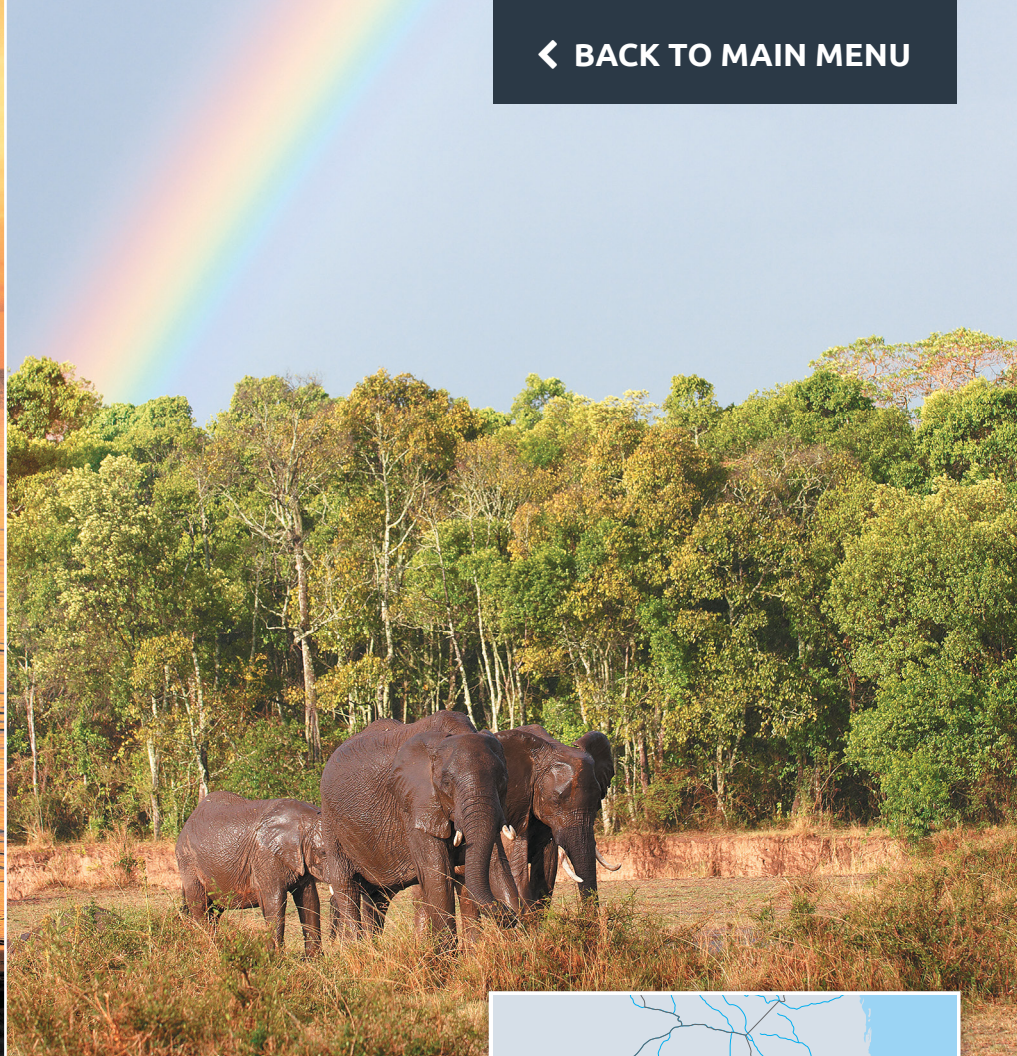
Hotel (7 nts), camping with facilities (5 nts), camping with basic facilities (2 nts), beach chalet (2 nts)



16 Breakfasts, 12 Lunches, 12 Dinners



Overland vehicle, 4x4 safari vehicle, ferry



South Africa Family Safari



12 DAYS, JOHANNESBURG TO JOHANNESBURG



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- Minimum age 11
Group size 3-5 families
- Hotel (1 nt), camping with facilities (6 nts), lodge (4 nts)
- 11 Breakfasts, 7 Lunches, 10 Dinners
- Minibus, 4x4 safari vehicle



Day 1 Johannesburg Touch down in Johannesburg and take in the urban sprawl of this intriguing city of contrasts. Head out to the township of Soweto for an educational and inspirational tour of one of the city's most well known areas. **Days 2-3 Hluhluwe-Imfolozi Park** Rise early and venture out to Hluhluwe-Imfolozi Park, home to the world's largest population of white rhinos. Embark on the first of many exhilarating game drives through the wilderness, then swing by a popular waterhole where many animals come to quench their thirst. **Days 4-5 Kosi Bay** Pay a visit to a traditional Zulu village and explore the surrounding area with a local guide. Then make a beeline for the coast to the Kosi Bay Nature Reserve, where there are lush jungles, tropical mangroves and diverse coral reefs to discover – while kayaking and snorkelling. **Days 6-7 Hlane National Park** Arrive in Swaziland and

head to the home of the country's largest wild herds. While on safari in Hlane National Park, keep your eyes peeled for grazing elephants, rubber-necked giraffes and two-toned zebras. Game drives, mountain biking and hikes are all on offer. **Days 8-9 Kruger National Park** Skip back across the border into South Africa and then travel to the country's 'big daddy' of national parks, where all of the members of Africa's Big Five (lions, leopards, buffalos, rhinos and elephants) can be discovered, as well as numerous bird and reptile species. **Days 10-11 Blyde River Canyon** Take in spectacular views of Blyde River Canyon from various points along the edge. Choose to raft down the Sabi River or perhaps venture out on a tree canopy walk or hiking excursion. **Day 12 Johannesburg** Return to this lively, friendly city where this epic family adventure comes to a close.

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Europe



Europe is an iconic holiday destination. With so much packed into one continent, choosing a place to visit can be overwhelming. In this section, we have selected some of the most fun and immersive spots for summer and winter family-friendly activities. Boasting plenty of action – Turkish seas to sail, Croatian mountains to bike, Icelandic glaciers to walk – and no small dose of tasty food and culture, Europe is a treasure trove your family will be eager to return to.



The Balkans are booming. This active region has dived out of its neighbours' shadows to be the hot spot for outdoorsy adventurers – check it out in Croatia and Slovenia (pages 41–42).



Europe's always full of surprises – who knew you could kayak volcanic craters and swim with dolphins here? The gorgeous Azores, a little way off the continent, offer just that (page 43).



See Iceland turn green with a summer adventure in this unique volcanic landscape – don't worry there are still lots of glaciers to enjoy, just fewer layers to wear (page 46).

WHERE IN THE WORLD

Andorra
Italy
Iceland
Turkey
Portugal
Croatia
Slovakia
Slovenia

Weather

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Rome												
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Valleta												
Trilj												
Reykavik												

- Monsoon 25–35°C
- Very hot & dry 35°C+
- Hot & dry 25–35°C
- Hot & wet 25–35°C
- Pleasantly warm 20–30°C
- Warm & wet 20–25°C
- Cool 15–20°C
- Cold & dry 0–15°C
- Cold & wet 0–15°C
- Below freezing –0°C



Pyrenees - Jane Woodyer



Pyrenees - Mark Hodson

Summer Pyrenees Family Holiday

8 DAYS, SOLDEU TO SOLDEU



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Minimum age 7
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (7 nts)



7 Breakfasts, 6 Dinners



Private bus



From scenic valley hikes to mountain biking and zip-lining, there's a great mix of activities for all ages to keep the whole family entertained.

The Noguera River is one of the top five for white-water rafting in Europe, thanks to its many safe exit points and continuous stretches of steady foaming rapids.

Enjoy a flexible activity schedule. There are many chances to opt out of the adventure and simply soak up the fresh air and perfect Pyrenean scenery.

Day 1 Soldeu Arrive in Andorra and take in the beautiful mountain scenery that will be the backdrop for the week ahead. Settle in and then explore this charming town that sits on the southern slopes of the Pyrenees. **Day 2 Siscaro Reserve** Stretch those legs on a scenic walk to the summit of Pic Maia. Return to Soldeu through meadows and rugged terrain that turns into the area's famous ski slopes during winter, perhaps stopping for a dip in the Siscaro Lakes if it's warm. **Day 3 Cortais Valley** Grab a bike and go on a scenic cycling adventure through the Cortais Valley. Follow the track to Engolasters Lake, ride along forest trails and, if keen, stopping for a breather at a lakeside cafe. Enjoy a picnic lunch before jumping on the bikes again to make the exhilarating switch-back descent to Encamp. **Day 4 Soldeu** Today's pace is entirely up to each family to decide. Wander around the countryside,

visit Caldea's thermal baths or get active and go horse riding, canyoning or treetop zip-lining. **Day 5 Soldeu** Cross a high mountain pass, then embark on an exhilarating whitewater rafting adventure through some impressive scenery. Relax in the afternoon by chilling in the sun or unwinding and exploring the town. **Day 6 Iron Route** Venture into the scenic Ordino Valley and go cycling along the off-road Iron Route with a local guide. Pass old mines and forges, and end up in the beautiful village of Ordino. Refresh with food and drink, and either jump back on the bike or return to the hotel in the support vehicle. **Days 7-8 Incles Valley/Soldeu** Enjoy a scenic hike up to the Cabana Sorda Lake through the Incles Valley, one of Andorra's most impressive and unspoiled valleys. Finish this adventure trip on Day 8 after breakfast.

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Turkey - Elena Hill

Turkey Family Holiday

8 DAYS, FETHIYE TO FETHIYE



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (5 nts), boat (2 nts)



7 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 2 Dinners



Minibus, traditional gulet



Day 1 Fethiye Welcome to the beautiful Turkish coast. Spend an afternoon getting to know this friendly beachside town. **Day 2 Saklikent Gorge/Fethiye** Take a scenic drive out to Saklikent Gorge, one of the deepest canyons in the world. Splash around in the water and scramble over rocks as you explore the area, then drive back to Fethiye after lunch. In the afternoon, perhaps race each other up the steps up to the ancient Lycian stone temples, each carved directly from the rock.

Day 3 Water Park/Fethiye Head to a nearby water park and spend a blissful day slipping down water slides and scampering between pools at Oludeniz Water World. Tonight, perhaps get stuck into some of the great seafood on offer in town. **Day 4 Fethiye** Today is free – perhaps explore some of the local restaurants, wander around the harbour which is often filled with traditional gulets and fishing boats, or get out on the water with an

optional kayaking adventure. Spending the afternoon visiting the markets and stores around town is another fun option. **Day 5 Xanthos, Patara and Letoon** Explore important ruins cities of Lycian history and chill out on one of the best beaches in Turkey. **Days 6-7 Gulet Cruise** Take to the seas aboard a traditional gulet. For the next two days it will go wherever the wind or your fancy takes it, cruising around coves and islands, dropping anchor for a swim whenever the feeling takes hold. Stop in at Butterfly Valley – this pristine paradise was only recently discovered. Wake up on board the gulet and spend another glorious day travelling along the coast. There'll be plenty of opportunities to go ashore for hikes, explore hidden coves and go swimming. **Day 8 Fethiye** Enjoy a final breakfast aboard the gulet and then head ashore to a traditional hamam (a Turkish bath house). End with a transfer to the airport.

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Croatia - Celia Mannings

Croatian Active Family Holiday



8 DAYS, STARIGRAD PAKLENICA TO STARIGRAD PAKLENICA

Cycle through forests of beech and black pine while taking in the view of Vesebit Mountain in Paklenica National Park.

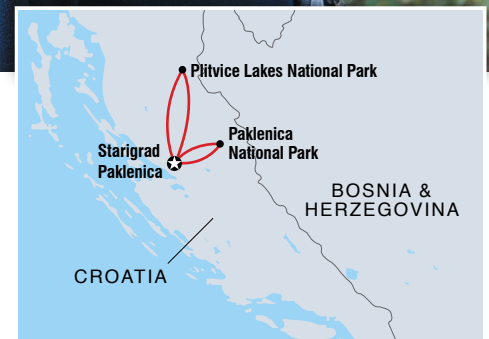
Pop on your snorkel and make friends with the fishes in the pristine waters around Kornati National Park.

Drift along pure spring-fed rivers past sparkling waterfalls, and then battle with rushing rapids as you ride the Zrmanja River on a whitewater raft.

Day 1 Starigrad Paklenica Arrive in the quiet town of Starigrad Paklenica and explore your surroundings.

Days 2-3 Paklenica NP Lace up your hiking boots and travel to Paklenica National Park home to some of Croatia's most impressive mountain scenery. Here we will take a stunning walk through the countryside and explore Sklopina, a 17th century village built right into the cracks of the mountains. The following day, go rafting on the Zrmanja river. **Day 4 Starigrad Paklenica/Cycling** After yesterday's river adventure, it's time to head back and expend more energy as we explore and discover the mountain paths at Paklenica National Park – except this time it's on two wheels with a lunch stop included. **Day 5 Free day** Today is free to rest and relax, recharge the batteries or take advantage of the optional activities activities that are available in the area. **Day 6 Starigrad Paklenica/**

Kayaking Today we head out on an epic adventure on the water on a sea kayak for our exploration of Paklenica Bay. Glide along blue satin water that's often so clear that you can see the bottom. There are plenty of chances to stop and dive into the water to cool off or have a quick swimming break. **Day 7 Plitvice Lakes National Park** Visit Plitvice Lakes, a misty Eden of endless waterfalls and spectral blue lakes found in one of Europe's oldest national parks. We will take a stroll along the various wooden walkways and take a swim in the clear waters. Enjoy the last night by sharing dinner with your group and swopping stories of your favourite activities. The tour finishes on Day 8 after breakfast.



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Minimum age 11
Group size 3-5 families



Guesthouse (7 nts)



7 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 1 Dinner



Minibus



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Bled Castle, Lake Bled - Slovenia



Slovenia Active Family Holiday

8 DAYS, BLED TO BLED



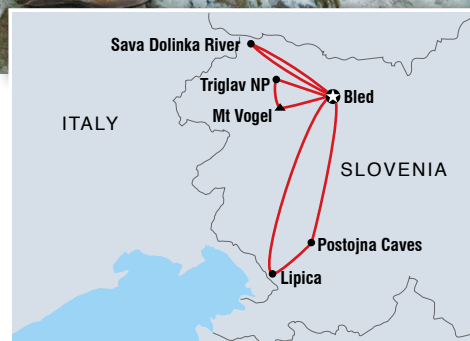
Bled is a joy to explore, a beautiful paradise that lies on a stunning lake at the edge of the Julian Alps, with an island church that looks like a fairytale.

Bring together the family as a team and solve puzzles in an exciting and tense Escape Room experience.

Cycle through mountain pastures to outstanding lookouts in Triglav National Park, visit Postojna Caves and Lipica horse farm.

Day 1 Bled Take in the mountainous backdrop, picturesque lake and impressive cliff-top castle, which all combine to make Bled such a wonderful place to visit. **Day 2 Hiking on Mt Vogel** Take a walk around picturesque Bled, then ride a cable car to the top of Mount Vogel. At the summit, hike along lush trails, looking down to the valley where deep green meets endless blue. Pass by the emerald waters of Lake Bohinj, the largest permanent glacial lake in Slovenia. **Day 3 Triglav National Park** Go mountain biking on one of two routes through the forests and mountain pastures of Triglav National Park, enjoying outstanding viewpoints of this beautiful national park. Rest and unwind at a thermal spring. **Day 4 Bled** Enjoy a free day to take a boat across the lake and climb the 99 steps at St Mary's Church to ring the wishing bell, cycle the route that circles the lake, or simply seek out the

best of the famous Bled cream cake. **Day 5 Lipica and Postojna Caves** Visit the famous Lipizzaners horses and be captivated by their importance in Slovenian history. After lunch we explore the Postojna Caves before returning to Bled in the evening. **Day 6 Rafting on Sava Dolinka River** Navigate the rapids, gates and pools of the Sava Dolinka River on a rafting trip through alpine scenery. In the evening, dine on sausages and fresh fish. **Day 7 Escape Room** Work together as a family cracking puzzles to find the hidden stardust which is your key to finding your way out and your freedom. **Day 8 Bled** Use your last day to visit the picture-perfect church on Bled Island or stock up on cream cakes for the journey home.



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Minimum age 11
Group size 3-5 families



Guesthouse (7nts)



7 Breakfasts



Private bus, train



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Azores Family Holiday



8 DAYS, SAO MIGUEL TO SAO MIGUEL

Discover a rare and beautiful world in the Atlantic Ocean – hike up volcanoes, kayak on sparkling lakes, cycle around craters, and explore underground lava caves.

Take a boat off the coast of São Miguel to swim with dolphins – this is a truly unforgettable experience.

Explore the stunning island of São Miguel by jeep, then go back in time and experience life on the land at a Ginetes farm.

Day 1 Sao Miguel Fly into Sao Miguel and look down on the ‘Green Island’. Explore the town or relax by one of the hotel’s two pools. **Day 2 Faial Island** Board a flight to Faial, where the many shades of blue adorning the island’s houses have earned it the moniker the ‘Blue Island’. Drive up to the Capelinhos Volcano, pop into the interpretation centre for a versing in volcanic activity and savour some incredible views across the Atlantic. **Day 3 Pico Island** Journey to Pico by boat. Set out on a tour of some gorgeous vineyards and drop by Gruta das Torres to discover one of the world’s longest lava caves. Stop in at old whaling ports and quaint villages on the drive to Horta. **Day 4 Sao Miguel** Fly to Sao Miguel Island before visiting Sete Cidades on the western coast. Enjoy a picnic lunch by the lake’s scenic shores, then work it off with a bike ride into the crater and a paddle on the lake’s emerald waters.

Day 5 Sao Miguel Embark on a tour to Furnas, a volcanic region boasting bubbling hot springs. Wander through the Terra Nostra botanical garden to examine its extraordinary collection of native plants and be treated to a lunch cooked solely by the earth’s steam. **Day 6 Sao Miguel** An early rise is well worth it – you’ll soon be swimming with dolphins! Atlantic, bottlenose, spotted and Risso’s all frolic in these waters. Later, drive out to the natural reserve of Fogo and see one of the island’s best-preserved lakes. **Day 7 Sao Miguel** Get a feel for local island life on a full-day tour that takes in its artistic, religious and cultural traditions. Visit a local Ginetes farm and sample the pastoral life of milking cows and tilling the soil. Enjoy a picnic lunch and take a dip in Ferrara’s naturally formed pool. **Day 8 Sao Miguel** This Azores family adventure comes to an end this morning.

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Minimum age 5 Group size 3-5 families	Hotel (7 nts)	7 Breakfasts, 6 Lunches
Plane, minibus, ferry, 4x4 jeep		



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Mt Vesuvius, Naples - Italy

Italy Family Holiday

8 DAYS, SORRENTO TO MINORI



Climb to the summit of the world's most famous volcano, Mt Vesuvius, whose deadly eruption covered this part of the world in ash thousands of years ago.

You're not just travelling to Italy, you're travelling back in time 2,000 years as you explore the perfectly preserved Roman towns of Herculaneum and Pompeii.

Learn why the way to any Italian's heart is through their stomach – get delicious lessons on gelato, and pizza from passionate local chef.

Day 1 Sorrento Arrive in the pretty seaside town of Sorrento. Walk through the old alleys to the terraces overlooking the gulf of Naples, explore the Piazza Tasso, or head out for a family meal at a trattoria for a first taste of delicious Italian cuisine. **Day 2 Herculaneum/Sorrento** Uncover a town buried in volcanic mud by the eruption of Vesuvius in AD79. Everything, including the food on the tables, looks exactly like it did on that fateful day. This evening you'll get a hands-on lesson in the thing most important to Italians – food! Enjoy a pizza cooking demonstration and delectable dinner. **Day 3 Capri/Sorrento** Take a day trip to the beautiful island of Capri, once the holiday retreat of Roman Emperors. This visit includes tickets for the funicular and cable car – take them to the top of the island for wonderful views. **Day 4 Pompeii/Vesuvius** Get a unique look back

into the lives of ancient Romans and discover how they lived, worked and interacted 2,000 years ago in perfectly preserved Pompeii. Then walk to the summit of Vesuvius itself and look down into the crater.

Day 5 Minori After some last-minute shopping or walking in Sorrento, head out to the coastal village of Minori. Stop on the way at a local agriturismo (farmhouse) to taste some of the local delicacies.

Day 6 Sea kayaking/Minori Enjoy the beautiful coast from a different perspective today as you jump in a kayak and paddle along the sea, admiring the villages that cling to the cliffs. **Days 7-8 Minori** Take a free day to enjoy Minori – explore the Roman villa, relax on the sandy beach, or taste some of the coast's finest pastries. This trip ends after breakfast on Day 8.



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (7 nts)



7 Breakfasts, 2 Dinners



Bus, train, ferry, minibus, local bus, funicular and cable car



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Malta & Gozo Family Holiday

8 DAYS, SLIEMA TO XLENDI



Hop in a jeep to explore the hilltop villages and interior of the island of Gozo, watching locals go about their centuries-old daily routine.

Hit the high seas and discover the hidden coves of tiny Comino, stopping on the way to snorkel in crystal-clear waters.

Live life as a local Gozitan shepherd for a day – tend to the animals, cut corn, and even make local food the traditional way.

Day 1 Sliema Welcome to Sliema, a lovely town on Malta's north-east coast. **Day 2 Valletta/Sliema** Head into Valletta, the incredible capital of Malta and follow in the footsteps of the Crusaders. Find out how the scores of visitors and conquerors shaped the unique Maltese culture on a walking tour. **Day 3 Sliema** Enjoy a free day in Sliema. Choose to play at a water park, get a dose of history on a visit to the medieval walled town of Mdina, go horse riding, or relax at the beach and soak up this beautiful part of the world. **Day 4 Xlendi** Enjoy a relaxed breakfast in Malta and then catch the boat across the sea to Gozo. Marvel at how two islands just eight kilometres apart are a world away from each other. Jump on a bike this afternoon to explore the quiet paths and trails seldom visited by any other sort of vehicle, let alone travellers. **Day 5 Xlendi** Get a unique insight into the peaceful life of a local shepherd

and learn how to feed and milk the sheep. Try your hand at making the island's delicious Gozitan cheese before tucking into a traditional dinner of cheese (of course!), olives, tomatoes and crusty bread. **Day 6 Xlendi** Take a boat to the wildlife sanctuary of Comino. Drop the anchor in a secluded bay for an afternoon of swimming and snorkelling in this spectacular region. Relax in this peaceful haven before returning to Gozo. **Day 7 Xlendi** Discover the island's unspoilt landscapes, charming hilltop towns and secret beaches on a jeep safari. If the weather's right, take a boat to the Azure Window. Spend the afternoon relaxing by the pool, at the beach, or walking in the unspoilt landscapes of the area. **Day 8 Xlendi** This morning your trip ends after your final Maltese breakfast. You will be transferred back to Malta to catch your departing flight taking fond memories of Malta and Gozo with you.



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Minimum age 5 Group size 3-5 families	Hotel (7 nts)	7 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner
Jeep, boat, minibus		



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Summer Iceland Family Adventure

7 DAYS, REYKJAVIK TO REYKJAVIK



Ride the rapids on a rafting adventure along the Hvita River for a real life family adrenaline rush.

Head down into the heart of Iceland – discover the incredible caves and tubes formed when super hot magma pushed its way through the earth.

Day 1 Reykjavik Arrive in Reykjavik and, if there's time, join locals who gossip and chatter in the Laugardalslaug Geothermal Pool. **Day 2 Hvalsollur** Discover the phenomenon of Parliament Plains before visiting Gullfoss, the Golden Waterfall. Pass erupting geysers, then head to the Hvita River for an exciting rafting adventure. **Day 3 Skaftafell National Park/Glacier Lagoon** Drive through the sites of old lava eruptions before boarding a boat to cruise through the iceberg-laden Jokulsarlon Glacial Lagoon. **Day 4 Hvalsollur** Travel to the rugged and beautiful Skaftafell National Park. Enjoy an incredible glacial walk before heading to our Icelandic accommodation for the night. **Day 5 Reykjavik** Take a 'Hot Spring hunt' (a hike with stops in thermal pools), then go underground to explore caves that were formed by ancient lava flows. **Day 6 Reykjavik** Spend a day exploring this friendly city or perhaps go whale watching. **Day 7 Reykjavik** Enjoy a soak in the relaxing Blue Lagoon before this summer adventure ends.

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Minimum age 12
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (6 nts)



6 Breakfasts



Minibus, boat

Winter Iceland Family Adventure

8 DAYS, REYKJAVIK TO REYKJAVIK



Snorkel in between two continental plates at the Silfra fissure. Explore the crystal-clear waters and lush greenery of this world-class diving spot.

Enjoy guided walks in Solheimajokull and Skaftafell National Park, each one a stunning arena of glacial scenery.

Day 1 Reykjavik Welcome to the land of ice and fire. **Day 2 Hvalsollur** Discover Reykjavik on a guided walking tour, then witness hot springs, geysers and the Gullfoss Waterfall. **Day 3 Glacier Lagoon** Visit the country's largest and most impressive waterfall – Skogafoss – and then walk across the frozen surface of the Solheimajokull Glacier. Tonight, go in search of the northern lights! **Day 4 Hvalsollur** Travel to Skaftafell and the incredible Vatnajokull, Europe's biggest glacier. Go on a icy walk before driving to the rocks of Reynisfjara and Dyrholaey en route to Hvalsollur. **Day 5 Reykjavik** Go snorkelling in the Silfra fissure, a fantastic and unique adventure for the whole family. **Day 6 Reykjavik** Visit the lava waterfalls of Hraunfossar and Barnafossur waterfall. Then explore the biggest man-made ice cave in the world. **Day 7 Reykjavik** Enjoy a free day discovering this cool city and its surrounds. **Day 8 Reykjavik** Drive to the mud pools of Reykjanes Peninsula, then soak in the Blue Lagoon before this trip ends.

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Minimum age 12
Group size 3-5 families



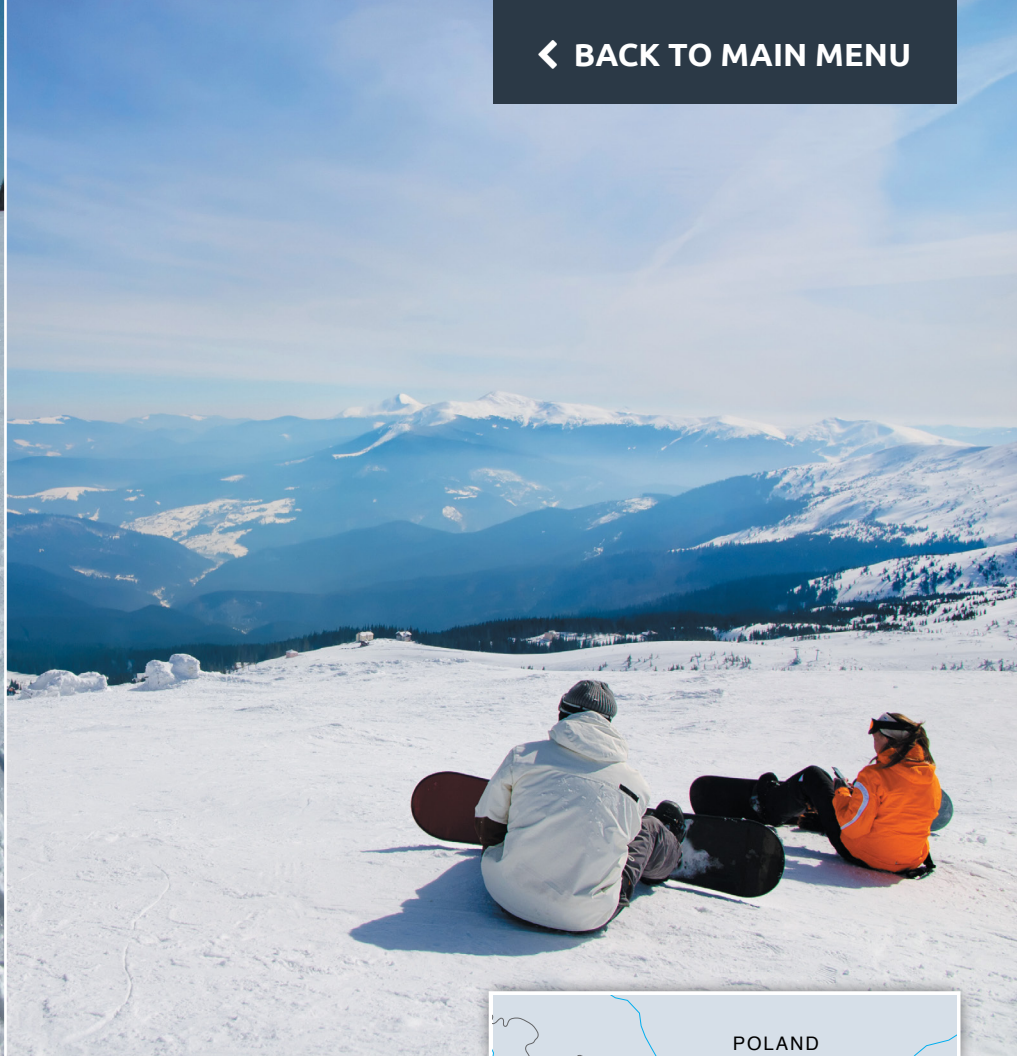
Hotel (7 nts)



7 Breakfasts



Minibus



Winter Slovakia Family Adventure

8 DAYS, KRAKOW TO KRAKOW



Experience a slice of Slovak tradition with a fun evening of music, lanterns and dancing in the open-air Museum of the Orava Village.

A snowshoe adventure literally takes you off the beaten track – you'll feel like a real adventurer!

Animal-lovers will be in heaven, as the canine friends of the Lower Tatra pull you along the slopes on a dog-sledding adventure.

Day 1 Krakow Arrive into the Polish city and explore by foot. **Days 2-3 Zuberec (skiing/snowboarding)** Take to the slopes for some downhill fun. Experienced ski technicians, and your leader, will be there to make sure everything fits properly and to show you how it all works. The village offers pistes suitable for all categories of skiers or snowboarders. Beginners will soon be amazed at how quickly they develop, while more experienced skiers and boarders can try more demanding pistes. **Day 4 Zuberec (dog sledding)** Learn to glide across the ice-covered landscapes by dog-powered sled. Let the adrenaline of having up to six canine friends running at full pelt take over. All you can hear are the runners of the sled fizzing over the frozen snow and the odd bark or yelp from the dogs. Don't forget the magic words which the dogs listen to for their direction: 'Ho' and 'Dzi'. Then warm

up with a visit to the thermal pools in the nearby village of Oravice. **Day 5 Zuberec (snowshoeing)** Head to the Rohace forest for a day's snowshoeing. It really isn't difficult at all and, although you might feel a little ungainly at first, you'll soon discover that you can climb even a fairly steep slope with ease. **Day 6 Zuberec** Have a leisurely breakfast and perhaps take to the slopes again, maybe swap from skis to snowboard (or vice versa), head back into the hills on your showshoes, or back to the thermal pools for a soak. **Days 7-8 Zuberec (sledding)** Enjoy lunch with a local family and discover more about Slovakian life and get a glimpse of how families live. Afterwards, take to the slopes around the village once again for a sledding excursion. Zooming downhill on small plastic sleds is great fun for both adults and children. This trip comes to an end on Day 8.



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Lodge (7 nts)



7 Breakfasts, 1 Lunches



Minibus

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The Americas



This great continent, stretching all the way from farthest Canada to Argentinian Patagonia, is like one big natural playground. You name it, the America's have it. Get your family into the rhythms of tumbledown Caribbean islands and Central American jungles, Peruvian lost cities and Amazonian rainforests, road trips in the US and snorkelling in the Galapagos. The people and cultures are as lively as the stunning natural world that surrounds them. The only dilemma will be which part to visit next.



Let Costa Rica's natural magic cast its spell on you – take time with a leisurely two-week adventure, or get a quick snapshot of volcanoes and lush jungles in just 8 days (pgs 50-51).



High up in the misty Andes, Machu Picchu is one of the Americas' greatest sights. Take the bus up or tackle the memorable 4-day trek on the Inca Trail – the choice is yours (pgs 52-53).



If any trip ticks all the 'must haves' boxes, then it might just be Western USA – LA, Vegas, San Fran, and the best national parks filled with canyons and redwoods. This is US-yay (pg 54).

WHERE IN THE WORLD

Cuba
Costa Rica
Peru
USA
Galapagos

Weather

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Las Vegas	Blue	Blue	Yellow	Yellow	Orange	Red	Red	Red	Red	Orange	Yellow	Blue
Cusco	Green	Green	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Green	Green
San Jose	Yellow	Yellow	Orange	Orange	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Yellow
Havana	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Yellow	Yellow

- Monsoon 25-35°C
- Very hot & dry 35°C+
- Hot & dry 25-35°C
- Hot & wet 25-35°C
- Pleasantly warm 20-30°C
- Warm & wet 20-25°C
- Cool 15-20°C
- Cold & dry 0-15°C
- Cold & wet 0-15°C
- Below freezing -0°C



Havana, Cuba - Hailey Bartholomew

Cuba Family Holiday

11 DAYS, HAVANA TO HAVANA



Take in the crumbling facades of colonial buildings, meet chilled out locals puffing on cigars and wiggle your toes in the sand on an isolated beach.

Check out the history and amazing snorkelling lying just off the coast in the famous Bay of Pigs.

Find out all about Che Guevara, and discover why he was more than just a face on t-shirts and posters.

Day 1 Havana Arrive in Havana, Cuba's vivacious, fun-filled capital. Head out on an orientation walk of the city. The crumbling colonial buildings, street-side baseball games and classic old cars will make you feel as if you've stumbled onto a 1950s movie set.

Days 2-3 Vinales Drive through an exotic landscape of cane fields, tobacco plantations and swaying palm trees on the way to Vinales. Pass huge conical towers of limestone in the valley and take a walk through rural life, meeting a local farmer along the way. In the evening, watch as thousands of bats stream out of the enormous limestone caves. **Day 4 Soroa** Head to the 'Rainbow of Cuba', a gorgeous natural area set within the mountains. Take a walk to a waterfall and swim in a water hole. **Day 5 Bay of Pigs/Playa Larga** Travel along the badlands of the Zapata Peninsula to Playa Larga. There's time to snorkel and learn about the failed

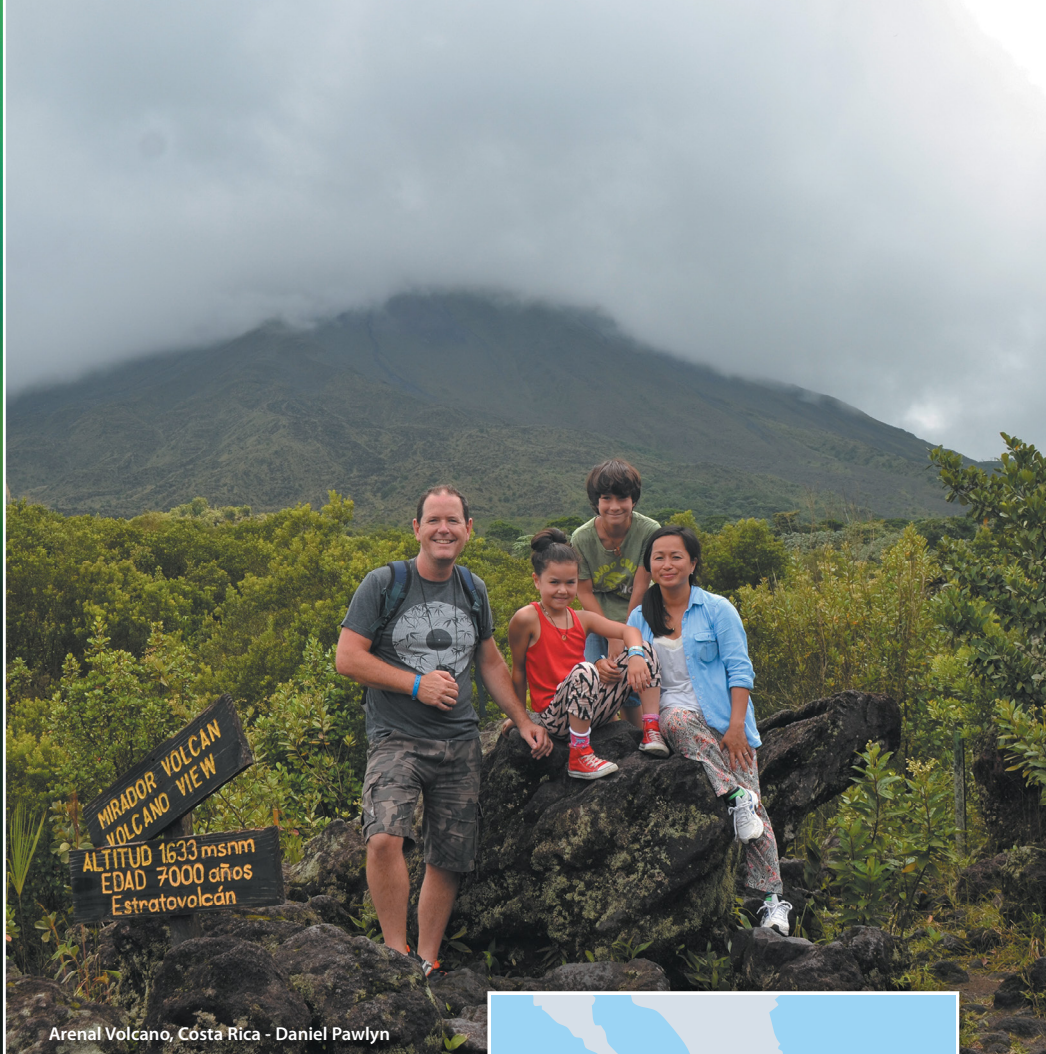
1961 Bay of Pigs invasion on a museum visit before spending the night in a stunning beachside location.

Day 6 Cienfuegos Travel to Cienfuegos, a city of elegant French architecture, and explore this charming town on a walking tour, visiting the famous Coppelia ice cream parlour. **Days 7-8 Trinidad** Soak up the amiable atmosphere of Cuba's best-preserved colonial town, declared a World Heritage site in 1988. Amble along Trinidad's cobblestone streets to the Plaza Mayor, learn about the city's past at the local museum, and take a day trip to Salto de Javira and Playa Ancon.

Days 9-11 Havana Visit the Che Guevara mausoleum and museum in Santa Clara. Get acquainted with Cuba's unique capital on a guided tour in one of its famous vintage cars. Perhaps head to the white sands of Varadero for some beach time before this fun-filled family adventure finishes up.

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Minimum age 5 Group size 3-5 families	Hotel (1 nt), guesthouse (9 nts)	
10 Breakfasts		
Minibus		


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Arenal Volcano, Costa Rica - Daniel Pawlyn

Costa Rica Family Holiday

15 DAYS, SAN JOSE TO SAN JOSE



Dive into the heart of one of the world's most biologically diverse countries, through rivers, dense rainforest, misty cloud forest, past towering volcanoes and to blissful beaches on a journey that will leave you in love with nature.

Get active on an incredible range of outdoor pursuits, from whitewater rafting to galloping through forest on horseback, hiking through jungle to waterfalls, walking high up in the canopy, and whizzing from tree to tree on a zipline.

Days 1-2 San Jose Travel to Costa Rica's vivacious capital, San Jose. Situated in the heart of the Central Valley, this region boasts an impressive bevy of attractions for the inquiring traveller. Join a guided tour and take in the city sights before heading out to visit a local coffee plantation and butterfly farm.

Days 3-4 Tortuguero National Park Navigate the fertile waterways of Tortuguero National Park and soak up Mother Nature's most flamboyant floral displays. Keep an eye open for the park's fauna too, including different breeds of turtle who at different times, call this region home. **Days 5-6 Sarapiquí** Travel onwards to Sarapiquí, a region rich in biodiversity and beloved by birdwatchers. How you explore the lush, tropical surrounds of this idyllic location is up to you and your family – saddle up on horseback, walk the forest trails or go whitewater rafting on Pacuare River.

Days 7-8 La Fortuna/Arenal Volcano A quaint town surrounded by verdant plains and set against an incredible backdrop, La Fortuna is the base to explore Arenal Volcano National Park. Head out on a guided walk and encounter some colourful wildlife, then soak in hot springs. **Days 9-10 Monteverde** Take in the cooler climate on the climb into coffee country. Explore the lush cloud forest from above on a series of hanging bridges suspended in the canopy. **Days 11- 13 Central Pacific Coast** Follow the Pan-American Highway southward, passing mangroves and palm plantations, to the Costa Rican coast. Soak up some rays and relish the spoils of this unique beach setting. **Days 14-15 San Jose** Set out on a jungle trek through the Carara Biological Reserve. Pass through the agricultural townships of Orotina and Atenas on the final leg back to San Jose.



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (12 nts), lodge (2 nts)



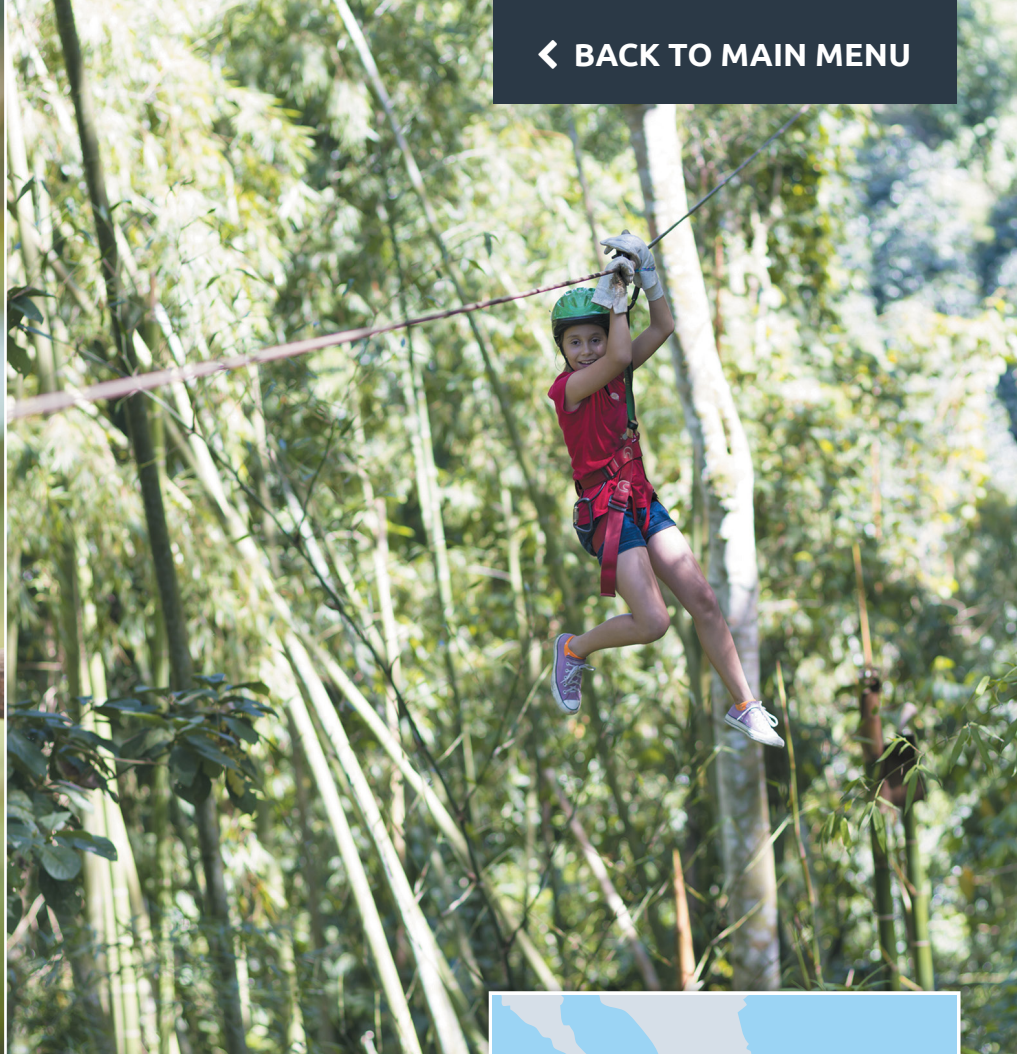
14 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 2 Dinners



Bus, boat



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Costa Rica Family Adventure

8 DAYS, SAN JOSE TO SAN JOSE



- Glide through the waterways of Tortuguero NP. Seek out monkeys and turtles by foot and boat, and drift off to sleep surrounded by the sounds of wildlife.
- Enjoy up-close encounters with Costa Rica's endless wildlife, allowing for plenty of time to let off some steam in thermal springs and swimming pools.
- End this adventure by hitting Manuel Antonio NP, where the evergreen forest grows right up to the long, white beaches and irresistible water.

Days 1-2 San Jose Welcome to San Jose, the feisty capital of Costa Rica. This buzzing city stands at the heart of the country in the fertile Central Valley. Head out on a tour of stunning Poas Volcano National Park, including a gentle hike to the stunning Botos Lagoon, and then take a city tour to discover the best sights of San Jose. **Day 3 Tortuguero National Park** Take a flight to Tortuguero this morning. Enjoy breakfast at the lodge before exploring the park's canals by boat and observing wildlife on walks. There's also time for rest and relaxation at the beach and pool in the afternoon. Tonight you'll fall asleep to the memorable cry of the howler monkey. **Days 4-5 La Fortuna/Arenal Volcano** Explore the lush rainforest around the base of Arenal Volcano. A rafting excursion provides the chance for some exhilarating fun and to spot some fantastic wildlife such as sloths and toucans. Enjoy a

shower under a waterfall and soak in the hot springs, or get a closer look at the volcano. **Days 6-7 Central Pacific Coast** Continue south along the Pan American Highway past mangroves and palm plantations to the picturesque Costa Rican coast. Boasting abundant wildlife, turquoise water and white-sand beaches, Manuel Antonio National Park is a beautiful place to explore. Lap up the perks of its beach setting, where rainforests meet the ocean. Enjoy a jungle crocodile safari and take a guided hike through the rainforest, keeping a look out for colourful birds and flowers along the way. **Day 8 San Jose** Pass through small towns on the return to San Jose. This trip ends on arrival, though perhaps spend more time here to explore the city's museums or take a final exploration of the city centre before your Costa Rican family adventure comes to a close in San Jose.

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Minimum age 5 Group size 3-5 families		
Hotel (7 nts)		
7 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 2 Dinners		
Plane, bus, boat		



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Sacred Valley, Peru - Cath Kingsbury

Peru & Amazon Family Holiday

10 DAYS, LIMA TO CUZCO



Discover the best sights of Lima, from the colonial architecture and excellent museums to the mysterious catacombs and their ornate displays of human bones.

Delve into the untouched world of the Amazon rainforest. Hike jungle trails in search of monkeys, parrots, otters and caymans and sleep in a nature lodge.

Meet the local artisans, farmers and townsfolk of the Sacred Valley – not forgetting the cute alpacas and vicunas.

Days 1-2 Lima Join a guided tour through the historic streets of this fascinating city, descending below the San Francisco Monastery to explore its eerie bone-filled catacombs. **Days 3-4 Amazon Jungle** Catch a flight to the jungle outpost town of Puerto Maldonado. Head upriver into the heart of the Amazon and learn from local guides about the flora and fauna that make this one of the world's greatest cradles of biodiversity. **Day 5 Cuzco** Considered the heart and soul of Peru, Cuzco is shrouded in history and legend. Arrive in the afternoon and have time to explore the ancient Inca-built walls, colonial architecture, and soak up the beautiful atmosphere of this one-time capital of the Inca Empire. **Day 6 Pisac** Travel through the Sacred Valley to the small, traditional town of Pisac. Spend some time wandering the colourful market for authentic Andes souvenirs. Visit a local farm (full of

llamas, alpacas and vicunas) for an insight into regional life and then take a walk out to nearby Inca ruins.

Day 7 Ollantaytambo/Aguas Calientes Continue on to Ollantaytambo and explore the ancient Inca ruins this tiny town is built on. The extensive layers of fortified rock-wall terraces are an impressive sight to behold. Spend the night in Aguas Calientes, maybe jumping into one of the town's hot springs. **Day 8 Machu Picchu/Cuzco** Rise early for a bus ride up to Machu Picchu and watch this staggering archaeological wonder appear through the morning mist. Discover the best vantage points and mysterious history of this incredible site on a guided tour and gain an insight into what life would have been like under the Inca empire. Later, travel back to Cuzco by train and bus.

Days 9-10 Cuzco Relax in town and see any sights you didn't get to earlier. Then it's goodbye to Peru.



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (7 nts), jungle lodge (2 nts)



9 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch



Plane, minibus, boat, train, bus



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Machu Picchu, Peru - Mary Moses

Inca Trail Family Holiday

14 DAYS, LIMA TO CUZCO



- Tackle the glorious Inca Trail with all the creature comforts you need – a spacious tent, a cook for meals, and experienced porters who'll take care of the heavy lifting.
- Venture into the Sacred Valley to discover the quaint old town of Ollantaytambo and tour the staggering Inca ruins.
- Experience some real Andean hospitality with a homestay in Chinchero, a great chance to experience the culture and daily life of the locals.

Day 1 Lima Arrive in Lima, a city steeped in fascinating history and filled to the brim with some of South America's most beautiful architecture and diverse cuisine. **Days 2-4 Cuzco** Enjoy a Lima city tour before flying to Cuzco in the afternoon. Enjoy a full day to explore the imposing colonial cathedrals, time-worn palaces and buzzing city squares, before a free day to unwind. **Day 5 Sacred Valley** Explore the Inca site of Pisac before walking down to the colonial town and observing the traditional ways of life that continue today. **Day 6 Chinchero** Adjust to the Andean altitude on a rarely trodden trail up through the Urquillos Valley. Stay overnight with a local family in Chinchero, a small traditional village, whose residents are renowned for their weaving skills and attractive traditional dress. **Day 7 Ollantaytambo** Ride a bike from Moray to Maras then travel to the peaceful little

town of Ollantaytambo – the only Inca stronghold ever to have resisted persistent Spanish attacks. **Days 8-11 Inca Trail/Machu Picchu** Embark on a memorable trek along Peru's iconic Inca Trail. Cross high mountain passes, traverse lush green valleys and stalk through misty cloud forests to emerge at the majestic ancient marvel of Machu Picchu. Spend some time exploring this fascinating archaeological site in the company of a knowledgeable local guide. **Days 12-14 Cuzco** Perhaps brave an early rise for the opportunity of catching Machu Picchu awash in soft morning light. Return to the charming city of Cuzco, where there'll be plenty of time to explore further and feast on some delicious Andean cuisine. Perhaps while away the last hours of this adventure walking its cobblestone laneways and bargaining for souvenirs in the markets.

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Minimum age 11 Group size 3-5 families	Hotel (9 nts), camping (3 nts), homestay (1 nt)	
13 Breakfasts, 5 Lunches, 3 Dinners		
Plane, minibus, train		



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USA Family Holiday

15 DAYS, LOS ANGELES TO SAN FRANCISCO



The Grand Canyon needs no introduction. Camp in the wilderness, rise early to see the sun light up the rock, then head below the canyon rim to explore its depths.

Channel your inner cowboy as you explore the rugged Wild West, home to westerns, moon-like landscapes, and much more.

Yosemite is the definition of natural beauty. Two nights camping gives loads of time to seek out bears, look up at incredibly tall trees, and walk to towering granite cliffs.

Days 1-2 Los Angeles Touch down in the 'City of Angels'. Stroll down Santa Monica pier, wander the Hollywood Boulevard Walk of Fame, and hit up Beverly Hills. **Day 3 San Diego** Drive south to San Diego. Explore beachside neighbourhoods and Ocean Beach Park by bike, or paddle and surf in the clear ocean. **Day 4 Lake Havasu** Road trip through the Mojave Desert, past high plateaux and distinctive Joshua trees, and cool off with a plunge in Lake Havasu. Go for a cooling swim in the lake or simply watch the sun go down over the hills. **Days 5-6 Grand Canyon** Enjoy the incredible view from the Rim Trail or trek down through pine trees into the canyon. Perhaps take to the skies for a bird's-eye view in a helicopter. **Days 7-8 Las Vegas** Drive a stretch of the most famous road in the US – Route 66. Stop at quirky Seligman and the huge Hoover Dam before arriving in Las Vegas. Enjoy

a splash in the pool, witness the dazzling light show of the iconic Strip in the evening, then take a day to explore the entertainment capital of the world. **Day 9 Death Valley** Brave the country's hottest, driest region and witness salt flats, mountainous peaks and the bizarre 'Devil's Golf Course'. **Days 10-11 Yosemite National Park** Cross the Sierra Nevada mountains to Yosemite. Go trekking along stunning walking trails or perhaps rent a bike to explore further. **Day 12 Monterey** Explore the incredible Monterey Bay by kayak, then make friends with a sea lion at Cannery Row. **Days 13-15 San Francisco** This morning we head to San Fran. Witness the Golden Gate Bridge, cross to famed Sausalito, then perhaps explore eclectic neighbourhoods, climb up steep hills dotted with colourful houses or visit Alcatraz, the famed island prison (Advance booking recommended).



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Minimum age 5
Group size 3-5 families



Hotel (7 nts), camping with facilities (7 nts)



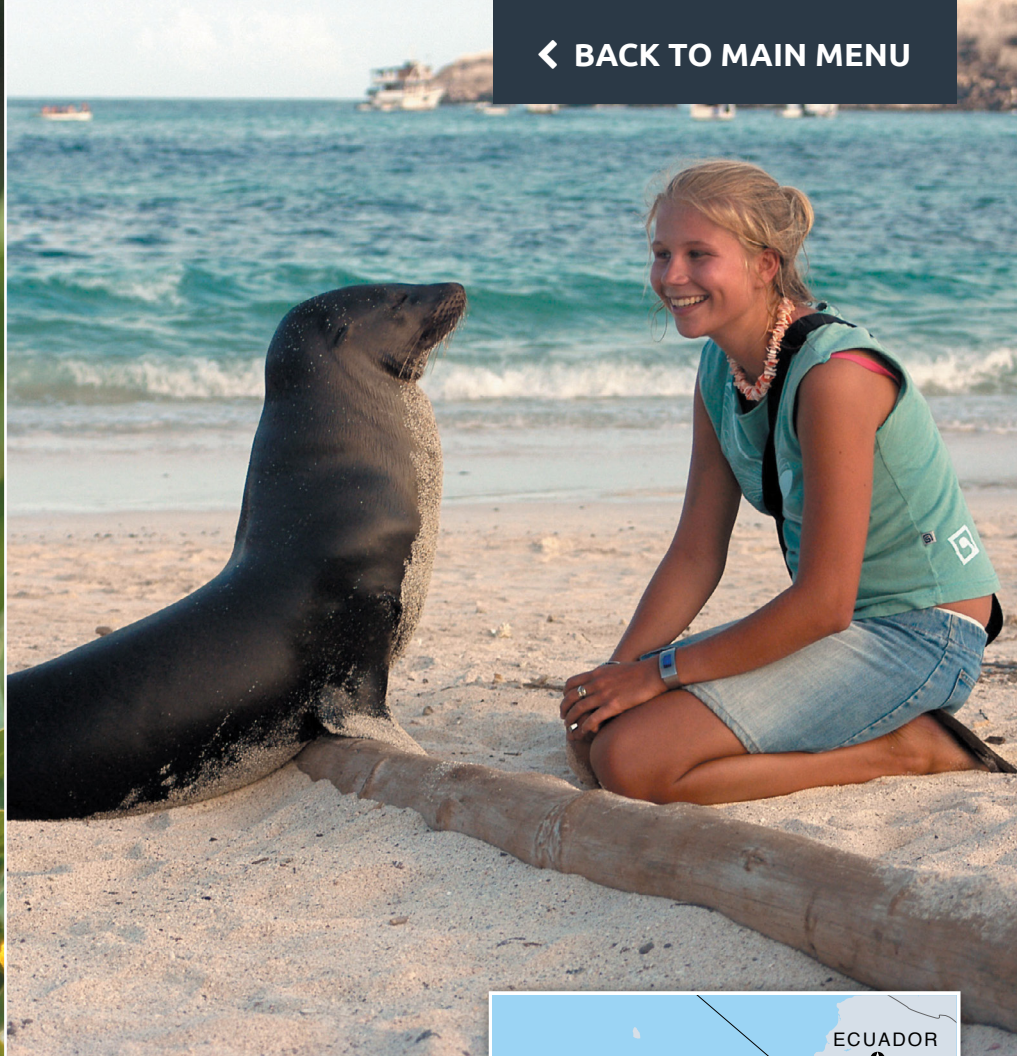
13 Breakfasts, 7 Lunches, 6 Dinners



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Galapagos Family Holiday

8 DAYS, QUITO TO QUITO



Snorkelling with sea lions is an incredible, surreal experience – there are few better places to do so than Islas Lobos, home of the world's second largest sea lion colony.

Incredible photo opportunities await around every corner – not least of Kicker Rock, the marvellous twin volcanic peaks seen sitting in the ocean.

The colourful human history of Floreana, shrouded in mystery and mayhem, has a story for everyone. It's sure to be a hit with the family.

Day 1 Quito Arrive in Quito and have a free afternoon to explore this 16th century city. Perhaps enjoy one of the many parks or pay a visit to the Interactive Museum of Science – full of absorbing exhibits for adults and kids alike. Meet your group in the evening and then perhaps take a walk around the Old Town of Quito. **Days 2-3 Isla San Cristobal** Leave Quito early and fly out to San Cristobal. Visit the Interpretation Centre in the afternoon to learn about the history of the islands and the current conservation challenges the Galapagos faces. Get your legs moving on the hike to the Cerro Tijeratas for a great view of the bay, then head to La Loberia for some snorkelling. Enjoy a short boat ride to Isla Lobos to meet the huge colony of sea lions. Hop in the tempting blue water and snorkel around alongside gliding sea turtles and playful sea lions. **Days 4-6 Floreana/Isla Santa Cruz** Head out to

the island of Floreana by private speedboat. Work up an appetite for lunch with a snorkel, and then climb ashore along a black sand beach to the home of the Witmers, one of the first settlers on the island. After lunch, relax on the beach or take a walk around Floreana. In the afternoon continue on to Santa Cruz Island. Head to the highlands to see giant tortoises in their natural habitat, then visit the fascinating Charles Darwin Research Station to meet the tortoise and iguana breeds rescued from the brink of extinction. See the newborn and young giant turtles which are part of a breeding program to reintroduce them to their natural habitat. Later, head to Tortuga Bay to watch marine iguanas playing in the breakers. **Days 7-8 Quito** Farewell these magical islands and return to the mainland. Enjoy free time to shop the markets or sample some traditional at a local eatery.

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Minimum age 5 Group size 3-5 families		
Hotel (7 nts)		
7 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 1 Dinner		
Plane, minibus, boat		

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