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Best Value River Cruise Line

ASIA

Featuring Japan, South Korea,
India, Sri Lanka & China



2023

Premium journeys at exceptional value

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Admire the beauty of the Taj Mahal



Why Choose TRAVELMARVEL



MORE VALUE

Travelling with us means you'll visit incredible destinations, see all the must-see sights, stay in premium accommodation, and enjoy authentic meals, all without paying for the extras you don't want or need.



MORE CHOICE

We know that one size doesn't fit all, so our itineraries are designed to provide the perfect balance between exploring all the iconic sights while still having plenty of time to do your own thing.



MORE EXPERIENCE

Backed by the award-winning APT Travel Group, we're proud to be owned and run by the McGeary family, who have spearheaded the travel industry for over 90 years.



MORE RELAXED

Travelling with like-minded people means you'll experience a more casual and relaxed atmosphere where fellow travellers quickly become new-found friends.

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“The accommodation was excellent, and the food provided was very good. The planning that had gone into making everything happen smoothly was evident, and much appreciated.”

Glenice & Mike, VIC

To explore more of Asia visit

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Book WITH CONFIDENCE

Travelmarvel, part of the APT Travel Group, has a long history of caring for Australian travellers. We understand freedom and flexibility is important when making holiday plans. That's why when booking with us, we'll support you if plans change, and ensure your health and safety is our highest priority.



Flexible bookings

Everyone likes more flexibility. You can secure your place for up to seven days without paying a deposit. And if you'd like freedom to change your plans, or are concerned COVID-19 could impact them, our flexible booking policies allow you to cancel and move your holiday to another time[^].



Safe journeys

Your health – and that of your family, as well as our staff and crew – is Travelmarvel's highest priority. You can rely on our industry-leading health protocols, including full COVID-19 vaccination requirement, to help ensure everyone's health and wellbeing.



All taken care of

We make planning your travel experience as seamless as it can be. Our travel experts look after all aspects of your journey. There's 24/7 emergency support and we'll keep you updated on any travel requirements.

Consider protecting your travel plans with a travel insurance policy that's right for you. Ask our travel experts to quote on an nib Travel Insurance policy.

[^]Conditions Apply. Visit www.travelmarvel.com.au/about-us/travel-information/security-and-confidence for full terms and conditions.



From cancelled trips, to broken legs, stolen luggage and even COVID – nib is here to protect your trip, health and wellbeing.



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"Travelmarvel is part of the APT Travel Group, an industry-leading group of companies, proudly owned by our family with roots that date all the way back to 1927. We've been designing and operating our premium Travelmarvel holidays for more than 30 years – and we are looking forward to many more years of exciting adventures with you.

Thank you for considering Travelmarvel for your next premium Asia holiday.

We hope to welcome you soon."

Geoff McGeary OAM
Company Owner

Robert McGeary
Director

Lou Tandy (nee McGeary)



The OneTomorrow Charitable Fund is an initiative established by the APT Travel Group. OneTomorrow's mission is to make a positive and enduring impact on nature and the communities we touch. Supporting various grassroots initiatives around the world, we aim to create immediate and long-term change in important environmental and humanitarian causes.



Opportunities of Development Thru Art helps disadvantaged children from the rural areas around Siem Reap in Cambodia by offering English and computer lessons. The aim is to improve their chances of employment in the busy tourism industry.

A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE

At OneTomorrow we believe in travel as a platform for change. Across the APT Travel Group, we've partnered with a range of organisations and implemented initiatives to help protect the environment and ensure the wellbeing of local people wherever we go.

MAKING TRAVEL MEAN MORE

Working together, we can support not-for-profit organisations to continue helping their communities. The best part? Donations through OneTomorrow are tax deductible*, and all donations will be matched dollar for dollar. So together we can double our impact.

**With your help, we can continue
to shape the world together**

Visit our website to learn more about the causes we support
onetomorrow.com.au



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We Take Care OF EVERYTHING

LOOKING AFTER YOU ISN'T JUST OUR JOB – IT'S OUR PASSION

At Travelmarvel, we know that great service is about going above and beyond, which is why our staff have a 98% satisfaction rating on average from our guests.

YOUR EXPERT TOUR DIRECTOR & ESCORT

On your travels through South Korea, Japan and Sri Lanka, as well as during your Lower Ganges and Mekong river cruises, you will have a dedicated Tour Director. During your rail journey in China, Japan and India, an expert Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort will make sure your holiday is enjoyable. Our Tour Directors

and Escorts are highly trained experts, selected for their engaging personalities and insider's perspective.

THE ASIA EXPERTS

Our team has travelled Asia extensively to create itineraries that showcase the best the region has to offer. You'll travel along beautiful yet convenient routes that allow you to maximise your time in each destination you visit.



In every location, you'll be looked after by the experts

KNOWLEDGEABLE LOCAL GUIDES

A friendly face can make all the difference, and when paired with an insider's perspective, you can be sure you'll have an informed insight into your destination. Our English-speaking local guides have a unique passion for their local area, and they're selected for their kind demeanour. They are there to make sure you not only visit the landmarks, but show you spots not mentioned in the guide books.

COMPREHENSIVE INCLUSIONS

We make sure that the majority of your holiday costs are covered before you leave home, and we clearly specify everything that is included in the itineraries to make planning easy.

WORLDWIDE OFFICES

Dedicated Travelmarvel and Great Rail Journeys staff are based in our offices throughout the world. If the unexpected occurs while you're travelling, our staff will ensure you are taken care of.

INSIDER EXPERIENCES ☆

Travelmarvel's Insider Experiences are a collection of holiday highlights that provide a unique window into the history and culture of the region you're exploring – whether through an iconic rail journey, an outstanding hotel, a memorable meal, or a special sightseeing experience.



More Ways TO TRAVEL

DISCOVER THE BEAUTY OF ASIA
BY RIVER, LAND AND RAIL

Travelmarvel's extensive range of travel styles allows you to explore Asia in a way that best suits you. Cruise past remote riverside villages, journey along steel tracks on an epic rail adventure and wind through the countryside by coach.

THE CHOICE IS YOURS

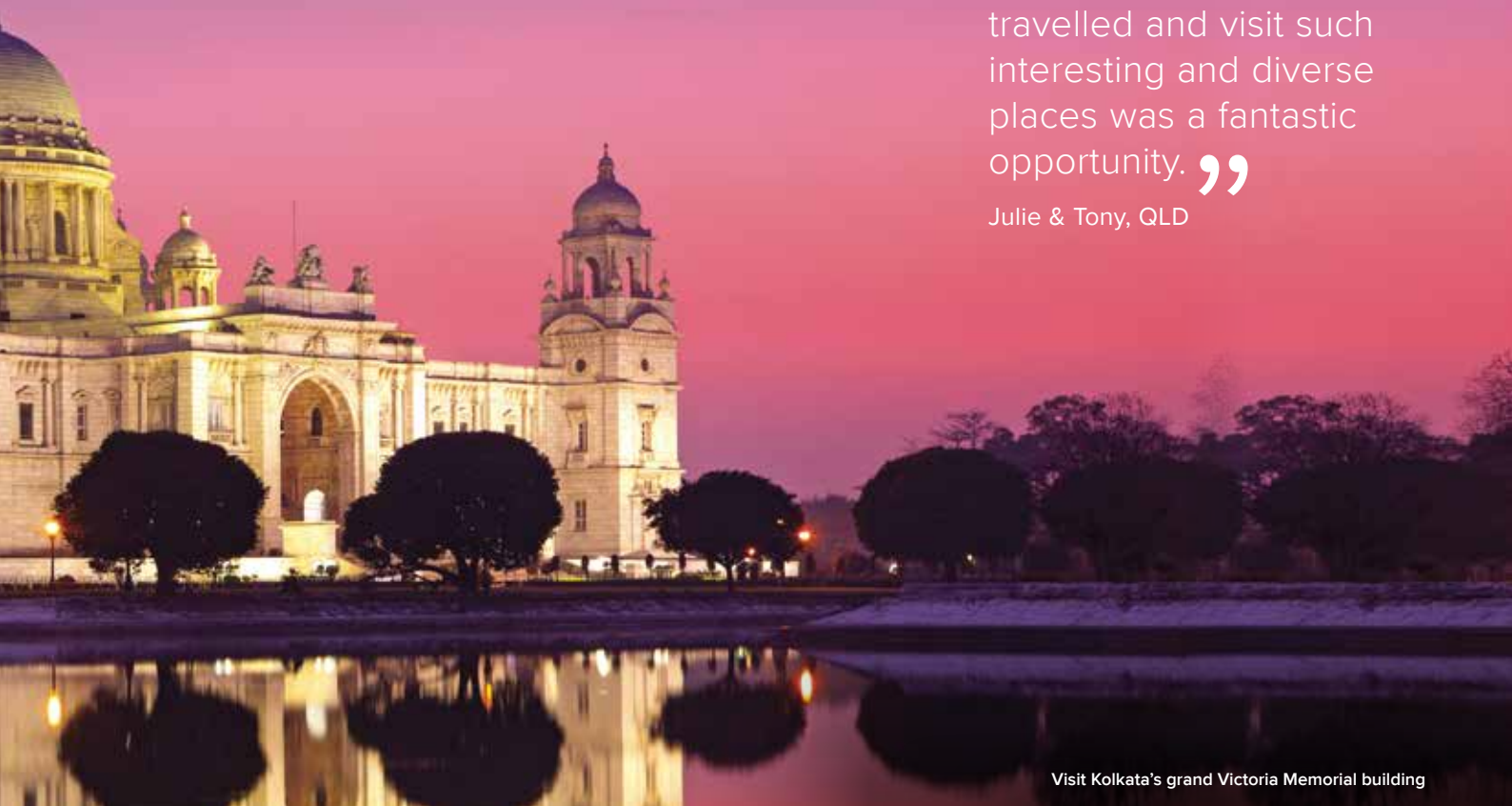
Whether you're looking to tick off all the iconic sights as well as lesser-known wonders on a much-loved river cruise, meander along rural roads by coach, or take a rail journey through mountain scenery, look no further. We've left no stone unturned in bringing you a range of travel styles to choose from, so you can explore Asia in a way that is just right for you.

COMBINE YOUR TRAVEL STYLE

For a more in-depth discovery of Asia, perhaps combine travel styles and enjoy a river cruise, with an exciting rail or land journey. Our diverse range of options gives you the chance to stay a little longer and uncover some of the region's most enchanting destinations. Get right to the heart of these countries. With access to road, rail and river, your discoveries are limitless.

“To see the road less travelled and visit such interesting and diverse places was a fantastic opportunity.”

Julie & Tony, QLD



Visit Kolkata's grand Victoria Memorial building



Cruise the Mekong River



Search for leopards in Sri Lanka



Feel the rush of Japan's bullet trains

River Cruising



Undoubtedly one of the more relaxing ways to travel, river cruising along the Lower Ganges in India and the Mekong River in Vietnam and Cambodia allows you to see more of Asia at a comfortable pace. Unpack once and watch the world glide by as you experience these iconic rivers. Wake each day to an exciting new destination, docking at remote ports, closer to the sights you've come to see. Step ashore and bask in the freedom to explore.

Land Journeys



Embark on an exciting land journey to visit famous landmarks and hidden gems. Delve into fascinating cultures and explore striking landscapes, all in total comfort, while staying in centrally located hotels. From a visit to the Demilitarised Zone in South Korea to tracking leopards on a safari in Sri Lanka, an immersive land journey is the perfect complement to any river cruise or rail journey.

Great Rail Journeys



A contrast to the fast pace of everyday life, rail travel is relaxing, comfortable and social. Be left in awe by the ever-changing scenery as you travel through diverse landscapes that cannot be accessed by any other form of transport. The streamlined power cars on China and Japan's high-speed trains are all air-conditioned and feature comfortable, well-furnished interiors. In India, climb aboard interesting heritage railways that traverse picturesque scenes.



Great Rail JOURNEYS

ENJOY AN UNPARALLELED EXPERIENCE ACROSS ASIA

Return to a time when travelling was an art in itself. The railways of Asia are among some of the planet's most efficient and have opened up the world to travellers who seek the pleasures of life in a comfortable, convenient and relaxing way.

THE PERFECT PARTNERSHIP

Travelmarvel is excited to partner with Great Rail Journeys, who have more than 45 years' experience in rail-based holidays. This award-winning company provides the perfect partnership to deliver you the best journeys in Asia.

A RELAXING WAY TO TRAVEL

Rail travel is relaxing, comfortable and social – a contrast to the fast pace of everyday life. You're free to move about the train and eat or drink as you desire. Sit back, relax, and enjoy the ever-changing views of Asia's impressive landscapes.

YOUR EXPERT TOUR ESCORT

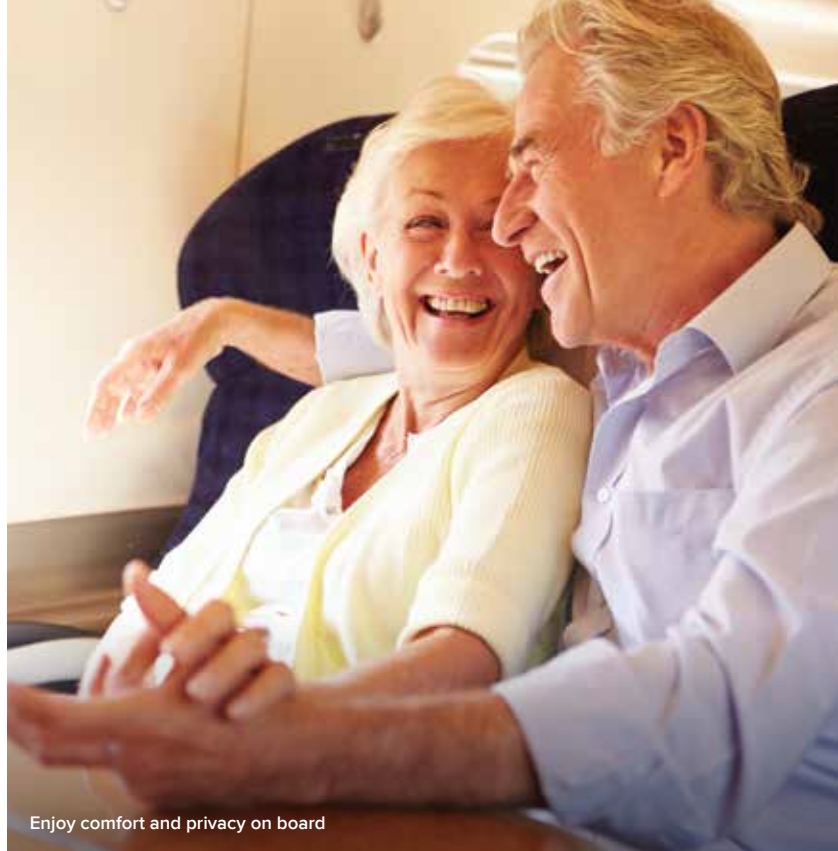
Your Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort is with you throughout your rail journey to ensure that every aspect of your holiday is an enjoyable experience. Tour Escorts are selected for their engaging personalities, insight and experience, and will ensure that your trip with Great Rail Journeys is seamless and stress-free.

KNOW WHAT'S INCLUDED

We make sure the majority of your holiday costs are covered before you leave home. This includes rail travel, airport transfers, accommodation, gratuities, many meals, sightseeing and most portage.



Ride the legendary Toy Train to Shimla, India



Enjoy comfort and privacy on board



Traverse Japan in style on its iconic bullet trains

A VARIETY OF RAIL EXPERIENCES

Every rail journey through Asia has something unique to offer. You'll be amazed by the incredible innovation and seamless efficiency of the rail networks as you travel through stunning landscapes.

Japan's Bullet Trains

Regularly running at speeds of up to 300 kilometres per hour, Bullet Trains ensure a thrilling journey across the country, taking you to your destination safely and right on time. The trains offer comfortable reclining seats and large windows, and there are usually refreshment trolleys selling snacks and beverages throughout the journey.

China's Railways

Now rivalling Japan's bullet trains, major investments have put high-speed rail at the heart of China's modernisation. The streamlined power cars on China's high-speed trains are all air-conditioned, and feature well-furnished interiors in soft class.

Toy Train – Kalka to Shimla

Embark on a memorable journey by heritage Toy Train to Shimla, nestled at the foothills of the Himalayas. This train ride is sure to excite, famous for its 96-kilometre-long narrow gauge track that passes through 103 tunnels and over 800 bridges and viaducts.



GREAT RAIL
JOURNEYS

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CRUISING THE *Lower Ganges*

SEE INDIA FROM A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE FROM THE RIVER

Relax aboard the RV Rajmahal

Explore the delights of the Lower Ganges River in comfort aboard your boutique river ship, the RV Rajmahal.

THE LOWER GANGES RIVER

India presents endless surprises to every traveller. Setting sail from Farakka, you'll visit former outposts of French, British and Dutch colonies and delve deeper into the rich and diverse history of the region. See intricate temples and mosques that have withstood centuries of conquest, and experience remote communities showcasing rural India at its most idyllic, while still relatively untouched by tourism.

CRUISE IN COMFORT & STYLE

Travelmarvel is excited to welcome you aboard the boutique river ship, the RV Rajmahal. This stylish vessel was custom-designed and built specifically for the River Ganges. Accommodating just 40 guests, and with 30 staff on board, a personalised experience is assured. Please refer to page 64 for deck plan.

ATTENTIVE ONBOARD SERVICE

With a high staff-to-guest ratio, enjoy a friendly style of service on every cruise. Your ship's captain and crew have vast experience and training, so relax knowing your safety and comfort is paramount.

ONBOARD FACILITIES

The RV Rajmahal offers the premium facilities of a quality hotel. Each spacious stateroom features air-conditioning, an en suite, and a Panoramic Balcony so you can enjoy the riverside scenery. The ship's Sun Deck features a bar, while the main lounge is the perfect space to relax.

KNOW WHAT'S INCLUDED

Your onboard meals feature a variety of tantalising Indian and Western-style dishes. Soft drinks and local beers are served free of charge and regional wines are included with every lunch and dinner.

AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

Gain an even greater insight into the real India and immerse yourself in the local cultures and traditions as you experience life along the shores of the Lower Ganges.

Chandannagar

Encounter a much quieter way of life in Chandannagar, a former French colony.

Khushbagh Gardens

Wander the Mughal-style gardens whose name translates to the Garden of Happiness.

Mayapur

Mayapur is believed to be the birthplace of an important Hindu saint. It is a place of sacred significance in the Hindu faith.

Kalna

Named after the Hindu goddess Kali, Kalna is known for its iconic terracotta temples such as the Nava Kailash Temple.



CRUISING THE *Yangtze River*

DISCOVER THE BEAUTY OF CHINA'S INCREDIBLE THREE GORGES REGION

Discover the natural
wonders of the Yangtze

Embark on a breathtaking journey through the heart of China with Century Cruises. While on board, enjoy delicious dining experiences, comfortable accommodation and exciting shore excursions.

CENTURY CRUISES

Century Cruises offer authentic sailing experiences along the Yangtze River. Aboard the Century Victory or similar, you'll enjoy state-of-the-art amenities, spacious public areas and private balconies in every cabin.

ATTENTIVE SERVICE

With an extremely high crew-to-passenger ratio, you can be assured of attentive service throughout your time on board. Every Century Cruise boasts professional English-speaking staff who are dedicated to ensuring that every guest enjoys a safe and memorable Yangtze River cruise.

DELICIOUS DINING

Experience the wonders of fresh, high-quality ingredients that have been expertly prepared. All meals, including a Captain's Welcome Dinner are provided on board.

ONBOARD ACCOMMODATION

Aboard the Century Victory or similar, rooms are spacious and comfortable, so much so that it's easy to forget you're on a ship. That is, if it weren't for the fantastic views of the Yangtze River gliding past your window. Step out onto your private European-style balcony for a breath of fresh air, and enjoy plush bedding, a sleek private bathroom and contemporary interior design.

STYLISH FACILITIES

Your ship's premium facilities allow you to travel in ultimate comfort. Enjoy panoramic views from the spacious sun deck throughout your journey. You can soak in some quiet time in the reading room, mingle with fellow travellers at the bar and chess and card room, keep active in the gym and indulge in a spa or massage all in one day.

INSIGHTFUL SHORE EXCURSIONS

Just when you think you've seen it all, you'll find even more enthralling wonders waiting for you to explore on shore.

Three Gorges Dam

Take in the colossal scale of the world's largest hydropower project, located near Sandouping in the middle of the spectacular Xiling Gorge.

Fengdu Ghost City

Enjoy an outing to Fengdu Ghost City, a large complex of shrines, temples and monasteries dedicated to the afterlife.

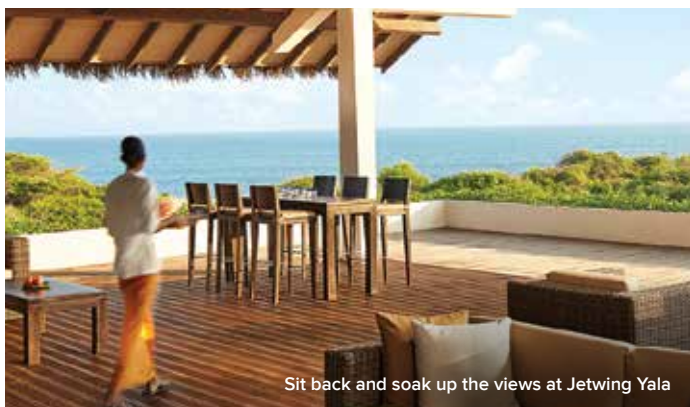
Shennv Stream

Take an excursion to Shennv Stream, cruising through its narrow gorges and picturesque mountain sides.

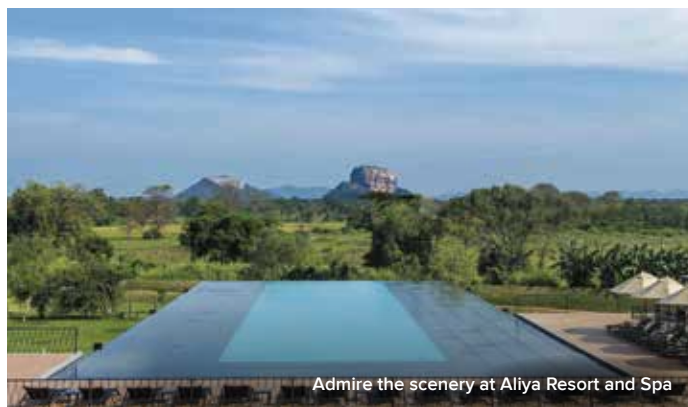


PREMIUM *Accommodation*

STAY IN PERFECTLY POSITIONED COMFORT AFTER EACH DAY OF DISCOVERY



Sit back and soak up the views at Jetwing Yala



Admire the scenery at Aliya Resort and Spa

Relax and unwind in some truly charismatic properties that provide the perfect base to explore Asia. Whether you're admiring the views or soaking up the wonderful location, you're sure to be impressed by the quality, service and comfort of these first-class properties.

Shibuya Excel Hotel Tokyu, Tokyo, Japan

Just moments away from some of Tokyo's most famous attractions in the Shibuya district, this hotel provides terrific access to the vibrant capital city's best sites.

Courtyard Marriott Namdaemun, Seoul, South Korea

Located in Seoul's city centre, this hotel is walking distance from the Myeongdong district and many shopping opportunities. You'll be staying in the best location for exploring the city's sights.

Taj Palace, New Delhi, India

Spread out over two-and-a-half hectares of lush gardens, the Taj Palace is an oasis of calm in the heart of India's capital city.

Taj Bengal, Kolkata, India

Enjoy an indulgent stay in the luxurious Taj Bengal, a stylish and grand hotel located in one of Kolkata's most exclusive neighbourhoods within walking distance of some of the city's leading landmarks.

Heritage Ahungalla, Sri Lanka

Here lies a premium eco-friendly beachfront hotel that boasts excellent service and beautifully designed rooms.



Relax by the pool at Heritance Ahungalla



Stay in style at Courtyard Marriott Namdaemun



Enjoy a luxurious stay at Taj Bengal, Kolkata

Relax by the infinity pool, unwind at the Diviyan Spa, or sip a cocktail from the pool bar.

Novotel Peace Beijing, China

Situated in the Wangfujing shopping area and within walking distance of the Forbidden City and Tiananmen Square, the Novotel Peace is the perfect base for your in-depth exploration of Beijing.

INSIDER EXPERIENCES ☆

In select locations you will stay at properties selected for their spectacular locations and unique settings, showcasing the very best of the region.

Oberoi Cecil Hotel, Shimla, India ☆

Situated in the leafy hills of Shimla, this hotel features classically furnished rooms and a comfortable lounge area with marble fireplaces. During the times of the British Raj it was one of Shimla's most exclusive hotels.

Jetwing Yala, Sri Lanka ☆

Set amid leafy vegetation, Jetwing Yala presents a winning combination of style and privacy in a lush, natural setting. Spread across 15 hectares and with unparalleled access to the beach, the hotel features an outdoor swimming pool and spacious modern rooms.

Aliya Resort & Spa, Sigiriya, Sri Lanka ☆

Enjoy a unique stay nestled in the quiet greenery surrounding Aliya Resort. Interiors complement the location, with bright, airy rooms and elephant artwork strewn across the resort. Spend your time swimming in the large pool which looks out onto iconic Sigiriya Rock, or enjoy the same view over an authentic meal at one of the restaurants.



INCLUDED *Sightseeing*

GAIN AN EXTRAORDINARY INSIGHT INTO THE ESSENCE OF ASIA

Experience the must-see sights and lesser-known wonders of these astounding countries.

Mt Fuji, Japan

Topped with brilliant white snow, Mt Fuji is arguably Japan's most iconic landmark. The volcano is home to many Shinto shrines dedicated to the goddess of cherry blossoms and volcanoes.

Demilitarised Zone (DMZ) Tour and War Memorial, South Korea

Visit the Demilitarised Zone in Paju and gain an understanding of the relationship between the North and South. Then return to Seoul for a tour at the former military headquarters, the War Memorial of Korea.

The Taj Mahal, India

As you witness the play of sunlight beaming from the domed marble surfaces of the Taj Mahal, you'll see why this landmark is known as the world's greatest declaration of love.

Yala National Park, Sri Lanka

Yala National Park is home to over 32 species of mammals including elephants, sloth bears and leopards. Head out on a morning safari in search of these beautiful creatures.

Terracotta Army, China

Unearthed by farmers in 1974, the incredible Terracotta Army has served



Take a Jeep ride to Amber Fort, Jaipur



Soak in the views on a scenic journey to Ella



Search for Bengal tigers in the wild



Discover the wonders of the Great Wall of China

for thousands of years as the afterlife guardians of Emperor Qin, the first Emperor of China.

Great Wall of China, China

One of the New Seven Wonders of the World, the Great Wall is an unmissable destination on your China adventure. Absorb the breathtaking views from the Mutianyu section, one of the best-preserved parts of the wall.

INSIDER EXPERIENCES ☆

Here are just some of our exciting Insider Experiences – just look for the stars on the itinerary pages.

Giant Pandas, China ☆

Visit the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding and learn about these animals and the conservation efforts going into protecting them from extinction.

Gyeongbok Palace, South Korea ☆

See the changing of the Royal Guard. The Wanggung Sumunjang had the role of protecting the king and surveying the palace during the Joseon Dynasty. Though the king no longer resides here, the traditional ceremony is re-enacted daily.

Amber Fort, India ☆

Tour Jaipur's Amber Fort. Constructed in 1592, the impressive fort is built entirely

out of pink and yellow sandstone and white marble.

Ranthambore National Park, India ☆

Look out for the elusive tiger and other animals on morning and afternoon game drives in Ranthambore National Park.

Rail Journey to Ella, Sri Lanka ☆

Embark on an enchanting journey through the highlands of Sri Lanka. Leaving Nuwara Eliya, travel by train past leafy-green tea estates, hugging the edge of mountains and overlooking sweeping valleys, before arriving into the town of Ella.



Authentic FLAVOURS

INDULGE YOUR TASTEBUDS ON THEIR OWN CULINARY JOURNEY

Savour a Peking Duck banquet in Beijing



Visit a sake brewery and enjoy a tasting in Japan



Take a bibimbab cooking class in Seoul

Authentic meals are often the thing we remember most about a holiday, and great cuisine is an integral part of your journey through Asia.

DELIGHTFUL LOCAL CUISINE

On your journey, dine on fresh produce and sumptuous flavours you never knew existed. We provide a wide range of unique culinary experiences on land and by water. During free time, you'll have the opportunity to sample local fare and discover each region's speciality.

WELCOME & FAREWELL DINNERS

At the beginning of your holiday, enjoy a Welcome Reception or Dinner as you get to know your fellow travellers. Your Farewell Dinner is your chance to get together as a group over a delicious feast one last time before parting ways.

ALL-INCLUSIVE LOWER GANGES RIVER CRUISE

Discover a range of enticing regional meals created by your ship's skilful chefs using the freshest local ingredients. On your cruise, soft drinks are included at no additional cost. Local beers and regional wines are also included with every lunch and dinner on board your river ship.

INSIDER EXPERIENCES ☆

Throughout your chosen tour, you will enjoy a range of delicious and eye-opening culinary experiences, specially selected by Travelmarvel just for you.

Sake Tasting, Japan ☆

Japan is the birthplace of sake. It all began in the eighth century, within the Imperial Palace in Nara, before eventually reaching the common folk. Enjoy a tasting and learn about the different grades of sake and how it's produced.

Bibimbab Cooking Class, Seoul, South Korea ☆

Immerse yourself in South Korea's gourmet culture, and learn to make the national dish, bibimbab, at a cooking class.

Korean BBQ, Seoul, South Korea ☆

Dine at a traditional Korean-style BBQ house. Smoky meats and sizzling savoury pancakes are often on the menu.

Traditional Local Dinner, Sigiriya, Sri Lanka ☆

At Aliya Resort & Spa's Paddy Museum,

feast on simple, rustic Sri Lankan cuisine prepared in clay pots using traditional clay stoves, for a delicious insight into authentic Sri Lankan cuisine.

Tea Plantation Visit, Nuwara Eliya, Sri Lanka ☆

Tour a famous tea plantation and learn all about the traditions behind the tea making. Visit a tea processing factory and sample some of the world's finest pure Ceylon tea.

Peking Duck Banquet Dinner, Beijing, China ☆

Prepared since the Imperial Era, Peking Duck is considered one of China's national dishes. In Beijing, you'll be treated to a sumptuous Peking Duck banquet with all of the traditional accompaniments.

Dumpling Banquet Dinner, Xi'an, China ☆

Experience the traditional flavours of a dumpling banquet. Sample a range of specialty dumplings stuffed with minced meat, seafood and fresh vegetables.



Traveller Club

A CLUB THAT TAKES YOU FURTHER

Welcome to Traveller Club – our member-only loyalty program. Traveller Club is free for anyone to join and members have access to exclusive benefits, whether or not you have toured with us previously. Every time you travel with us, you rise through the membership tiers, so not only do you enjoy unforgettable travel experiences throughout the world, you unlock exciting new benefits after every trip.



Welcome Home
voucher



Friends & Family
voucher



Private airport
transfers



Overnight
hotel stays



Custom-made
travel accessories



Exclusive offers
just for you



First access – be the
first to hear about new
travel experiences



Member-only
competitions
and events



Priority member
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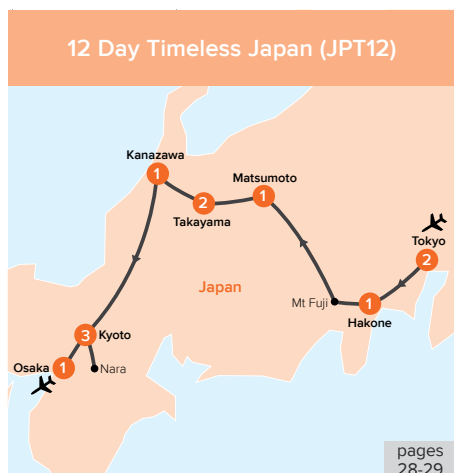
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50	TS12	Splendours of Sri Lanka	✓		\$400	\$300
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CHINA HOLIDAYS						
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Japan

Where breathtaking natural wonders and a futuristic cityscape join forces

A land of contrasts, where the ancient and modern world blend seamlessly, Japan offers a wealth of curiosities.

BUZZING TOKYO

More than just a city, this shimmering, neon metropolis perfectly illustrates Japan's dual nature. Just around the corner from futuristic skyscrapers, you'll find ancient temples and lantern-lit wooden buildings hailing from a far different time.

THE TRADITIONS OF KYOTO

Picture old Japan and what do you see? A kimono-clad geisha wandering a quiet street? Incense burning outside a temple? A tea ceremony? Experience it all in Kyoto, a former capital and the country's spiritual heart. Here there are over 1,000 Buddhist temples peppered throughout the city waiting to be explored, all marked with the tell-tale scarlet torii gates.

UNOFFICIAL GASTRONOMIC CAPITAL

Osaka, in a word, is vibrant. From its buildings plastered with fluorescent billboards to its lively locals, there's never a dull moment. The best way to experience this is by wandering its energetic street-food markets. Here, find locals slurping steaming bowls of ramen and ordering the famous okonomiyaki, a Japanese pancake, among other dishes.

THE LEGENDS OF MT FUJI

This iconic emblem of Japan is surrounded by legend. Some say that the name 'Fuji' is derived from the word 'Fuchi' meaning the goddess of fire. In the past, women were not permitted to climb the mountain as it was believed to anger the jealous Fire Goddess. Now, you can get up close to the monumental peak.

STUNNING SAPPORO

Known for its picturesque gardens, award-winning whisky and famous beer, this superb city is also renowned for its beautiful 19th-century architecture and annual Snow Festival.







Timeless Japan

Tokyo to Osaka 12 Days



INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- ☆ Enjoy a Welcome Dinner at a local izakaya-style restaurant.
- ☆ Stop at Mt Fuji's Fifth Station and see the icon's snow-capped peak.
- ☆ Visit Japan's oldest original castle, Matsumoto Castle.
- ☆ Learn to shape, flavour and roast your own rice crackers at an o-sembei workshop.
- ☆ Visit a sake brewery and enjoy a tasting in Takayama.
- ☆ Look out for beautiful geiko and maiko on a stroll through Kyoto.
- ☆ Take a walk through Arashiyama Bamboo Grove.

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- ✓ 11 nights in premium accommodation
- ✓ Services of a Travelmarvel Tour Director
- ✓ 16 meals – 11 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 3 dinners
- ✓ Discover the blend of old and new in Tokyo
- ✓ Board the Shin-Hotaka Ropeway and look out over the breathtaking Hotaka Mountain Range
- ✓ Visit the World Heritage Shirakawa-go, an historic village with picturesque gassho-zukuri style farmhouses

Day 1. Arrive Tokyo Welcome to Tokyo. Transfer to your hotel and join your fellow travellers and Tour Director for a special Welcome Dinner at a local izakaya-style restaurant.

Two Nights: Tokyo, Shibuya Excel Hotel Tokyo. D

Day 2. Tokyo A full-day tour of Tokyo begins with a trip to Sensoji Temple. Next, it's on to the Imperial Palace for a photo stop and walking tour of the Tsukiji Outer Market, the largest fish market in Japan. Wander the narrow aisles to find delicious and uniquely Japanese food. Continue to Ginza, Tokyo's famous upmarket shopping district. Here, you'll have time for lunch or perhaps join an optional sushi-making class (additional charge, see page 62). The last stop is Meiji Shrine and the famous Shibuya Crossing. B

Day 3. Tokyo, Hakone Take a ride on the Hakone Ropeway to Owakudani Geothermal Valley. Continue on to Lake Ashi and enjoy a cruise. Later, for the ultimate exercise in relaxation,

perhaps partake in a traditional onsen experience at your hotel.

Stay: Hakone, Susukinohara Inchinoyu. BD

Day 4. Mt Fuji, Matsumoto This morning, travel to Mt Fuji, Japan's most distinctive landmark. Stop at the Fifth Station where, if the sun is shining, you will be able to see the snow-capped peak. Continue to Matsumoto and visit Japan's oldest original castle, Matsumoto Castle, an impressive five-storey fortress. Afterwards, enjoy a stroll through the merchant district of Nakamachi. **Stay:** Matsumoto Hotel Kagetsu. B

Day 5. Matsumoto, Takayama Dive deeper into Japan's alpine region with a visit to Oku-Hida region, where you'll board the Shin-Hotaka Ropeway to an observation deck. Later, arrive in the picturesque mountain town of Takayama. The rest of the day is free to relax. Tonight, taste some famous Hida beef during a special select dining experience (additional charge, see page 62). **Two Nights:** Takayama Ouan or Tokyu Stay Hida Takayama. B



Get up close to the iconic Mt Fuji



SAVE UP TO
\$1,400
 per couple*
 See pages 24-25

Day 6. Takayama This morning, visit the Miyagawa morning market. Then, take part in an o-sembai making workshop, where you will learn to shape, flavour and roast your own rice crackers. Up here in the mountains makes for perfect sake-producing conditions, so it's only fitting you visit a sake brewery and enjoy a tasting. The afternoon is at your leisure, where you might like to explore further. BL

Day 7. Takayama, Kanazawa Following breakfast, head to Kanazawa, stopping en route at the alpine village of Shirakawa-go, made famous by its collection of original gassho-zukuri style farmhouses. Continue to Kanazawa and join a walking tour through the geisha and samurai districts. Stay: Agora Kanazawa. B

Day 8. Kanazawa, Kyoto Begin your explorations with a visit to Kenrokuen Garden. Stroll across bridges, passing tranquil ponds and fountains, and admire a landscape dotted with Japanese pines, cherry trees and maples. Afterwards, continue to Kyoto. This evening, keep on the lookout for beautiful geiko (geisha) and maiko (apprentice geisha) as you enjoy a stroll through the city. Three Nights: Noku Kyoto. BL

Day 9. Kyoto Today your Kyoto explorations begin at the Heian Jingu Shrine. Walk under the giant

red torii gates and stroll across the shrine's court. After, visit Kinkakuji Temple (Golden Pavilion) and its stunning Japanese garden. Take a walk through Arashiyama Bamboo Grove, where towering bamboo stalks give off an otherworldly feel. Finish with a visit to Nijo Castle before spending the rest of the day at leisure. Or you may choose a tea ceremony experience (additional charge, see page 62). B

Day 10. Kyoto, Nara Rise early and follow the path marked by thousands of scarlet torii gates at Fushimi Inari Shrine. You'll then board your coach for a day trip to Nara. Immerse yourself in Nara culture with a visit to Todai-ji Temple. You'll also head to Nara Park and visit Kasuga Shrine. Tonight there is an opportunity for a truly special experience, dinner with a geiko or maiko (additional charge, see page 62). B

Day 11. Nara, Osaka Travel to Osaka and visit the Umeda Observatory in the iconic Umeda Sky building. After, admire Osaka Castle on a photo stop before heading to Dotonbori, a hotspot for street food. Your final night is celebrated with a Farewell Dinner at a local sukiyaki restaurant. Stay: Osaka Excel Hotel Tokyo. BD

Day 12. Depart Osaka After breakfast, be transferred to the airport for your onward flight. B

From \$5,795 per person twin share

12 Days – Tokyo to Osaka (JPT12)

2023 Dates and Prices (A\$)

Per person twin share	Best Price*	Standard Price
Mar. 12. 🌸	\$6,595	\$7,295
Mar. 19, 26; Apr. 2. 🌸	\$6,995	\$7,695
May 14.	\$5,795	\$6,495
Sep. 24.	\$5,995	\$6,695
Oct. 29.	\$6,695	\$7,395
Nov. 12.	\$6,995	\$7,695

*Best Price – Includes Earlybird Savings and Early Payment Discount, for full terms and conditions see pages 24-25.

Solo travellers add on from \$3,500, please enquire for details.

Trip Notes

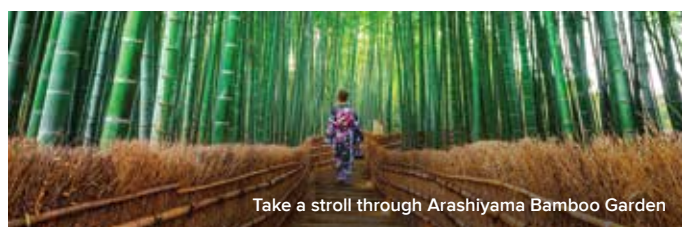
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Take a stroll through Arashiyama Bamboo Garden



Discovering Japan



Tokyo to Osaka 12 Days

INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- ☆ Travel extensively by bullet train.
- ☆ Travel in a 'Romancecar' on the picturesque train journey to Hakone.
- ☆ Visit Mt Fuji Visitor Centre and travel to Mt Fuji's Fifth Station where you can see the icon's snow-capped peak.
- ☆ Explore Japan's oldest original castle, Matsumoto Castle.
- ☆ Journey to the Japanese Alps aboard the Hida Train.
- ☆ Travel by train and ferry to Miyajima Island.
- ☆ Indulge in a traditional Japanese dinner at a local restaurant, in Kyoto.
- ☆ Glimpse the colourful kimonos of Kyoto's geisha.
- ☆ Enjoy a traditional tea ceremony in Kyoto.
- ☆ Visit a sake brewery in Nara and savour a tasting.
- ☆ Take a walk through Arashiyama Bamboo Grove.

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- ✓ 11 nights in premium accommodation
- ✓ Services of a Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort
- ✓ 15 meals – 11 breakfasts and 4 dinners

Day 1. Arrive Tokyo Welcome to Tokyo. Transfer to your hotel where a Welcome Dinner gives you the chance to meet your fellow travellers and Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort.
Two Nights: Tokyo, Keio Plaza Hotel. D

Day 2. Tokyo A full-day tour of Tokyo begins with a trip to Hamarikyu Garden. Next it's on to the Asakusa Kannon Temple. Afterwards, pay a visit to the Meiji Shrine and the famous Shibuya Crossing before returning to your hotel for an evening at leisure. B

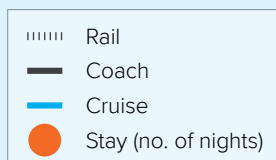
Day 3. Tokyo, Hakone Today, make the journey to Odawara by train, travelling in a 'Romancecar' on the picturesque narrow-gauge line. Continue on to Owakudani volcanic valley and enjoy a tour of its active sulphur vents and hot springs before taking a ride on the Hakone Ropeway to the Togendai station, nestled on the shores of the tranquil Lake Ashi. Enjoy a relaxing cruise around the lake before continuing to your hotel for the evening.
Stay: Hakone Hotel (or similar). BD

Day 4. Mt Fuji, Matsumoto This morning, travel to Mt Fuji, Japan's most distinctive landmark. Driving along the foot of the famous mountain, disembark at the Mt Fuji Visitor Centre to learn more about the country's tallest volcano. Continue to Mt Fuji's Fifth Station where, if the sun is shining, you will be able to see the snow-capped peak. Later, it's on to Matsumoto to enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.
Stay: Matsumoto, Buena Vista Hotel (or similar). B

Day 5. Matsumoto, Takayama First thing today, visit a miso factory to find out how this Japanese staple is made. After you will venture to Matsumoto Castle, an impressive five-storey fortress. This striking castle goes by another name, 'Crow Castle', because of its black exterior. En route to Takayama, visit Hida Folk Village, a beautiful open-air museum of historic farmhouses offering a glimpse into Japan's fascinating past. Arrive in the picturesque town of Takayama, set atop brilliant hills.
Stay: Takayama, Associa Hotel. B



See the spectacular scenery at Itsukushima Shrine



SAVE UP TO
\$1,400
 per couple*
 See pages 24-25



Day 6. Takayama, Nagoya, Hiroshima

This morning, join a guided walking tour to see sights including Miyagawa markets, Takayama Jinya and Sannomachi Street. Later, set off on a journey on the Hida Train to Nagoya, continuing onwards by bullet train to Hiroshima.

Two Nights: Hiroshima, Granvia Hotel.

B

Day 7. Hiroshima, Miyajima Island

Today, travel by train and ferry to Miyajima Island. Translated as 'Shrine Island', the wooded island is home to the famous Itsukushima Shrine. During your time here you'll enjoy a walking tour and see cheeky wild deer. Enjoy free time to discover more before returning to Hiroshima.

B

Day 8. Hiroshima, Kyoto

This morning, visit Hiroshima's World Peace Memorial Park and the A-Bomb Dome Museum. Afterwards, travel by bullet train to Kyoto. There, indulge in a traditional Japanese dinner at a local restaurant, renowned for using delicious and fresh produce. Later, wander the streets of the famous Gion district and keep watch for one of the many beautiful geiko and maiko.

Three Nights: Kyoto, Righa Royal Hotel.

BD

Day 9. Kyoto Venture to some of Kyoto's beautiful formal gardens to enjoy a traditional tea ceremony

this morning. Afterwards, take a tour of Kyoto's most famous landmarks including Kinkakuji Temple (Golden Pavilion), Kyoto Railway Museum, and Kiyomizu Temple. The rest of the afternoon is yours to spend at leisure.

B

Day 10. Kyoto, Nara

Today you'll enjoy a day trip to Nara. See Todai-ji Temple and its Great Buddha, and Nigatsu-do Shrine. Later, stroll through Nara's famous Deer Park, home to over 1,200 wild deer which freely roam the park, grazing on the spacious lawns. While you're in Nara, the birthplace of sake, it seems fitting that you also visit a sake brewery and savour a tasting.

B

Day 11. Kyoto, Osaka After a visit to Arashiyama Bamboo Grove, continue on to Osaka and visit the Umeda Observatory in the iconic Umeda Sky building. Continue on to the lively Dotonbori District. Celebrate your final evening with a Farewell Dinner.

Stay: Osaka, Sheraton Miyako.

BD

Day 12. Depart Osaka Transfer to Osaka airport after breakfast for your onward flight.

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From \$7,995 per person twin share

12 Days – Tokyo to Osaka (RJTJAG12)

2023 Dates and Prices (A\$)

Per person twin share	Best Price*	Standard Price
Mar. 19, 23, 26, 30; Apr. 2, 9, 16, 20. 🌸	\$8,695	\$9,395
May 28; Sep. 3, 10.	\$7,995	\$8,695
Oct. 1, 8, 15.	\$8,695	\$9,395

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Solo travellers add on from \$3,900, please enquire for details.

Trip Notes

Itinerary operated by Great Rail Journeys. Prices include transfers, tipping and most portage. An overnight bag will need to be packed for days 6-8.

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Visit the gold-leaf-covered Kinkakuji Temple



Grand Tour of Japan

Sapporo to Fukuoka 14 Days



INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- ☆ Enjoy a whisky tasting at a Nikka whisky distillery.
- ☆ Journey to Hakodate on the Super Hokuto limited express train.
- ☆ Experience Hakodate's vibrant fish market.
- ☆ Ride by bullet train throughout your journey.
- ☆ Travel by 'Romancecar' train to Hakone.
- ☆ Stop off at the Mt Fuji World Heritage Centre.
- ☆ Explore Matsumoto Castle, an imposing fortress completed in 1593.
- ☆ Visit Hida Folk Village, an open-air museum of rustic farm dwellings.
- ☆ Take part in a traditional tea ceremony in Kyoto.
- ☆ Enjoy a scenic boat ride out to the famous Miyajima Island.
- ☆ Visit the Kyushu National Museum.

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- ✓ 13 nights in premium accommodation
- ✓ Services of a Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort
- ✓ 17 meals – 13 breakfasts and 4 dinners

Day 1. Arrive Sapporo Arrive in Sapporo and transfer to your hotel. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Dinner with your fellow travellers and Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort. **Two Nights:** Sapporo, JR Tower Nikko Hotel. D

Day 2. Sapporo Explore Sapporo's 19th-century architecture and pretty public spaces on a guided tour. Discover the delights of Otaru before heading to a nearby distillery where Nikka whisky is produced. There, enjoy a whisky tasting. Later, head back to Sapporo for the evening. B

Day 3. Sapporo, Hakodate Travel to Hakodate on the Super Hokuto limited express train. This afternoon, take a sightseeing tour by coach including Goryokaku fortress. Later, ascend Mt Hakodate via ropeway for fabulous views. **Stay:** La Vista Hakodate. BD

Day 4. Hakodate, Tokyo Explore the vivid array of stalls at Hakodate's fish market,

where fresh produce is bought and sold in a lively atmosphere. After your visit, travel to Tokyo by bullet train.

Two Nights: Tokyo, Keio Plaza. B

Day 5. Tokyo A full-day sightseeing tour of Tokyo begins with a visit to Hamarikyu gardens, followed by a visit to the Imperial Palace Plaza before touring Asakusa Kannon temple, the oldest temple in Japan. Finish at the iconic Shibuya Crossing. B

Day 6. Tokyo, Hakone Travel by 'Romancecar' train to Hakone. Enjoy a scenic ride on the Hakone Ropeway over the Owakudani Valley and Lake Ashi, as well as a boat cruise across the serene lake. Continue on to your hotel. **Stay:** Prince Hakone Lake Ashinoko. BD

Day 7. Hakone, Mt Fuji, Matsumoto An exciting Insider Experience awaits you today. Visit the Mt Fuji World Heritage Centre where you will learn more about



Discover Japan's rich history and culture in Kyoto

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—	Coach
—	Cruise
●	Stay (no. of nights)



the world-famous symbol. Later, stop at the Chihiro Art Museum Azumino en route to Matsumoto. **Stay:** Matsumoto, Hotel Kagetsu. B

Day 8. Matsumoto, Hida Folk Village, Takayama This morning, visit the miso factory and Matsumoto Castle, an imposing fortress completed in 1593, followed by the Nakamachi District. En route to Takayama, visit Hida Folk Village, an open-air museum of rustic farm dwellings overlooking the Takayama Valley. Some of the buildings in the village date back 500 years. Then, continue to Takayama, where you'll enjoy an overnight stay in this atmospheric town. **Stay:** Takayama, Associa Hotel. B

Day 9. Takayama, Kyoto Explore Takayama and admire the ancient architecture on a guided tour featuring Miyagawa Market, Sannomachi Street and Takayama Jinya, before travelling to Kyoto by bullet train. **Two Nights:** Kyoto, Righa Royal. B

Day 10. Kyoto See the highlights of Kyoto today. Embark on a tour beginning at the Kyoto Railway Museum before visiting the iconic Kinkakuji Temple. Stroll through the tranquil Sagano Bamboo Forest. After taking part in

a traditional tea ceremony, finish the day with a stroll around the Gion area. B

Day 11. Kyoto, Nara, Hiroshima Today you'll explore Nara. Take in the Todai-ji Temple and continue to beautiful Nara Park before transferring to Osaka, where you'll catch a bullet train to Hiroshima. **Two Nights:** Hiroshima, Sheraton Hotel. B

Day 12. Hiroshima, Miyajima Island A guided tour today takes you around Hiroshima. From the Peace Memorial Park to the A-Bomb Dome, your tour explores the city's tragic devastation during World War II. Then, enjoy a scenic boat ride out to the famous Miyajima Island. B

Day 13. Hiroshima, Hakata After breakfast, journey to Hakata by bullet train. Take in the Dazaifu Tenman-gu Shrine and the Komyozenji Temple, and visit the Kyushu National Museum. This evening, enjoy a Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant. **Stay:** Hakata, New Otani Hotel. BD

Day 14. Depart Fukuoka Transfer to Fukuoka airport this morning after breakfast. B

From \$10,695 per person twin share

14 Days – Sapporo to Fukuoka (RJJTJG14)

2023 Dates and Prices (A\$)

Per person twin share	Best Price*	Standard Price
Apr. 2, 9, 16. 🌸	\$10,695	\$11,395
Oct. 8.	\$10,695	\$11,395

*Best Price – Includes Earlybird Savings and Early Payment Discount, for full terms and conditions see pages 24-25.

Solo travellers add on from \$4,000, please enquire for details.

Trip Notes

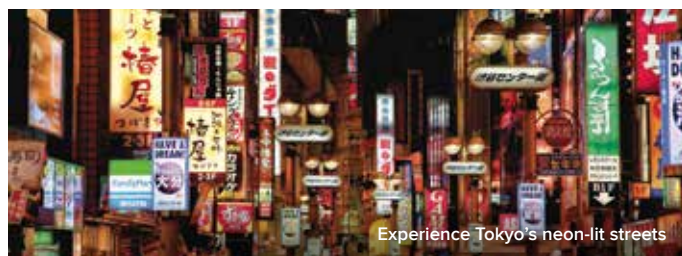
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Experience Tokyo's neon-lit streets



South Korea

Juxtaposing tranquil landscapes
with the buzz of the big cities

South Korea is almost enigmatic, as it
flies under the radar for many travellers.
We leave no stone unturned in our travels.

SOUTH KOREA'S HEART AND SEOUL

Fashion-forward and racing towards the next technological advancement, South Korea's cutting-edge capital is a far cry from the surrounding countryside. But as fast-paced and dynamic as Seoul is, you'll find many pockets of ancient history in the proudly preserved World Heritage sites.

INSIGHT AT THE DEMILITARISED ZONE

Make the journey to the Demilitarised Zone, the world's most heavily guarded border, where fourkilometres of no-man's land divides North and South Korea. While here, learn about the countries' conflict and head to the Dora Observatory to look at the mysterious landscapes of North Korea.

BUSAN'S BREATHTAKING WONDERS

There's so much more to this bustling port town than meets the eye. While seafood plays a huge role in the everyday lives of the locals – take the incredible scale of the famous Jagalchi Fish Market for example – you'll also find seaside temples, pastel-coloured villages and mountains cutting through the dynamic urban landscape.

FLAVOURS OF SOUTH KOREA

Korean food continues to gather popularity across the world – for good reason. While you can visit a gogi-jip (meat house) on almost any street corner, there's a whole other world of South Korean delicacies awaiting. Think kimchi, hoeddeok (sweet syrupy pancakes) and the nation's favourite dish – bibimbap.

TRADITIONS OF BUKCHON HANOK VILLAGE

As one of South Korea's oldest villages, Bukchon Hanok offers an invaluable insight into Korean culture. The traditional hanok style of housing dates all the way back to the Joseon Dynasty. Wander through enchanting alleyways and admire these distinct and fascinating structures.





Step back in time in Seoul's traditional Bukchon Hanok Village



Taste of South Korea

Seoul Return 8 Days



INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- ☆ Enjoy a Welcome Dinner at a traditional Korean-style BBQ house.
- ☆ Witness the changing of the guard ceremony at Gyeongbok Palace.
- ☆ Learn how to make bibimbap during a cooking class and demonstration.
- ☆ Experience a traditional Korean village at Bukchon Hanok.
- ☆ Enjoy tea time with a monk at Jogyesa Temple.
- ☆ Board South Korea's famous KTX Express Trains from Seoul to Busan and Dongdaegu to Seoul.
- ☆ Join a moonlight walking tour of Donggung Palace and Wolji Pond.

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- ✓ Seven nights in premium accommodation
- ✓ Services of a TravelMarvel Tour Director
- ✓ 13 meals – 7 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 2 dinners
- ✓ Delve deeper into the story between North and South Korea with an in-depth tour of the Demilitarised Zone (DMZ)
- ✓ Visit the world's only United Nations Memorial in Busan
- ✓ Explore Haeinsa Temple, home to the Tripitaka Koreana since 1398

Day 1. Arrive Incheon, Seoul

Arrive into Incheon and transfer to Seoul. Enjoy a Welcome Dinner this evening, joining your Tour Director and fellow travellers at a traditional Korean-style BBQ house. Smoky meats and sizzling savoury pancakes are often on the menu. Then you'll be transferred back to your hotel, which is located in the heart of Seoul.

Three Nights: Seoul, Courtyard Marriott Namdaemun. D

Day 2. Seoul Begin a full day of sightseeing at Gyeongbok Palace, the largest palace in South Korea. Built in 1392 at the beginning of the Joseon Dynasty, it was the main royal palace for five centuries. While here, you'll witness the changing of the guard ceremony. Later, learn how to make South Korea's favourite dish, bibimbap, during a cooking class and demonstration. Continue on to Bukchon Hanok, a traditional hanok village, before visiting Jogyesa Temple for the chance to share tea with a monk. Your final stop for today is Insadong Antique

Alley, where quirky amulets and jewellery among other wares are scattered across stalls. Poke around the many streets, maybe picking up a souvenir or two. BL

Day 3. Seoul, Paju, Demilitarised Zone

Today is dedicated to the relationship between North and South Korea. You'll visit the Demilitarised Zone (DMZ) in Paju to gain an understanding of the bordering countries. See Imjingak Park, the Bridge of Freedom and the Third Infiltration Tunnel, where it's believed that some 30,000 soldiers could pass through within an hour. You'll also spend time at the DMZ Theatre and Exhibition Hall, and the station, along with Dora Observatory, which offers binocular views into North Korea. Return to Seoul for an afternoon visit to the War Memorial Museum to reflect further on the conflict. BL

Day 4. Seoul, Busan After breakfast at your hotel, travel to Busan, aboard one of South Korea's famous KTX Express Trains. Watch the beautiful countryside whip past your



Embrace the history of Gyeongbok Palace



window, and jet right past busy cities as your train reaches speeds of over 300 kilometres per hour. Upon arrival in South Korea's second-largest city, you'll be taken on a city sightseeing tour. Begin at Busan Tower, which offers a great vantage point to the city's bustling port. Visit Jagalchi Fishery Market, the largest seafood market in South Korea. Here, locals select seafood that is straight from the ocean and take their purchase to the market's chefs to be prepared just how they like it. Finish your explorations in Gamcheon Village, a mishmash of pastel-coloured houses, street art and art galleries.

Stay: Busan, Avani Hotel. B

Day 5. Busan, Gyeongju There's more of Busan to be explored this morning. At Taejongdae observatory, admire sweeping views of the natural wonders of Taejongdae Resort Park. Continue to the United Nations Memorial cemetery. Afterwards, voyage to the seaside for a visit to Haedong Yonggung temple before journeying to Gyeongju. Be welcomed into the ancient city with a traditional performance at Jeongdong Theatre.

Two Nights: Gyeongju, Commodore Hotel. B

Day 6. Gyeongju Set your sights on the World Heritage Bulguksa Temple resting on the slopes of

Mt Toham. Built in 774 AD, the temple is considered a masterpiece of Buddhist art. Nearby, explore Seokguram Grotto and see the giant Sakyamuni Buddha, which is enshrined in the grotto's inner chambers. Afterwards, take a stroll across the green grounds of Tumuli Park and Family Choi's House, which was built in 1630, and also visit the Cheomseongdae observatory. After time for dinner, join a moonlight walking tour of Donggung Palace and Wolji Pond, once part of the palace complex of ancient Silla.

BL

Day 7. Gyeongju, Gayasan National Park, Seoul Make the journey by coach to Haeinsa Temple. As one of the three principal Buddhist temples in Korea, discover Buddhist scriptures carved into more than 80,000 wooden blocks. Afterwards, head to Dongdaegu train station to board a KTX Express Train to Seoul. Tonight, celebrate your holiday with your fellow travellers and Tour Director with a Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant.

Stay: Seoul, Courtyard Marriott Namdaemun. BLD

Day 8. Seoul, Depart Incheon Breakfast is served at your hotel this morning before a transfer takes you to the airport, where your South Korea adventure comes to an end.

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From **\$3,795** per person twin share

8 Days – Seoul Return (SKT08)

2023 Dates and Prices (A\$)

Per person twin share	Best Price*	Standard Price
Mar. 5, 12. 🌸	\$3,895	\$4,595
Mar. 19, 26. 🌸	\$3,995	\$4,695
May 7; Sep. 17; Oct. 22.	\$3,995	\$4,695
Nov. 5.	\$3,795	\$4,495

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Trip Notes

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Try your hand at making bibimbap



Scenic South Korea and Japan



Seoul to Osaka 19 Days

INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- ☆ Enjoy a Welcome Dinner at a traditional Korean-style BBQ house.
- ☆ Witness the changing of the guard ceremony at Gyeongbok Palace.
- ☆ Learn how to make bibimbap during a cooking class and demonstration.
- ☆ Visit Bukchon Hanok and Jogyesa Temple for the chance to share tea with a monk.
- ☆ Board South Korea's famous KTX Express Trains from Seoul to Busan and Dongdaegu to Seoul.
- ☆ Join a moonlight walking tour of Donggung Palace and Wolji Pond.
- ☆ Head to a local izakaya for dinner in Tokyo.
- ☆ See the snow-capped peak of Mt Fuji at Mt Fuji's Fifth Station.
- ☆ Explore Japan's oldest original castle, Matsumoto Castle.
- ☆ Learn to shape, flavour and roast your own rice crackers at an o-sembi workshop.
- ☆ Visit a sake brewery and enjoy a tasting in Takayama.
- ☆ Look out for beautiful geiko (geisha) and maiko (apprentice geisha) on a stroll through Kyoto.
- ☆ Take a walk through Arashiyama Bamboo Grove.

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- ✓ 18 nights in premium accommodation
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Stay: Seoul, Courtyard Marriott Namdaemun. BLD

Day 8. Incheon, Tokyo

Today, fly to Tokyo and transfer to your hotel. Tonight, meet your Japan Tour Director for a welcome meeting before dinner, then head to a local izakaya for dinner to celebrate your first night in Japan. **Two Nights:** Tokyo, Shibuya Excel Hotel Tokyo. BD

Days 9-18 See detailed itinerary for days 2-11 on pages 28-29.

Day 19. Depart Osaka After breakfast, be transferred to the airport for your onward flight. B

From \$11,395 per person twin share

19 Days – Seoul to Osaka (JPKT19)

2023 Dates and Prices (A\$)

Per person twin share	Best Price*	Standard Price
Mar. 5. 🌸	\$11,995	\$12,295
Mar. 12. 🌸	\$12,395	\$12,695
Mar. 19, 26. 🌸	\$12,595	\$12,895
May 7.	\$11,395	\$11,695
Sep. 17.	\$11,595	\$11,895
Oct. 22; Nov. 5.	\$12,295	\$12,595

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Trip Notes

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See Gyeongbok Palace's changing of the guard

A large, vertical, close-up photograph of a tiger's head and stripes, serving as a background for the text. The tiger's fur is a mix of orange, brown, and black, with distinct dark stripes running vertically down its body. The tiger's eyes are partially visible, looking towards the right.

India

Discover the highlights and spirit of India, from its bustling cities to its serene countryside

India is a vibrant whirlwind for the senses, a fascinating and exciting country just waiting to be explored.

CITIES OF INDIA

Whether you're looking for a spiritual awakening, a soul-shaking cultural immersion, or some of the world's most iconic sights, you'll find what you need in India. Explore the energetic major cities of Delhi, Kolkata and Mumbai, wonderfully chaotic hubs bursting with colours, sounds and smells.

THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE

No trip to India is complete without a visit to the Golden Triangle. Visit Humayun's Tomb, see the monumental Amber Fort, wander the pink-hued streets of Jaipur and experience the beauty of the Taj Mahal. The Golden Triangle perfectly packages some of India's most memorable highlights.

THE WILD SIDE OF INDIA

India is not all heaving cities and holy temples. Delve deeper into the country's jungles and national parks and discover a plethora of rare and exotic creatures. At Ranthambore National Park, find leopards, panthers, striped hyenas, marsh crocodiles and sloth bears among other unique wildlife. The most exciting local of all is the elusive Bengal tiger, which has been a significant part of Indian tradition and lore for millennia, symbolising power and fearlessness. Stay alert and keep your camera close by as you embark on a thrilling search to spot the big cat in the flesh.

THE SACRED GANGES

The Ganges is a lifeline to millions of people, a holy river that carves its way through India from the Himalayas to the Bay of Bengal. Traverse the stunning Lower Ganges region in style on an incredible cruise on the RV Rajmahal from Farakka to Kolkata. Explore the area's hidden gems and charming communities on a peaceful journey through a path less trodden.



Come face-to-face with Bengal tigers
in Ranthambore National Park



The Lower Ganges, Golden Triangle & Mumbai

Kolkata to Mumbai 20 Days



INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- ☆ Enjoy an indulgent stay at the Taj Bengal Hotel in Kolkata.
- ☆ Unlock the secrets of Murshidabad's mysterious Hazarduari Palace.
- ☆ Watch locals beat brass to make water pots and other utensils in Matuari.
- ☆ Take a sightseeing rickshaw ride through the town of Kalna.
- ☆ Wind through a sea of pedestrians going about their everyday lives as you ride a rickshaw through the narrow streets of Delhi.
- ☆ Explore the Pink City of Jaipur.
- ☆ Travel by jeep to the main entry of Amber Fort and spend the morning touring through the fort, learning about its fascinating history.
- ☆ Discover Mumbai by foot on a dawn walking tour under the beautiful morning light.

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- ✓ 12 nights in premium accommodation
- ✓ Seven-night Lower Ganges cruise on the RV Rajmahal
- ✓ Services of a Travelmarvel Cruise Director and Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort
- ✓ 48 meals – 19 breakfasts, 11 lunches and 18 dinners
- ✓ All meals, plus local beers and regional wines are included with lunch and dinner on board your river ship

Day 1. Arrive Kolkata On arrival at the airport, be met and transferred to your premium hotel, the Taj Bengal Hotel in Kolkata.
Two Nights: Kolkata, Taj Bengal.

Day 2. Kolkata Embark on a sightseeing tour of Kolkata's famous landmarks including the Mullik Ghat Flower Market, the Howrah Bridge and Mother Teresa's House. Enjoy a Welcome Dinner at your hotel. BLD

Day 3. Kolkata, Embark Ship, Farakka Transfer to a local train for the colourful journey from Kolkata to Farakka. Transfer to your river ship for your seven-night cruise.
Seven Nights: Lower Ganges River, RV Rajmahal. BLD

Day 4. Gaur Discover Gaur, a city strewn with ancient monuments and remains of mosques. Rejoin the ship later in the day near Jangipur. Moor at Baranagar. BLD

Day 5. Baranagar, Murshidabad This morning, take a stroll through the fields of Baranagar and visit three miniature terracotta temples before continuing down the Lower Ganges. Cruise to Murshidabad where Hazarduari Palace

dominates the waterfront. Visit the great Katra Mosque before driving out to see the Katgola Palace. BLD

Day 6. Murshidabad Visit the Khushbagh, a peaceful Mughul-style garden enclosing the tombs of the last independent Nawab of Bengal and his family. Continue sailing to Berhampur, mooring close to the battlefield of Plassey. Walk through the fields to the commemorative obelisk. BLD

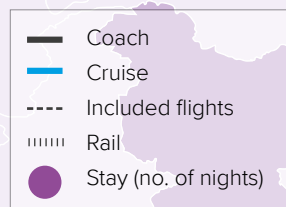
Day 7. Matuari, Mayapur Explore the village of Matuari, seeing first-hand how locals beat brass to make water pots and other utensils. Continue on through the countryside to Mayapur to visit the vast new ISKCON temple. BLD

Day 8. Kalna, Hooghly Discover Kalna on a traditional rickshaw ride before sailing on to the outskirts of Kolkata. Land at Hooghly to visit the imposing Imambara. Sail past Chinsura to Chandannagar. BLD

Day 9. Chandannagar, Kolkata See the French church and the Duplex's House before continuing to Barrackpore, landing to tour its sights. Subject to river tide, cruise



Cruise the Ganges in style on the RV Rajmahal



FLIGHTS INCLUDED*
+ SAVE UP TO \$600 per couple*
See pages 24-25

under the Howrah Bridge to reach central Kolkata. BLD

Day 10. Kolkata, Disembark Ship
Disembark this morning in Kolkata. Visit Victoria Memorial and St Paul's Cathedral. Enjoy dinner at Sonargaon Restaurant.
Stay: Kolkata, Taj Bengal. BLD

Day 11. Kolkata, Delhi Farewell your Travelmarvel Cruise Director and transfer to the airport for your included flight to Delhi. On arrival be met and transferred to your hotel. Tonight, get to know your Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort during dinner at your hotel.
Two Nights: Delhi, Crowne Plaza Okhla. BD

Day 12 Delhi Visit Jama Masjid mosque, then move on to New Delhi to visit Humayun's Tomb. You'll also visit India Gate and the 13th-century Qutab Minar. Take a rickshaw ride through the narrow streets of Delhi's lively bazaar. BD

Day 13 Delhi, Agra Transfer to the station and board the Gatimaan Express to Agra. Embark on a sightseeing tour of the Red Fort and continue to the iconic Taj Mahal.
Stay: Agra, Clarks Shiraz Hotel. BD

Day 14 Delhi, Fatehpur Sikri, Ranthambore Transfer from Agra and stop for a tour of Fatehpur Sikri. Enjoy lunch at Laxmi Vilas Palace Bharatpur before boarding a train to Ranthambore National Park. Enjoy dinner at your hotel.
Two Nights: Ranthambore, Abhyaran Hotel. BLD

Day 15 Ranthambore Today, search for the elusive Bengal tiger on guided morning and afternoon game drives through Ranthambore National Park. Enjoy an evening talk by a naturalist. BLD

Day 16 Ranthambore, Jaipur
Spend the morning at your leisure. After lunch, depart to the picturesque city of Jaipur.
Two Nights: Jaipur, Clarks Amer. BLD

Day 17 Jaipur Spend the morning touring through the Amber Fort. Then visit other famous sites in the Pink City of Jaipur, including the City Palace, the Jantar Mantar Astronomical Observatory, and drive by the 'Palace of the Winds'. BD

Day 18 Jaipur, Mumbai Transfer to the airport in the morning for your included flight to Mumbai. Travel to your hotel before observing an afternoon cooking demonstration. Enjoy dinner at the hotel.
Two Nights: Mumbai, Trident Nariman Point. BD

Day 19 Mumbai Rise early for a Mumbai at dawn walking tour. Discover by foot as the city comes to life in the sun's early rays. Take an afternoon tour of Mumbai icons such as the Gateway of India, Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminal and Mani Bhavan. Enjoy a delicious Farewell Dinner at your hotel. BD

Day 20 Depart Mumbai After breakfast, transfer to the airport where your journey ends. B

From \$8,995 per person twin share

20 Days – Kolkata to Mumbai (TINGMJ20)

2023 Dates and Prices (A\$)

Per person twin share	Best Price*	Standard Price
Mar. 21.	\$8,995	\$9,295
Oct. 17.	\$9,395	\$9,695

2024 Dates and Prices (A\$)

Mar. 22.	\$9,195	\$9,495
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*Best Price – Includes Early Payment Discount, for full terms and conditions see pages 24-25.

Solo travellers add on from \$4,100, enquire for details and upgrade pricing.

Cruise Upgrades – RV Rajmahal

Twin Share prices based on Cat. B (Double Stateroom) on the Main Deck. See page 64 for deck plans. To upgrade, add per person from:

Cat.	Balcony Type	Deck	Twin Share
A	Panoramic	Upper	\$495
A+	Panoramic	Upper	\$695

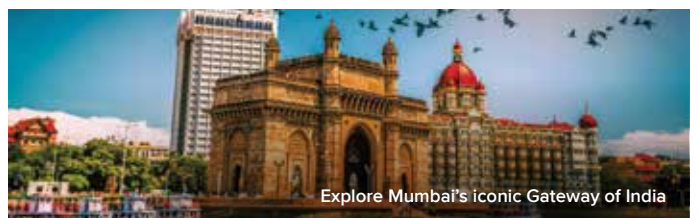
Trip Notes

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Explore Mumbai's iconic Gateway of India



Highlights of the Golden Triangle & Mumbai

Delhi to Mumbai 10 Days



INSIDER EXPERIENCES

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HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- ✓ Nine nights in premium accommodation
- ✓ Services of a Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort
- ✓ 21 meals – 9 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 9 dinners

Day 1 Arrive Delhi, India

On arrival in Delhi, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel. Tonight, get to know your Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort and fellow travellers during a Welcome Dinner.

Two Nights: Delhi, Crowne Plaza Okhla.

D

Day 2 Delhi Today you will explore Delhi, India's vibrant, hectic, awe-inspiring capital city. Visit Jama Masjid, a 17th-century mosque, then move on to New Delhi to visit Humayun's Tomb, which is thought to have inspired the magnificent Taj Mahal. You'll also visit India Gate and the 13th-century Qutab Minar, and take a rickshaw ride through the narrow streets of Delhi's lively bazaar. BD

Day 3 Delhi, Agra Transfer to the station where you'll board the Gatimaan Express to Agra. Once in Agra, embark on a sightseeing tour of the World Heritage-listed Red Fort. One of the city's most historic

sites, the fort has served as both a military point and a royal residence in the past. Continue to the iconic Taj Mahal. The structure took over 22 years to build and is a wonder to behold. Its glittering white marble domes inspire awe, and almost seem to change colours throughout the day depending on the position of the sun.

Stay: Agra, Clarks Shiraz Hotel. BD

Day 4 Delhi, Fatehpur Sikri, Ranthambore Transfer from Agra to Ranthambore National Park, stopping en route at the abandoned ancient city of Fatehpur Sikri for a guided tour. Built in the 16th century, Fatehpur is home to a number of impressive monuments and temples. Enjoy lunch at Laxmi Vilas Palace Bharatpur before boarding an express train for the last leg of your trip to Ranthambore National Park. Dinner is at your hotel.

Two Nights: Ranthambore, Abhyaran Hotel.

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Experience the true wonder of the Taj Mahal



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Day 6 Ranthambore, Jaipur Spend the morning at your leisure. After lunch, depart by coach to the picturesque and historic city of Jaipur, the capital of Rajasthan. **Two Nights:** Jaipur, Clarks Amer. BLD

Day 7 Jaipur This morning is dedicated to an in-depth exploration of Jaipur. Begin with a guided tour of Amber Fort. The striking architecture is a unique blend of Hindu and Islamic styles. Its exterior contrasts with the interior with, many of the rooms elaborately painted with decadent mirrors and precious stones. Enjoy time at your leisure for lunch before jumping right back into your sightseeing. Visit sites including the City Palace and the 18th-century Jantar Mantar Astronomical Observatory, and drive by Jaipur's most distinctive landmark, the 'Palace of the Winds'. BD

Day 8 Jaipur, Mumbai Transfer to the airport in the early morning for your included flight to Mumbai. Travel to your hotel before observing a late afternoon cooking demonstration, introducing you to the rich and vibrant food culture of the city. Enjoy dinner at the hotel. **Two Nights:** Mumbai, Trident Nariman Point. BD

Day 9 Mumbai Rise early for a Mumbai by dawn walking tour under the beautiful morning light. Visit the fishing docks of Colaba, see the beautiful architecture of DN Road, experience the bustling environment of Crawford Market, explore the fascinating neighbourhoods of Byculla and Dadar, and admire the colours of Mahalaxmi Dhow Ghat, the world's largest open-air laundry. Return to your hotel for breakfast and spend the rest of the morning at your leisure before taking an afternoon sightseeing tour of Mumbai icons including the Gateway of India, Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminal and Mani Bhavan, a museum dedicated to Gandhi. Enjoy a delicious Farewell Dinner at your hotel. BD

Day 10 Depart Mumbai After breakfast, transfer to the airport where your journey ends. B

From \$2,495 per person twin share

10 Days – Delhi to Mumbai (RJTGMJ10)

2023 Dates and Prices (A\$)

Per person twin share	Best Price*	Standard Price
Jan. 27.	\$2,995	\$3,495
Feb. 3, 10, 24; Mar. 10, 17, 31.	\$2,795	\$3,495
Apr. 14; Sep. 15.	\$2,495	\$3,195
Oct. 6, 27; Nov. 10.	\$2,795	\$3,495
Nov. 17; Dec. 1.	\$2,895	\$3,595

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Discover Amber Fort



India's Golden Triangle, Tigers & Shimla

Delhi Return 13 Days



INSIDER EXPERIENCES

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Stay: Delhi, Taj Palace.

D

Day 2. Delhi, Shimla Take the Shatabdi Express to Kalka. From here, you'll board the World Heritage-listed Toy Train to Shimla, embarking on one of the country's most idyllic train journeys and arriving by early evening.

Three Nights: Shimla, The Oberoi Cecil Hotel.

BLD

Day 3. Shimla Enjoy a talk from author, historian and journalist Raaja Bhasin before embarking on a guided sightseeing tour of Shimla. See a number of sights including the Viceregal Lodge, once the summer residence of the Indian viceroys. Continue on to the Sankat Mochan Temple. This afternoon, walk to the mysterious Scandal Point.

BLD

Day 4. Shimla Nestled at the foothills of the Himalayas and surrounded by picturesque natural scenery, Shimla is a delight to visit and was a favourite with the Sahibs from the time of the Raj. Make the most of your free day in this charming town as you further discover on your own. Perhaps explore the Himalayas outside Shimla and visit Wildflower Hall.

Day 5. Shimla, Delhi After breakfast this morning, travel from Shimla to Chandigarh by road before boarding the express train back to Delhi. Upon arrival, transfer back to your hotel.

Two Nights: Delhi, Taj Palace. BLD

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Marvel at the vibrant colours of Hawa Mahal Palace

a rickshaw ride through the narrow streets of Delhi's lively bazaar. BD

Day 7. Delhi, Agra Transfer to the station where you'll board the Gatimaan Express to Agra. Once in Agra, embark on a sightseeing tour of the World Heritage-listed Red Fort. One of the city's most historic sites, the fort has served as both a military point and a royal residence in the past. Continue to the iconic Taj Mahal. The structure took over 22 years to build and is a wonder to behold. Its glittering white marble domes inspire awe, and almost seem to change colours throughout the day depending on the position of the sun. Stay: Agra, ITC Mughal. BD

Day 8. Delhi, Fatehpur Sikri, Ranthambore Transfer from Agra to Ranthambore National Park, stopping en route at the abandoned ancient city of Fatehpur Sikri for a guided tour. Enjoy lunch at Laxmi Vilas Palace Bharatpur before jumping back into your coach for the last leg of your trip to Ranthambore National Park. Dinner is at your hotel. Two Nights: Sawai Vilas Ranthambore. BLD

Day 9. Ranthambore This morning, enjoy hearing a local naturalist deliver a lecture on Ranthambore National Park. After lunch, head out for a guided game drive through the national park and search for Bengal tigers. Ranthambore is

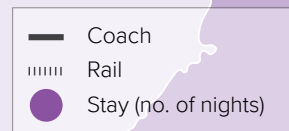
one of the best parks to view this elusive cat, so make sure to have your camera at the ready. Return to your hotel for dinner. BLD

Day 10. Ranthambore, Jaipur After a morning game drive, return to your hotel to spend the rest of the morning at leisure. Visit Birla Temple to witness an Aarti ceremony en route to the Pink City of Jaipur. Two Nights: Jaipur, ITC Rajputana. BLD

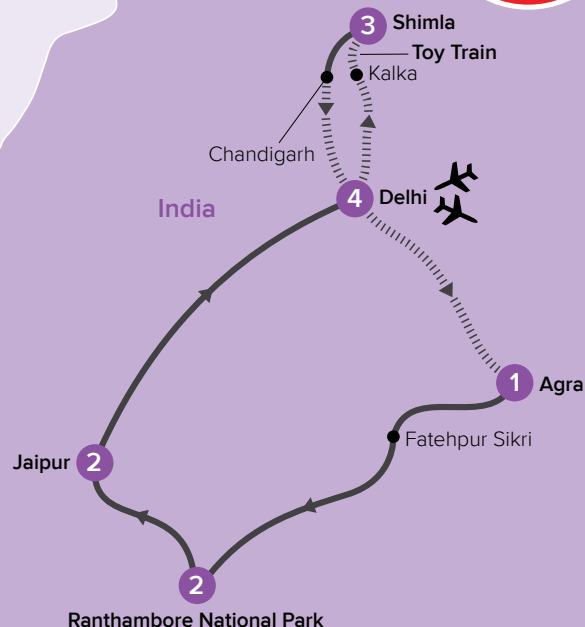
Day 11. Jaipur This morning is dedicated to an in-depth exploration of Jaipur. Begin with a guided tour of Amber Fort. Its exterior contrasts with the interior, with many of the rooms elaborately painted with decadent mirrors and precious stones. Enjoy time at leisure for lunch before jumping right back into your sightseeing. Visit sites including the City Palace and the 18th-century Jantar Mantar Astronomical Observatory, and drive by Jaipur's most distinctive landmark, the 'Palace of the Winds'. BD

Day 12. Jaipur, Delhi Spend your morning at leisure. This afternoon, travel back to Delhi, arriving in the evening. Tonight, say goodbye to your fellow travellers at a Farewell Dinner. Stay: Delhi, Taj Palace. BD

Day 13. Depart Delhi After breakfast, you'll be transferred to the airport for your flight. B



SAVE UP TO \$1,400 per couple*
See pages 24-25



From **\$3,295** per person twin share

13 Days – Delhi Return (RJTLTC13)

2023 Dates and Prices (A\$)

Per person twin share	Best Price*	Standard Price
Jan. 20.	\$3,995	\$4,495
Feb. 6, 17, 20; Mar. 3.	\$3,795	\$4,495
Sep. 22.	\$3,295	\$3,995
Oct. 6, 13, 27; Nov. 10.	\$3,795	\$4,495

*Best Price – Includes Earlybird Savings and Early Payment Discount, for full terms and conditions see pages 24-25.

Solo travellers add on from \$1,900, please enquire for details.

Trip Notes

Itinerary is operated by Great Rail Journeys. Itinerary and inclusions may be subject to change. When arriving in Delhi insure your flight arrives before 4pm. Prices include transfers, tipping and porterage.

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Ride the legendary Toy Train to Shimla



Sri Lanka

Small yet mighty – discover the best of Sri Lanka, a true hidden gem of Asia

Where wildlife, World Heritage wonders and gastronomic delights meet.

AN ABUNDANCE OF WORLD HERITAGE SITES

From sacred temples to ancient ruins, fortified palaces and colonial fortresses, this tiny nation boasts an impressive eight World Heritage-listed sites tracing back more than 2,000 years of history. Be sure to visit the iconic Temple of the Tooth in Kandy, as well as Sigiriya Rock fortress and the incredible Dambulla Cave Temple. Get lost in the wonders of Sri Lanka.

PARADISE BEACHES

Sri Lanka is a delightfully unexpected island paradise, where the jewel-bright Indian Ocean laps at white sand beaches, fringed by swaying palm trees. Enjoy a relaxing stay right on the beach front at the Heritance Ahungalla.

TEA COUNTRY BY TRAIN

All aboard an enchanting rail journey from Nanu Oya to Ella through the lush heart of Sri Lanka. Pass rolling green hills, waving to the occasional local tea picker dressed in a colourful sari. Enjoy stunning, unobstructed views from your window as you travel past the leafy tea plantations.

ABUNDANT WILDLIFE

Explore the wilderness of the country in Yala National Park, home to an abundance of remarkable wildlife. From majestic, trunk-swinging elephants and stalking Sri Lankan leopards, to spectacular wild peacocks and fascinating sloth bears, there are plenty of reasons to keep your camera nearby.

A TASTE OF WHAT'S TO COME

Craving a rich, simmering curry? Maybe you'd like to take a bite of some string hoppers? Or are you dreaming of scooping up some freshly grated sambol with a warm slice of roti bread? Be sure to wash it down with a cup of the world's freshest and finest Ceylon tea. Sri Lanka does cuisine right, with meals bursting at the seams with flavour.





Splendours of Sri Lanka



Negombo Return 12 Days

INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- ☆ Relax overlooking Sigiriya Rock Fortress at Aliya Resort and Spa.
- ☆ Stay for two nights in Kandy at the peaceful Amaya Hills overlooking the green mountains of Hanthana.
- ☆ Take an enchanting train ride through tea plantations and picturesque hill country to Ella.
- ☆ Enjoy style and privacy nestled amid splendid vegetation at Jetwing Yala.
- ☆ Visit the Udawalawe Elephant Transit Home, where displaced baby elephants are cared for and rehabilitated.
- ☆ Enjoy a special Farewell Dinner at Lagoon Seafood Restaurant.

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- ✓ 11 nights in premium accommodation
- ✓ Services of a Travelmarvel Tour Director
- ✓ 21 meals – 11 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 4 dinners
- ✓ See ancient Buddha images and rock paintings in Dambulla Cave Temple
- ✓ Explore the World Heritage-listed rock fortress of Sigiriya
- ✓ Discover a world of archaeological treasures in Polonnaruwa
- ✓ Embark on an exciting safari in Yala National Park
- ✓ Relax at your beachside hotel, the Heritance Ahungalla

Day 1. Arrive Negombo Late today, you'll arrive at the Bandaranaike International Airport, located near the charming fishing village of Negombo. On arrival, you'll be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel, the Jetwing Lagoon. Stay: Negombo, Jetwing Lagoon.

Day 2. Negombo, Sigiriya Today, venture to the World Heritage-listed Dambulla Cave Temple, home to over 150 incredible Buddha paintings and statues. Explore the five sanctuaries, each containing ornate statues and ancient art relating to the life of Buddha. Later, arrive at Aliya Resort and Spa, where you can relax overlooking Sigiriya Rock Fortress. Tonight, enjoy a special Sri Lankan Welcome Dinner. **Two Nights:** Sigiriya, Aliya Resort and Spa. BD

Day 3. Sigiriya, Polonnaruwa Today, head to the World Heritage site of Polonnaruwa for a tour of its ancient city. Once a prosperous religious centre, it was the second capital of Sri Lanka. Explore the fascinating ruins and discover a world of archaeological treasures.

Have lunch in Polonnaruwa before returning to the hotel. This afternoon, you may wish to embark on a safari to see the herds of elephants in Minneriya National Park (additional charge, see page 62). BL

Day 4. Sigiriya, Kandy This morning, visit the World Heritage-listed ancient rock fortress of Sigiriya, which was once home to an ancient civilisation. You can climb the open staircases to the top and take in the impressive views at its summit. Alternatively, visit the Sigiriya Museum. Take a guided tour of the area before departing for Kandy. En route, enjoy lunch at a local spice garden. Depart on a guided tour of Kandy's major sights, such as the World Heritage-listed Temple of the Tooth. Later, experience a traditional cultural performance before continuing to your hotel. Stay for two nights at the peaceful Amaya Hills. Situated in the hilltops of Kandy, the hotel looks out to the green mountains of Hanthana. **Two Nights:** Kandy, Amaya Hills. BLD



Visit the remarkable Dambulla Cave Temple

Day 5. Kandy, Peradeniya Today you will visit the Royal Botanical Gardens of Peradeniya. Home to over 4,000 species of exotic flora and fauna, the gardens are renowned for their collection of beautiful orchids. Spend the rest of the day at your leisure. BL

Day 6. Kandy, Nuwara Eliya Journey onwards to the lush, green hills of Nuwara Eliya and visit one of the many famous tea plantations and factories. Learn all about the traditions behind tea making while you sample the world's finest Ceylon tea. This afternoon, tour Nuwara Eliya. **Stay:** Nuwara Eliya, Araliya Green Hills Hotel. BL

Day 7. Nuwara Eliya, Yala National Park This morning, head to Nanu Oya to board a unique train for the journey to Ella (subject to availability). As you travel, take in the scenery of the beautiful hill country. Later, continue to Yala where you'll check in to your hotel. Nestled amid splendid vegetation, enjoy both style and privacy at Jetwing Yala. **Two Nights,** Jetwing Yala. BD

Day 8. Yala National Park Board a Jeep and venture out on a morning safari in Yala National Park. The park is home to over 40 species of mammals including elephants and sloth bears. Its star attraction, however, is the spectacular Sri Lankan leopard. Spend the

afternoon at your leisure, or head out on an optional afternoon safari for a chance to see more of the park's wonderful wildlife (additional charge, see page 62). BL

Day 9. Galle, Ahungalla Enjoy a morning visit to the Udawalawe Elephant Transit Home, where displaced baby elephants are cared for and rehabilitated. Then, journey to Galle. A fortified city, Galle is steeped in history. Here you'll depart on a walking tour and see many of its major landmarks, observing the unique architecture and admiring the fort's historic gate and iconic lighthouse. Continue to your beachside hotel in Ahungalla. **Two Nights:** Heritance Ahungalla. BL

Day 10. Ahungalla The day is free for you to enjoy relaxing at your beach-front hotel. You may like to join an optional tour to the Lunuganga Estate (additional charge, see page 62). B

Day 11. Ahungalla, Colombo After breakfast, depart for the Sri Lankan capital, Colombo. Take a guided tour of the city and see many of its sights. You will also get to explore the city further on a tuk tuk ride. Later, enjoy a Farewell Dinner at Lagoon Seafood Restaurant. **Stay:** Colombo, Cinnamon Grand. BD

Day 12. Colombo, Depart Negombo Your holiday comes to an end this morning with a transfer to the airport for your onward flight. B



From **\$4,295** per person twin share

12 Days – Negombo Return (TS12)

2023 Dates and Prices (A\$)

Per person twin share	Best Price*	Standard Price
Feb. 12.	\$4,995	\$5,195
Mar. 5, 19, 26; Apr. 9.	\$4,895	\$5,095
Sep. 24.	\$4,295	\$4,495
Oct. 15, 29.	\$4,595	\$4,795
Nov. 5, 26.	\$4,995	\$5,195

*Best Price – Includes Early Payment Discount, for full terms and conditions see pages 24-25.

Solo travellers add on from \$900, please enquire for details.

Trip Notes

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Travel through the heart of the picturesque hill country on your train ride to Ella



In Search of Tigers & Leopards



Delhi to Negombo 21 Days

INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- ☆ Wind through a sea of pedestrians going about their everyday lives as you ride a rickshaw through the narrow streets of Delhi.
- ☆ Explore the Pink City of Jaipur.
- ☆ Travel by jeep to the main entry of Amber Fort and spend the morning touring through the fort, learning about its fascinating history.
- ☆ Discover Mumbai by foot on a dawn walking tour under the beautiful morning light.
- ☆ Relax overlooking Sigiriya Rock Fortress at Aliya Resort and Spa.
- ☆ Stay for two nights in Kandy at the peaceful Amaya Hills overlooking the green mountains of Hanthana.
- ☆ Take an enchanting train ride through tea plantations and picturesque hill country to Ella.
- ☆ Enjoy style and privacy nestled amid splendid vegetation at Jetwing Yala.
- ☆ Visit the Udawalawe Elephant Transit Home, where displaced baby elephants are cared for and rehabilitated.
- ☆ Enjoy a special Farewell Dinner at Lagoon Seafood Restaurant.

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- ✓ 20 nights in premium accommodation
- ✓ Services of a Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort and Travelmarvel Tour Director
- ✓ 42 meals – 20 breakfasts, 9 lunches and 13 dinners

Day 1. Arrive Delhi On arrival in Delhi, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel. Tonight, get to know your Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort and fellow travellers during a Welcome Dinner.
Two Nights: Delhi, Crowne Plaza Okhla. D

Day 2 Delhi Visit Jama Masjid mosque, then move on to New Delhi to visit Humayun's Tomb. You'll also visit India Gate and the 13th-century Qutab Minar. Take a rickshaw ride through the narrow streets of Delhi's lively bazaar. BD

Day 3 Delhi, Agra Transfer to the station and board the Gatimaan Express to Agra. Embark on a sightseeing tour of the Red Fort and continue to the iconic Taj Mahal.
Stay: Agra, Clarks Shiraz Hotel. BD

Day 4 Delhi, Fatehpur Sikri, Ranthambore Transfer from Agra and stop for a tour of Fatehpur Sikri. Enjoy lunch at Laxmi Vilas Palace Bharatpur before boarding a train to Ranthambore National Park. Enjoy dinner at your hotel.
Two Nights: Ranthambore, Abhyaran Hotel. BLD

Day 5 Ranthambore Today, search for the elusive Bengal tiger on guided morning and afternoon

game drives through Ranthambore National Park. Enjoy an evening talk by a naturalist. BLD

Day 6 Ranthambore, Jaipur Spend the morning at your leisure. After lunch, depart to picturesque Jaipur.
Two Nights: Jaipur, Clarks Amer. BLD

Day 7 Jaipur Spend the morning touring through the Amber Fort. Then visit other famous sites in the Pink City of Jaipur, including the City Palace, the Jantar Mantar Astronomical Observatory, and a drive by of the 'Palace of the Winds'. BD

Day 8 Jaipur, Mumbai Transfer to the airport in the morning for your included flight to Mumbai. Continue to your hotel before observing an afternoon cooking demonstration. Enjoy dinner at the hotel.
Two Nights: Mumbai, Trident Nariman Point. BD

Day 9 Mumbai Rise early for a Mumbai at dawn walking tour. Discover by foot as the city comes to life in the sun's early rays. Take an afternoon tour of Mumbai icons such as the Gateway of India, Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminal and Mani Bhavan. Enjoy a delicious dinner at your hotel. BD

FLIGHTS INCLUDED*
+ SAVE UP TO \$600
per couple*
See pages 24-25



Enjoy a thrilling safari in Yala National Park

Day 10 Mumbai, Negombo –

Sri Lanka Say goodbye to your Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort and transfer to the airport for your included flight to Negombo, Sri Lanka. On arrival, you'll be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel, the Jetwing Lagoon. **Stay:** Negombo, Jetwing Lagoon. B

Day 11. Negombo, Sigiriya This morning, meet your Travelmarvel Tour Director during a welcome briefing. Venture to the World Heritage-listed Dambulla Cave Temple, home to over 150 incredible Buddha paintings and statues. Later, arrive at Aliya Resort and Spa and relax overlooking Sigiriya Rock Fortress. Tonight, enjoy a special Sri Lankan Welcome Dinner. **Two Nights:** Sigiriya, Aliya Resort and Spa. BD

Days 12-15 See detailed itinerary for days 3-6 on pages 48-49.

Day 16. Nuwara Eliya, Yala National Park This morning, head to Nanu Oya to board a unique train for the journey to Ella (subject to availability). As you travel, take in the scenery of the beautiful hill country. Later, continue to Yala where you'll check in to your hotel. Nestled amid splendid vegetation, enjoy both style and privacy at Jetwing Yala. **Two Nights,** Jetwing Yala. BD

Day 17. Yala National Park Board a Jeep and venture out on a morning safari in Yala National Park. The park is home to over 40 species of mammals including elephants and

sloth bears. Its star attraction is the spectacular Sri Lankan leopard. Spend the afternoon at your leisure, or head out on an optional afternoon safari for a chance to see more of the park's wonderful wildlife (additional charge see page 62). BL

Day 18. Galle, Ahungalla Enjoy a morning visit to the Udawalawe Elephant Transit Home, where displaced baby elephants are cared for and rehabilitated. Then, journey to Galle. A fortified city, Galle is steeped in history. Here you'll depart on a walking tour and see many of its major landmarks, observing the unique architecture and admiring the fort's historic gate and iconic lighthouse. Continue to your beachside hotel in Ahungalla. **Two Nights:** Heritance Ahungalla. BL

Day 19. Ahungalla The day is free for you to enjoy relaxing at your beach-front hotel. You may like to join an optional tour to the Lunuganga Estate (additional charge see page 62). B

Day 20. Ahungalla, Colombo After breakfast, depart for the capital of Sri Lanka, Colombo. Take a guided tour of the city and see many of its sights. You will also get to explore the city further on a tuk tuk ride. Later, enjoy a special Farewell Dinner at Lagoon Seafood Restaurant. **Stay:** Colombo, Cinnamon Grand. BD

Day 21. Colombo, Depart Negombo Your holiday comes to an end this morning with a transfer to the airport for your onward flight. B

From \$7,295 per person twin share

21 Days – Delhi to Negombo (TSGMJ21)

2023 Dates and Prices (A\$)

Per person twin share	Best Price*	Standard Price
Feb. 3.	\$8,295	\$8,595
Feb. 24; Mar. 10, 17.	\$8,195	\$8,495
Sep. 15.	\$7,295	\$7,595
Oct. 6.	\$7,895	\$8,195
Nov. 17.	\$8,395	\$8,695

*Best Price – Includes Early Payment Discount, for full terms and conditions see pages 24-25.

Solo travellers add on from \$2,200, please enquire for details.

Trip Notes

Itinerary days 1-9 are operated by Great Rail Journeys. Flight from Mumbai to Negombo on day 10 is unescorted. Itinerary and inclusions may be subject to change. Prices include transfers, tipping, flight from Mumbai to Negombo and portage. Please see pages 66-67 for full terms and conditions.

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Discover tigers in Ranthambore



China

Where remarkable landscapes, ancient dynasties and heart-racing modernisation collide

It's a vast land of countless natural scenes, diverse dialects and mouth-watering regional cuisine.

BEIJING'S TIMELESS TREASURES

More than a silver city which constantly moves towards the future, Beijing is home to a wealth of historic treasures, and it does little to hide it. Wander the Forbidden City, where Chinese emperors ruled for over 500 years, and visit the Great Wall of China, one of the best examples of mankind's power.

CRUISING THE THREE GORGES REGION

Travelling through the spectacular Three Gorges region, your cruise down the Yangtze River is guaranteed to leave you spellbound. The region is made up of towering cliffs, charming riverside villages and mountains blanketed in green forest.

XI'AN – HOME OF THE TERRACOTTA ARMY

With a continuous history stretching back over thousands of years, Xi'an has plenty to offer the keen history buff. See the awe-inspiring rows of Terracotta Warriors, which have stood guard over China's first emperor for two millennia, yet were only rediscovered in 1974.

ANCIENT JINLI STREET & COSMOPOLITAN SHANGHAI

Step back in time in Chengdu to experience ancient China as you wander down Jinli Street. Follow the winding, narrow lanes aglow with red lanterns, and find snack stalls, traditional wooden buildings and tranquil ponds hidden away. Meanwhile, be thrust into China's exciting future as you explore the modern cityscape and fast-paced lifestyle of Shanghai.

FLAVOURS OF THE REGION

Discover why Chinese cuisine has become a worldwide favourite, sampling local flavour-packed specialties such as juicy dumplings and baozi, crispy Peking Duck and the sizzling dishes of Sichuan.







Grand Tour of China

Beijing to Shanghai 14 Days



INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- ☆ Enjoy a delicious banquet of Peking Duck at a local Beijing restaurant.
- ☆ Travel extensively by high-speed rail.
- ☆ Indulge in a traditional Chinese dumpling banquet.
- ☆ Spend a morning at the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding.
- ☆ Enjoy a Farewell Dinner as you cruise the Huangpu River.

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- ✓ 10 nights in premium accommodation
- ✓ Three-night Yangtze River cruise on the Century Victory
- ✓ Services of a Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort
- ✓ 31 meals – 13 breakfasts, 10 lunches and 8 dinners
- ✓ Visit Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City in Beijing
- ✓ Witness breathtaking views from the Great Wall of China
- ✓ See the remarkable Terracotta Army in Xi'an
- ✓ Marvel at the historic Three Gorges Dam site

Day 1. Arrive Beijing On arrival in Beijing, be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel. This evening, savour a Welcome Dinner. **Three Nights:** Beijing, Novotel Peace Hotel. D

Day 2. Beijing, Forbidden City This morning, visit Tiananmen Square. Continue to the Forbidden City, the former home to an ancient line of Chinese emperors. After lunch, explore the World Heritage-listed Summer Palace. BL

Day 3. Beijing, Great Wall of China Discover China's greatest icon, the Great Wall of China. Take in breathtaking views during a cable car ride to the Mutianyu section. Continue to a cloisonné factory and enjoy a guided tour. Return to the city, where this evening, you'll sample Beijing's most iconic dish with a delicious banquet of Peking Duck. BLD

Day 4. Beijing, Xi'an This morning after breakfast, visit the Temple of Heaven, an imperial complex of religious buildings founded in the 15th century. Later, board a

high-speed train headed for Xi'an. **Two Nights:** Xi'an, Grand Mercure. B

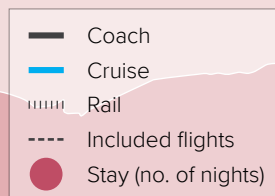
Day 5. Xi'an Known for its remarkable collection of Terracotta Warriors, a discovery of Xi'an awaits today. Admire the excavation pits that have housed the thousands of unique sculptures since around 210 BC. Spend the afternoon on a guided tour of Xi'an, taking in some of its most famous sights including the Great Mosque and the lively Muslim bazaar. This evening, indulge in a traditional Chinese dumpling banquet. BLD

Day 6. Xi'an, Chengdu Visit the Small Wild Goose Pagoda, then stop for a lunch before embarking on a high-speed train journey to Chengdu. Transfer to your hotel, the charming Tibet Hotel, which tastefully combines traditional Tibetan decor with modern furnishings. **Two Nights:** Chengdu, Tibet Hotel. BLD

Day 7. Chengdu Spend the morning at the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding,



Take in the incredible scale of the Great Wall



learning all about how the pandas are being protected. After lunch at a local restaurant, visit the Buddhist Wenshu Monastery and learn about the ancient structure. Finish your day with a visit to the charming Jinli Street, where bright lanterns light up the path. BL

Day 8. Chengdu, Chongqing, Embark Ship Following breakfast at your hotel, travel to Chengdu's Renmin Park. Sample a range of teas at a teahouse before travelling to Chongqing by high-speed train. Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant before boarding your river ship. Sit back and begin your relaxing three-night cruise along the Yangtze River.

Three Nights: Yangtze River, Century Victory (or similar). BLD

Day 9. Fengdu Ghost City Why not experience Tai Chi this morning? Later, enjoy an excursion to Fengdu Ghost City, a large complex of shrines, temples and monasteries dedicated to the afterlife. Tonight, enjoy your first dinner on board. BLD

Day 10. Scenic Cruising, Shennv Stream This morning, sail through Qutang and Wu Gorges before an excursion to Shennv Stream, with its narrow gorges and picturesque mountain sides. This evening, enjoy a traditional Chinese buffet dinner. BLD

Day 11. Yichang, Disembark Ship, Shanghai Bid farewell to your river ship and disembark at Maoping Pier, Yichang. Spend the morning at the Three Gorges Dam Site and take in its colossal scale. After lunch, transfer to Yichang airport for your flight to Shanghai. **Three Nights:** Shanghai, Pullman Jing'an. BL

Day 12. Shanghai This morning transfer to Suzhou, a city famous for its labyrinth of canals and bridges, as well as its gardens. Visit the World Heritage-listed Master of the Nets Garden, one of the finest classical gardens in China. After lunch, visit the city's 100-year-old Silk Mill and Garden of Cultivation, a wonderfully preserved example of a Ming Dynasty classical garden. End the day's explorations with a transfer to Pingjiang Road for a scenic canal cruise before returning to Shanghai. BL

Day 13. Shanghai This morning, explore the beautiful scenery of Yu Garden, believed to have been built in the Ming Dynasty more than 400 years ago. Experience Shanghai's bustling bazaar before visiting the historic Jade Buddha Temple. BD

Day 14. Depart Shanghai After breakfast, you'll be transferred to Shanghai airport for your onward flight. B

From \$5,295 per person twin share

14 Days – Beijing to Shanghai (RJTCYG14)

2023 Dates and Prices (A\$)

Per person twin share	Best Price*	Standard Price
Mar. 24, 31; Apr. 14, 21.	\$5,695	\$6,395
May 5, 12.	\$5,595	\$6,295
Jun. 2.	\$5,395	\$6,095
Aug. 18; Sep. 8, 15, 22; Oct. 13, 20.	\$5,695	\$6,395
Oct. 27.	\$5,395	\$6,095
Nov. 3.	\$5,295	\$5,995

*Best Price – Includes Earlybird Savings and Early Payment Discount, for full terms and conditions see pages 24-25.

Solo travellers add on from \$2,200, please enquire for details.

Trip Notes

Itinerary is operated by Great Rail Journeys. Prices include internal flight within China, transfers, port charges, tipping and most portage. Low or high water levels may cause disruption to cruising. Cabin pre-selection is not available on cruises in China. Please see pages 66-67 for full terms and conditions.

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Indulge in a mouth-watering Peking Duck banquet



A Journey Through China & Japan



Tokyo to Shanghai 26 Days

INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- ☆ Travel in a 'Romancecar' observation car on the picturesque train journey to Hakone.
- ☆ Visit the Mt Fuji Visitor Centre and Mt Fuji's Fifth Station where you can see the icon's snow-capped peak.
- ☆ Venture to Matsumoto Castle, an impressive five-storey fortress.
- ☆ Travel by train and ferry to Miyajima Island.
- ☆ Wander the streets of the famous Gion district in Kyoto.
- ☆ Enjoy a traditional tea ceremony in Kyoto.
- ☆ Visit a sake brewery in Nara and savour a tasting.
- ☆ Enjoy a delicious banquet of Peking Duck at a local Beijing restaurant.
- ☆ Travel extensively by high speed rail through Japan and China.
- ☆ Indulge in a traditional Chinese dumpling banquet.
- ☆ Spend a morning at the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding.
- ☆ Enjoy a Farewell Dinner as you cruise the Huangpu River.

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- ✓ 22 nights in premium accommodation
- ✓ Three nights cruising the Yangtze River on the Century Victory
- ✓ Services of Great Rail Journeys Tour Escorts
- ✓ 47 meals – 25 breakfasts, 10 lunches and 12 dinners

Day 1. Arrive Tokyo Welcome to Tokyo. Transfer to your hotel where a Welcome Dinner gives you the chance to meet your fellow travellers and Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort.

Two Nights: Tokyo, Keio Plaza Hotel. D

Day 2. Tokyo A full-day tour of Tokyo begins with a trip to Hamarikyu Garden. Next it's on to the Asakusa Kannon Temple, Meiji Shrine and the famous Shibuya Crossing before returning to your hotel for an evening at leisure. B

Day 3. Tokyo, Hakone Today you will make the journey to Odawara by train, travelling in a 'Romancecar' (observation car) on the picturesque narrow-gauge line. Then, travel on to Owakudani volcanic valley to enjoy a tour of its active sulphur vents and hot springs. Take a ride on the Hakone Ropeway to Togendai station, located on the shores for picturesque Lake Ashi. Enjoy a relaxing cruise around the lake before continuing on to your hotel for the evening. **Stay:** Hakone Hotel (or similar). BD

Day 4. Mt Fuji, Matsumoto This morning, travel to Mt Fuji, Japan's most distinctive landmark. Driving

along the foot of the famous mountain, disembark at the Mt Fuji Visitor Centre to learn more about the country's tallest volcano. Continue to Mt Fuji's Fifth Station where, if the sun is shining, you will be able to see the snow-capped peak. Later, it's on to Matsumoto to enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. **Stay:** Matsumoto, Buena Vista Hotel (or similar). B

Day 5. Matsumoto, Takayama First thing today, visit a miso factory to find out how this Japanese staple is made. Then, venture to Matsumoto Castle. This striking castle goes by another name, 'Crow Castle', because of its black exterior. En route to Takayama, you'll stop at visit Hida Folk Village, a beautiful open-air museum of historic farmhouses offering a glimpse into Japan's fascinating past, before arriving in the picturesque mountain town. **Stay:** Takayama, Associa Hotel. B

Day 6. Takayama, Nagoya, Hiroshima This morning, join a guided walking tour to see sights including Miyagawa markets, Takayama Jinya and Sannomachi Street. Later, set off on a journey on the Hida Train to Nagoya, continuing onwards by bullet train to Hiroshima.



Discover the history of Matsumoto Castle



Two Nights: Hiroshima, Granvia Hotel. B

Day 7. Hiroshima, Miyajima Island

Today, travel by train and ferry to Miyajima Island. Translated as 'Shrine Island', the wooded island is home to the famous Itsukushima Shrine. During your time here you'll enjoy a walking tour and see cheeky wild deer. Enjoy free time to discover more before returning to Hiroshima. B

Day 8. Hiroshima, Kyoto

This morning, visit Hiroshima's World Peace Memorial Park and the A-Bomb Dome Museum. Afterwards, travel by bullet train to Kyoto. Wander the streets of the famous Gion district and keep watch for one of the many beautiful geiko and maiko, the titles given to geisha and their apprentices. Later, indulge in a traditional Japanese dinner at a local restaurant. **Three Nights:** Kyoto, Righa Royal Hotel. BD

Day 9. Kyoto See the highlights of Kyoto today. Visit the Kyoto Railway Museum before embarking on a tour beginning at Kinkakuji Temple (Golden Pavilion), which has an exquisite Japanese garden, continue to Kiyomizu Temple, a historic Buddhist temple that offers impressive views over the city. Afterwards, venture to some of Kyoto's beautiful formal gardens for a traditional tea ceremony. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure. B

Day 10. Kyoto, Nara Today you'll enjoy a day trip to Nara, a picturesque city with an

abundance of impressive temples. See Todai-ji Temple and its Great Buddha and Nigatsu-do Shrine. Later, it's time for a stroll through Nara's famous Deer Park, home to over 1,200 wild deer who freely roam the park. While you're in Nara, the birthplace of sake, it seems fitting that you visit a sake brewery and savour a tasting. B

Day 11. Kyoto, Osaka Visit Arashiyama Bamboo Grove, then continue to Osaka and see the Umeda Observatory in the iconic Umeda Sky building. Continue on to explore the lively Dotonbori District. Celebrate your final evening in Japan with a special Farewell Dinner. **Stay:** Osaka, Sheraton Miyako. BD

Day 12. Osaka, Beijing Say farewell to your Japan Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort and transfer to Osaka airport for your included flight to Beijing, China. On arrival, transfer to your hotel and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. **Four Nights:** Beijing, Novotel Peace Hotel. B

Day 13. Beijing Enjoy a free day to explore China's capital city. Tonight, meet your China Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort for dinner. BD

Days 14-25. See detailed itinerary for days 2-13 on pages 54-55.

Day 26. Depart Shanghai After breakfast, you'll be transferred to Shanghai airport for your onward flight. B

From \$15,595 per person twin share

26 Days – Tokyo to Shanghai (RJTJC26)

2023 Dates and Prices (A\$)

Per person twin share	Best Price*	Standard Price
Mar. 19; Apr. 2, 9.	\$16,295	\$16,595
Sep. 3, 10.	\$15,595	\$15,895
Oct. 1, 8.	\$16,295	\$16,595
Oct. 15.	\$15,995	\$16,295

*Best Price – Includes Early Payment Discount, for full terms and conditions see pages 24-25.

Solo travellers add on from \$6,300, please enquire for details.

Trip Notes

Itinerary operated by Great Rail Journeys. Flight from Osaka to Beijing on day 12 is unescorted. Prices include transfers, port charges, tipping, flight between Osaka and Beijing and most portage. Cabin pre-selection is not available on cruises in China. An overnight bag will need to be packed for days 6-8. Please see pages 66-67 for full terms and conditions.

For a detailed day-by-day itinerary, up-to-date prices, savings and departure dates, scan this QR code with your phone or device.

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Cruise along the mighty Yangtze River



Vietnam, Cambodia & China Discovery

Siem Reap to Shanghai 26 Days



INSIDER EXPERIENCES

- ☆ Visit Opportunities of Development thru Art (ODA).
- ☆ Relax throughout your stay at the Shinta Mani Shack.
- ☆ Watch an Apsara dance in Siem Reap and experience local Khmer culture.
- ☆ Take part in a Buddhist blessing ceremony in Oudong.
- ☆ Enjoy a stylish stay at the modern Fusion Original Saigon Centre.
- ☆ Dine at The Chopsticks Saigon.
- ☆ Enjoy a delicious banquet of Peking Duck at a local Beijing restaurant.
- ☆ Travel extensively by high speed rail in China.
- ☆ Indulge in a traditional Chinese dumpling banquet.
- ☆ Visit the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding.

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- ✓ 15 nights in premium accommodation
- ✓ Seven-night Mekong River cruise aboard the RV Apsara, featuring all suites with balconies
- ✓ Three-night Yangtze River cruise on the Century Victory
- ✓ Services of a Travelmarvel Tour Director and Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort
- ✓ International wine, local beer and spirits included with lunch and dinner on board your Mekong River cruise
- ✓ 60 meals - 25 breakfasts, 18 lunches and 17 dinners

Day 1. Arrive Siem Reap, Angkor

Transfer to your hotel. This afternoon, travel to the temple of Ta Prohm. The rest of the day is made up of a range of exciting Insider Experiences. Visit Opportunities of Development thru Art (ODA) which supports local underprivileged children. Later, unwind at the Shinta Mani Shack. An oasis of tranquillity, you'll relax amid the lush gardens and large swimming pool of your hotel. Then watch an Apsara dance and experience local Khmer culture. Tonight, enjoy a Welcome Dinner at your hotel.

Two Nights: Siem Reap, Shinta Mani Shack.

D

Day 2. Siem Reap, Angkor

This morning is free to explore. Later, head to Angkor Archaeological Park. Visit the 12th-century temple Bayon and finish the day with the sunset at Angkor Wat.

B

Day 3. Siem Reap, Embark Ship at Kampong Cham

Transfer to Kampong Cham to join your Mekong River cruise. After lunch, hop on a tuk tuk and explore the agricultural island of Koh Pen. Travel along the shaded lanes and

past wooden stilted houses, tucked among palm and sandalwood trees. **Seven Nights:** Mekong River, RV Apsara.

BLD

Day 4. Angkor Ban, Oknha Tey

Enjoy an immersive tour of Angkor Ban by foot, one of the few traditional villages to survive the Khmer Rouge. Return to your ship and continue sailing towards Oknha Tey where you will board a local tuk tuk to discover village life.

BLD

Day 5. Phnom Penh, Oudong

Cruise to Phnom Penh then travel by coach to Oudong, the former capital of Cambodia. Visit a Buddhist monastery where you will have the opportunity to partake in a Buddhist blessing ceremony, then continue to Koh Chen and explore the open-air copper workshops.

BLD

Day 6. Phnom Penh Explore the Killing Fields and the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum, which recalls one of the darkest moments of the 20th century. This afternoon, take a tour to the Royal Palace and see the Silver Pagoda and Emerald Buddha. After dinner, perhaps step out for an evening walk.

BLD



Soak in the sunset at Angkor Wat

**Day 7. Border Crossing, Tan Chau**

Spend today on board as your ship cruises to the Vietnamese border. This afternoon, you might like to attend a fruit-carving demonstration by the ship's chef while border formalities are carried out. Tonight, watch a documentary film about Pol Pot as your ship cruises towards the small Vietnamese town of Tan Chau. BLD

Day 8. Tan Chau, Sa Dec After breakfast, transfer to a small boat and travel along the Mekong's tiny tributaries, observing the stilt house villages. Go ashore for a tour of Tan Chau by rickshaw. Known as one of the largest silk-weaving centres of Vietnam, visit the fascinating local artisan workshops to learn more about the history of the craft. BLD

Day 9. Sa Dec, Cai Be Take a boat ride to the charming colonial town of Sa Dec for a tour. Visit the home of Huynh Thuy Le, once the lover of French writer Marguerite Duras, who penned her best-selling novel, *The Lover*, here. After lunch, step aboard a local boat as it transfers you to Cai Be to see the French Gothic cathedral. Go ashore to visit a local rice paper manufacturer to learn how it is made. After, visit a coconut candy factory to see how the local sweet is created. Enjoy a final dinner aboard your ship. BLD

Day 10. Disembark Ship, Cu Chi Tunnels, Ho Chi Minh City

Disembark at My Tho Port today and travel by coach to the Cu Chi Tunnels, a tunnel network built by Vietnamese resistance fighters during the Vietnam War. In Ho Chi Minh City, enjoy a stylish stay at the modern Fusion Original Saigon Centre.

Two Nights: Ho Chi Minh City, Fusion Original Saigon Centre. BL

Day 11. Ho Chi Minh City

Explore Ho Chi Minh City at your leisure today. Perhaps take a fascinating history tour or see the sights on a city tour. Enjoy your last dinner in Vietnam at The Chopsticks Saigon. BD

Day 12. Ho Chi Minh City, Beijing

Today, fly from Vietnam to Beijing in China and transfer to your hotel.

Four Nights: Beijing, Novotel Peace Hotel. B

Day 13. Beijing Today is at leisure to explore on your own. Tonight, meet your China Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort for dinner. BD

Days 14-25. See detailed itinerary for days 2-13 on pages 54-55.

Day 26. Depart Shanghai

Following breakfast, transfer to the airport for your onward flight. B

From \$10,795 per person twin share**26 Days – Siem Reap to Shanghai (VTMCG26)****2023 Dates and Prices (A\$)**

Per person twin share	Best Price*	Standard Price
Mar. 12.	\$11,695	\$11,995
Mar. 19 th .	\$11,795	\$12,095
Aug. 6 th .	\$10,795	\$11,095
Aug. 27.	\$10,995	\$11,295
Sep. 3 th .	\$11,195	\$11,495
Sep. 10.	\$11,295	\$11,595
Oct. 1 st .	\$11,595	\$11,895
Oct. 8.	\$11,495	\$11,795
Oct. 15 th .	\$11,295	\$11,595
Oct. 22.	\$10,995	\$11,295

*Best Price – Includes Early Payment Discount, for full terms and conditions see pages 24-25.

Solo travellers add on from \$4,050, enquire for details and upgrade pricing.

*Indicates Mekong River cruise operates in reverse from Ho Chi Minh City to Siem Reap (VTMRCYG26).

Cruise Upgrades – Mekong River Cruise

Prices are on a Cat. C Deluxe Balcony Suite on the RV Apsara. See page 65 for deck plan. To upgrade, add per person.

Cat.	Stateroom Type	Twin Share	Solo Traveller
B	Deluxe Balcony Suite	\$195	\$295
B+	Deluxe Balcony Suite	\$495	\$745
A	Deluxe Balcony Suite	\$695	\$1,045
Sadec	Sadec Balcony Suite	\$1,495	\$2,995
Mekong	Mekong Suite	\$2,395	\$4,795

Trip Notes

Itinerary Days 13-26 are operated by Great Rail Journeys. Day 12 and flight from Ho Chi Minh City to Beijing is unescorted. Itinerary and inclusions may be subject to change. Prices include transfers, tipping, internal flights, most portage and port charges. Low or high water levels may cause disruption to cruising. Cabin pre-selection is not available on cruises in China. Please see pages 66-67 for full terms and conditions.

For a detailed day-by-day itinerary, up-to-date prices, savings and departure dates, scan this QR code with your phone or device.

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**Reverse Itinerary**

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SIGHTSEEING & DINING

JAPAN

TOKYO



SUSHI-MAKING CLASS**

Learn the art of making sushi with the help of a sushi master and sample your efforts for lunch along with traditional accompaniments.

Price per person, from \$135

KYOTO



TRADITIONAL TEA CEREMONY EXPERIENCE**

Discover the history and significance of the Japanese tea ceremony before whisking up your own cup of matcha tea.

Price per person, from \$100

KYOTO



DINNER WITH A GEISHA**

Sit down for a Kyoto-style dinner with a beautiful geiko or maiko, engaging in polite conversation and admiring a traditional dance performance.

Price per person, from \$470

TAKAYAMA



HIDA WAGYU BEEF DINNER**

Sink your teeth into some succulent Hida Wagyu beef, famous in this region. It's best eaten in the form of the traditional Japanese dish, sukiyaki.

Price per person, from \$130

INDIA

KOLKATA



HERITAGE WALK**

Discover what went into the making of the colonial capital of India during this fascinating introduction to British Kolkata.

Price per person, from \$80

SRI LANKA

MINNERIYA NATIONAL PARK



JEEP SAFARI

Enjoy an afternoon safari in Minneriya National Park, a sanctuary for elephants spreading over 88,000 hectares.

Price per person, from \$95

YALA NATIONAL PARK



JEEP SAFARI**

Head out on an additional afternoon safari to see more of Yala National Park's wonderful wildlife.

Price per person, from \$90

AHUNGALLA



LUNUGANGA ESTATE

One of Sri Lanka's most renowned architects, Geoffrey Bawa, spent over 40 years transforming an old cinnamon plantation into beautiful gardens.

Price per person, from \$20

Please note: Prices are in A\$ and are indicative only. Select experiences marked with an ** must be pre-booked and may not be able to be purchased on tour. Japan select experience and dining are only available on JPT12 and JPKT19. Due to venue closures on some dates, some options may not be available as listed. Minimum and maximum numbers may apply.



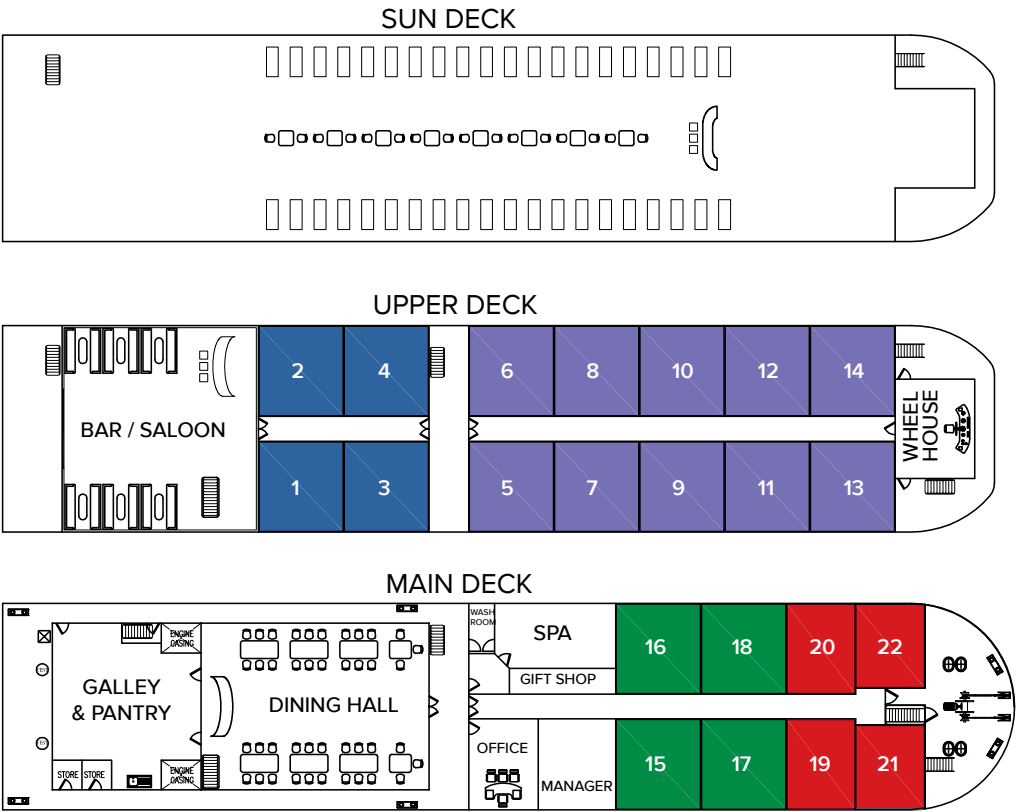
Extend your stay in the exciting cities of Asia at one of the following hotels, chosen for their style and location

Price per person, including breakfast, from*	Twin Share	Solo Trav.	Price per person, including breakfast, from*	Twin Share	Solo Trav.
TOKYO			SIEM REAP		
Shibuya Excel Hotel Tokyu ⁺	\$495	\$560	Shinta Mani Shack	\$100	\$200
Keio Plaza Hotel	\$495	\$885	SEOUL		
SAPPORO			Courtyard Marriott Namdaemun	\$150	\$270
JR Tower Nikko Sapporo	\$520	\$745	DELHI		
OSAKA			Taj Palace	\$150	\$300
Osaka Excel Hotel Tokyu ⁺	\$170	\$270	MUMBAI		
Sheraton Miyako Osaka	\$425	\$810	Trident Nariman Point	\$210	\$420
FUKUOKA			KOLKATA		
Hotel New Otani Hakata	\$450	\$805	Taj Bengal	\$160	\$320
BEIJING			NEGOMBO		
Novotel Peace Hotel	\$130	\$260	Jetwing Lagoon	\$125	\$185
SHANGHAI			COLOMBO		
Pullman Jing'an Hotel	\$165	\$330	Cinnamon Grand Hotel	\$150	\$245
HO CHI MINH CITY					
Fusion Original Saigon Centre	\$100	\$200			

Prices are in A\$. *All pre/post accommodation availability and rates are indicative only and may vary depending on seasonal events.
⁺Prices are based on double share; twin share surcharges apply.

RV Rajmahal

India River Cruise

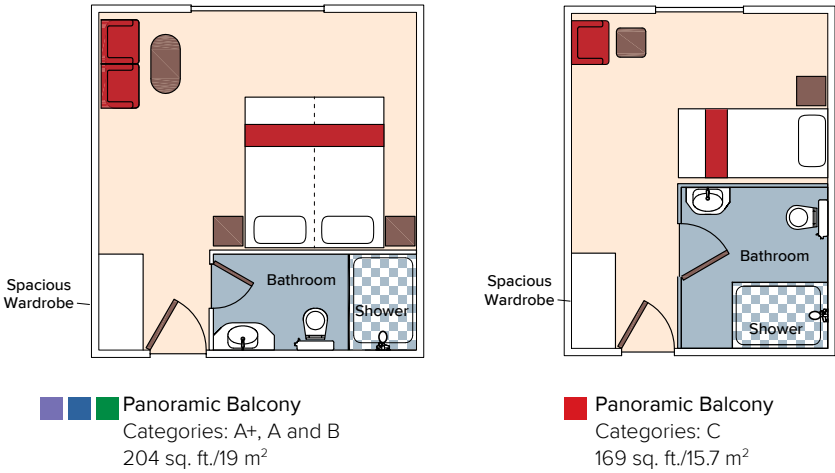


TECHNICAL DATA

RV Rajmahal – Launched 2014
Decks: 3
Length: 51 m
Cabins: 22 staterooms
Crew: 30

SUITE CATEGORIES

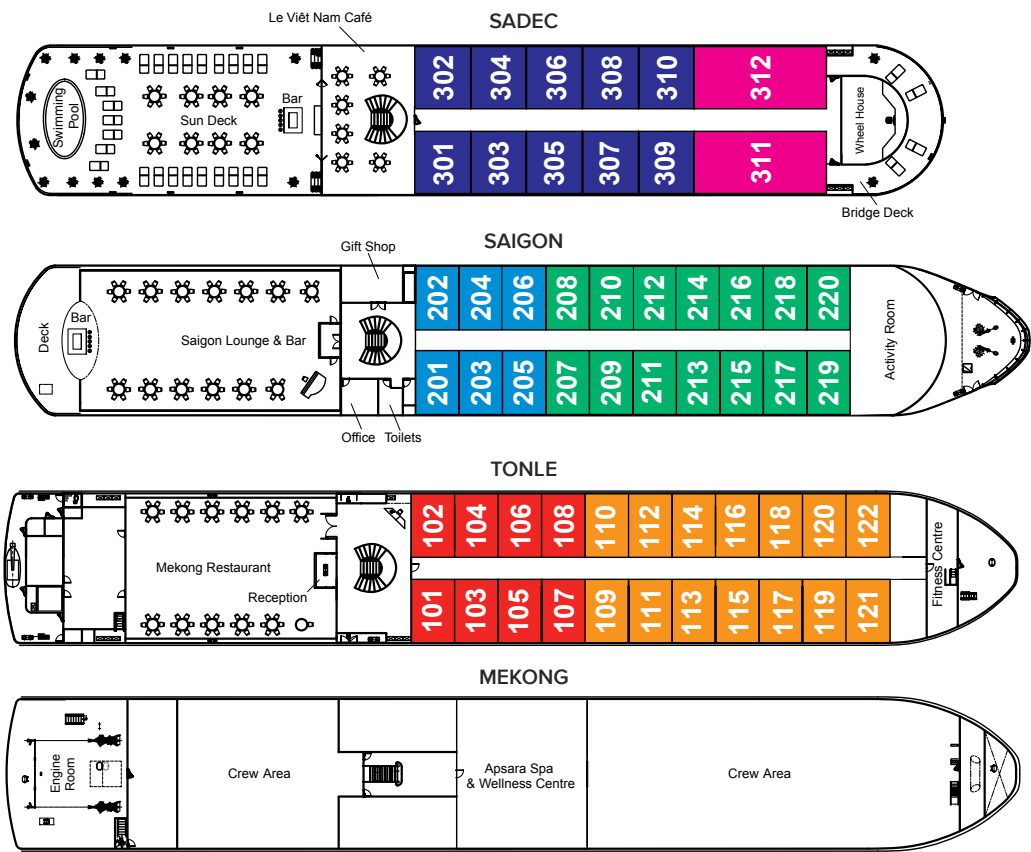
Cat. A +	Panoramic Balcony Double Stateroom	Cat. B	Panoramic Balcony Double Stateroom
Cat. A	Panoramic Balcony Double Stateroom	Cat. C	Panoramic Balcony Single Stateroom



DECK & SUITE PLANS

RV Apsara

Vietnam & Cambodia



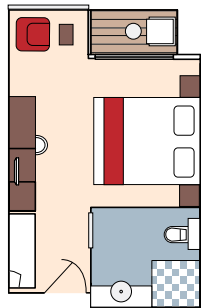
TECHNICAL DATA

RV Apsara – Launched 2011 – Refurbished 2016
Decks: 4
Length: 92.5 m
Suites: 54
Crew: 50

SUITE CATEGORIES

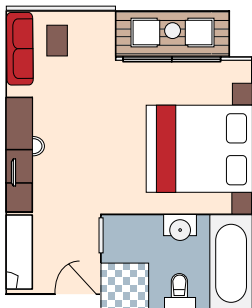
Mekong	French Balcony, Outside Balcony & Balcony Terrace	Cat. B+	French Balcony & Outside Balcony
Sadec	French Balcony & Outside Balcony	Cat. B	French Balcony & Outside Balcony
Cat. A	French Balcony & Outside Balcony	Cat. C	French Balcony & Outside Balcony

Deluxe Twin Balcony Suite
Categories: C, B, B+ and A



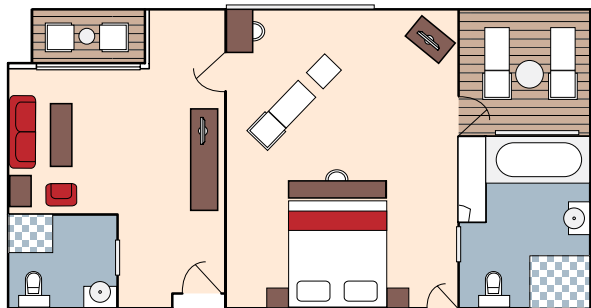
226 sq. ft./21 m²

Sadec Twin Balcony Suite
Category: Sadec



290 sq. ft./26.9 m²

Mekong Suite
Category: Mekong



624 sq. ft./58 m²

Please note: deck plans, suite layouts and fixtures are indicative only and are subject to change.

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By asking us to confirm your booking, we are entitled to assume that you have had the opportunity to read, and have read these booking conditions; that you agree to them and that you agree to them applying to your holiday arrangements booked with us and which we agree to make, provide or perform (as applicable) as part of our contract with you. References in these booking conditions to your 'holiday package' are references to the tour or cruise package you have booked with Travelmarvel. References to "excursions" are references to short trips or tours included or available as part of your holiday package.

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Conditions apply: applicable when an upfront fee of \$95 per person is paid with your deposit. The holiday package can be cancelled prior to the final payment date and your deposit will be retained as a Travelmarvel holding credit to be used for future bookings. If Deposit Cancellation Peace of Mind is claimed, monies held must be used on a future cruise or tour and cannot be redeemed against the original cruise or tour departure date. Deposit held in credit will exclude fees imposed by third parties, including but not limited to air travel, rail travel and hotels. When booking airfares through Travelmarvel (including when taking advantage of a special offer that includes air travel), standard airline cancellation fees will apply. In some cases, airfares will be non-refundable. In the event of cancellation, these fees will be deducted from the deposit paid, and therefore the credit being held. Travelmarvel Deposit Cancellation Peace of Mind applies to new bookings only and is only valid up until 100 days prior to travel. After three years, unused credit funds will incur the original cancellation conditions. This does not replace travel insurance, which you are required to purchase at the time of booking.

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FLIGHT CHANGES

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OUT OF DATE RANGE FLIGHTS

If airlines have not published their schedule at the time of booking, Travelmarvel will estimate the cost of airfares connected with your holiday package. When the airline releases flight inventory and airfares, Travelmarvel will confirm booking and pricing with you by sending you an updated invoice. Once flights have been confirmed by you and payment has been received, Travelmarvel will issue your ticket/s.

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LIMITATION OF LIABILITY IN THE EVENT OF FORCE MAJEURE

In the event that Travelmarvel cancels or changes your travel arrangements in any way due to a force majeure event, Travelmarvel will not be liable to you in contract, tort, statute or restitution for any loss (including, but not limited to, loss of deposit or purchase price and loss of enjoyment), damage, costs, charges, expenses or injury resulting from or in connection with (whether directly or indirectly): (a) the cancellation or change to your travel arrangements; or (b) the force majeure event. Travelmarvel is not liable to refund any part of the deposit or purchase price paid by you if Travelmarvel subsequently changes or cancels your travel arrangements in connection with a force majeure event. Force majeure events are unpredictable and beyond Travelmarvel's control. As you are required to purchase travel insurance to adequately protect yourself against these risks, your policy needs to respond to these risks. You acknowledge and accept that these terms are reasonably

necessary to protect the legitimate interests of Travelmarvel based on expected non-recoverable costs and expenses to be incurred by Travelmarvel, including but not limited to overhead expenses and works or services performed personally by Travelmarvel, leading up to the commencement of the holiday package, alternatively prior to the force majeure event.

DATA PROTECTION POLICY

Any personal information (including sensitive information and health information) that Travelmarvel obtains and retains from you or about you is necessary for our business purposes. Our Privacy Policy details why we collect this information, who we may disclose it to (including overseas recipients), and the main consequences if we do not collect it. Our Privacy Policy also contains information about how you may seek access to, or correction of, the personal information held about you, and our complaint resolution procedures. Our Privacy Policy is available at www.travelmarvel.com.au/privacy or by request to us. By providing personal or sensitive information to us, you are agreeing to the terms of our Privacy Policy.

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

1. Our holiday packages include the services of independent providers, such as hoteliers, airlines, cruise companies and other operators, who are not agents, servants or employees of Travelmarvel. Although we take care in selecting the independent service providers and the optional excursions conducted by some independent service providers, Travelmarvel is not responsible for the conduct of the independent service providers, their servants and agents or for any ramifications of that conduct. Optional excursions may, depending on your holiday package, include activities such as climbing, exploring, bike riding, swimming and snorkelling. You accept and assume the risk involved with these activities.

2. If, in the opinion of any representative of Travelmarvel, your mental or physical condition, or general behaviour is such as to affect your own health and safety, render you incapable to care for yourself, cause you to become a hazard to yourself or other passengers or result in you becoming objectionable to other passengers or staff, you will not be permitted to embark or continue on the whole or any part of the holiday package. Travelmarvel representatives are empowered to ask guests to depart a holiday package if they are displaying known COVID-19 symptoms. Abuse or harassment of any kind toward crew, contracted suppliers or other guests may result in immediate removal from the tour or cruise. Travelmarvel is not liable to you for any costs associated with such decision and you will not be refunded for any part of the holiday package.

3. Travelmarvel accepts no responsibility for any death, injury, illness, loss (including loss of enjoyment), damage, detention, delay (including mechanical breakdown) beyond its control.

4. Any term, condition or warranty express or implied by statute or otherwise in respect to the holiday packages contained in any of our collateral are excluded to the full extent permitted by law. Nothing in these booking conditions excludes, restricts or modifies the application of the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth) as amended, consolidated, supplemented or replaced.

5. To the full extent permitted by law, Travelmarvel's liability arising under or in connection with these booking conditions: (a) is limited to the re-supply of the products or services or the payment of the cost of re-supply of the products or services to you; and (b) excludes liability for any indirect or consequential losses suffered by you or any third party, howsoever caused, including but not limited to pure economic loss or any special, extraordinary or punitive damage to you or any other party.

6. Your travel agent will forward deposits and other payments to us on your behalf, but your travel agent is not our agent for the purpose of receipt of monies. Receipt of deposits and subsequent payments by the travel agent does not constitute receipt of those monies by us and the travel agent has no authority expressed or implied to receive monies on our behalf. There is no liability on the part of Travelmarvel in respect to any monies paid to your travel agent unless and until Travelmarvel notifies you (by way of a booking confirmation advice or payment receipt advice) that monies have been received by Travelmarvel. Travelmarvel reserves the right to cancel any ticket or booking or refuse to carry any passenger where payment has not been received by Travelmarvel within the specified time.

7. Specific meal requests are requests only and cannot be guaranteed.

COVID-19 REQUIREMENTS

Before booking and before you travel, ensure that you check the latest Government travel requirements and Travelmarvel updates which include the on board protocols (which will be available on Travelmarvel's website at www.travelmarvel.com.au/about-us/travel-updates)

which will set out the obligations which apply to customers departing on tours. This may include obtaining proof of negative test results prior to embarkation, completion of health questionnaire, mask wearing, requirement to isolate if COVID-19 symptoms present during tour and removal of passengers from the tour if deemed necessary by medical staff. Compliance with the travel requirements and Travelmarvel updates is mandatory and anyone refusing to comply can be denied access to the tour or removed from the tour at Travelmarvel's absolute discretion. For tours departing 01 January 2022 onwards, proof that you are fully vaccinated with a Government approved COVID-19 vaccine will be required for each passenger before the commencement of the tour. Fully vaccinated means that there has been at least 14 clear days (not including the date of vaccination) from the second dose in a 2-dose series of vaccines before the date of departure. If Government guidelines are published which recommend a booster dose of any approved COVID-19 vaccination, the reference to fully vaccinated will only apply if a passenger has had a booster dose no earlier than 9 months and no sooner than 14 days prior to departure of the tour.

PERSONAL BELONGINGS & LOST ITEMS

For security reasons valuables should be kept to a minimum and packed in your hand luggage along with your medicines, camera, electrical or battery-operated appliances, as well as basic essentials such as a change of clothing and toiletries. It is your responsibility to look after your property at all times and you must ensure you are adequately covered by comprehensive travel insurance in the event of any loss.

LOCAL PURCHASES

Travelmarvel is not responsible for any items you may purchase locally i.e.: jewellery/furniture etc. You acknowledge that you are solely responsible for any import duty or freight costs.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Travelmarvel does not employ medical staff on our tours or ships. If you require medical attention, local medical services can be contacted immediately. You are responsible for all charges that result from a visiting a medical facility, or for a medical practitioner visiting you. Travelmarvel is not responsible for the type or quality of the medical services you may receive.

SMOKING

Government regulations forbid smoking in tourist coaches however frequent stops are made for those wishing to smoke. Smoking is not permitted in hotel rooms or ship cabins. Requests for smoking/non-smoking rooms will be passed on to hotels but cannot be guaranteed.

RESPONSIBLE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL

Our staff are trained in the responsible service of alcohol and are obliged by law to refuse service to any guest who, in their reasonable opinion appears to be intoxicated or behaves in an aggressive or offensive manner.

SERVICE ENQUIRIES

If a problem occurs during your holiday you should, in your own interests, inform your tour director so that steps can be taken to resolve the matter. If you remain dissatisfied, any complaint must be made in writing to Travelmarvel within 30 days.

LUGGAGE LIMITS

Each passenger is entitled to take one piece of luggage that does not exceed 160 cm (63 inches), or weigh more than 20 kg (44 pounds). Dimensions for checked baggage are calculated by adding together the width, height, and depth of the piece of baggage. An extra charge will be imposed to cover portage handling of any additional luggage. Your Tour/Cruise Director will advise you of the exact additional charge.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS PERTAINING TO ASIA TOUR PACKAGES

DEPOSITS & PAYMENT

A \$1,000 non-refundable security deposit per person, per holiday package is required within seven days of booking confirmation. A further \$1,000 non-refundable security deposit per person is required by 31 October 2022 when taking an Earlybird Special (excluding non-flight based Earlybird Specials). Final payment of the balance of your holiday package price is due 100 days prior to departure unless stated in the terms of a special offer. Deposit conditions may vary when booking a special offer. Travelmarvel reserves the right to cancel any ticket or booking or to refuse to carry any passenger where payment has not been received by Travelmarvel within the specified time. All fares and charges are in Australian currency. Payment in full is required at time of booking for reservations made less than 100 days before departure from Australia. If Travelmarvel is unable to confirm your reservation, all monies will be refunded. Hotels may apply surcharges for late booking requests.

TRAVELLING WITH MINORS

Children of less than 12 years of age are not permitted on tours and cruises. Minors under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult and share their accommodation with an adult.

INCLUDED IN HOLIDAY PACKAGE PRICE

All coach/cruise/rail and hotel accommodation, airfares (if indicated in individual itinerary), gratuities for Travelmarvel staff, airport transfers on the first and last day, sightseeing, specified excursions, meals, admissions, port charges, luggage service

(one bag) and the services of a Cruise/Tour Director and driver as stated in your itinerary.

NOT INCLUDED IN HOLIDAY PACKAGE PRICE

Airfares between Australia and Asia, airport taxes, laundry, passport and visa fees, meals or drinks other than those indicated in your itinerary, excess baggage, fuel surcharges and optional excursions and gratuities not specified in your itinerary.

GRATUITIES

Gratuities have been included for all services as indicated in the itinerary on all Travelmarvel holiday packages including all land portions of your tour and on board your river cruise. These amounts cannot be redeemed for cash refunds.

FLIGHTS WITHIN ASIA

Economy flights within Asia and airport taxes are included in the price as specified in the itinerary. All internal flights must be booked by Travelmarvel where included in the tour package. Airport taxes vary for each departure point and airline. Airline schedules and fares are subject to change without notice. Flights will be based on best fare available at the time of booking, however surcharges may apply. Once air tickets are issued, airline amendment and/or cancellation fees apply and in some cases are non-refundable. Deposits are considered as a guarantee of the invoiced flight arrangements and once deposit received, flights will be ticketed. Name changes and voluntary date and schedule changes will incur fees. Seating requests are not available on domestic flights within Asia. The maximum luggage allowance on all flights within Asia is usually 20 kilograms per passenger. Full names including middle names as indicated in passports are required for all flight tickets within Asia.

CHOOSING YOUR HOLIDAY

Holidays operate on nominated dates only. To maximise enjoyment of your Travelmarvel holiday and to ensure that it lives up to your expectations it is important that you choose the right holiday package for you. Our marketing collateral contains limited information however, there is more information online at www.travelmarvel.com.au and our staff are also available to discuss your options.

HOTELS

Hotel rooms in Asia may differ in size from those in Australia or New Zealand. In more remote places, hotel standards may not be quite as high as in major centres. Travelmarvel endeavours to utilise the most suitable accommodation available in each destination to ensure that passengers enjoy high levels of cleanliness, comfort and service. The hotels mentioned in the itinerary will be used on almost all holiday packages, however, if a change is necessary for any reason, Travelmarvel will endeavour to ensure that alternative accommodation is of an equivalent standard to those shown. Hotel rooms are generally not available for check-in before 3pm and require check-out by 10am. Should you wish to check in earlier or stay later, you may be required to book and pay for additional nights.

TWIN OR DOUBLE ROOMS

Accommodation in all hotels, regardless of the rating, is in standard rooms (sometimes named superior/deluxe) based on twins or doubles unless otherwise stated. Bedding configuration on board cruises vary depending on the category booked.

SINGLE ACCOMMODATION

A limited number of single rooms, suites or cabins may be available by request at the time of booking your holiday. Single accommodation may not be available on certain cruises. Single accommodation is often smaller than standard twin or double rooms and may only have one single bed.

CRUISING – CABIN/SUITE/ STATEROOM SELECTION

On your Mekong & Lower Ganges River cruise, Travelmarvel will make every effort to assign specific cabin numbers. Travelmarvel reserves the right to make changes to cabin assignment, within the category booked. Cabin selection is not available on the Yangtze River cruise.

PASSENGERS NEEDING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

Travelmarvel welcomes passengers with disabilities or special needs. However, please note the following:

1. Any disability or medical condition requiring special attention must be reported to Travelmarvel at the time of booking including all important information relating to your health, mobility and fitness which may affect your partial or total participation in the cruise or tour. This information is also crucial to allow Travelmarvel to ensure the tour you have chosen is suitable and meets your needs. Any changes to health, mobility and fitness must also be reported to Travelmarvel as soon as possible prior to departure. Where possible Travelmarvel will make reasonable adjustments to the tour to accommodate your special needs however, it cannot do so if the adjustment required would be unreasonable in all of the circumstances, including if such adjustments would affect your safety and/or the safety and/or enjoyment of other passengers.
2. If you require special assistance or care (such as pushing a wheelchair, assistance with dressing, assistance with walking), you must

travel with a companion capable of providing the required assistance or care. Please be aware that Travelmarvel does not provide personal assistance. Travelmarvel is unable to assist any passenger with walking, dining, boarding or disembarking any transportation vehicles (including river and ocean cruise ships and trains). To safely participate in embarkation and disembarkation you must be able to do so without the need for special assistance. You must also be able to do so without unreasonably impacting other passengers' safety and/or enjoyment.

3. While Travelmarvel will make reasonable efforts to accommodate the special needs of disabled passengers, it is not responsible for any denial of services by any third party entities it has travel arrangements with, such as carriers, hotels, trains, restaurants or other independent suppliers, or for any additional associated expenses charges by those parties.

4. Please note coaches and minibuses are not equipped with wheelchair ramps. On river cruises, guests will need to be able to step into and out of tenders. The RV Apsara and RV Rajmahal do not have elevators. Many ships require the use of stairs to go between decks. Further, side by side docking may require passengers to climb and descent stairs to cross over vessels to disembark and embark at times. Travelmarvel ships often sail through remote areas that do not have convenient docking facilities. In such circumstances it will be necessary for passengers to negotiate tender boats, temporary gangplanks and uneven surfaces. If the crew decide that it is not safe for a passenger to negotiate such operations they may require passengers to stay on board. Cabin doors and restrooms may not be wide enough to allow access by standard wheelchairs. Wheelchairs and walkers cannot be carried on coaches, due to space limitations. For safety reasons, passengers in wheelchairs cannot be carried on ramps in ports where the river or ocean cruise ship is at anchor. Travelmarvel is unable to provide individual assistance or alternative transportation.

HEALTH & FITNESS

A good level of fitness and health is required to participate on Travelmarvel's holiday packages. In some destinations there are extensive sightseeing excursions by foot which includes the climbing of stairs. Mobility is needed boarding or alighting coaches, river cruise ships and trains. We recommend a visit to the doctor before travelling to overseas destinations and consult with them regarding any vaccinations which may be required. It is your responsibility to advise Travelmarvel of any pre-existing medical conditions that may affect the normal conduct of a holiday package and the enjoyment of other passengers. For river cruising, clients must be able to climb ramps to embark or disembark river cruise ships. Depending on river levels, these may have a number of steep steps. Many ships use tenders to reach the shore. A Health, Fitness & Mobility Questionnaire will be provided and requested to be completed at the time of booking if you advise of any health, fitness or mobility issues. Travelmarvel is not liable for any injury, illness, or loss of enjoyment which could have been reasonably prevented had we been made aware of a pre-existing condition and been provided an opportunity to review it. We will not be responsible for any costs associated with cancellation penalties or the return of passengers from a tour, and a refund for lost touring cannot be claimed.

VISAS AND PASSPORTS

All passengers must have a valid passport that is valid for at least six months after the holiday package return date. Passengers must consult with the appropriate consulates to ensure that they have any applicable visas for countries included in the holiday package prior to departure. Passengers are solely responsible for meeting necessary passport and visa entry requirements and paying all associated costs. Travelmarvel is not responsible for delays or missed portions of the holiday package resulting from incorrect travel documents or visas. Visas are at passengers own expense.

SHORE EXCURSIONS

The timing of the shore excursions on all river cruise ship and land holiday packages may differ slightly for each package. The published times are a guide only and are subject to change without notice. It is impossible for large coaches to be used for some city sightseeing excursions and many towns and cities will be visited by way of walking tours and/or local transportation.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Minimum and maximum group numbers apply on some optional excursions.

IF YOU NEED TO CHANGE OR CANCEL YOUR HOLIDAY

CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO YOUR HOLIDAY
If you want to change any part of your holiday arrangements after the invoice has been issued, we will do our best to make the change, but it may not be possible. Any request for changes must be made in writing by the person who made the original booking, or his or her travel agent. If you request changes after Travelmarvel has issued your documents, Travelmarvel may charge you an administration and processing fee

of \$70 per person in addition to any applicable cancellation fees.

CANCELLATION POLICY

The following Travelmarvel cancellation fees apply (in addition to charges of any independent suppliers e.g. airlines and hotels):

Days of Notice Prior to Departure	Fee Per Person
100 days or more	Loss of deposit
99–61 days	50% of holiday package price
60 days or less	100% of holiday package price

All cancellations must be received in writing by Travelmarvel and are not effective until this notification has been received. If your holiday has commenced, 100% of the full holiday package price is charged. There is no refund for unused services or if portions of the holiday package are missed. Additional cancellation fees may also be charged in respect to accommodation reserved outside the holiday package dates. These cancellation fees are in addition to any fees that may be levied by Travelmarvel and your travel agent (if any). You acknowledge that the amounts estimated under the Cancellation Policy are reasonable and represent a genuine pre-estimate of Travelmarvel's loss and are otherwise reasonably necessary to protect the legitimate interests of Travelmarvel.

CANCELLATION OF TICKETED AIRFARES

A Travelmarvel cancellation fee of \$50 per person applies for ticketed airfares, in addition to any airline cancellation fees that are applicable.

CHANGES TO TICKETED AIRFARES

If you wish to amend the date or routing on your ticketed air booking, a Travelmarvel amendment fee of \$30 per person for the first change and \$85 for any subsequent changes will be charged in addition to airline change fees and additional taxes that are applicable. If, for any reason, a name change to a ticketed airfare is required, a \$125 per person name change fee will apply for every change in addition to any applicable airline fees.

IF WE NEED TO CHANGE OR CANCEL YOUR HOLIDAY

Travelmarvel endeavours to provide you with all the services confirmed to you at the time of your booking. However, we plan arrangements a long time in advance of your departure date using independent suppliers such as airlines, hotels etc., over whom we have no direct control. On occasions changes do have to be made, and Travelmarvel reserves the right to cancel or amend holiday packages/excursions accordingly. All tours require a minimum number of bookings in order to be financially viable and to have a pleasant group atmosphere. In the event adequate numbers cannot be achieved, it may be necessary to cancel a scheduled departure and offer the nearest possible alternative date (or a refund of the monies paid for arrangements made by Travelmarvel).

ON HOLIDAY

NOISE AND VIBRATION

Travelmarvel takes reasonable steps to minimise noise and vibrations on its river cruise ships. You acknowledge and accept that some noise and vibration may be experienced on vessels and that Travelmarvel is not liable to you for any such noise or vibration.

DOCKING POSITION

During port stops river cruise ships may dock side by side, obstructing views and requiring you to pass through other ships to embark or disembark. Riverships may moor overnight midstream rather than dock at a port. Docking positions are governed entirely by the port authorities.

SEAT ALLOCATION ON COACH TOURS

To ensure all passengers enjoy forward and window facing seats, we have incorporated a daily seat rotation system on Travelmarvel run tours. The system is not able to be adjusted to suit individual needs under any circumstances.

GREAT RAIL JOURNEYS

Rail journeys are operated by our partner Great Rail Journeys, based in York (UK), and are escorted by a Great Rail Journeys Tour Escort. For tours operated by our partner, your contract is with Great Rail Journeys as the principal operator of the tour. Full portage is not included on all of the rail journey programs. (See individual itineraries). We strongly recommend you limit your luggage to one suitcase weighing less than the standard airline allowable luggage limit, to ensure you are able to manage your luggage both on and off trains and at other points throughout your journey.

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