

# CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

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2026 & 2027



OUR AWARD-WINNING COLLECTION OF ESCORTED TOURS AND TAILORMADE HOLIDAYS

The winner of 'Best Long Haul Specialist Operator' 16 years running – Globe Travel Awards

The most prestigious accolade in the travel industry

# WELCOME

I am delighted to introduce you to our Christmas Collection: a specially curated selection of our award-winning tours departing over the festive period.

Each itinerary is full of Christmas spirit, every tour bringing not only incredible sights, but the extra magical moments created by a host of festive experiences, unique to these special departures. Perhaps you'll be toasting Christmas Day at the Taj Mahal, sailing through the scenic delights of Halong Bay or the Yangtze River or soaking up the vibrancy of Marrakech. Or exploring snow-dusted temples in Japan or even soaking up the sun in South Africa or Sri Lanka. A true Christmas with a difference!

For over two decades, I've had the privilege of sharing the rich history, vibrant culture, and warm hospitality of the world's most wonderful destinations with travellers from across the globe, something that feels even more exciting at Christmas! Every journey we craft is designed with care, ensuring you experience the very heart and soul of these incredible regions, this time with a sprinkle of yuletide magic.

Your festive adventure awaits!

Warmest regards,

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Wendy Wu  
Founder, Wendy Wu Tours



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# WENDY WU TOURS

## EXPERIENCE THE EXTRAORDINARY

Wendy Wu Tours is the UK's leading touring specialist, offering exceptional fully-inclusive tours to over 40 countries worldwide.

Our meticulously planned itineraries are fully escorted every step of the way and include everything you need for an unforgettable holiday.



### We Take Care of Everything

We offer lots of inclusions on each and every tour, including your international flights, hotels, meals, guided touring, transportation, transfers – and even your visa. All you need to do is get to the airport!



### Trusted for over 25 years

Since Wendy herself led our very first tour, we have grown into the UK's number one tour specialist with an unrivalled expertise in immersive, inclusive touring. Once you've experienced a country with Wendy Wu Tours, you'll never want to travel another way!



### Award-winning Service

Voted for by the public, our partners and respected travel experts, Wendy Wu Tours has been the recipient of over 40 major awards in our history including 'Best Long Haul Specialist Operator' 16 years running at the prestigious Globe Travel Awards.



### Outstanding Tour Guides

Our National Escorts are the stars of the show. Born and raised in the country you are travelling in and accompanying you every step of the way, it is their unrivalled knowledge, passion and expertise that takes a Wendy Wu tour from excellent to extraordinary.



### Authentic Experiences

All of our tours have fascinating cultural experiences included in the price. Be it learning a local craft, practicing an old tradition or dining with locals, you'll get under the skin of our destinations and their cultures and have great fun at the same time.



### Your Loyalty Matters

Entry into Wendy's Club, our generous loyalty scheme, opens the door to significant savings every time you book plus exclusive offers and news updates before anyone else. See page 44 for more details.



# We Take Care of Everything

FULLY INCLUSIVE TOURING WITH WENDY WU TOURS

At Wendy Wu Tours we believe that everything you need to enjoy the holiday of a lifetime should be included in the price of your tour.

Take a look at what's included in all of our Classic Tours.

## All Your Flights

All our tour prices include return international economy class flights from London and any domestic flights you may need whilst on tour. We can also help you with departures from your local airport, often for little or no extra cost.

We only work with reputable scheduled airlines and of course all your pre-paid taxes and luggage is included in the price. We believe that your flights are an essential part of your holiday experience, and so our carefully selected airlines offer the utmost comfort, allowing you to arrive relaxed, refreshed and raring to go.

## All Your Meals

Breakfast, lunch and dinner is included every day.

Whilst breakfasts tend to be a mixture of local eats and familiar dishes from home, when it comes to lunch and dinner, most of the time you'll be enjoying regional cuisine, often eating where the locals do.

We also include a select number of 'feature meals', so you get to taste the signature dishes of the region, whilst the rest of the time you'll eat a delicious range of your destination's best food.

## All Your Accommodation

You can be safe in the knowledge that your accommodation has been selected to best suit the locations you'll visit.

Our Classic tours feature hand-picked four-star properties selected for their comfort, modern amenities and convenient location for sightseeing. We occasionally include a stay in three-star plus hotels or lodges where we feel the character of the property will enhance your tour.

## All Your Guided Touring

On all of our group tours, you'll be accompanied throughout by one of our expert guides, known as a National Escort. Their dedication, personality and sense of fun will immediately put you at ease and make you feel part of the family.

You can place your trust in your National Escort, who will help you navigate the quirks and charm of local life with confidence and ease.

## All Your Immersive Experiences

We not only take you to lesser visited places, but offer authentic experiences throughout.

Be it learning a local craft, practicing an old tradition or dining with locals, you'll get under the skin of our destinations and their cultures. Check out the Authentic Experiences box on each tour page for details.

## All Your Local Transport

Most of your daily travels will be by air-conditioned coach, with plenty of space to stretch out thanks to our seat and a half per guest policy.

You'll also experience a variety of transport styles that bring each destination to life – from leisurely river cruises, cyclos, and rickshaw rides to longer journeys by comfortable flights or relaxing rail travel through picturesque landscapes.

## Even Your Visas

Organising your visa yourself can be a time-consuming and costly addition to your holiday. Not with Wendy Wu Tours' hassle-free visa process.

The cost of your visa is included in the tour price for all UK & Irish passport holders. What's more, our expert team will provide advice, coordinate your processing and safely return your passports, leaving you to simply enjoy your holiday preparation.

*Please note the range of inclusions differs slightly on our Go Beyond tours to suit the preferences of the more adventurous traveller. See page 16 for details.*



Enjoy authentic experiences throughout your tour

# Our Award-Winning Guides

YOU'RE IN SAFE HANDS



Our National Escorts are the stars of the show – it is their unrivalled knowledge, enthusiasm and expertise that take a Wendy Wu Tour from excellent to extraordinary.

You'll be accompanied by one of these passionate, caring professionals throughout your tour; they'll be taking care of you every step of the way. Many of our guides have been working with Wendy Wu Tours for years, garnering accolade after accolade from our very happy customers.

Our guides are dedicated to keeping you safe, happy, inspired, and entertained throughout your journey. With genuine care and expert ease, they'll lead you through the unique customs and hidden gems of the world's most fascinating destinations, making every step of the adventure effortless and enriching.

It's not just their professionalism that makes them so good at what they do. All our guides are born and raised in the country that you are exploring, giving them an unparalleled knowledge of the destination.

They are also excellent at communicating that knowledge, meaning that you get a greater understanding of recent history and learn about local heritage, culture and way of life.

## OUR NATIONAL ESCORTS

- ✔ Are experienced and qualified in guiding
- ✔ Are fluent in English
- ✔ Have expert knowledge of the country you are touring
- ✔ Benefit from rigorous training programmes
- ✔ Are on hand to look after you every step of the way



"Words can not describe how good Hemal was as a guide. His knowledge and experience was evident throughout and he went out of his way to make this trip the success it was. The best guide we have ever had and a pleasure to have met him."



# Award-Winning Expertise

We are so proud of the numerous awards we've received over the years in recognition of the extraordinary travel experience we provide to our customers. We're just doing what we do best – creating memories to cherish and providing exceptional levels of customer service.



## Globe Travel Awards

The Globe Travel Awards are the 'Oscars' of the travel world. We are extremely proud winners of the Globe Travel Awards 'Best Long Haul Specialist Operator' for the past 16 years.



## British Travel Awards

The largest consumer voted travel awards in the UK, it is an absolute honour to win at the British Travel Awards. In 2025, we took home the Best Travel Company to Far East/Central Asia for the eleventh time.



# Recommended by You

Awards are all well and good but it's our customer feedback that means the most to us.



*"I absolutely loved my experience of Christmas in Japan. Thank you so much. I could tell it had been organised thoughtfully and with care. I really didn't want to come home. I learned so much about Japan, practised my Japanese, and made some lovely friends."*

Janey Westfall (Christmas in Japan – December 2025)

*"Christmas in Sri Lanka was a holiday-of-a-lifetime for us. Our guide, Ajith Foneska, was outstanding. His interpersonal skills were brilliant as was his knowledge of his beloved homeland."*

*The experiences were incredible – temple visits, safaris, forest walks, river trips, tuk tuk rides, tea plucking, tropical beaches, local craft exhibitions, visits to sanctuaries (elephant and turtle), luxurious hotels and delicious cuisine – I could go on."*

Carol Turnbull (Christmas in Sri Lanka – December 2025)



## Feefo

We're proud to be the holder of a feefo Gold Trusted Service Award. Taken only from genuine customer feedback, independently verified by Feefo, only the businesses providing the best experience for their customers make the grade. That's all the accolade we need.



## Tripadvisor

We're honoured to receive a Certificate of Excellence at the latest Tripadvisor Travellers Choice Awards that recognise businesses that earn consistently great reviews and are among the top 10% of listings on Tripadvisor.



# CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR EXPERIENCES

At this magical time of the year, it's only right to pack our Christmas tours with unique experiences. They are highlighted on each tour page in the 'Special Festive Experiences' box, but here are a few examples...

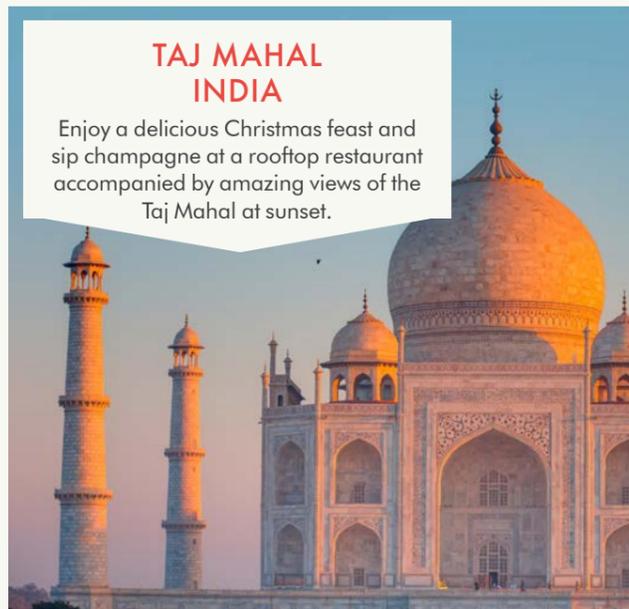
## HALONG BAY VIETNAM

Take a two-night Christmas cruise on Vietnam's spectacular Halong Bay. Wake to a breathtaking sunrise on Christmas Day and indulge in activities like swimming or kayaking before a festive drinks reception on board.



## TAJ MAHAL INDIA

Enjoy a delicious Christmas feast and sip champagne at a rooftop restaurant accompanied by amazing views of the Taj Mahal at sunset.



## CHIANG MAI THAILAND

Meet the elephants at Chiang Mai's Thai Elephant Care Centre in Thailand. This sanctuary warmly welcomes you to share the joy of the season as you meet and learn about these magnificent creatures.



## GREAT WALL CHINA

Welcome the New Year with tranquillity as you unwind in the Gubei hot springs, followed by a scenic stroll along the iconic Great Wall at Jinshanling, ending the day with a celebratory champagne toast.



## TEA COUNTRY SRI LANKA

Start the day with a visit to a tea plantation dressed in handmade, traditional silk sarees, followed later by High Tea in the beautiful gardens of the iconic Grand Hotel.



## MARRAKECH MORROCCO

After a relaxing day exploring the exquisite Majorelle Gardens, celebrate Christmas with a festive dinner inside a 16th century former sugar factory restored into an opulent palace, reminiscent of the Arabian Nights.



## CAPE WINELANDS SOUTH AFRICA

A Christmas Day filled with sunshine, gorgeous scenery and great wine, as you explore the renowned Winelands, tasting exquisite wines and delectable food along the way.



## DARJEELING INDIA

Spend Christmas at 'The Elgin', a heritage hotel that once belonged to the Maharaja of Cooch Behar. Enjoy a sunrise view of Kanchenjunga and a ride on the historic 'Toy Train'.



## VICTORIA HARBOUR HONG KONG

Experience the electrifying energy of Hong Kong on New Year's Eve. Join the city's biggest celebration counting down till the New Year aboard a Victoria Harbour cruise.



# Travelling Solo

TRAVEL SOLO BUT NEVER ALONE WITH WENDY WU TOURS

Travelling solo with Wendy Wu Tours is relaxed, carefree, and full of unforgettable moments. Our expertly crafted itineraries take you to all the iconic sights, let you dive into local culture, savour authentic cuisine, and stay in well-located, comfortable hotels – so you can focus on enjoying the journey.

From start to finish, you'll be looked after by one of our award-winning National Escorts, whose attention to detail and warm hospitality will make you feel like part of the family.

With a sociable atmosphere, hands-on cultural experiences, and laid-back local dining, a Wendy Wu tour is the perfect way to meet like-minded travellers – and forge friendships that often last a lifetime.



## TRAVELLING SOLO ON OUR GROUP TOURS

Many solo travellers choose to travel on our group tours with a mix of other solos, couples, family groups and friends. Travel on one of these friendly and fun tours and you can choose a room of your own or our 'Happy to Share' option.

### A Room of Your Own

If you'd like the comfort of being able to return to your own space after a day of exploring, our regular group tours offer a single supplement option, guaranteeing your own private room. You'll find the supplement details below the departure dates on each tour.

### Happy to Share

Embrace the joy of being sociable without the extra cost of travelling solo. Our popular 'Happy to Share' option pairs solo travellers of the same gender to share a room, so there's no single supplement to pay if you are matched. Please see our website for full terms and conditions.

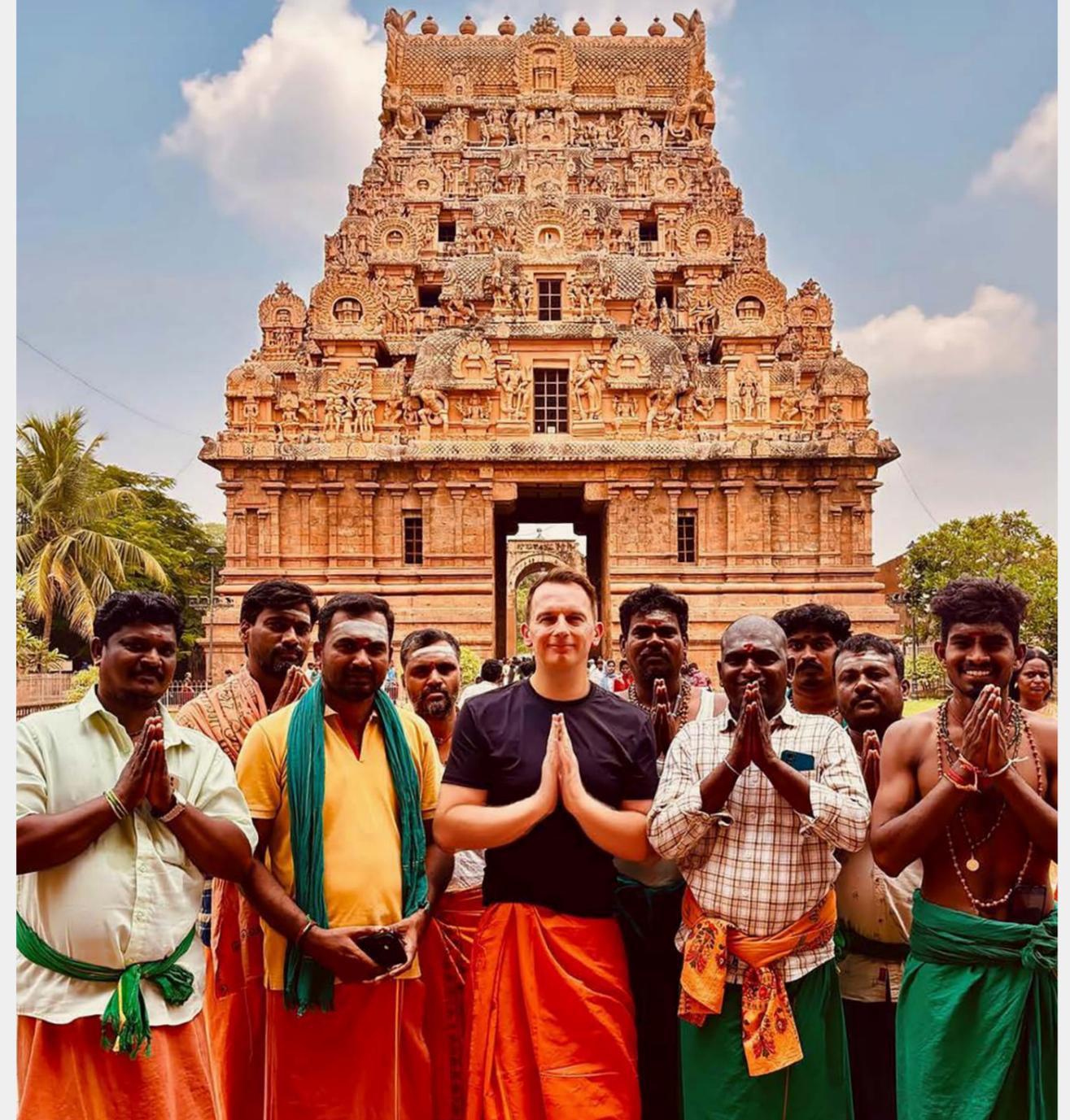
## TRAVELLING SOLO ON OUR DEDICATED SOLO DEPARTURES

We have reserved selected departures on some of our most popular tours exclusively for customers who prefer to share their wonderful holiday experiences with a ready-made group of like-minded solo travellers.

Solo departures feature smaller group sizes, free airport lounges and a complimentary welcome drink on arrival! Look out for **S** on the contents page and highlighted departures on each tour page.



"The tour exceeded my expectations by a long way. It was a very well planned tour and everything was of a high quality – no cutting corners with hotels or food. It has set the bar high! I can't wait to do another Wendy Wu tour. Many thanks."



# Tour Styles Explained

As every traveller is different, we've developed a range of touring styles that will allow you to travel on one of our experience-packed tours, your way.

**CLASSIC**

Our Classic tours take care of everything, allowing you to sit back and enjoy the experience to the full. Travelling in a group of no more than 28 guests, these tours are fully inclusive of all meals and a comprehensive touring programme including authentic cultural experiences.

**GO BEYOND**

Our Go Beyond tours take you a little further from the comforts of home, uncovering lesser-visited sights. Limited to just 18 passengers, these tours allow you to delve even deeper into local culture while offering more time for independent exploration.

	CLASSIC	GO BEYOND
Visa fees for UK & Irish passport holders	✓	✓
Domestic transportation	✓	✓
Meals	All	All or Most
Accommodation	✓	✓
International economy airfares and taxes	✓	✓
Sightseeing	All	All or Most

**PRIVATE TOURS**

Experience our award-winning itineraries with the benefit of your own private, experienced local guide. Perfect for those who enjoy added independence and flexibility, our Private Tours are ideal for families and friends looking to share unforgettable moments together.

**CRUISE & TOUR**

Combining an ocean cruise with an escorted group tour packed with top sights and unforgettable experiences, our 'Cruise & Tour' options offer the best of both worlds. Including flights, cruise, stopovers and full Wendy Wu tour with expert guide, all meals and visas (where applicable), prepare for the adventure of a lifetime.

**TAILORMADE**

For the ultimate in bespoke touring, one of our expert consultants will be on hand to help you design a tour to meet your exact requirements. Choose your destinations, accommodation, touring and experiences to create a holiday that's uniquely yours.

**SPECIAL GROUPS**

If you're travelling with a group of ten or more, we can create your own independent Special Group tour. Whether it's friends, family, a club or association, we'll tailor any itinerary to suit your group's interests—offering a unique, fully escorted holiday without the hassle of planning it all yourself.



## PHYSICAL RATING

All our tours feature a physical rating to help you select the right holiday for you. Every tour requires the ability to walk around sights unaided, while tours with higher physical ratings may involve longer walks, cycling, or other physical activities. Tours that traverse rough terrain, visit remote areas, or go to high altitudes will also have higher physical ratings.

LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4
A reasonable level of fitness is required. Expect to be on your feet for most of the day walking around sights, often including steps and getting on and off coaches, trains, or boats. Occasional longer walks may be included.	A moderate level of fitness is required. You will be on your feet for most of the day, with longer walks that include ascents and descents on steps or uneven paths. Travelling conditions may be more challenging in some areas.	A good level of fitness is required. You need to be comfortable walking long distances and for extended durations. The tour may also include activities such as cycling and hiking and visit some remote areas with basic infrastructure.	A high level of fitness and a strong spirit of adventure are required. These tours are full of activity and often visit remote areas with basic infrastructure. Expect to be on your feet and active for much of the day, with some long travelling days.

As the physical requirements vary by tour, we recommend reviewing the Detailed Itinerary on our website before booking to ensure it's the right fit for you.

# CHRISTMAS IN VIETNAM

13 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON £4,590

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM THE UK

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Spend Christmas on Halong Bay
- ✓ Discover Saigon's fascinating history
- ✓ Be charmed by Hoi An's Old Town
- ✓ Explore Hue's Imperial Citadel
- ✓ Paddle boats on the Mekong Delta
- ✓ Tour Hanoi by rickshaw



Spend two nights cruising Halong Bay over Christmas Eve and Christmas Day

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 11 breakfasts, 10 lunches & 11 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Celebrate Christmas on Halong Bay

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Celebrate Christmas with a two-night cruise through the stunning Halong Bay and Lan Ha Bay. Indulge in a festive feast and drinks reception with a Vietnamese twist!
- ▶ Explore the lively streets of Hanoi's Old Quarter by cyclo, enjoying its timeless atmosphere before pausing at a hidden café to savour the rich, velvety indulgence of traditional Vietnamese egg coffee.
- ▶ Embrace the charm of rural Vietnam in Tra Que village, where you'll join local farmers to experience time-honoured cultivation techniques, then delight in a hands-on cooking demonstration featuring beloved regional delicacies.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY TO SAIGON

Fly overnight to Saigon, Vietnam's buzzing metropolis. The afternoon is at leisure before this evening's welcome dinner.

### DAY 3: DISCOVER SAIGON & CU CHI

Spend the morning uncovering the ingenious guerrilla tactics of the Viet Cong as you explore the legendary Cu Chi Tunnels. Stop for lunch at an organic farm before returning to Saigon for an afternoon city tour. This fascinating city is a blend of colonial architecture and modern innovation, wearing its history on its sleeve. Visit the poignant War Remnants Museum, along with the Reunification Palace, the French Colonial Central Post Office, and the 19th-century Notre-Dame Cathedral.

### DAY 4: MEKONG DELTA

Head southwest to Ben Tre for a boat trip on the Mekong Delta. Paddle through the palm-lined canals, stopping to visit a bee farm for a cup of honey tea. After lunch, visit the beautiful gardens of the Vinh Trang Pagoda en route back to Saigon.

### DAY 5: CHARMS OF HOI AN

Take a short flight to Danang and transfer to Hoi An, a charming UNESCO-listed town known for its lantern-lit streets and riverside gondolas. Visit an old merchant family's house, Quan Cong Temple, the elaborate Japanese Bridge and the bustling market before dinner. Afterwards, perhaps visit one of Hoi An's legendary late-night tailors, renowned for crafting high-quality, custom-fit clothing in just 24 hours.

### DAY 6: TRA QUE VILLAGE

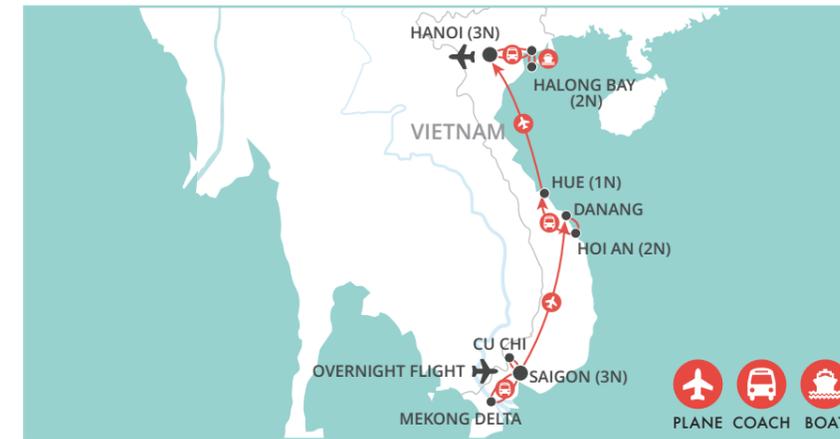
Venture into the countryside to Tra Que, a farming village known for supplying fresh herbs and vegetables to local businesses. Soak up the lush landscape as you stroll through vibrant vegetable gardens, watch local farmers at work, and try your hand at traditional cultivation techniques. Then, take part in a hands-on cooking demonstration and savour the flavours of authentic local specialties.

### DAY 7: IMPERIAL HUE

Drive across the famously scenic Hai Van Pass to reach Hue. This atmospheric city was once the seat of the Nguyen emperors, who ruled Central Vietnam in the 19th century. Visit the UNESCO-listed Imperial Citadel and the Forbidden Purple City. Later, visit the Thien Mu Pagoda and take a cruise on the Perfume River.



Explore Hue's royal past



Immerse yourself in Hoi An's lantern-lit streets

### DAY 8: ROYAL TOMBS & FLY TO HANOI

Spend a morning at the Royal Tomb of Minh Mang, exploring its peaceful gardens and scenic pools. After lunch, fly to Hanoi, Vietnam's leafy, laid-back capital.

### DAY 9: EXPLORE HANOI

Take a walking tour of the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, learning the story of its namesake – the former kitchen boy who rose to the status of revolutionary leader and eventually president. See his Mausoleum, the Presidential Palace, and the humble Stilt House he called home. Also, visit the One Pillar Pagoda and the Confucian Temple of Literature. End the day's explorations with a rickshaw tour through the Old Quarter and enjoy a flavourful Vietnamese egg coffee.

### DAY 10: CHRISTMAS EVE IN HALONG BAY

Board a traditional sailing ship on Halong Bay and cruise out into its tranquil waters.



Discover the famous Cu Chi Tunnels

A UNESCO World Heritage Site and a vision of awe-inspiring beauty, it's easy to see why it is one of Vietnam's most beloved destinations. Enjoy excursions such as kayaking or exploring island caves this afternoon.

Tonight, relax and enjoy Christmas dinner – Vietnamese style! The festive meal is served on Christmas Eve in Vietnam thanks to French influences left over from the colonial period. Enjoy the celebrations with newfound friends and your National Escort as the stars glimmer over the bay.

### DAY 11: CHRISTMAS DAY IN LAN HA BAY

Begin a Christmas Day like no other – watching the sun rise over Halong Bay. Sail into Lan Ha Bay, Halong's equally beautiful but lesser-known twin. Today, choose from included activities such as kayaking at Ho Ba Ham (Three Tunnel Lake) or let a local fisherman row you around a floating fishing village, home to multiple generations of fishermen and their families. Enjoy a Christmas drinks reception on deck this evening before a second night on board.

### DAY 12: RETURN TO HANOI

Rise early on Boxing Day for a beautiful sunrise over the bay. Return to Hanoi after brunch on deck and enjoy an afternoon at leisure. This evening, enjoy an enchanting performance that brings to life the rich history and traditions of Vietnam through music, dance, and visual artistry.

### DAY 13: FLY HANOI TO UK

Fly back to the UK, arriving home the same or the following day.

## CHRISTMAS IN VIETNAM

CLASSIC VIETNAM



PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

December is a magical time to experience Vietnam, so why not make this Christmas truly unforgettable? Explore Saigon and immerse yourself in the charms of Hoi An and Hue. Come Christmas Eve, embark on a two-night cruise through the waters of Halong Bay.



See Hanoi on Boxing Day

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing days of the week vary

2026 DATE

15 Dec - 27 Dec £4,590

2027 DATE

15 Dec - 27 Dec £4,690

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on London Heathrow departures
- Regional UK departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from £3,790 (Saigon - Hanoi)
- Single room from £950
- Tipping paid locally US\$80

Call for our 2028 pricing and departures



Experience life on the Mekong Delta

NEW

# CHRISTMAS ON THE MEKONG

19 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON **£6,690**

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM THE UK

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Celebrate Christmas on a seven night Mekong Cruise
- ✓ Admire the temples of Angkor
- ✓ Marvel at lantern-lit Hoi An
- ✓ Discover the Cu Chi Tunnels
- ✓ Explore bustling Saigon & Hanoi
- ✓ Cruise spectacular Halong Bay



Experience the magnificent temples of Angkor

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 17 breakfasts, 16 lunches & 17 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for UK passport holders



Celebrate Christmas on the Mekong

## AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Celebrate Christmas in style aboard the Victoria Mekong with a magical seven-night cruise along the Mekong River. Enjoy a festive feast and drinks reception with a local twist as you sail past lush landscapes and floating villages.
- ▶ Discover the delights of Hoi An, even more magical at this time of year, with its charming lantern-lit streets and beautifully preserved architecture. This captivating town embraces a slower pace and proud traditions, making every stroll through its lanes a true joy.
- ▶ Embrace the charm of rural Vietnam in Tra Que village, where you'll join local farmers to experience time-honoured cultivation techniques, then delight in a hands-on cooking demonstration featuring regional delicacies.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SIEM REAP

Fly overnight to bustling Siem Reap. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to soak up the local culture.

### DAY 3: EXPLORE ANGKOR

Journey into the old city of Angkor Thom. At its heart is the enigmatic Bayon, an iconic temple of innumerable sculptural decorations. Admire the Elephant Terrace and Terrace of the Leper King before continuing to the atmospheric Ta Prohm. The rest of the afternoon is dedicated to Angkor Wat, the most magnificent and best preserved of all of Angkor's treasures. As the sun sets, float peacefully on the moat that surrounds Angkor Thom, soaking up the atmosphere.

### DAY 4: THE VICTORIA MEKONG

This morning, transfer to Kampong Cham to embark on your next adventure – a seven-night cruise on our premium small ship, the Victoria Mekong. Begin your cruise with a complimentary cocktail on deck, watching the sun set.

### DAY 5: ANGKOR BAN & SILK ISLAND

Explore the laid-back village of Angkor Ban with its wooden stilt houses. This afternoon, take a tuk-tuk to Silk Island to learn about the process of silk weaving from worm to loom. Return to the ship, where you'll enjoy a Christmas feast with a Cambodian twist\*.

### DAY 6: CHRISTMAS DAY ON THE MEKONG

Begin your day with a walking tour of Koh Chen village, where you'll meet a local copper and silversmith, before continuing to the country's former capital, Oudong. Arrive in Phnom Penh and end your Christmas day\* celebrations in style with a signature cocktail at Raffles Hotel Le Royal before returning to the ship.

### DAY 7: DISCOVER PHNOM PENH

Begin the day exploring Phnom Penh's Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda, before visiting the National Museum to admire Khmer treasures. After lunch, learn about Cambodia's tragic past under the Khmer Rouge regime with a visit to the Killing Fields, then return to the ship for a captivating Apsara dance performance.

### DAY 8: TAN CHAU

Enjoy onboard activities such as a ship's tour or a minigolf tournament as the ship crosses the border into Vietnam. Arrive in Tan Chau, where a rickshaw will take you to explore a colourful temple and market. This evening, experience a lion dance on the sky deck!

### DAY 9: PHU TAN & TIGER ISLAND

Head ashore in Phu Tan and visit a craft village famous for its handmade clay stoves. Later, head to Tiger Island. Visit a temple and observe local industries, such as incense-making, in action, before returning to the ship.

### DAY 10: LONG XUYEN

Take a tender boat through a fascinating floating market to reach Long Xuyen. Visit the local museum, with its displays of ancient crafts. Return to the ship and enjoy a traditional Southern Vietnamese folk music performance as you cruise towards Can Tho, the beating heart of the Mekong Delta.

### DAY 11: DRIVE TO SAIGON

After breakfast, disembark and drive to Saigon - a vibrant, modern city with a treasure trove of fascinating heritage - and see the colonial Notre Dame Cathedral and Central Post Office.



Ring in the New Year in Saigon

### DAY 12: CU CHI TUNNELS & NYE IN SAIGON

This morning, visit the fascinating Cu Chi Tunnels to learn the history of the Viet Cong and their guerrilla tactics during the Vietnam War. Return to Saigon and visit the fascinating War Remnants Museum. This evening, celebrate New Year's Eve in vibrant Saigon\* with a Vietnamese feast and ring in the new year in style.

### DAY 13: DISCOVER HOI AN

Fly from Saigon to Danang and transfer to the enchanting town of Hoi An. Head out on a walking tour, with visits including Chua Ong Pagoda, a historic merchant house, and the spectacular Japanese Covered Bridge. With its charming yellow buildings and vivid silk lanterns, a stroll through this traditional town feels like stepping back in time.

### DAY 14: TRA QUE VILLAGE

Venture into the countryside to Tra Que. Soak up the lush landscape as you stroll through vibrant vegetable gardens, watch local farmers at work, and try your hand at traditional cultivation techniques. Then, take part in a hands-on cooking demonstration and savour the flavours of authentic local specialties before returning to Hoi An.

### DAY 15: HISTORIC HANOI

Fly to Vietnam's capital city, Hanoi. A fast paced yet graceful city, it is packed full of ancient and modern sights to discover. Begin exploring at the serene Temple of Literature before taking a cyclo tour through the Old Quarter's atmospheric tangle of streets with a stop for local delicacy 'ca phe trung' (egg coffee) en route.

### DAY 16: EXPLORE HANOI

Today, head to the Ho Chi Minh Quarter, where you'll pass 'Uncle Ho's' monumental mausoleum and Stilt House, before seeing the One Pillar Pagoda. Tonight, attend one of Hanoi's famously breathtaking artistic performances.

### DAYS 17-18: HALONG BAY CRUISE

Travel to Halong City, board a cruise boat and set sail on the tranquil blue-green waters of Halong Bay. With its 1,600 islands and islets, the bay was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1994. As you explore you'll make excursions to mysterious caves and enjoy delicious seafood onboard. After a night anchored out on the water, rise early to see the sun come up before cruising back to port. Return to Hanoi for an afternoon at leisure ahead of this evening's farewell dinner.

### DAY 19: FLY HANOI TO UK

Fly to the UK, arriving home either the same day or the following day.

\*2026 departure. Please refer to our website for a detailed 2027 itinerary.



Immerse yourself in the festive magic of Hoi An

CHRISTMAS ON THE MEKONG

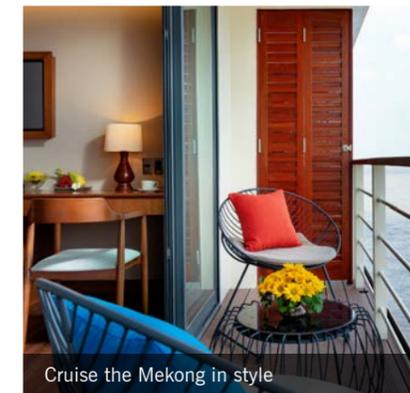
CLASSIC VIETNAM & CAMBODIA

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

What better way to spend Christmas than waking to a sunrise over the Mekong? Explore the majestic temples of Angkor, then embark on a seven-night Mekong cruise. Discover Vietnam's highlights, from Saigon to Hanoi, including a serene Halong Bay cruise.



Cruise the Mekong in style

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing Sunday returning Thursday

### 2026 DATES

20 Dec - 07 Jan **£6,690**

### 2027 DATES

19 Dec - 06 Dec **£6,990**

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on London Heathrow departures
- Regional UK departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from £5,890 (Siem Reap - Hanoi)
- Single room from £2,090
- Tipping paid locally US\$80

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## EXTEND YOUR STAY...



### SAPA SHORT STAY

4 days from £800pp

### LAOS SHORT STAY

5 days from £1,130pp

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# CHRISTMAS IN CHINA

11 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON **£4,290**

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM THE UK

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Walk on the Great Wall
- ✓ Feast on Peking duck
- ✓ Explore the Forbidden City
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Travel on a bullet train
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play



Enter the Forbidden City through the Gate of Supreme Harmony

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 9 breakfasts, 8 lunches & 9 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for UK passport holders



Wander Shanghai's Christmas markets

## SPECIAL FESTIVAL EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Celebrate Christmas Day in style as you explore Shanghai's festive markets, cruise along the sparkling Huangpu River, and indulge in the city's rich culinary scene.
- ▶ Ring in New Year's Eve with a stroll through Beijing's hutongs. As evening falls, soak up the lively atmosphere and raise a festive toast to welcome the year ahead.
- ▶ Start the New Year with an unforgettable walk along the Great Wall, soaking up sweeping views, crisp mountain air and a celebratory champagne toast.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SHANGHAI

Fly overnight to the cosmopolitan city of Shanghai, also known as the 'Paris of the East'. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: CHRISTMAS DAY

Your Christmas Day explorations begin with a visit to the peaceful Yu Garden and a walk through the atmospheric alleys of the old town. Next, take a stroll along the Bund to admire the magnificent colonial architecture, followed by a visit to a silk mill. Enjoy lunch at the renowned Lost Heaven, one of Shanghai's must-try restaurants, and then wander through one of the city's festive Christmas markets. Later, cruise on the mighty Huangpu River for spectacular views of the Shanghai skyline. This evening, enjoy a German-style feast.

### DAY 4: ZHUJIAJIAO WATER TOWN

Visit Zhujiajiao, one of Shanghai's sleepy water towns, built on an old canal system once used to transport goods all over imperial China. The town's narrow alleyways exude old-world charm, whilst the waterways are lined with ancient buildings and crossed by stone bridges. Return to Shanghai for a wander through the vibrant arts district of Tianzifang.

### DAY 5: FLY TO XIAN

Fly to Xian, the ancient former capital with a history spanning 3,100 years. This afternoon, stop at a local brewery for a refreshing beer tasting, then walk through the lively atmospheric alleys of the Muslim Quarter which are lined with food stalls.

### DAY 6: TERRACOTTA WARRIORS

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of life-sized warriors and horses who stand in their original formations at the exact location they were excavated. Learn about the meticulous restoration efforts that revived this archaeological wonder, and visit the workshop where skilled craftsmen recreate terracotta warriors in the style of their ancient counterparts. Later, stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century ancient city walls that enclose Xian's old town. Tonight, feast on traditional Shui Jiao dumplings before a captivating performance of Tang Dynasty dancing.



Enjoy Peking Duck on New Year's Day



Spend Christmas Day in Shanghai



Begin your New Year's Day with a walk on the Great Wall

### DAY 7: PANDAS

Travel to a unique conservation park, home to the rare Qinling four – giant pandas, golden monkeys, crested ibises and takins. Spot over 20 other native species, including red pandas and black bears, and meet Qizai, the world's only known brown giant panda.

### DAY 8: BULLET TRAIN TO BEIJING

Board the bullet train to Beijing, China's capital city. A spectacular Chinese acrobatic show rounds off the day.

### DAY 9: NEW YEAR'S EVE

Begin with a walk through Tiananmen Square, a vast symbol of modern history, before stepping into the Forbidden City, a magnificent UNESCO-listed palace complex of over 900 buildings that once housed China's emperors. Later, celebrate the year's end with dinner and drinks in Beijing's atmospheric hutongs.

### DAY 10: NEW YEAR'S DAY ON THE GREAT WALL

Start the New Year with a walk along China's most iconic landmark – the Great Wall. Take in the breathtaking scenery as you explore this mighty feat of engineering and enjoy a champagne toast on the wall. This afternoon, stop by a jade factory to learn about the precious stone, then wander the elegant gardens and tranquil lakefront of the Summer Palace. Round off the day with a classic Peking duck dinner, a festive welcome to the year ahead.

### DAY 11: FLY BEIJING TO UK

Fly to the UK, arriving home the same or following day.

## EXTEND YOUR STAY...



**HONG KONG GLIMPSES STOPOVER**  
3 days from £390pp

**HARBIN ICE & SNOW FESTIVAL**  
3 days from £1,570pp

**MONGOLIA WINTER ESCAPE**  
6 days from £1,890pp

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CLASSIC CHINA



PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Experience an unforgettable, unique blend of cultures with this once-in-a-lifetime Christmas in China special. Embrace the magic as traditional Chinese elements intertwine with Western customs, offering a truly memorable holiday season.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing days of the week vary

**2026 DATES**

23 Dec - 02 Jan **£4,290**

**2027 DATES**

23 Dec - 02 Jan **£4,390**

## Flight and supplement information

- Based on London Heathrow departures
- Regional UK departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from £3,590 (Shanghai - Beijing)
- Single room from £520
- Tipping paid locally RMB 530 (2026 & 2027)

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See adorable giant pandas at Xian's conservation park

# CHINA: WINTER WONDERLAND

15 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON  
**£5,890**

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE  
FROM THE UK

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Explore Harbin's Ice & Snow Festival
- ✓ Stay overnight at the Great Wall
- ✓ See the adorable giant pandas
- ✓ Feast on China's best delicacies
- ✓ Face the Terracotta Army
- ✓ Travel by bullet train



See the spectacular ice sculptures of the Ice and Snow Festival in Harbin

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 13 breakfasts, 12 lunches & 13 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for UK passport holders



Toast the New Year on the Great Wall

## SPECIAL FESTIVE EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Ring in the New Year with a champagne toast on the secluded and lesser visited Jinshanling section of the Great Wall.
- ▶ Explore the Christmas markets, cruise the mighty Huangpu River and indulge in Shanghai's gastronomic delights on Christmas Day.
- ▶ Spend New Year's Eve in Gubei Watertown at the foot of the Great Wall where you can while away the afternoon wandering the charming, cobbled streets or relaxing in a hot spring before walking on the illuminated wall as night falls.

## ITINERARY

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### DAY 4: TRAVEL TO CHENGDU

This morning, explore the Xintiandi area, a lively district known for its 1920s-style shikumen architecture, trendy boutiques, and stylish cafes. Then transfer to the airport for your flight to Chengdu, home of the beloved giant panda.

### DAY 5: VISIT THE GIANT PANDAS

Start your day with a visit to Chengdu's renowned Panda Conservation Base, where you can see and learn about China's celebrated bear. Then, savour the joy of people watching in People's Park, visiting a teahouse and the famous Matchmaker's Corner where parents look for suitable suitors for their children. Tonight, enjoy a traditional Sichuanese hot pot meal.

### DAY 6: TANG DYNASTY DANCING

Board the bullet train to ancient Xian, China's ancient capital. In the evening, enjoy a dumpling feast and Tang Dynasty dancing show.

### DAY 7: SEE THE TERRACOTTA ARMY

After their fortuitous discovery in the 1970s, the Terracotta Army of China's first emperor, Qin Shi Huang, has intrigued visitors ever since. Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of these life-size warriors and visit the Xian Art Ceramics and Lacquer Workshop. Later, take a stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th-century city walls that enclose Xian's old town.

### DAY 8: BULLET TRAIN TO BEIJING

Take the speedy bullet train to Beijing, China's eminent capital city. Venture into Beijing's atmospheric old neighbourhoods, the hutongs, and have dinner with a local family.

### DAY 9: NEW YEAR'S EVE

This morning, explore the Summer Palace, the lavish retreat of the Qing emperors before travelling to the charming Gubei Watertown, a beautifully recreated ancient town nestled against the backdrop of the Simatai section of the Great Wall. The afternoon is at leisure - you may wish to wander the town's canals, relax at a hot spring resort, or get cozy at a local teahouse. As the sun goes down, soar up to the heights of the Great Wall by cable car and watch a series of illuminations light up this ancient wonder. Stroll along the top before returning to the town to bid farewell to the past year with a delicious dinner.



Stay at Gubei Watertown nestled against the Great Wall

CLASSIC  
CHINA



PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Embrace the magic and experience a different side of China. As it transforms itself into a wonderful winter wonderland, spend the season enjoying the company of like-minded people and exploring its many treasures.



Admire Harbin's grand architecture

### DAY 10: NEW YEAR'S DAY

Enjoy a leisurely morning before heading to the Jinshanling section of the Great Wall, a much less frequented but spectacular part of the structure. Here you'll take a walk, passing stark but magnificent landscapes, potentially frosted with snow, pausing at a particularly scenic spot for a glass of champagne. Return back to Beijing by road and enjoy an evening at leisure.

### DAY 11: VISIT THE FORBIDDEN CITY

Head to Beijing's symbolic heart, Tiananmen Square, and stroll into the sprawling magnificence of the Forbidden City. Enter through the Gate of Supreme Harmony to discover a complex filled with imperial treasures. Journey by bullet train to Harbin, home to the annual Harbin Ice and Snow Festival.

### DAY 12: EXPLORE HARBIN FESTIVAL

Today you will visit the Song Hua River, where you can observe ice water swimming, ice windsurfing and other amazing winter activities. Head across to Sun Island, located in the middle of the river. This is a popular outdoor retreat for locals to simply relax, picnic and enjoy the outdoors. This evening, mingle with people from all over the world at the joyous Ice Lantern Festival and admire thousands of spectacular ice-carved animals, plants, and buildings set in the beautifully illuminated festival grounds.

### DAY 13: VISIT ICE AND SNOW WORLD

This morning enjoy the festivities at Ice and Snow World, viewing the many sculptures on display, usually depicting traditional Chinese fairy tales or world famous monuments.

## EXTEND YOUR STAY...



### MONGOLIA WINTER ESCAPE

6 days from £1,890pp

### ESSENTIAL DUBAI STOPOVER

3 days from £220pp

### HONG KONG GLIMPSES STOPOVER

3 days from £390pp

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Decide to take part in a range of optional activities like an ice maze, ice bars and skating (at your own expense). Later tour the city centre, filled with grand European-style buildings, including Central Avenue and Sophia Cathedral.

### DAY 14: BULLET TRAIN TO BEIJING

Transfer to the train station for your return bullet train journey to Beijing. This evening, tuck into a farewell meal of delicious local delicacy, Peking duck.

### DAY 15: FLY BEIJING TO UK

Fly to the UK, arriving home the same or following day.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing days of the week vary

### 2026 DATES

23 Dec - 06 Jan **£5,890**

### 2027 DATES

23 Dec - 06 Jan **£5,990**

## Flight and supplement information

- Based on London Heathrow departures
- Regional UK departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from £5,190 (Shanghai - Beijing )
- Single room from £1,140
- Tipping paid locally RMB 840 (2026), RMB 885 (2027)

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Marvel at illuminated ice sculptures

NEW

# CHRISTMAS ON THE YANGTZE & NEW YEAR IN HONG KONG

14 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON **£5,790**

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM THE UK

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Enjoy Chongqing's festive décor
- ✓ Watch giant pandas play
- ✓ Feel Hong Kong's New Year buzz
- ✓ Spend Christmas on the Yangtze



Ring in the New Year cruising through Hong Kong's iconic Victoria Harbour

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches & 12 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for UK passport holders



Celebrate Christmas on the Yangtze River

## SPECIAL FESTIVE EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Celebrate Christmas cruising down the majestic Yangtze River. Sail past dramatic gorges and riverside villages while enjoying festive meals, holiday cheer, and an upgraded amenities package, including lounge access and drinks.
- ▶ Experience the electrifying energy of Hong Kong on New Year's Eve. Join the city's biggest celebration counting down till the New Year aboard a Victoria Harbour cruise and toast with champagne as the skyline lights up.
- ▶ Soar seven kilometres up Tianmen Mountain on China's longest cable car to the breathtaking 'Heaven's Door' and test your courage on the thrilling glass skywalk. In winter, misty peaks and crisp air create a serene, otherworldly atmosphere.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY OVERNIGHT TO CHONGQING

Fly overnight to the futuristic city of Chongqing. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: MEET CHONGQING'S PANDAS

Today you'll explore the best of what this fascinating and unique city has to offer. Begin with a visit to one of China's most beloved icons, the giant panda, then watch a metro train pass through a high-rise at the innovative Liziba Intersection. Spend the afternoon relaxing in the naturally heated pools of one of Chongqing's top hot spring resorts or explore the bustling Jiefangbei Pedestrian Street. End the day with views of the city as its neon lights come to life.

### DAY 4: DAZU ROCK CARVINGS

Travel to Dazu, home to the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Dazu Rock Carvings. Here, you'll find thousands of Buddhist, Taoist and Confucianist idols and symbols carved into rock faces over 70 sites. Made between the 9th and 13th centuries, they are some of the best preserved in China. Return to Chongqing and board your Yangtze River cruise, your home for the next three nights.

### DAYS 5-6: CHRISTMAS ON THE YANGTZE

Celebrate Christmas aboard the Yangtze River over two scenic days. Sail past dramatic gorges and charming riverside villages while enjoying festive meals and holiday cheer

with your fellow travellers. Take advantage of enhanced amenities such as morning coffee and tea, a cabin on the upper Bridge deck, nightly turndown service, access to the Executive Lounge, access to the à la carte dining room, and house wine, beer, and soft drinks included at lunch and dinner.

### DAY 7: TRAVEL TO ZHANGJIAJIE

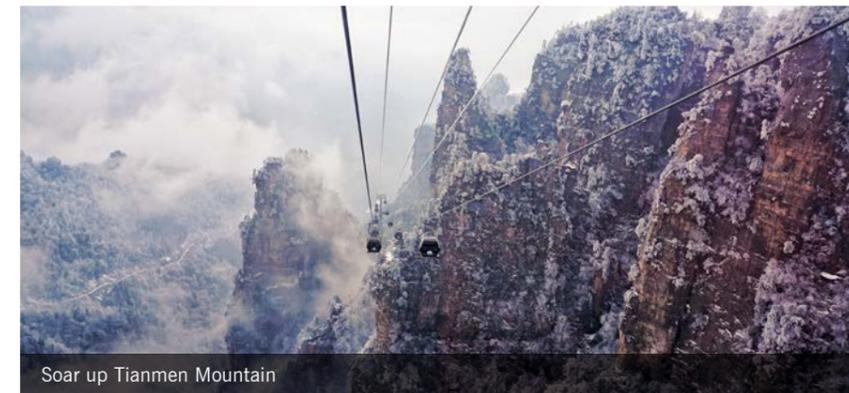
Disembark in Yichang and travel by road to Zhangjiajie, a scenic area of over 3,000 sandstone pillars, rising from misty folds of subtropical forest.

### DAY 8: DISCOVER ZHANGJIAJIE

Begin the day with a ride in the remarkable Bailong glass elevator. Embedded into a cliff face, the elevator shoots up the mountain side to a towering height of 326 metres in as little as two minutes! Soak up the amazing views of the 'First Bridge under the Sun' and Hallelujah Mountain. Continue your exploration at Emperor Mountain and Helong Park, before descending by cable car.

### DAY 9: TIANMEN MOUNTAIN

Soar up the heights of Tianmen Mountain by cable car which, at seven kilometres, is one of the world's longest. Atop the mountain, marvel at Tianmen Cave, nicknamed 'Heaven's Door', standing proudly at the top of 999 steep steps and take a thrilling walk along a glass skywalk, aptly named the 'Walk of Faith'. Later, brace yourself for another exhilarating walk across Zhangjiajie's Glass Bridge, a glass-bottomed bridge spanning 430 metres over the magnificent Grand Canyon.



Soar up Tianmen Mountain

CLASSIC CHINA



PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This 14-day festive journey takes you through some of China's most iconic and breathtaking sights at a most magical time of the year, with Christmas celebrated on the Yangtze before ringing in New Year with champagne in Hong Kong.



Relax in Chongqing's hot springs

### DAY 10: BULLET TRAIN TO HONG KONG

Drive to Changsha and board a 3-hour bullet train to Hong Kong, the famous skyline growing bigger and more impressive as you approach the city.

### DAY 11: EXPLORE LANTAU ISLAND

Discover the charms of Lantau Island, beginning your journey with visits to the renowned Wong Tai Sin Temple and Tin Hau Temple. Next, take a spectacular cable car ride to the Ngong Ping Plateau, home to the majestic Grand Buddha and Po Lin Monastery. Explore the Giant Buddha Exhibition Hall and monastery before enjoying a vegetarian lunch. Conclude your day's adventure with a scenic cable car ride back to the city.

### DAYS 12-13: NEW YEAR IN HONG KONG

Enjoy a relaxed morning then explore Hong Kong. Begin with a ride on the state-of-the-art 6th-generation Peak Tram to Victoria Peak, soaking in breathtaking views of Hong Kong's iconic skyline. Continue to the sun-kissed shores of Repulse Bay before heading to Aberdeen Fishing Village, where traditional sampans and houseboats offer a glimpse into the city's maritime heritage. Later, embark on an evening harbour cruise and soak up the views of the spectacular skyline as the countdown to the New Year begins!

Start the new year with a leisurely morning of free time. In the afternoon, take a walking tour through Kowloon's vibrant Tsim Sha Tsui area, exploring the bustling Temple Street markets and lively shops along Nathan Road. Finish the day and the tour with a farewell dinner.

### DAY 14: DEPART HONG KONG

Depart Hong Kong, arriving home the same or following day.

## EXTEND YOUR STAY...



### MONGOLIA WINTER ESCAPE

6 days from £1,890pp

### HONG KONG GLIMPSES STOPOVER

3 days from £390pp

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Discover Lantau Island

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing days of the week vary

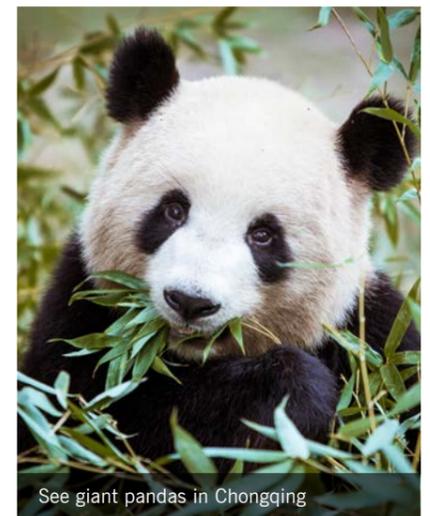
## 2026 DATES

20 Dec - 02 Jan **£5,790**

## Flight and supplement information

- Based on London Heathrow departures
- Regional UK departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from £5090 (Chongqing - Hong Kong)
- Single room from £1390
- Tipping paid locally RMB 755

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See giant pandas in Chongqing

# CHRISTMAS IN THAILAND

13 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON £4,790

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM THE UK

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Marvel at Bangkok's Grand Palace
- ✓ Ride the 'Death Railway'
- ✓ Explore the ruins of Ayutthaya
- ✓ Visit a hilltribe community
- ✓ Stroll through Chiang Rai
- ✓ Learn to cook Thai in Chiang Mai



Wander through Thailand's royal heart at the Grand Palace

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 11 breakfasts, 10 lunches & 11 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation and eco-lodge
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Learn to cook traditional Thai cuisine

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Start your Boxing Day with a vibrant Thai cooking class. As you chop, stir, and sauté, discover the secrets to crafting authentic dishes, then indulge in a delicious feast of your own creations.
- ▶ Get into the festive spirit with a delicious Thai Christmas dinner at a charming restaurant set in a beautifully restored colonial mansion. With its inviting atmosphere, rich flavours, and touch of old-world elegance, it's the perfect place to celebrate in style.
- ▶ A magical Christmas morning with a difference, visit a local elephant sanctuary and get to know the residents, hear their stories, and learn about their quirks and charms from their caretakers.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY TO BANGKOK

Arrive in Bangkok, Thailand's capital city, and enjoy time at leisure before your welcome dinner.

### DAY 3: EXPLORE BANGKOK

Bangkok's dazzling neon signs, charming architecture, Thai cuisine and lively markets make for an exciting introduction to this fascinating country. Embark on a Bangkok city tour, exploring the sparkling Grand Palace, Wat Pho and Chinatown before cruising down Chao Phraya River on a longboat to Pak Khlong Talat Flower Market, whilst enjoying an alternative view of the city.

### DAY 4: BRIDGE ON THE RIVER KWAI

Begin the day at the MaeKlong Railway Market and enjoy the spectacle as vendors quickly pack up their stalls to let trains pass directly through the market, then hop in small boats to explore the bustling canals of Damnoen Saduak Floating Market. Then head west to Kanchanaburi, a town in a beautiful natural setting made famous by 'The Bridge on the River Kwai' and the infamous Thai-Burma 'Death' Railway. Here, learn the tragic story of Allied POWs at the Thai-Burma Railway Museum, then pay respects to the victims at the Allied War Cemetery.

### DAY 5: RIDE THE DEATH RAILWAY

Start the day at Hellfire Pass, visiting the Memorial Museum to hear its story before taking an atmospheric walk through this dramatic railway cutting. Then, board a vintage train for a short journey on the Death Railway itself, passing through the picturesque scenery along the River Kwai, to cross the eponymous bridge.

### DAY 6: DISCOVER AYUTTHAYA

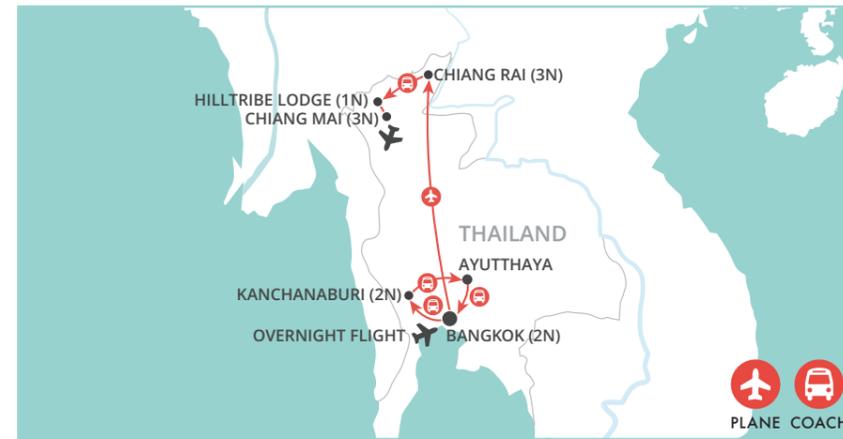
Travel just outside of the city to discover the historic ruins of Ayutthaya, the historic capital of Siam from 1350 until its destruction by Burmese invaders in 1767. Explore its atmospheric gilded palaces, pavilions, and gardens, together with its ruined stupas. Enjoy lunch at the local restaurant and return to Bangkok. This afternoon, board your flight to Chiang Rai.

### DAY 7: EXPLORE CHIANG RAI

This morning, head out to admire the area known as the 'Golden Triangle'; the point where the borders of Thailand, Laos and Myanmar meet. This area was once a hub of opium production, but since the 1970s, Thailand has been promoting local initiatives to enable locals to switch to other sources of income, such as tea, coffee, and tourism. Continue to Mae Sai, the northernmost point of Thailand and an important trading town on the Myanmar border. Return to Chiang Rai for dinner; afterwards, you may wish to explore the colourful night market.



Admire the White Temple



Ride the Thai-Burma Railway



Sip tea in the peaceful hills of Doi Mae Salong

### DAY 8: VISIT A TEA PLANTATION

Drive through rolling countryside to Mae Salong Mountain, known for its hill tribes and tea plantations. From the base of the mountain, travel by truck to a plantation, where you will have the opportunity to sample the local tea. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before visiting Doi Tung Palace and the vibrant Mae Fah Luang Garden.

### DAY 9: ADMIRE THE WHITE TEMPLE

Depart Chiang Rai. Explore Wat Rong Khun, the bizarre and fascinating White Temple then stop at a local market. This afternoon is spent crossing the countryside, passing forests, farms, and villages to reach the Hmong Hilltribe Lodge. Here you will be guests of the Hmong community. This evening, enjoy a barbecue dinner and a cultural show.

### DAY 10: CHRISTMAS EVE IN CHIANG MAI

Depart the lodge and take a relaxed bamboo rafting trip on the Mae Daang River. Sit back and enjoy the passing scenery as your boatman steers you along the river. Afterwards, head to Chiang Mai and visit a social enterprise café. This little restaurant offers life-changing vocational training to reformed women from Chiang Mai's Correctional Institution. The skills they learn here enable them to reintegrate into society with the skills for a new career. This afternoon, visit two of Chiang Mai's most important temples, Wat Chedi Luang and Wat Phra Singh.

### DAY 11: CHRISTMAS MORNING WITH ELEPHANTS

Enjoy a wonderful start to Christmas Day – a visit to an elephant sanctuary! The centre is located in the beautiful Mesa Valley and offers

a peaceful retirement home for elephants rescued from illegal logging camps and elephant shows. Meet one of their caretakers, who will guide you through the centre, explaining all about the work they do and the cheeky inhabitants! Return to Chiang Mai and sit down to a Thai Christmas dinner at a traditional restaurant, housed in a lovely colonial mansion.

### DAY 12: THAI COOKING CLASS

Begin your Boxing day with a cooking class, learning to prepare traditional dishes, then enjoy your creations for lunch. Later, drive to Wat Doi Suthep, a beautiful hilltop temple with panoramic views across the countryside. You will have the choice of climbing the Naga staircase (300 steps) or catching the cable car to visit the exquisite golden pagoda. This evening, enjoy a typical Khantoke dinner while watching a performance of traditional song and dance from Northern Thailand by various hill tribes.

### DAY 13: FLY CHIANG MAI TO UK

Fly to the UK arriving home the same or the following day.



Explore Chiang Rai's night market

## CHRISTMAS IN THAILAND

CLASSIC THAILAND



PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

This Christmas, discover the magic of Thailand. You'll explore beautiful scenery and experience rich culture all while enjoying the sunny days and balmy nights that December brings.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing days of the week vary

2026 DATES

15 Dec - 27 Dec £4,790

2027 DATES

15 Dec - 27 Dec £4,890

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on London Heathrow departures
- Regional UK departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from £3,990 (Bangkok - Chiang Mai)
- Single room from £550
- Tipping paid locally US\$80

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Spend Christmas morning with elephants

# CHRISTMAS IN JAPAN

16 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON £8,690

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM THE UK

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Spend Christmas in charming Kyoto
- ✓ Explore the bright lights of Tokyo
- ✓ Admire beautiful Mount Fuji
- ✓ Relax in a rejuvenating onsen
- ✓ Discover traditional Shirakawago
- ✓ Uncover Nara's long history



Admire views of Mount Fuji



## CHRISTMAS IN JAPAN

CLASSIC JAPAN



PHYSICAL RATING



### IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Discover winter's charms in Japan with this immersive mix of cultural exploration and festive cheer. From snow-capped Mount Fuji, to picturesque villages and hands-on experiences in Kyoto, enjoy a Christmas like no other.

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches & 14 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 3 star plus – 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Enjoy a wagashi-making class

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Wagashi are a traditional sweet treat made of fruit, anko and rice flour. Come Christmas morning, sit down with a teacher and learn how to create these beautiful confections from scratch before a traditional tea ceremony demonstration.
- ▶ Under a white, snowy blanket, the landscapes of the UNESCO-listed village of Shirakawa-go are particularly enchanting in the winter. Soak up its peaceful rural scenery and visit one of its famous gassho houses, the steep roofs of which are said to resemble hands in prayer.
- ▶ Gazing upon Mount Fuji's beauty, it's easy to see why it has long been held sacred by the Japanese people. In the winter, often backed by crisp blue skies and blanketed in snow, it is even more magical.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY TO TOKYO

Fly overnight to Tokyo. Depending on your time of arrival, the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: WONDERS OF TOKYO

Discover Tokyo's most famous highlights, from the lively Shibuya Crossing to explorations of well-known neighbourhoods. Visit Meiji Jingu, a Shinto shrine surrounded by a small forest within the city, and learn about the emperor who presided over the Meiji Restoration – Japan's transition from feudal state to world power.

### DAY 4: TOKYO

Begin with a visit to the historic Asakusa district to see Senso-ji, the city's oldest Buddhist temple, then visit the National Museum in Ueno Park for an insight into the art and archaeology of centuries gone by. Ascend to the viewing deck at the Skytree for a bird's eye view of the city. Later, get in the festive spirit with some time to admire Tokyo's Christmas illuminations.

### DAY 5: HAKONE

Today, head west to Hakone. Around here, December is considered the best time of year for viewing Mount Fuji, when the skies are often cool and clear, and the mountain is usually wearing its famously beautiful snowcap. Take a cruise across Lake Ashi, then ride a cable car along the Hakone Ropeway to reach Owakudani, known for its volcanic hot springs and steaming vents. The wider Fuji area is your home for the next two nights.

### DAY 6: FUJI FIVE LAKES

Continue your Fuji adventure with a visit to Oshino Hakkai, a charming village filled with mineral-rich ponds and slowly spinning water wheels, before continuing to Kawaguchiko, a town famous for its Fuji views. Visit Fujiisan World Heritage Centre, where you can learn about the mountain's significance, and perhaps enjoy a photo opportunity on the viewing deck.

### DAY 7: MATSUMOTO & TAKAYAMA

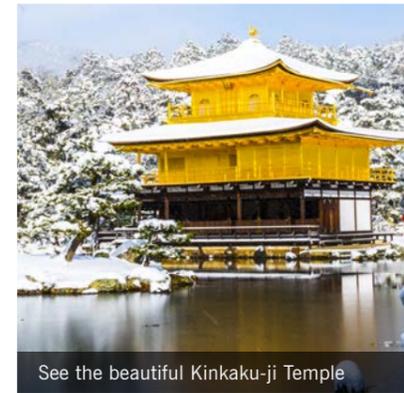
Head into the foothills of the Japanese Alps, stopping first at Matsumoto to admire its iconic black castle. Its main tower, built in the late 16th century, is the oldest surviving castle tower in Japan. Continue to Takayama, a small city nestled in the mountains of Gifu province.

### DAY 8: TAKAYAMA

Discover this charming alpine city, considered the crown jewel of Gifu province. Explore the traditional streets of the well-preserved old town and visit the excellent Festival Floats Museum before lunch. This afternoon, enjoy some free time to explore, or make use of the onsen facilities at your hotel.

### DAY 9: SHIRAKAWA-GO & KANAZAWA

Drive north to the UNESCO-listed village of Shirakawa-go, famous for its traditional wooden gassho houses. With their steep thatched roofs, often laden in snow, these farmhouses are one of the most iconic winter views in Japan. Explore the village and learn about life in this remote rural area. Continue to Kanazawa, a serene city known for its samurai history, and check in at your hotel.



See the beautiful Kinkaku-ji Temple



Visit the UNESCO-listed village of Shirakawa-go

### DAY 10: KANAZAWA TO KYOTO

Visit beautiful Kenroku-en, one of Japan's Three Great Gardens. Here, admire the yukitsuri, a technique using ropes to support the pine trees and their heavy blankets of snow. Later, stroll the Edo-period Nagamachi District and visit one of its old samurai houses. This afternoon, board the Thunderbird train to Kyoto, Japan's cultural heart.

### DAY 11: CHRISTMAS EVE IN KYOTO

Discover the highlights of Kyoto. Once the capital of Japan, this former seat of power wears its history proudly on its sleeve. Explore the city's most iconic locations, including the photogenic Golden Pavilion of Kinkaku-ji.

### DAY 12: CHRISTMAS DAY IN KYOTO

Wake to a Christmas day like no other. Spend the morning at a traditional tea house, where you can don a kimono and enjoy a tea ceremony and wagashi sweet-making experience. Later, indulge in a special Christmas lunch before an afternoon at leisure to explore Kyoto, call loved ones or simply relax until dinner.

### DAY 13: BOXING DAY IN NARA

Bid farewell to Kyoto and drive to Nara, another former capital. Visit the UNESCO-listed Todaiji Temple, and meet its sacred deer, who roam here at leisure and enjoy bowing to visitors. Stop by a traditional Japanese garden, then continue to Osaka for dinner.

### DAY 14: KOYASAN

Drive up into the mountains to admire the tranquil winter beauty of Mount Koya, the heart of Shingon Buddhism. As the year draws to a close, wander through the vast, otherworldly Okunoin Cemetery, with its centuries-old

gravestones, softly-glowing lanterns and towering cedars glittering with frost. Return to Osaka.

### DAY 15: HIMEJI CASTLE

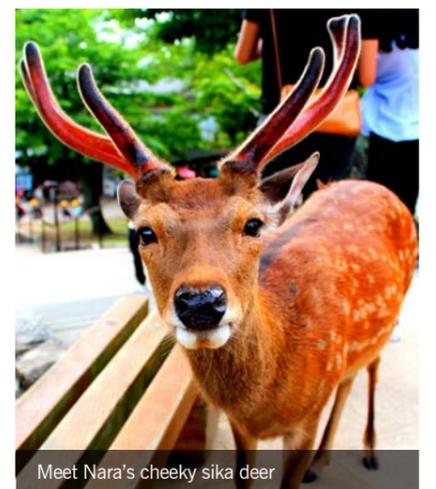
Drive to Himeji, one of Japan's most magnificent castles. Explore the majestic 17th-century keep before lunch. Drive to Kobe, where you'll visit a small sake brewery museum and a Christmas market before indulging in a farewell dinner. Try Kobe's famous Wagyu beef or an alternative vegetarian dish. Return to Osaka.

### DAY 16: FLY OSAKA TO UK

Transfer to the airport and fly to the UK, arriving home the same or the following day.



See Kenroku-en's unique winter installations



Meet Nara's cheeky sika deer

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing days of the week vary each year

### 2026 DATES

14 Dec - 29 Dec £8,690

### 2027 DATES

14 Dec - 29 Dec £8,990

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on London Heathrow departures
- Regional UK departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from £7,890 (Tokyo - Osaka)
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# CHRISTMAS IN INDIA

15 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON £4,090

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM THE UK

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Immerse yourself in Delhi
- ✓ Spot tigers in Ranthambore
- ✓ Marvel at the Taj Mahal
- ✓ Experience a religious ceremony on the Ghats
- ✓ Visit a vintage car museum
- ✓ Discover the step wells of Bundi



Admire Udaipur's City Palace

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 13 breakfasts, 12 lunches & 13 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for UK & EU passport holders



Try the art of turban tying

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Immerse yourself in the art of turban tying, delving into the intricacies of this practice, learning to drape and style a turban, an iconic symbol of Indian heritage and pride.
- ▶ Sip champagne from a rooftop offering unparalleled views of the majestic Taj Mahal. As the sun's golden hues paint the sky and cast a warm glow over this iconic monument, you'll find yourself in a place where the present and the past blend seamlessly.
- ▶ With its enchanting storytelling and artistic presentations, "Mohabbat the Taj" offers an immersive experience that beautifully commemorates the love story that gave rise to one of the world's most iconic monuments. It's a journey through time that captures the essence of love and devotion.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: ARRIVE DELHI

Fly overnight to Delhi. Depending on your time of arrival, enjoy the rest of your day at leisure.

### DAY 3: DELHI

After breakfast, start your day of sightseeing around Old and New Delhi. Travel to Khari Baoli Spice Market and enjoy a rickshaw ride before visiting Jama Masjid. Continue to Lakshmi Marayan Hindu Temple, followed by a brief photo stop at India Gate. End your day with a visit to Humayun's Tomb and the Qutab Minar.

### DAY 4: DELHI TO JAIPUR

Upon arrival in Jaipur, enjoy an enlightening visit to the Turban Museum, where you will participate in an interactive demonstration on the art of turban tying and the various styles of wearing them. As a cherished keepsake, you get to take these turbans with you.

### DAY 5: JAIPUR

Embark on a journey through Jaipur's treasures: the delicate Hawa Mahal (photo stop outside), the imposing Amber Fort, and the resplendent Hall of Victory. Immerse yourself in living traditions as you learn about block painting and witness the intricate art of carpet weaving.

### DAY 6: JAIPUR TO PUSHKAR

Begin your day by journeying to Pushkar, where you have time to wander through the vibrant local markets and marvel at the architectural beauty of the Brahma Temple. Later engage in a private religious ceremony on the Ghats of Pushkar sarovar (lake), one of the ten holiest sites in the world.

### DAY 7: PUSHKAR TO UDAIPUR

After breakfast, drive to Udaipur and check in at your hotel. Later this afternoon, you will visit the Vintage and Classic Car Museum, with its collections of some of the rarest classic and vintage cars. This museum is owned by the Royal Family of Udaipur and is located in the premises of the Garden Hotel, outside the City Palace complex. In these gardens, you will sit down to High Tea before returning to your hotel.

### DAY 8: UDAIPUR

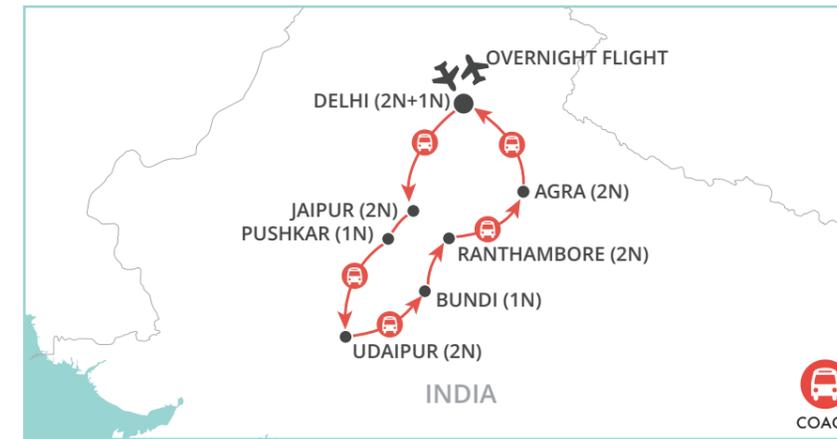
Today's adventure is a journey into the heart of Udaipur's culture. Drive around the tranquil expanse of Fateh Sagar Lake and discover the Folk Museum's indigenous heritage treasure trove. The Mewar Art Gallery offers history and modern expression captured on canvas. The highlight will be a visit to City Palace, a regal testament to the city's majestic past.

### DAY 9: UDAIPUR TO BUNDI

After breakfast you will set off for Bundi, with sightseeing stops en route. First, visit the awe-inspiring Chittor Fort, one of India's largest, which stands proudly on a hill top, commanding a panoramic view over the town of Chittorgarh.

### DAY 10: BUNDI TO RANTHAMBORE

Enjoy discovering this town with its hidden treasures, from the amazing stepwells to Taragarh Fort. There are 50 stepwells dotted throughout the town, and although most are dried up, the stunning remnants of the past are still present. Taragarh Fort is known for its size and architecture and was constructed in the 8th century atop a steep hillside offering panoramic



Be captivated by the Taj Mahal on Christmas Day

views of the city below. Arrive in Ranthambore, where you will overnight.

### DAY 11: RANTHAMBORE NATIONAL PARK

Immerse yourself in the wilderness of the park with both morning and afternoon canter safaris, offering you the exciting opportunity to encounter the local wildlife. Each safari, spanning two to three hours, will take you through rugged, unpaved tracks, providing you with opportunities to witness the animals in their natural habitat.

### DAY 12: CHRISTMAS EVE IN AGRA

Travel to Agra, with a captivating stop en route at Fatehpur Sikri. Explore its wonders, including the Tomb of Chisti and the Panchal Mahal Palace. Arrive at your hotel, where the festive ambiance will get you in the Christmas Eve spirit! There is a special option available this evening – a magical Christmas Midnight Mass at St Mary's Church. This promises to be the pinnacle of your Christmas celebrations, adding even more joy to your experience.



Visit the ghats at Pushkar

### DAY 13: CHRISTMAS DAY IN AGRA

Wake on Christmas Day and head straight to the spellbinding Taj Mahal – what a wonderful way to start such a special day. Enjoy some time to explore this magnificent monument at your leisure. Next, visit Agra Fort, a majestic red sandstone fortress built by Emperor Akbar in the 16th century and now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. After enjoying a Christmas lunch feast filled with lots of entertainment and celebrations, you will be taken to a rooftop restaurant to sip on a glass of chilled champagne as you watch the pinks, yellows and reds of the sun set shift across the marbled surface of the Taj Mahal. To conclude this magical Christmas Day, enjoy a live musical drama – Mohabbat the Taj – a show depicting the romantic love story of Emperor Shahjahan and his beloved wife, Mumtaz Mahal. This is a true Bollywood experience.

### DAY 14: DRIVE TO DELHI

Drive to Delhi, where you will check in to your hotel. You have the day at leisure to explore or pick up some last-minute shopping before your farewell dinner tonight.

### DAY 15: FLY DELHI TO UK

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight home.

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## CHRISTMAS IN INDIA

CLASSIC INDIA



PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Enjoy a festive season like no other. From the classic sites of India's Golden Triangle to discovering magical Udaipur and participating in Christmas Eve and Christmas Day festivities, this itinerary is packed with unforgettable moments.



Spot tigers in Ranthambore National Park

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing days of the week vary

### 2026 DATES

13 Dec - 27 Dec £4,090

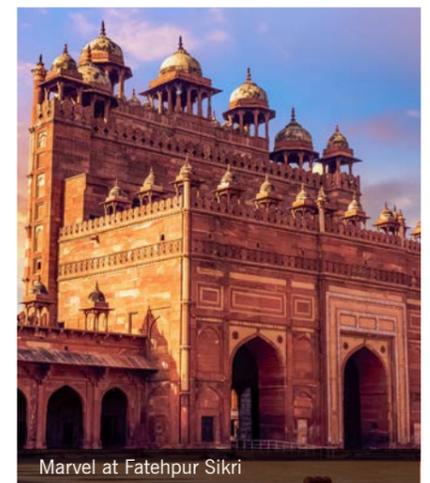
### 2027 DATES

13 Dec - 27 Dec £4,090

### Flight and supplement information

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- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from £3,290 (Delhi - Delhi)
- Single room from £810
- Tipping paid locally US\$90

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Marvel at Fatehpur Sikri

# CHRISTMAS BEYOND THE BRAHMAPUTRA

18 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON **£6,990**

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM THE UK

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Stay at the The Elgin Nor-Khill, Gangtok
- ✓ Explore the sights of Kolkata
- ✓ Sail the Brahmaputra in a luxury riverboat on a seven-night cruise
- ✓ Safari in Kaziranga National Park



Discover Darjeeling beneath the snowy peaks of Kanchenjunga

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 16 breakfasts, 15 lunches & 16 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for UK passport holders



Explore Darjeeling's Christmas markets

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Wander among the stalls of Darjeeling's vibrant Christmas markets, browsing stalls selling a range of handicrafts, winter clothes and local products, searching out unique souvenirs under the twinkling lights of the hill station's colourful Christmas decorations.
- ▶ Enjoy a unique and spectacular Boxing Day, rising before the dawn to watch the first rays of the sun appear over the Himalayas and turn the snowcapped peak of the world's third tallest mountain, Kanchenjunga, flaming red.
- ▶ See in the new year floating on the tranquil waters of the Brahmaputra, enjoying a special celebratory dinner in the convivial atmosphere of your ship's dining room before raising a toast as the clock strikes midnight.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY TO KOLKATA

Fly overnight to Kolkata, a vibrant city in the far east of India. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture.

### DAY 3: EXPLORE KOLKATA

The capital of West Bengal and widely considered India's cultural capital, Kolkata is a place of fascinating contrasts, something that you will discover on today's tour of the city. See landmark sights like Birla Planetarium, Belur Math, Dakineshwar Kali Temple and the spectacular white marble edifice of the Victoria Memorial before, this evening, taking a walking tour to Park Street, the famous thoroughfare in Kolkata's downtown area.

### DAY 4: BRITISH KOLKATA

The capital of the British Raj between 1858 and 1911, Kolkata is home to a series of colonial sights which you will visit on this morning walking tour, including the stately Dalhousie Square. This afternoon, you'll pay a visit to Mother House, a quiet convent that was home to Mother Teresa and still houses her missionary sisters today. Visit her tomb and a small museum dedicated to her life and work.

### DAY 5: TRAVEL TO GANGTOK

Transfer to the airport and fly to Bagdogra. On arrival, drive to Gangtok, winding through the incredible landscapes of Sikkim, with towering Himalayan peaks as your backdrop. Check in to the Elgin Nor-Khill Resort, a heritage retreat blending colonial charm with warm Sikkimese hospitality. Then, soak up the festive spirit as you explore MG Marg, Gangtok's main street, which glows with the Christmas lights of a charming Christmas market.

### DAY 6: CHRISTMAS EVE - EXPLORE GANGTOK

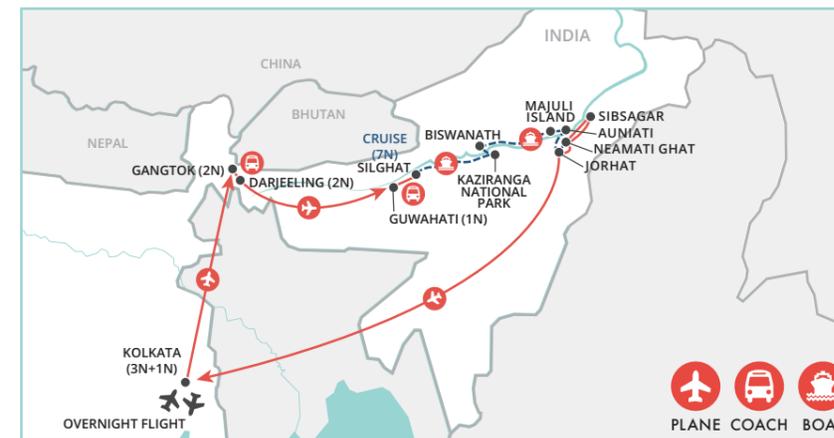
Sikkim's bustling state capital, Gangtok sits on the side of a hill overlooking the valleys and peaks of the Himalayan foothills. This Christmas Eve, you will explore it, visiting the 18th-century Rumtek, the region's most spiritually significant monastery, Enchey Monastery with its colourful prayer hall, the Tashi Viewpoint, where you'll get spectacular views of Mount Kanchenjunga and more. You'll also fly your way up the cable ropeway for panoramic views of the city and its surroundings. This evening, enjoy a special Christmas Eve dinner at the Elgin Nor-Khill Resort, soaking in the festive atmosphere of the hotel.

### DAY 7: CHRISTMAS DAY - DARJEELING

Merry Christmas! Celebrate Christmas Day surrounded by the breathtaking beauty of the Himalayas as you journey through the foothills towards the charming hill station of Darjeeling, passing sweeping tea plantations along the way. Stop at Ravangla Buddha Park to admire the towering 40-metre copper Buddha framed by snow-dusted peaks. This evening, soak up the festive cheer as you explore Darjeeling's Christmas markets, aglow with lights, music and seasonal treats.

### DAY 8: KANCHENJUNGA SUN RISE

Rise before dawn and head up to Tiger Hill to witness the winter sun rise over the snow-capped peaks of Kanchenjunga, the world's third highest mountain at 8,586 metres (weather permitting). Enjoy a relaxed morning before an afternoon ride on the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway's charming 'toy train' to Ghoom. Visit Ghoom Monastery, then return



Explore Majuli Island



Spot the endangered one-horned rhino in the wilds of Kaziranga

to Darjeeling to explore the Padmaja Naidu Zoological Park, Himalayan Mountaineering Institute and Tibetan Refugee Centre. The rest of the evening is free to relax and soak up the cool mountain air.

### DAY 9: FLY TO GUWAHATI

Transfer back to Bagdogra airport and fly to Guwahati. The rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 10: BOARD YOUR CRUISE

Transfer to Silghat, a port on the Brahmaputra River, where you'll board your river cruise vessel. With a spa, saloon, and spacious sun deck along with cool and roomy cabins with floor-to-ceiling sliding windows for optimum views, there is no better to explore the rich riverbanks of the mighty Brahmaputra. Cast off and begin your upstream cruise, enjoying lunch and dinner onboard.

### DAY 11: KAZIRANGA SAFARI

This morning, disembark from the ship and take a jeep safari into the central range of the Kaziranga National Park. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, Kaziranga is best known for its population of Indian one-horned rhinoceros and is a designated tiger reserve. Alongside these two magnificent creatures, Kaziranga is also home to elephants, sloth bears, pangolin, water buffalo, swamp deer and a number of species of primate, among much more, and is an important habitat for birds. Enjoy a riverside lunch at Diphlu River Lodge before hopping back into jeeps to explore the park's western reaches, where there is more wonderful wildlife to spot.

### DAY 12: TEA ESTATE

Spend the morning on a tea experience on a picturesque Assam tea estate. Here you'll

learn all about the production process, from plucking the leaves to brewing a cup. Back on the boat, cruise upstream, passing through more of Kaziranga National Park's spectacular wilderness, spotting wildlife on the banks of the river as you go. Drop anchor near Biswanath village.

### DAY 13: NEW YEAR'S EVE - WILDLIFE SPOTTING

Begin New Year's Eve by journeying into the village, where there is a rich, cultural heritage to explore. Biswanath's ghat is home to a cluster of temples dedicated to various gods, including an Ahom-era Shiva temple – discover these and stroll through the town, soaking up its beautiful riverside and rural surroundings. Continue cruising through Kaziranga National Park, keeping an eye out for wild elephants. Later, relax on the ship's sun deck – with luck, you might catch a glimpse of the endangered Ganges River dolphins. This evening, you'll be served a celebratory dinner with a cheers at midnight – what a way to see out the old year and see in the new one!

### DAY 14: DAY OF CRUISING

Happy New Year! Today you'll be able to sit back, relax and watch the river landscapes drift by as you cruise upstream. There will be one stop at a rural riverside village where a walking tour is a great way to stretch your legs.

### DAY 15: MAJULI ISLAND

Explore one of the world's largest river islands, Majuli, which is a fascinating microcosm of local culture. Visit two of the island's tranquil satras (monasteries) that have been essential in preserving Assamese art and culture and

CLASSIC  
INDIA



PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Celebrate Christmas in the spectacular mountain-backed landscapes of Darjeeling and Gangtok before setting sail on the sacred Brahmaputra River. Explore the nature, culture and unique heritage that lives on its river banks, seeing in the New Year onboard, in style.

## PRICES AND DEPARTURES

2026 DATES ABN Sukapha

19 Dec - 05 Jan **£6,990**

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on London Heathrow departures
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- Flight upgrades available on request
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enjoy a traditional dance performance. Cruise farther upstream to Salmara Ghat, visiting a nearby village that is known for its traditional handicrafts, to see the artisans at work.

### DAY 16: VISIT SIBSAGAR

Transfer by car to Sibsagar. Once the capital of the Ahom kings, explore the remnants of a fascinating culture with visits to old temples and examples of innovative engineering. Return to the ship and cruise back to Neamati Ghat for your final night onboard the ship and a farewell dinner.

### DAY 17: RETURN TO KOLKATA

Bid farewell to your river cruise ship and transfer to Jorhat airport for your flight back to Kolkata. The rest of the day is at leisure.

### DAY 18: FLY KOLKATA TO UK

Fly home to the UK, arriving the same or the following day.

# CHRISTMAS IN SRI LANKA

17 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON **£5,490**

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ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Climb Sigiriya Rock Fortress
- ✓ Explore Medieval Polonnaruwa
- ✓ Discover Udawattakele Rainforest
- ✓ Take a street food tour
- ✓ Try your hand at curd making
- ✓ Enjoy a canoe ride



Spot elephants in Yala National Park

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 15 breakfasts, 14 lunches & 15 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4-star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees
- Visa fees for UK & EU passport holders



Discover authentic Sri Lankan cuisine

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Experience daily life in a Sri Lankan village. Begin with a serene catamaran ride across the lake, followed by a tuk-tuk ride to a village household to engage with the family members and discover the art of cooking an authentic Sri Lankan meal.
- ▶ An Udawattakele trek leads you through a lush rainforest teeming with biodiversity. Within its embrace thrives a diverse avian population, making it a haven for bird enthusiasts to see Layard's parakeet, gold-fronted and blue-winged leafbirds.
- ▶ Buffalo curd is famous throughout the island, and learning about its fascinating production process, from udder to table, leaves you with an understanding of the intricacies of dairy farming.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: ARRIVE COLOMBO

Fly overnight to Colombo. Depending on your time of arrival, enjoy the rest of your day at leisure.

### DAY 3: SIGIRIYA ROCK FORTRESS

After breakfast, you will travel to Dambulla, visiting Sigiriya rock fortress late this afternoon. This impressive landmark is regarded as the world's eighth Wonders amongst the locals. Enjoy magnificent views, colourful frescos and beautiful gardens when you reach the top.

### DAY 4: POLONNARUWA

Today you will visit Hiriwaduna, where you will be immersed into the life of locals. Experience a catamaran ride on the lake, enjoy a tuk-tuk ride to a local home and learn how to prepare an authentic dish. Next, visit Polonnaruwa, an ancient capital and UNESCO World Heritage site, full of well-preserved stupas, statues and frescoes.

### DAY 5: ANURADHAPURA

Set off for Anuradhapura, exploring this magnificent ancient city on foot. Visit the massive Buddhist shrines, splendid palaces, parks and pavilions of this sacred city, dating back to the 5th century BC.

### DAY 6: DAMBULLA

This morning visit the fascinating Dambulla Cave Temple, the country's largest and best preserved cave temple. Visit the fragrant spice garden in Matale and arrive in Kandy to view the sacred Temple of the Tooth Relic followed by an amazing cultural dance show.

### DAY 7: KANDY

Embark on a boat ride around the lake offering you breathtaking views of a picturesque city. Later, trek through a long-protected tract of rainforest teeming with a variety of species, including beautiful birds like Layard's parakeet and the oriental dwarf kingfisher.

### DAY 8: CHRISTMAS EVE - NUWARA ELIYA

Board a train to Nuwara Eliya, travelling on what is considered one of the most picturesque rail journeys in the world, passing through a landscape of lush tea plantations and quaint towns. This afternoon, have high tea in the beautiful gardens of the Grand Hotel, before enjoying Christmas Eve festivities and dinner.

### DAY 9: CHRISTMAS DAY - NUWARA ELIYA

Merry Christmas! Start the day with a visit to a tea plantation, dressed in handmade, traditional silk sarees as you mingle with the locals. Return to the hotel for a scrumptious Christmas lunch and plenty more celebrations.



Admire the beautiful tea plantations



Explore Sigiriya Rock Fortress



Travel to Nuwara Eliya by train

### DAY 10: UDAWALAWE

After breakfast, proceed to Yala, with a stop at Udawalawe Elephant Transit Home, before a lesson in how to make curd. An essential item in every Sri Lankan pantry, the process of making buffalo curd is a challenging, but fun task. Attempt to milk a buffalo, taste the fresh milk then beginning the curdling process. You'll end up with a fresh pot of curd sweetened with treacle.

### DAY 11: YALA NATIONAL PARK

In the early morning and late afternoon, you will head off on a jeep safari through Yala National Park. As you embark on a wilderness adventure through Yala's picturesque landscapes, you'll have the chance to encounter not only leopards but also elephants, sloth bears, crocodiles, and a rich variety of bird species.

### DAY 12: HIKKADUWA

Heading towards Hikkaduwa, visit a cinnamon plantation. Learn all there is to know about the uses and benefits of cinnamon before enjoying the breathtaking views and the chance to try your hand with the tools of the trade in an ambulama, once used as a resting place for travellers.

### DAY 13: GALLE FORT

After breakfast, you will be visiting Galle Fort, set on the peninsula within the walled remains of a fortress. Walk to the lighthouse on its perimeter and visit the Old Dutch Church with its tombstone-covered floor before a stroll along the rampart.

### DAY 14: KOSGODA TURTLE SANCTUARY

A visit to the Kosgoda Turtle Hatchery is a must. Witness the exceptional sight of the eggs hatching or the turtles being returned to the sea, moving towards the water as they flap their tiny flippers.

### DAY 15: TRAVEL TO COLOMBO

After breakfast, return to Colombo for a tour of this amazing city. Enjoy New Year's Eve celebrations with a dinner at the hotel.

### DAY 16: COLOMBO

Spend the start of your New Year wandering through Colombo's markets, strolling along the promenade, or simply relaxing in a café. Enjoy the day at your own pace, taking in the sights and sounds of the city.

### DAY 17: FLY COLOMBO TO UK

Before your flight, you can explore the vibrant city of Colombo further at your leisure. Later, transfer to the airport to board your onward flight home.

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CLASSIC  
SRI LANKA



PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Spend Christmas in Sri Lanka's gorgeous tea country, at Nuwara Eliya, as you pluck tea leaves in traditional dress, enjoy High Tea in beautiful surroundings and participate in the celebrations and festivities of the day.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing days of the week vary

### 2026 DATES

17 Dec - 02 Jan **£5,490**

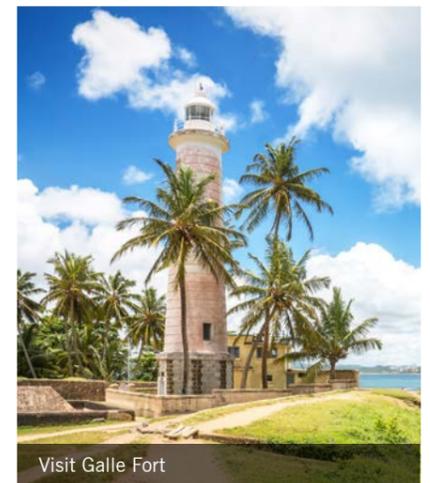
### 2027 DATES

17 Dec - 02 Jan **£5,790**

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on London Heathrow departures
- Regional UK departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from £4,490 (Colombo - Colombo)
- Single room from £1,390
- Tipping paid locally US\$150

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Visit Galle Fort

# CHRISTMAS IN SOUTH AFRICA

16 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON **£6,990**

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM THE UK

MOST MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Ride the Graskop Gorge Lift
- ✓ Seek the Big Five in Kruger
- ✓ Explore charming Knysna
- ✓ See penguins at Boulders Beach
- ✓ Enjoy Christmas in the Winelands



Discover the blend of culture, history and natural beauty in Cape Town

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 13 breakfasts (B), 11 lunches (L), 10 dinners (D)
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Visit Featherbed Nature Reserve

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ Glide across the Knysna Lagoon by ferry to the Featherbed Nature Reserve. Ride to the reserve's summit for sweeping views, then follow a guided trail down through coastal forest and fynbos to the water's edge. Enjoy an outdoor lunch before returning.
- ▶ In Oudtshoorn, known as the 'Ostrich Capital of the World', enjoy a guided tour of an ostrich farm, where you can meet some of the beautiful resident birds. Take part in a feeding session and learn more about the birds themselves and the historical significance of ostrich feathers.
- ▶ Spend Christmas Eve night on a culinary adventure, immersed in all things Africa. You'll dine on an epic 14-course dinner safari, tasting flavours from across the continent and hearing stories about its origins.

## ITINERARY

### DAYS 1-2: FLY TO JOHANNESBURG

Fly overnight to vibrant Johannesburg, South Africa's largest city. In recent years, Johannesburg has enjoyed a rapid rise to become the cultural capital, packed with diverse style, art, music, and gastronomy that is representative of the country as a whole. On arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel, where the rest of the day is yours to relax and start exploring your surroundings. (D)

### DAY 3: TAKE THE PANORAMA ROUTE

Spend some time at the inspiring Apartheid Museum, learning more about South Africa's struggle for freedom, human rights, and equality. Then, depart the city to travel along the Mpumalanga Panorama Route.

A breathtaking region of majestic nature, you'll pass mountains, waterfalls and canyons, every view more spectacular than the next. (B,L,D)

### DAY 4: GOD'S WINDOW

Spend the day surrounded by the wonders of the Panorama Route! Ride the Graskop Gorge Lift for mesmerising views over the forest canopy and peek through God's Window for one of South Africa's most glorious views. Then it's on to the Bourke's Luck Potholes to admire the swirling river pools and unique rock formations, and the Three Rondavels of the magnificent Blyde River Canyon. The day ends at your final destination, the wilds of Greater Kruger where there is time for a dusk safari before settling in to your private game lodge. (B,L,D)

### DAYS 5-6: THE GREATER KRUGER

The next two days will be filled with wonderful wildlife, as you embark on game drives

through the wilderness accompanied by a ranger and tracker, on the look out for The Big Five, and so much more. Your Kruger experience includes a dinner served around a blazing fire under the stars in the traditional boma, followed by an African drumming class, where you'll master the timeless beats of a rich culture and hear stories, songs and folklore through the universal language of rhythm and dance. (B,L,D)

### DAY 7: FLY TO GQEBERHA

Travel back to Johannesburg and fly down to the Eastern Cape, to the coastal city of Gqeberha, formerly known as Port Elizabeth. On arrival, transfer to your hotel in time for dinner. (B,L,D)

### DAY 8: ON THE GARDEN ROUTE

Begin your drive along the Garden Route, a 200-kilometre stretch of road that runs along the gorgeous coastline of the Eastern and Western Cape. Today you'll stop at the Oudebosch Protea Farm to learn about South Africa's national flower, then revel in the celebrated coast-meets-forest scenery of Tsitsikamma National Park. The charming town of Knysna, called 'the jewel of the Garden Route' waits at the end of the journey, renowned for its lagoon, the scenic Knysna Heads and its lively waterfront. (B,L,D)

### DAY 9: EXPLORE KNYSNA

Today will be spent enjoying the Featherbed Eco Experience, an adventure through an unspoiled nature reserve. It begins with a scenic ferry trip across the lagoon, followed by a guided tractor ride to the top of the western Knysna Head, part of the Featherbed



Visit the renowned Cape Winelands



Discover the wonderful wildlife of Kruger

Reserve, for panoramic views. There'll be a nature walk through the coastal forests to learn more about the region's unique flora and fauna, finishing off with a delicious lunch in a scenic spot. This afternoon continue inland to Oudtshoorn. (B,L,D)

### DAY 10: TRAVEL TO CAPE TOWN

This morning you will stop at the fascinating Cango Caves for a walk through the magnificent underground chambers, and then a visit to an Ostrich Farm. Embark on a tractor tour to meet the resident birds before sitting down to lunch, where there is an option to try ostrich meat. Passing through plenty of breathtaking scenery, you'll arrive in Cape Town in the late afternoon. (B,L)

### DAY 11: DISCOVER CAPE TOWN

Spend today exploring one of the world's most spectacularly set cities, delving into its rich history and vibrant culture. Drive past the Castle of Good Hope, Company Gardens and Houses of Parliament before ascending the iconic Table Mountain (weather permitting) via the cableway. Lunch will be in Cape Town's most colourful neighbourhood, Bo-Kaap, where you will get to eat some delicious Cape cuisine. Learn all about the delicious fusion flavours of the city with a cooking demonstration. (B,L)

### DAY 12: EXPLORE THE CAPE

What better way to spend Christmas Eve than an adventure to the Cape Peninsula. Take a cruise to watch playful seals in their natural habitat and enjoy the breathtaking views over the wild Atlantic along Chapman's Peak. Savour the rugged beauty of Cape Point,

where the Indian and Atlantic oceans meet, visiting Cape Point Lighthouse. End the day at Boulders Beach where you can watch the resident colony of African penguins going about their days in the most charming of ways. Celebrate tonight with an unforgettable dinner at Gold Restaurant, with an immersive and authentic African experience. (B,L,D)

### DAY 13: CHRISTMAS IN THE WINELANDS

Merry Christmas! This year your Christmas Day will be filled with sunshine, gorgeous scenery and, of course, great wine as you spend the day in the renowned Cape Winelands, a region that is an absolute feast for the senses. Drive through the town of Stellenbosch and enjoy a wine tasting at one of the popular wine estates. Stop for a delectable lunch at the Rickety Bridge Estate, where you can enjoy the picturesque views over the vineyards to the mountains beyond as you eat. You'll return to Cape Town full of the Christmas spirit! (B,L)

### DAY 14: CAPE TOWN AT LEISURE

Spend the day exploring – perhaps visit the Two Oceans Aquarium, pop into shops as you stroll the V&A Waterfront, or ride the Cape Wheel. There are endless options to keep you busy in this wonderful city. (B,D)

### DAYS 15-16: DEPART CAPE TOWN

Transfer to the airport for your flight back to the UK arriving the next day. (B)

## CHRISTMAS IN SOUTH AFRICA

GO BEYOND SOUTH AFRICA

PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Enjoy many of the classic Christmas traditions in the height of summer, on this festive adventure through the highlights of South Africa. From the wilds of Kruger to celebrating the season in Cape Town, discover how to do Christmas the South African way.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departing days of the week vary

### 2026 DATES

13 Dec - 28 Dec **£6,990**

### 2027 DATES

13 Dec - 28 Dec **£7,690**

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on London Heathrow departures
- Regional UK departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from £5,990 (Johannesburg - Cape Town)
- Single room from £1,370
- Tipping paid locally US\$180

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\*The Apartheid Museum is closed on a Monday & Tuesday. It will then be replaced with Constitution Hill.

## EXTEND YOUR STAY...



### VICTORIA FALLS SHORT STAY

4 days from £1,320pp

### UMHLANGA BEACH SHORT STAY

6 days from £660pp

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NEW

# CHRISTMAS IN MOROCCO

14 DAYS FROM

PER PERSON **£4,590**

FLIGHT INCLUSIVE FROM THE UK

ALL MEALS

## TOUR TICKLIST

- ✓ Discover the delights of Chefchaouen
- ✓ Experience Fez's famous tanneries
- ✓ Wander Marrakech's Majorelle Gardens
- ✓ Meet Berbers in the High Atlas
- ✓ Venture into the Agafay Desert



Stroll through the Medina of Marrakech

## PRICE INCLUDES

- 13 breakfasts, 12 lunches, 13 dinners
- International flights and current taxes
- Domestic transportation
- 4 star accommodation
- Touring with guides and entrance fees



Explore Chefchaouen

## ▶ AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES

- ▶ In an atmospheric riad in the 'blue city' of Chefchaouen, sit down to dinner followed by an atmospheric recital of Hadra, devotional music that features chanting and invocations, led by female performers.
- ▶ Full of fragrant spices and delicious flavours, cooking Moroccan cuisine is a wonderful challenge! Guided by a chef, visit a market to select fresh produce then, on the roof of Fez's beautiful Palais Amani, learn how to prepare traditional dishes that you'll get to enjoy for lunch.
- ▶ Travel by 4x4 up into the spectacular setting of the High Atlas Mountains. Long a stronghold of the Berber people, it is the perfect place to experience their rich culture and traditions, which you'll do with a tea ceremony and lunch in a Berber home.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: FLY TO CASABLANCA

Arrive in Casablanca and transfer to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival the rest of the day is yours to start soaking up the local culture, perhaps catching a refreshing Atlantic breeze with a stroll along the city's vibrant Corniche.

### DAY 2: EXPLORE RABAT

Travel to Rabat, Morocco's stately capital. Enjoy a cultural city tour, beginning at the evocative Hassan Tower before viewing the juxtaposition of traditional and modern at the mausoleum of Mohammed V. Visit a female-run weaving cooperative in the old medina, and learn how they preserve ancestral techniques and empower women. Explore the medina further before a tea and pastry break in a beautiful riad while listening to a local expert speak on Moroccan traditions, hospitality and women's roles.

### DAY 3: TANGIER BY TRAIN

Transfer to the station and board the sleek and swift Al Boraq, Morocco's high-speed train, bound for the port city of Tangier. Begin exploring the unique blend of cultures and influences visiting Cap Spartel, Hercules Caves and the atmospheric kasbah. Stop for a mint tea at the iconic, clifftop Café Hafa, looking across the Strait of Gibraltar, before a wander through the colonial-era Marshan district.

### DAY 4: TRAVEL TO CHEFCHAOUEN

Perched high among the peaks of The Rif, the mountain village of Chefchaouen is famous for its blue-washed buildings. Discover the cobblestone medina, visit the historic Outta Hammam and the picturesque Ras El Ma.

Dinner this evening will be in a riad followed by a Hadra Chawnia performance, a sacred Sufi ceremony of spiritual music.

### DAY 5: CHEFCHAOUEN AT LEISURE

Today you will take part in an indigo dyeing workshop, learning how natural dyes have coloured the city's walls for centuries, using traditional techniques. Spend the afternoon discovering the city on your own.

### DAY 6: JOURNEY TO FEZ

Set off for Fez stopping at Volubilis, Morocco's oldest Roman site and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Here, you can admire ancient mosaics that have been preserved in situ, and stroll the streets while listening to tales told by a local historian. Continue to Fez, where you can venture out to start soaking up the city's vibrant atmosphere.



Wander the Majorelle Gardens



Explore Fez's famous tanneries



Venture into the High Atlas

### DAY 7: EXPLORE FEZ

Founded in the 9th century, Fez has long been a centre of culture and learning. Today is packed full of its plentiful sights; visit the artisans of the Chouara Tanneries and watch craftsmen at work using centuries-old methods, then explore the UNESCO-listed old medina, where you'll see renowned madrasas – theological colleges – intricately decorated mosques and bustling souks.

### DAY 8: CULINARY FEZ

This morning will be dedicated to a cooking class that takes place on the scenic rooftop of a palace. Visit a local market to select your ingredients then prepare traditional Moroccan dishes, guided by a chef, for lunch. This afternoon, visit a pottery atelier for a hands-on workshop, enjoying a cup of tea with the artists and trying the wheel for yourself.

### DAY 9: MAGICAL MARRAKECH

It's Christmas Eve! Travel to Marrakech, a place of great colour, energy and creativity. This evening, sip a drink on a rooftop overlooking the bustle of the city, before sitting down to a special Christmas Eve dinner accompanied by traditional Moroccan music, in a warm and elegant atmosphere.

### DAY 10: CHRISTMAS IN MARRAKECH

Merry Christmas! Get swept up into Marrakech's fast-paced bustle as you spend the day discovering its rich history and colourful culture. Start with a walking tour through the medina, followed by Christmas lunch in a Riad. Then, wander the Majorelle Gardens, a psychedelic vision of cobalt blue and 300 species of plants, and learn about its

creator Jacques Majorelle and its connection to Yves Saint Laurent. Celebrate Christmas with a festive dinner at a 16th-century former sugar factory restored into an opulent palace, reminiscent of Arabian Nights.

### DAY 11: INTO THE ATLAS MOUNTAINS

Hop in a 4x4 and travel into the High Atlas Mountains to spend a day surrounded by spectacular scenery. Invited into the home of a Berber family, learn all about their rural lifestyle, take part in a tea ceremony and enjoy a traditional lunch. Continue to a mountain village and get involved in a Berber bread making session before wandering through the whimsical botanical space that is Anima Garden. Return to Marrakech.

### DAY 12: DESERT ADVENTURE

Enjoy a morning at leisure before a delicious lunch among the enchanting gardens of the Beldi Country Club. Then, head into the Agafay Desert, exploring among its dramatic rocky expanse. As the sun sets and twilight falls, sip on a sundowner in an atmosphere set by Gnawa music. There'll be a traditional local barbeque dinner to tuck into, under the glorious desert night sky.

### DAY 13: BACK TO CASABLANCA

Return to Casablanca by road, where you'll have a leisurely final day. Take a guided tour of the striking Hassan II Mosque with its towering minaret. After an afternoon at leisure, your farewell dinner will be at Rick's Café, inspired by the fictional saloon in the 1942 film *Casablanca*.

### DAY 14: FLY CASABLANCA TO UK

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

CHRISTMAS IN MOROCCO

CLASSIC MOROCCO



PHYSICAL RATING



## IS THIS TOUR FOR YOU?

Celebrate Christmas with this culturally rich winter escape, embarking on an evocative adventure, packed with authentic experiences and breathtaking sights, through the deserts, mountains and age-old medinas of Morocco.

## PRICES & DEPARTURES

Departure days of the week vary

### 2026 DATES

16 Dec - 29 Dec **£4,590**

### 2027 DATES

16 Dec - 29 Dec **£4,990**

### Flight and supplement information

- Based on London Heathrow departures
- Regional UK departures available
- Flight upgrades available on request
- Land only from £4,290 (Casablanca - Casablanca)
- Single room from £1,030
- Tipping paid locally US\$150

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## EXTEND YOUR STAY...



### TAGHAZOUT BEACH SHORT STAY

4 days from £1,360pp

### ATLAS MOUNTAINS SHORT STAY

3 days from £630pp

Visit our website to learn more about all of our extensions and stopovers.

# Your questions answered

A selection of our most frequently asked questions.

## BEFORE YOU TRAVEL

### Q. How soon after making our booking will we receive confirmation?

**A.** Once we have received your deposit payment, we will send you a confirmation invoice within 24 hours.

### Q. Where can I find more information about a tour?

**A.** It's essential that you read the tour's Detailed Itinerary before booking. You can view it at [wendywutours.co.uk](http://wendywutours.co.uk) or request a copy from us. These concise trip notes outline key considerations such as walking durations, travel times, and accommodation standards. Two weeks before departure, you'll receive your final documents, including a day-by-day itinerary, travel guide, and phrasebook.

### Q. Will I know which hotels I will be staying at?

**A.** You can be safe in the knowledge that your accommodation has been selected to best suit the locations you'll visit. Our group tours feature hand-picked four-star properties selected for their comfort, modern amenities and convenient location for sightseeing. We occasionally include a stay in three-star plus hotels or lodges where we feel the character of the property will enhance your tour, or to allow access to a more unique and memorable location. A sample hotel list can be found on each tour page on our website and the final list will be confirmed with your final documents.

### Q. How do I get my visa?

**A.** Wendy Wu Tours includes visa fees on all group tours for UK and Irish passport holders. When you make your booking, we will advise you on the latest visa requirements. Our operations team will get in touch with you nearer the time of your departure with the required documents.

### Q. Do I need travel insurance?

**A.** Your protection and safety are our main priority. That's why having adequate travel insurance is a condition of booking with us for all the destinations you plan to travel to.

### Q. Do you run guaranteed departures?

**A.** Group tours are guaranteed to run subject to a minimum of 10 passengers. A National Escort will accompany each group of 10 or more, along with a local guide in each city. We will endeavour to run groups of a smaller size with local guides only if viable to do so.

### Q. What size are your tour groups?

**A.** The group size on our Classic tours is on average around 20 passengers, with a maximum group size of 28. On our Go Beyond tours and dedicated Solo Departures, the average group size is around 14 and the maximum is 18. You may meet other tour groups travelling concurrently. On our Classic tours, we operate a seat-and-a-half policy when travelling by coach, allowing you travel in greater comfort.

### Q. As a single traveller, will I have to pay a single supplement?

**A.** We offer several options for single travellers joining our tours. The first is to book onto one of our Solo Departures, which are reserved exclusively for solo travellers and have single occupancy of a double room built into the tour price (plus free access to an airport lounge and a welcome cocktail on arrival) or, if you prefer, you can pay the single room supplement on a regular departure and have a private room reserved for you. Another possibility is to choose our 'Happy to Share' option where, if we can find you a share partner of the same gender, your single supplement will be removed from your booking. We regret that 'Happy to Share' requests cannot be accepted within 75 days of departure.

### Q. What is the maximum luggage allowance on your tours?

**A.** If your tour includes domestic flights or train journeys, your main suitcase or backpack must not exceed 20kg, with a 5kg limit for hand luggage, in line with local transport regulations. If your tour does not involve domestic flights or trains, your baggage allowance will follow your international airline's policy, though we recommend packing only what you can comfortably carry.

### Q. What vaccinations do I need?

**A.** Vaccination requirements often change, therefore for up to date information please refer to [www.fitfortravel.nhs.uk](http://www.fitfortravel.nhs.uk) and always seek your doctor's advice.

### Q. What currency should I take with me?

**A.** We recommend you take the local currency along with a credit/debit card. We do not recommend travellers cheques. Please ensure you have sufficient funds to pay for personal expenses such as drinks, snacks, souvenirs, additional tipping and optional extras. Tipping is usually in local currency on most of our tours, you will find this information in your documentation.



### Q. How fit do I need to be?

**A.** Our group tours are graded on each page with a Physical Rating to reflect the level of fitness required. The specific reasons for a particular grading for each tour are clearly described in the Detailed Itinerary which you can find on our website. Please contact us if you require any advice. Our range of Private tours is more flexible and may better cater for individual needs.

### Q. Can special requests be arranged?

**A.** If you have any special requests such as dietary requirements, or if you wish to celebrate an event, please notify us at the time of booking and we will do everything possible to ensure your requests are met. Please note that special requests cannot be guaranteed.

### Q. What does escorted touring mean?

**A.** Every group tour which has 10 or more passengers travelling will be accompanied by a National Escort from when you arrive to when you depart. On multi-country tours, different National Escorts are used in each country. In the unlikely event that you are in a group of less than 10, local guides will accompany you at each location. Private tours and Short Stays / Stopovers are not accompanied by a National Escort; however, you will have the benefit of our knowledgeable local guides in each location. Transfers and flights to and from optional extension destinations are not escorted.

### Q. Do you allow children on your tours?

**A.** We allow children 12 years and over on our group tours. Alternatively, our Private Tours, Extensions and Tailormade Holidays are suitable for any age group.

## WHILE ON TOUR

### Q. What sort of transport do you use?

**Air:** Internal flights are based on economy class, with reputable local airlines.

**Road:** Coaches with air conditioning are used on our group tours for city sightseeing, short excursions to the countryside and longer transfers where necessary. On our private tours, we use air-conditioned vehicles suitable for the size of the party.

**River:** Ships or boat are used on tours which have a cruising element. These may be larger ships for a multi-day cruise, or smaller ones for short excursions. To undertake these excursions, you will need to be capable of boarding and disembarking from these boats, sometimes without assistance and/or handrails.

**Rail:** Trains are often used on tour. Where bullet trains are used, second-class seats are included unless stated otherwise. All trains have a western-style toilet onboard and are generally clean; however you cannot always expect western standards.

### Q. Are meals included?

**A.** All meals (excluding beverages) are included on our Classic tours, starting with dinner on your arrival day and ending with breakfast on your departure day. For Go Beyond, included meals are detailed in the itinerary. Any additional meals will be at your own expense, and no refund will be provided for missed meals.

You'll enjoy a variety of local dishes, with occasional Western options, typically served at local restaurants. In more remote areas, meals may be simpler and choices more limited.

### Q. Is tap water safe to drink?

**A.** Please check the advice for your specific destination, but if in doubt, we recommend that you drink bottled water only.

### Q. Are there any optional excursions?

**A.** Our tours are designed to be full days, packed with must-see sights and unforgettable experiences. Occasionally, when time allows, your National Escort may offer optional extras such as evening shows for those looking to add a little more excitement to their day. These experiences are available at an additional cost, and are payable in cash to your guide on the day.

Onboard a Yangtze River cruise, a daily shore excursion is included, with an optional additional excursion available locally, subject to river conditions.

### Q. Are there shopping opportunities on your tours?

**A.** There may be an array of shopping opportunities for those who love to seek out a bargain. We encourage all passengers to enjoy their local shopping expeditions but to take care and be wise when purchasing.

### Q. What is the average age on your group tours?

**A.** The average age range is 40-65. Younger and older passengers travel with us too.

### Q. Will I be travelling with passengers from other countries?

**A.** Our groups are made up of travellers from the UK, Ireland, Australia and New Zealand. Occasionally we are joined by English speaking passengers from other countries.

### Q. What hours of the day do your tours operate?

**A.** They generally start about 8am and end shortly after your evening meal. Occasionally earlier starts are required to meet flight departures or to visit sights at the best time of day.

### Q. How do safety standards compare with the UK?

**A.** We will do our best to ensure that your holiday is safe and trouble free and we are continually working with our local partners to maintain and improve health and safety standards. Travelling abroad involves new places and new experiences and sometimes this means different safety and hygiene standards to those we are used to in the UK. We therefore ask that you take care; pay attention at all times and use your common sense. You are also requested to refer to notices and follow advice from your National Escort or local guide.

### Q. How does the tipping system work on your tours?

**A.** Tipping is expected in most destinations we visit. However this can often lead to awkwardness in knowing when it is appropriate to tip and how much, as well as ensuring you have a suitable amount of change available at the time. For your convenience, and based on many years of experience, Wendy Wu Tours operates a kitty system on our Group Tours so your National Escort will look after this aspect of your trip for you. It also ensures that the amounts paid are reasonable for you but still fair for the local people. The amount is stated on each tour page (and will be advised again in your final documents).

Any additional tipping on any of our tours is welcomed at your discretion. Please feel free to tip restaurant staff, porters, or river guides if they performed a special service for you. For tours with fewer than 10 passengers, tipping will be slightly higher than stated on the group tour pages. The specific amounts for tipping contributions will be outlined in your final documentation.

Tipping is not traditionally part of Japanese culture, but is becoming increasingly commonplace. If you would like to show your appreciation, you can do so in local currency at the end of the tour.



## Health & Safety

Your health, safety and well-being on holiday are of paramount importance to us. Wendy Wu Tours is a fully insured and bonded tour operator with comprehensive public liability cover. Working closely with an independent health and safety organisation, our local partners carry out health and safety checks on accommodation, transport and excursions; and works with our destination partners and suppliers towards improving health and safety standards throughout the regions in which we operate. All travellers should be aware that safety standards vary across the different regions we visit and may not match the standards we enjoy in the UK. In the unlikely event of a problem or emergency on tour, Wendy Wu Tours has a Crisis Management process in place to support all of our customers. We also have a dedicated 24 hour emergency support number.



# Travel with purpose

For the last 25 years we've been taking groups of travellers to unique and spectacular places, and know full well how impactful, inspiring and horizon-broadening exploring the world can be. Over the years we have been building as many mutually beneficial, sustainable and responsible relationships as possible in the destinations that we visit, so they too are able to thrive.



## Local Economic Empowerment

We believe travel should positively benefit the communities we visit. That's why we prioritise locally-owned restaurants, hotels, and experiences that support local businesses and create sustainable livelihoods.

When traveling with us, you help empower local artisans, entrepreneurs, guides, drivers and so many others, ensuring that tourism leaves a positive, lasting impact.

## Respectful Cultural Experiences

We are committed to fostering meaningful, authentic, and respectful interactions with the communities we visit. Our tours are designed to celebrate local traditions, honour cultural heritage, and support experiences led by local experts. We encourage travellers to engage with an open mind, follow local customs, and contribute to the preservation of cultural identity in a responsible way.

## Lower Impact Travel

We are reducing our environmental impact by building more rail journeys into our itineraries, and promoting low-season travel. Trains offer a greener alternative to flying, lowering carbon emissions while providing a more immersive travel experience. By promoting more departures in the low season, we also help ease pressure on popular destinations, support local economies year-round, and create a more sustainable way to explore the world.

## Sustainable Tourism Education

We believe responsible travel starts with awareness. That's why we provide our travellers with practical tips on reducing their environmental impact and supporting communities in a meaningful way. Through pre-departure resources and on-tour guidance, we empower our travellers to make informed, sustainable choices that help protect the destinations we visit for future generations.

# Your loyalty matters

Many of our customers enjoy the Wendy Wu Tours experience so much that they travel with us again and again and are happy to recommend us to their friends and family.

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Save £100 per person when you book your 2nd Wendy Wu Tours holiday



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These booking conditions only apply to holiday arrangements which you book with us in the UK and which we agree to make, provide or perform (as applicable) as part of our contract with you. All references in these booking conditions to "holiday", "booking", "contract", "package", "tour" or "arrangements" mean such holiday arrangements unless otherwise stated. For tailor-made holidays, please refer to our Wendy Wu Tailor Made brochure and terms and conditions, or visit our website. In these booking conditions, "you" and "your" means all persons named on the booking (including anyone who is added or substituted at a later date) or any of them as the context requires. "We", "us" and "our" means Wendy Wu Tours Limited.

### 1. Your Holiday Contract

The first named person on the booking ("lead name") must be authorised to make a booking on the basis of these booking conditions by all persons named on the booking and by their parent or guardian for all party members who are under 18 when the booking is made. By making a booking the lead name confirms that he/she is so authorised. The lead name is responsible for making all payments due to us and to indemnify us for the liability of all party members. The lead name must be at least 18 when the booking is made. After we receive your booking request and all appropriate payments (see clause 4 "Payment" below), if the arrangements you wish to book are available, we will issue a confirmation invoice. A binding agreement will come into existence between us when we email your confirmation invoice to the 'lead name' or your Travel Agent. Your invoice will be sent to your travel agent or the lead name on the booking if you have booked direct with us. Please check this invoice carefully as soon as you receive it. Contact us immediately if any information which appears on the confirmation or any other document appears to be incorrect or incomplete as it may not be possible to make changes later. We regret we cannot accept any liability if we are not notified of any inaccuracies (for which we are responsible) in any document within ten days of our sending it out (five days for tickets). We will do our best to rectify any mistake notified to us outside these time limits but you must meet any costs involved in doing so. If you wish to change or cancel any arrangements later you may have to pay an amendment or cancellation charge (See clause 8).

We both agree that English Law (and no other) will apply to your contract and to any dispute, claim or other matter of any description which arises between us ("claim") (except as set out below). We both also agree that any claim (and whether or not involving any personal injury) must be dealt with under the ABTA arbitration scheme (if the scheme is available for the claim in question and you wish to use it – see clause 13) or by the Courts of England and Wales only unless, in the case of Court proceedings, you live in Scotland or Northern Ireland. In this case, proceedings can either be brought in the Courts of your home country or those of England and Wales. If proceedings are brought in Scotland or Northern Ireland, you may choose to have your contract and claim governed by the law of Scotland/Northern Ireland as applicable (but if you do not so choose, English law will apply).

### 2. Your financial protection

For flight-based holidays this is through our Air Travel Organiser's Licence (ATOL number 6639) issued by the Civil Aviation Authority, Gatwick Airport South, West Sussex, RH6 0YR, UK, telephone 0333 103 6350, email [claims@caa.co.uk](mailto:claims@caa.co.uk). When you buy an ATOL protected flight or flight inclusive package\* from us, you will receive an ATOL Certificate. This lists what is financially protected, where you can get information on what this means for you, and who to contact if things go wrong. We, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL Certificate, will provide you with the services listed on the ATOL Certificate (or a suitable alternative). In some cases, where neither we nor the supplier are able to do so for reasons of insolvency, an alternative ATOL holder may provide you with services you have bought or a suitable alternative (at no extra cost to you). You agree to accept that in those circumstances the alternative ATOL holder will perform those obligations and you agree to pay any money outstanding to be paid by you under your contract to that alternative ATOL holder. However, you also agree that in some

cases it will not be possible to appoint an alternative ATOL holder, in which case you will be entitled to make a claim under the ATOL scheme (or your credit card issuer where applicable). If we, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL certificate, are unable to provide the services listed (or a suitable alternative, through an alternative ATOL holder or otherwise) for reasons of insolvency, the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust may make a payment to (or confer a benefit on) you under the ATOL scheme. You agree that in return for such a payment or benefit you assign absolutely to those Trustees any claims which you have or may have arising out of or relating to the non-provision of the services, including any claim against us, the travel agent (or your credit card issuer where applicable). You also agree that any such claims may be re-assigned to another body, if that other body has paid sums you have claimed under the ATOL scheme.

\*The flights and flight-inclusive packages we arrange are ATOL protected providing they are made available in the UK. For further information visit the ATOL website at [atol.org.uk](http://atol.org.uk).

We are a member of ABTA (ABTA number W7994). If your package holiday does not include a flight, protection is provided by way of a bond held by ABTA The Travel Association, 30 Park Street London, SE1 9EQ - [abta.co.uk](http://abta.co.uk)

The combination of travel services offered to you is a package within the meaning of the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018. Therefore, you will benefit from the consumer rights applying to packages. We will be fully responsible for the proper performance of the package as a whole. Additionally, as required by law, we have protection in place to refund your payments and, where transport is included in the package, to ensure your repatriation in the event that we become insolvent. More information on key rights can be found by visiting [www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2018/634/contents](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2018/634/contents).

### 3. Your Holiday Price

Please note, changes and errors occasionally occur. You must check the price of your chosen holiday at the time of booking. We reserve the right to increase and correct errors in advertised prices at any time before your holiday is confirmed. We will advise you of any error which we are aware of and inform the new applicable price at the time of booking. Once the price of your chosen holiday has been confirmed at the time of booking, it will not be subject to change.

### 4. Payment

In order to confirm your chosen holiday, a non-refundable deposit of at least £350.00 per person (or full payment if booking within 75 days of departure) must be paid at the time of booking. In some cases the amount of deposit may be higher: where, for example, we need to pre-purchase flights tickets, accommodation or other services and in the case of our flight upgrade special offers, to which early airline ticketing may apply – please see the terms and conditions of individual special offers for further information. The balance of the holiday cost must be received by us not less than 75 days prior to departure. This date will be shown on the confirmation invoice. Reminders are not sent. Our preferred method of deposit payment is by bank debit card or credit card. Balance payment may be made by bank debit card, credit card or cheque (providing there is time to clear it to meet the payment schedule shown above - you should allow 5 working days for clearance from the time we receive it). If we do not receive all payments due in full and on time, we are entitled to assume that you wish to cancel your booking. In this case, we will be entitled to keep all deposits paid or due at that date. Except for flight inclusive bookings, all monies you pay to one of our authorised travel agents for your holiday with us will be held by the agent on your behalf until a contract between us comes into existence. After that point, your agent will hold the monies on our behalf until they are paid to us. For flight inclusive bookings, all monies paid to any authorised travel agent of ours for your holiday with us will be held on behalf of and for the benefit of the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust subject to the travel agent's obligation to pay such monies to us in accordance with our trading terms unless we fail. In the unlikely event of our financial failure, all monies then held by the travel agent or subsequently paid by you to the travel agent will be held by

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the agent on behalf of and for the benefit of the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust without any obligation on the agent to pay such monies to us. If you wish to amend or cancel your holiday, your original method of payment will be used to process this (e.g. bank card, credit card, refund credit note).

Please note that on very rare occasions, errors may occur when inputting prices onto our website and systems. We regret that any contract entered into on the basis of a pricing error will be invalid. In the unlikely event that this situation arises, you will be given the option to pay the correct price or cancel with a full refund.

### 5. Travel documents and visas

A Passport with a minimum of six months validity from the intended date of travel, and contains a minimum of two blank pages, is required for travel for the majority of countries in our programme. As visa requirements are constantly changing, you must regularly check the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) website for the most up to date entry requirements. Visa fees, where required, are included for UK British Citizen passport holders and will be specified whether included on your confirmation invoice. If you hold any other British passport (British Subject, British National Overseas) or you are a non-UK passport holder or you reside outside of the UK, you will be required to obtain your own visas at your own expense. If you hold a UK passport but were born outside the UK, this may also apply and you should contact us for more information. If you hold a UK passport but were born outside the UK, this may also apply and you should contact us for more information. It is your responsibility to ensure the visa issued to you is correct. Whilst we include the cost of the standard visa application service in your tour price (for UK British Citizen passport holders), we will pass on any additional charges incurred for non-standard visa processing, or where visa charges are increased following publication of the brochure. Should your visa application be refused for any reason and you wish to cancel your booking the cancellation charges under clause 8 will apply. An express visa process is available for an additional cost depending on the country of visit. We make no promises that your Visa application will be successful and we cannot accept bookings conditional on the issuing of a visa, or payment of the balance of the holiday cost (see clause 4) to be deferred until visas have been issued. It is your responsibility to check that you comply with all entry, passport, visa, immigration requirements and health and safety formalities applicable for your itinerary. Wendy Wu Tours accepts no responsibility in this regard. We accept no responsibility for passports lost in the post. You must ensure that you carry all necessary passport, visa and other travel documentation as required by the country you are visiting, and that all documents are in date and valid. We do not accept responsibility if you cannot travel because you have not complied with any passport, visa or immigration requirements for any part of your holiday. Failure to have any necessary travel or other documents results in fines, surcharges or other financial penalty being imposed on us, you will be responsible for reimbursing us in full.

### 6. Travel Insurance, Health and Safety

It is a condition of booking with us that you take out suitable travel insurance. You must be satisfied that your insurance fully covers all your personal requirements, including the cancellation of your booking and providing sufficient medical cover for illness or injury and repatriation while overseas. You must provide us with the name of your insurers and their 24 hour emergency contact number when you book or as soon as possible thereafter. Wendy Wu Tours will not be liable for any costs incurred by you due to your failure to take out suitable travel insurance from the date of booking. You will indemnify Wendy Wu Tours in respect of any assistance or payment made by us in these circumstances. Details of any compulsory health requirements applicable to British citizens for your holiday are available from the websites listed below. It is your responsibility to ensure you are aware of all recommended vaccinations and health precautions, in good time before departure. Details are available from your GP surgery and from the National Travel Health Network and Centre [www.nathnac.org](http://www.nathnac.org). Information on health can be found at [www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk) and [www.fitfortravel.nhs.uk](http://www.fitfortravel.nhs.uk). Health requirements and recommendations may change and you must check the up to date position in good time before departure. The FCDO publishes regularly updated travel information on its website [www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice](http://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice) which you are recommended to consult before booking and in good time before departure.

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### 7. If you wish to change your booking

If, after our confirmation invoice has been issued, you wish to change your travel arrangements in any way, we will endeavour to make these changes, but it may not always be possible. Any request for changes to be made must be from the lead name on the booking or your Travel Agent. You will be asked to pay an administration charge as set out below per person and any further cost we incur together with any costs or charges incurred or imposed by any of our suppliers in making this alteration. Examples include:

- Minor amendments to the tour booked OR Minor amendments made within 30 days of departure OR Transferring between tours or changing departure date - £50
- Transferring between tours or changing departure date within 75 days of departure is not permitted and cancellation fees will apply
- Reissue of airline tickets, where possible - £50 plus any non-refundable costs of the cancelled ticket and any additional costs of the new ticket

You can transfer your booking to another person, who satisfies all the conditions that apply to your booking, by giving us notice in writing via Email as soon as possible and no later than 7 days before departure. Both you and the new traveller are responsible for paying all costs (for example air ticket cancellation fees) that we incur in making the transfer.

Once a booking is confirmed no changes are permitted otherwise than in accordance with these terms and conditions.

It is important to note that some arrangements such as certain types of air tickets cannot be changed after a booking has been made as they are sold as part of your fixed package. If your holiday includes ocean cruising, once a deposit has been placed this is non-refundable and non-transferable to a later date. You will be advised of any such non refundable charges prior to confirming your booking. Any change will be treated as a cancellation in which case cancellation charges will apply. Note that only one change per booking is permitted. Any requests for changes to your booking must be emailed to operations@wendywutours.co.uk.

### 8. If you wish to cancel your booking

Because we start to incur costs in relation to your arrangements from the time we confirm your booking, if you cancel we have to make a charge and the nearer to your departure date you cancel, the higher the charge will be. If you wish to cancel a confirmed booking you must do so by writing via Email. Cancellation takes effect from the day we receive your email. Cancellation charges are shown in the table below and will be payable immediately on cancellation. Where the cancellation charge is shown as a percentage, this is calculated on the basis of the total cost payable by the person(s) cancelling excluding insurance premiums and amendment charges. Insurance premiums and amendment charges are not refundable in the event of cancellation:

75 or more days	Retention of deposit
74– 42 days	30% including deposit
41 – 28 days	60% including deposit
27 – 15 days	90% including deposit
14 days or less	100% including deposit

Depending on the reason for cancellation, you may be able to reclaim these cancellation charges (less any applicable excess) under the terms of your insurance policy. Claims must be made directly to the insurance company concerned and we have no liability in these circumstances.

Important Note: Certain arrangements may not be amended after they have been confirmed and any alteration or cancellation could incur a cancellation charge of up to 100% of that part of the arrangements in addition to the charge above.

### Cancellation by You due to Unavoidable & Extraordinary Circumstances:

You may terminate the package travel contract at any time before the start of the package without paying a cancellation charge in the event of “unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances” occurring at the place of destination or its immediate vicinity which will significantly affect the performance of the package or carriage to your holiday destination. In these circumstances, we shall provide you with a full refund of the monies you have paid but we will not be liable to pay you any additional compensation. In order to rely on this clause you must be able to show that, based on the information available at the time of cancellation, there was no longer a reasonable possibility of your holiday going

ahead (either at all or without being significantly affected).

“Unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances” means any event beyond our or our supplier’s control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all reasonable measures had been taken. Examples may include warfare, other serious security problems such as terrorism, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination, or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which significantly affect travel to the travel destination as agreed in the package travel contract.

This condition 8 outlines the rights you have if you wish to cancel your booking. Please note that there is no automatic statutory right of cancellation under the Consumer Contracts (Information, Cancellation and Additional Charges) Regulations 2013 .

### 9. If we change or cancel your holiday

Occasionally, we have to make changes to and correct errors in brochure and other details both before and after bookings have been confirmed and cancel confirmed bookings. Whilst we always endeavour to avoid changes and cancellations, we must reserve the right to do so. The right is also reserved to any change in airline, aircraft types and vessels scheduled for any specific departure.

#### If we change your holiday

Even after we have confirmed your booking we may have to make alterations to confirmed arrangements. Most such alterations will be minor and of little effect on your overall arrangements and while we will do our best to notify you of any such minor change before your departure, we will have no other liability to you. Occasionally we may have to make a significant change to your confirmed arrangements.

Significant changes include but are not limited to the following (which are illustrative):

- Change of UK departure airport. (A change from one London airport to another is not considered a major change. London airports are Heathrow, Gatwick, Stansted, Luton and London City)
- Change of your time of departure or return by more than 12 hours
- Change of resort
- Change of holiday accommodation to accommodation of a lower official rating.

If we have to make a significant change, we will notify you as quickly as possible and offer you the following options:

- (a) (for significant changes) accepting the changed arrangements or
- (b) purchasing an alternative holiday from us, of a similar standard to that originally booked if available. We will offer you at least one alternative holiday of equivalent or higher standard for which you will not be asked to pay any more than the price of the original holiday. If the holiday is cheaper than the original one, we will refund the price difference. If you do not wish to accept the holiday we specifically offer you, you may choose any of our other available holidays. You must pay the applicable price of any such holiday. This will mean you paying more if it is more expensive or receiving a refund if it is cheaper or
- (c) cancelling or accepting the cancellation in which case you will receive a full refund of all monies you have paid to us.

In addition, you will receive as compensation a credit towards the cost of your arrangements, or any alternative selected, of the amount shown below. In all cases we will have no liability for any other or greater compensation, or for expenses or losses incurred as a result of any change.

Period before departure date notification given by us	Compensation per fare paying passenger (excluding children)
0– 7 days	£50
8– 14 days	£40
15– 28 days	£30
29– 42 days	£20
43– 75 days	£10

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If we have to cancel your booking we will not cancel less than 75 days before your departure date, except for ‘unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances’, or failure by you to pay the final balance, or because the minimum number required for the package to go ahead hasn’t been reached. If your holiday is cancelled you can either have a refund of all monies paid or accept an alternative holiday of comparable standard from us if we offer one (we will refund any price difference if the alternative is of a lower value).

No compensation will be payable and the above options for either a change or cancellation will not be available if we cancel as a result of your failure to comply with any requirement of these booking conditions entitling us to cancel (such as paying on time) or where a change is a minor one.

Please note, in the event of a cancellation, airline schedule change or change of departure airport, we are not liable to cover the cost of flights, trains or any form of transportation or any other expenses incurred by these changes.

### 10. Our liability to you

(1) We will accept responsibility for the arrangements we agree to provide or arrange for you as an “organiser” under the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018, as set out below and as such, we are responsible for the proper provision of the travel services specifically included in your package, as set out in your confirmation invoice, Detailed Itinerary and the information we provided to you regarding the services prior to booking. Please note that we shall not be responsible for any additional services provided to you, whether provided by the travel service providers or otherwise, which are not set out in your confirmation invoice, Detailed Itinerary and the information we provided to you regarding the services prior to booking.

(2) We will not be responsible or pay you compensation for any personal injury or death unless you are able to prove that it was caused by our negligence or the negligence of our suppliers.

(3) We will not be responsible for any injury, illness, death, loss (for example loss of enjoyment), damage, expense, cost or other sum or claim of any description whatsoever which results from any of the following:

- the act(s) and/or omission(s) of the person(s) affected or any member(s) of their party or
- the act(s) and/or omission(s) of a third party not connected with the provision of your holiday and which were unforeseeable or unavoidable or
- ‘Unavoidable and Extraordinary Circumstances’ as defined in clause 8 above.

(4) Please note, we cannot accept responsibility for any services which do not form part of our contract. This includes, for example, any additional services or facilities which your hotel or any other supplier agrees to provide for you where the services or facilities are not advertised by us and we have not agreed to arrange them as part of our contract including any excursion you purchase in resort. Please also see clause 11 “Excursions”.

(5) As set out in these booking conditions, we limit the maximum amount we may have to pay you for any claims you may make against us. Where we are found liable for loss of and/or damage to any luggage or personal possessions (including money), the maximum amount we will have to pay you is equivalent to the excess on your insurance policy which applies to this type of loss per person in total because you are required to have adequate insurance in place to cover any losses of this kind. For all other claims which do not involve death or personal injury, if we are found liable to you on any basis the maximum amount we will have to pay you is three times the price (excluding insurance premiums and amendment charges) paid by or on behalf of the person(s) affected in total unless a lower limitation applies to your claim under clause 10(6) below. This maximum amount will only be payable where everything has gone wrong and you have not received any benefit at all from your holiday.

(6) Where any claim or part of a claim (including those involving death or personal injury) concerns or is based on any travel arrangements (including the process of getting on and/ or off the transport concerned) provided by any air, sea, rail or road carrier to which any international convention or regulation applies, extent of our liability will in all cases be limited as if we were carriers under the appropriate Conventions, which are the Athens Convention (with respect to sea travel); The Berne/Cotif Convention (with respect to rail travel) and The Paris Convention (with respect to hotel arrangements). You can ask for copies of these Conventions from our offices. Please contact us. In addition, you agree that the operating carrier or transport company’s own ‘Conditions of Carriage’ will apply to you on that journey. When arranging transportation for you, we rely on the terms and conditions contained within these international conventions and those ‘Conditions of Carriage’. You acknowledge that all of the terms and conditions contained in those ‘Conditions of Carriage’ form part of your contract with us, as well as with the transport company and that those ‘Conditions of Carriage’ shall be deemed to be included

by reference into this contract. When making any payment, we are entitled to deduct any money which you have received or are entitled to receive from the carrier for the claim in question.

(7) Subject to these Booking Conditions, if we or our suppliers negligently perform or arrange those services set out in the confirmation invoice, Detailed Itinerary and the information we provided to you regarding the services prior to booking and we don’t remedy or resolve your complaint within a reasonable period of time, and this has affected the enjoyment of your package holiday you may be entitled to an appropriate price reduction or compensation or both. You must inform us without undue delay of any failure to perform or improper performance of the travel services included in this package. The level of any such price reduction or compensation in respect of any claim for damages or compensation whatsoever will be calculated taking into consideration all relevant factors such as but not limited to: following the complaints procedure as described in these Booking Conditions and the extent to which ours or our employees’ or suppliers’ negligence affected the overall enjoyment of your holiday. Please note that it is your responsibility to show that we or our supplier(s) have been negligent if you wish to make a claim against us.

(8) It is a condition of our acceptance of liability under this condition that you notify any claim to us and our supplier(s) strictly in accordance with the complaints procedure set out in these conditions.

(9) Where any payment is made, the person(s) receiving it (and their parent or guardian if under 18 years) must also assign to us or our insurers any rights they may have to pursue any third party and must provide ourselves and our insurers with all assistance we may reasonably require.

(10) Please note, we cannot accept any liability for any damage, loss, expense or other sum(s) of any description (1) which on the basis of the information given to us by you concerning your booking prior to our accepting it, we could not have foreseen you would suffer or incur if we breached our contract with you or (2) which did not result from any breach of contract or other fault by ourselves or our employees or, where we are responsible for them, our suppliers. Additionally we cannot accept liability for any business losses including self employed loss of earnings.

### 11. Excursions

We may provide you with information (before departure and/ or when you are on holiday) about activities and excursions which are available in the area you are visiting. We have no involvement in any such activities or excursions which are neither run, supervised nor controlled in any way by us. They are provided by local operators or other third parties who are entirely independent of us. They do not form any part of your contract with us even where we suggest particular operators/other third parties and/or assist you in booking such activities or excursions in any way.

If you feel that any of the activities or excursions referred to in our brochure, on our website and in our other advertising material which are not part of our contract are vital to the enjoyment of your holiday, write to us immediately and we will tell you the latest known situation. If we become aware of any material alterations to area information and/or such outside activities or excursions which can reasonably be expected to affect your decision to book a holiday with us, we will pass on this information at the time of booking.

### 12. Complaint procedure

If you have a problem during your holiday concerning any service provided as part of the arrangements we have confirmed, you must inform our National Escort or Local Guide (or, if none available, with our local agent or hotel manager) immediately to enable them to try to resolve the matter. Any notification must be put in writing and given to our representative / agent and the supplier as soon as possible. Our emergency number is manned 24 hours a day, seven days a week and is 01888 288 288. Until we know about a complaint or problem, we cannot begin to resolve it. If you remain dissatisfied, however, you must write to us within 28 days of your return to the UK giving your booking reference and full details of your complaint. Please address all correspondence to customer@wendywutours.co.uk. Only the lead name should write to us. If you fail to follow this simple complaints procedure, your right to claim any compensation you may otherwise have been entitled to may be affected or even lost as a result.

### 13. ABTA Arbitration

As ABTA members, we are obliged to maintain a high standard

of service to you by ABTA’s Code of Conduct. Disputes arising out of, or in connection with your booking which cannot be amicably settled may be referred to arbitration if you so wish under a special scheme arranged by ABTA Ltd and administered independently. The scheme provides for a simple and inexpensive method of arbitration and is approved by the Chartered Trading Standard’s Institute. Further information on the Code of Conduct and ABTA’s assistance in resolving disputes can be found at www.abta.com.

### 14. Conditions of Suppliers

Many of the services which make up your holiday are provided by independent suppliers. Those suppliers provide these services in accordance with their own terms and conditions. Some of these terms and conditions may limit or exclude the supplier’s liability to you, usually in accordance with applicable international conventions (see clause 10(6)). Copies of the relevant parts of these terms and conditions and of the international conventions are available on request from ourselves or the supplier concerned.

### 15. Behaviour

All our customers are expected to conduct themselves in an orderly and acceptable manner and not to disrupt the enjoyment of others. If we or any other person in authority is of the reasonable opinion that you or any member of your party is behaving in such a way as to cause or be likely to cause danger or upset to any other person or damage to property, we will be entitled to terminate the holiday of the person(s) concerned. The person(s) concerned will be required to leave the accommodation or other service and we will have no further responsibility to them including any return travel arrangements. No refunds will be made and we will not pay any expenses or costs incurred as a result of the termination. You will be responsible for making full payment for any damage or loss caused by you or any member of your party during your time away. Payment must be paid directly at the time to the service supplier concerned. If the actual cost of the loss or damage exceeds the amount paid where estimated, you must pay the difference once known. If the actual cost is less than the amount paid, the difference will be refunded. You will also be responsible for meeting any claims subsequently made against us and all costs incurred by us (including our own and the other party’s full legal costs) as a result of your actions.

### 16. Special Requests

If you have any special requests, including dietary requirements, you must inform us prior to booking. Although we will endeavour to pass any reasonable requests on to the relevant supplier, we regret we cannot guarantee any request will be met. Failure to meet any special request will not be a breach of contract on our part. Confirmation that a special request has been noted or passed on to the supplier or the inclusion of the special request on your confirmation invoice or any other documentation is not confirmation that the request will be met. Unless and until specifically confirmed, all special requests are subject to availability. Unless you receive written confirmation from the supplier that a special request will be complied with, you must assume that it will not be. We regret we cannot accept any conditional bookings, i.e. any booking which is specified to be conditional on the fulfilment of a particular request. All such bookings will be treated as “standard” bookings subject to the above provisions on special requests.

### 17. Fitness, Medical Conditions, Disabilities & Illness

Please note that our tours cover areas with varying terrain (including steps, steep hills and uneven walkways) which can be difficult to negotiate. An indicated ‘physical rating’ is outlined clearly in this brochure and in the tour specific Detailed Itineraries. It is your sole responsibility to ensure that you are sufficiently fit and well to negotiate these areas, without any adverse effect on the overall group or tour operation. You should check that your proposed areas of travel are suitable dependent on your own health, including any medical condition and/ or disability that you may have. If you or any member of your party has any medical condition or disability which may affect your holiday or has any special requirements as a result of any medical condition or disability (including any which affect the booking process), please tell us before you make your booking so that we can assist you in considering the suitability of the arrangements and/ or making the booking. Dietary allergy requests must be made at time of booking and will be passed on to the relevant supplier. In any event, you must give us full details via Email at the time of booking and whenever any change in the condition or disability occurs. You must also promptly advise us if any medical condition or disability which may affect your holiday develops after your booking has been confirmed.

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We may require you to produce a doctor’s certificate certifying that you are fit to participate. Acting reasonably, if we are unable to properly accommodate the needs of the person(s) concerned, we will not confirm your booking or if you did not give us full details at the time of booking, we will cancel it and impose applicable cancellation charges when we become aware of these details.

### 18. Sickness Policy

If due to illness or failure to satisfy medical requirements (for example compulsory vaccinations or testing) we or any of our suppliers refuse to transport or accommodate you, we may (acting reasonably) exclude you from commencing or continuing the trip. In this situation we will provide you with reasonable assistance to make alternative travel arrangements and where possible to rejoin your group when medically cleared to do so. This will be at your own cost and you should contact your travel insurance provider immediately. Note that we will not be liable to refund the cost of your trip (or any part of it) under these circumstances.

### 19. Flights

If you or any member of your party misses your flight or other transport arrangement, it is cancelled or you are subject to a delay of over 3 hours for any reason, you must contact us and the airline or other transport supplier concerned immediately. Under UK Law, you have rights in some circumstances to be refunded and/or compensation from the airline in cases of denied boarding, cancellation or delay to flights. Full details of these rights will be publicised at UK airports and will also be available from airlines. If the airline does not comply with these rules you should complain to the Civil Aviation Authority at www.caa.co.uk/passengers. Reimbursement in such cases is the responsibility of the airline and will not automatically entitle you to a refund of your holiday price from us. If, for any reason, you do not claim against the airline and make a claim for compensation from us, you must, at the time of payment of any compensation to you, make a complete assignment to us of the rights you have against the airline in relation to the claim that gives rise to that compensation payment. A delay or cancellation to your flight does not automatically entitle you to cancel any other arrangements even where those arrangements have been made in conjunction with your flight.

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Please note the existence of a “UK Air Safety list” (available for inspection at <https://www.caa.co.uk/commercial-industry/airlines/licensing/requirements-and-guidance/third-country-operator-certificates/>) detailing air carriers that are subject to an operating ban within the UK.

### 20. Prompt Assistance

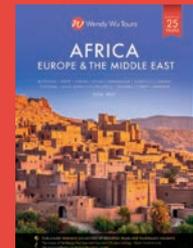
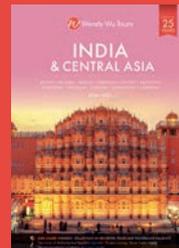
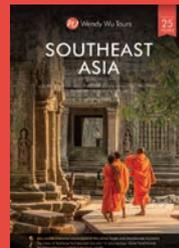
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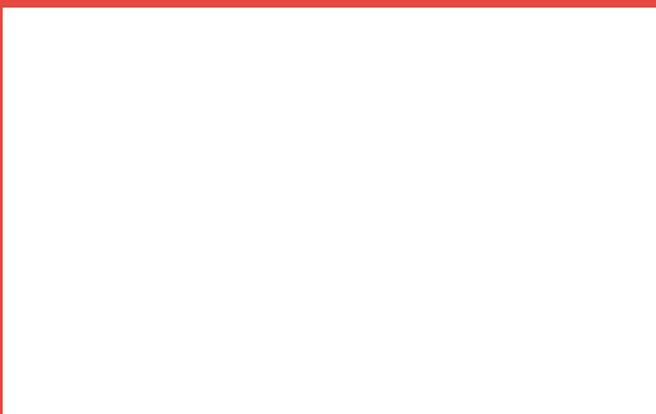
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