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# ABOUT US

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At World Journeys our mission is simple: we design journeys that we, as travellers, would undertake ourselves. In our youth, we travelled the world on a budget, arriving into cities late at night with nothing pre-arranged, battling through bureaucracy and language barriers to prove we could do it on our own. In later years we found, like many, that we had less time to travel, let alone the luxury of having time to plan our travel. That's what inspires World Journeys today. We plan journeys so you don't have to. Itineraries are crafted on our personal knowledge and experience. We are travel aficionados: we have worked in the industry for over 30 years, and we still travel regularly to be able to bring new and exciting opportunities to the market. We won't stop travelling: not only is it our passion, it is our job to provide the very best level of service and knowledge. In fact, we generally won't sell a destination unless someone from our team has been there.



## ANGELA PIRIE

With a background in group travel logistics and product research, Ange is dedicated to ensuring that your journey is personalised and consistently exceeds expectations. Travelling to inspiring destinations, testing amazing accommodation, and having life-changing experiences rate highly. A few of Ange's highlights are hot air ballooning over the Serengeti, swimming with dolphins in Zanzibar, and on a recent trip to Myanmar, e-biking around the temples of Bagan.



## CHRIS LYONS

The 'veteran' of the organisation, Chris started his travelling career in the mid 1970's, spending over a year travelling Central and South America, a part of the world for which he has a real passion, and a region he returns to regularly. Fascinated with history and archaeology, Chris has delighted in exploring historical treasures including Angkor Wat, Machu Picchu, and the Persepolis ruins. Many years of hosting tours means Chris has a real understanding of the needs of every traveller.



## BRETT BARCLAY

With nearly 30 years in travel, Brett has visited over 100 countries but the bucket list keeps growing! Highlights include being in the Rio Carnival, exploring West Africa, and being immersed in Japanese culture in ryokans (traditional inns). Brett is an avid cruiser, a rail buff, and a huge fan of family travel (as his son can testify!). Latest adventures include Ethiopia, "One of the most fascinating countries I have ever been to", an expedition cruise to Antarctica, and meeting the mountain gorillas of Uganda.



## KATE COULING

With a 12 month OE that somehow stretched out to 12 years, Kate has a particular passion for the history, people, and culture of North Africa and the Middle East, even choosing to live in the region long enough to learn Arabic. However, she is equally content getting lost in the lanes and alleys of Venice Island or Saint-Germain-des-Pres, chatting to child monks in Bhutan, or staring transfixed at the moai on Easter Island. If travel is a bug, Kate is delighted to have caught it.



## TAILOR-MADE TRAVEL

Here we showcase journeys to some of the most exciting, fascinating, and exotic places on earth. They are our personal suggestions of what to do, what to see, and where to stay. We know travellers value flexibility so we generally have no set departure dates, and itineraries are not regimented: journeys can be tailor-made to suit your needs. We offer professional planning and expert knowledge, working with you to create your dream trip. Our backup services take the stress out of travel; if your flight is delayed or transport doesn't show, we'll sort out the arrangements.

### STAR RATINGS

We consider a variety of criteria in our selection of accommodation, including location, style, ambience, comfort, service, and facilities. Star ratings differ widely around the world, so we have allocated categories based on typical standards, our own personal recommendations, and value for money.

**3 Star** – simple accommodation with adequate facilities, sometimes the best available in the area.

**4 Star** – comfortable accommodation with good service and facilities.

**5 Star** – deluxe accommodation with top service and excellent facilities.

**6 Star** – exceptional properties rating amongst the best in the world with stunning outlook, outstanding service, unique features, and superb facilities.

### GROUP JOURNEYS

In addition to our tailor-made journeys we offer some group tours which make travel to certain destinations more achievable and allow you to meet people from all over the world!



### HOSTED JOURNEYS

Our hosted journeys allow you to enjoy unique and inspiring small group travel to some of the most fascinating places on earth. There's something for everyone, including our new journey to Persia and the Silk Road. These journeys are guaranteed to go with a maximum group size of 18 and a World Journeys host to smooth the way. Ask about our 'Hosted Journeys 2020' brochure.

### SPECIAL INTEREST JOURNEYS

We offer a range of special interest travel focusing on wildlife, wellness, cuisine, active holidays, rail, or cruises, which can be found on our website.



### YOUR DOCUMENTS

To make sure you always know what you're doing and where you're going while you're travelling, you will be sent beautifully prepared travel documents. These documents detail your day-by-day itinerary and include everything you need for a hassle-free journey. You will receive a travel wallet along with a World Journeys luggage tag. These travel documents are a wonderful memento of your journey.

### WORLD JOURNEYS APP

Ask us about the new World Journeys app which gives you access to your documents on your mobile device.

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## OUR FAVOURITE PLACES TO STAY

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### ARCTIC TREEHOUSE HOTEL

*Finland*

Cozy, nestlike suites and glasshouses with breathtaking views of the forest and northern skies.



### STIKLIAI HOTEL

*Vilnius*

The luxurious Relais & Châteaux Stikliai Hotel is housed in a historic building with Baroque and Gothic features and located in the centre of Vilnius old town.



### BELMOND GRAND HOTEL EUROPE

*St Petersburg*

An iconic building central to St Petersburg life for 140 years, this luxury hotel is famous for its grand architecture and fine dining.



### ICEHOTEL

*Sweden*

Constructed to a new design each winter entirely from ice and snow, Sweden's ICEHOTEL is one of the world's most extraordinary buildings.



### JUVET LANDSCAPE HOTEL

*Norway*

Small cubes on stilts, with glass walls that offer each space a striking view of the valley, the river, the courtyard or the dramatic river below.



### STORFJORD HOTEL

*Norway*

Storfjord Hotel is a secluded luxury boutique hotel situated in Glomset, on a hillside overlooking the Storfjord and the Sunnmøre Alps.



Ilulissat, Greenland

## TASTE OF GREENLAND | 4 DAYS

*Ilulissat, the Greenlandic word for Iceberg, welcomes travellers from every corner of the world and as a part of the UNESCO's World Heritage list, the beautiful Ilulissat Icefjord is a must-see for every visitor. You are constantly reminded of the proximity of these mighty icebergs – their cracking and rumbling echoes from one end of Ilulissat to the other. This is mighty Mother Nature at her finest.*



### DAY 1 REYKJAVIK > ILULISSAT

Make your way to Reykjavik domestic airport and board your flight to Ilulissat. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

### DAY 2 ILULISSAT

Get the feeling of being where no one else has been before you!! Join a sailing tour from Ilulissat, and see the icebergs of the Disco Bay. Every year, 24 hours a day, approximately 20 million tonnes of ice is streaming from the Ilulissat Glacier into the ice fjord, Kangia. Gigantic icebergs, which can be several hundred metres wide and up to 100 metres high are the dramatic result. At the entrance to the ice fjord these behemoths are stranded and we have a unique opportunity to sail among them.

### DAY 3 ILULISSAT

Day at leisure to take one of the other optional tours; perhaps whale watching in Disco Bay, or take a boat trip to view Eqi, the calving glacier.

### DAY 4 ILULISSAT > REYKJAVIK

Transfer back to the airport for your flight to Reykjavik, where your arrangements conclude on arrival.

**NOTE:** Programme may be extended. Single prices on request. Please contact us for details.

**DEPARTS:** **June:** Tue, Wed, Sat; **July-Aug:** Mon, Tue Wed, Sat; **Sep:** Sat



Breaching whale, Greenland

2020 Price (per person)	Twin
4½ Star: from	\$4,208



Vik

## ARCTIC ICELAND SELF-DRIVE | 11 DAYS

One of the highlights of this trip is the chance to explore the new Arctic Coast Way. This beautiful route is Iceland's first official scenic byway, perfectly designed for people who want to take their time getting to know Northern Iceland's special heritage.



### DAY 1 REYKJAVIK > HVERAGERDI

Collect your rental car and start your journey. Your first stop may be the Blue Lagoon – or, simply drive along the southern coast of the Reykjanes Peninsula to the charming village of Hveragerdi for your overnight.

### DAY 2 HVERAGERDI > THINGVELLIR > HELLA

Visit Thingvellir National Park, site of the ancient Icelandic Viking parliament and a jewel of nature. Continue to the amazing sites of Gullfoss waterfall and the Geysir hot spring area. Explore Thjorsardalur valley and its ever-changing landscapes of birch woods, sandy lava fields, rivers and waterfalls.

### DAY 3 HELLA > VIK > KIRKJUBÆJARKLAUSTUR

Drive along the scenic South Shore and the area near the infamous Eyjafjallajökull volcano. Enjoy stops at the beautiful Skogafoss and Seljalandsfoss waterfalls. Your route will take you past Myrdalsjökull glacier. Stop by the seafront village of Vik.

### DAY 4 SKAFTAFELL > JOKULSARLON > HOFN

Visit the awe-inspiring Skafafell area of the park and continue to the shimmering icebergs of Fjallsarlon Ice Lagoon and Jokulsarlon Glacial Lagoon.

### DAY 5 HOFN > DJUPIVOGUR > EGILSSTADIR

Drive through the spectacular East Fjords with towering mountains and charming fishing villages to the fertile Egilsstadir area. Head to Egilsstadir and experience one of the local specialities – reindeer.

### DAY 6 EGILSSTADIR > HUSAVIK

Pass by Vopnafjordur village and Thorshofn village, situated on Langanes peninsula. Drive across the exotic Melrakkasletta the “Arctic Fox plain”. Visit Asbyrgi, a magnificent horseshoe-shaped canyon. Drive along Tjornes peninsula at the edge of the Arctic Circle en route to the charming fishing port of Husavik.

### DAY 7 HUSAVIK > MYVATN

Husavik is sometimes nicknamed the whale watching capital of Iceland. Join a whale watching excursion here – or simply relax and soak in natural hot pools/Geosea baths in Húsavík. Explore the highlights of Lake Myvatn and see the mighty Dettifoss, the most powerful waterfall in Europe.

### DAY 8 AKUREYRI AND SURROUNDS

Stop at Godafoss. Head onwards to the scenic Eyjafjordur fjord and Akureyri, Iceland's “Capital of the North.”

### DAY 9 AKUREYRI > STYKKISHOLMUR

From Akureyri, continue over the Oxndalur pass to the historical region of Skagafjordur. Visit the old farmstead at Glaumbaer. Then, head into West Iceland then on to Snaefellsnes Peninsula where you'll overnight in the eco-friendly town of Stykkisholmur.

### DAY 10 SNAEFELLSNES > BORGARNES > REYKJAVIK

Pass the small fishing villages of Hellissandur and Grundarfjordur. Don't miss the striking columnar basalt rock formations at Arnarstapi. Pass Eldborg crater before returning to Reykjavik.

### DAY 11 REYKJAVÍK

Drive back to Keflavik International Airport and return your rental car.

**INCLUDES:** Tailor-made journey, 9 nights' accommodation in countryside hotels, 1 night's accommodation in Reykjavik, rental car for 10 days, tablet with travel app for your Iceland tour, service fees and taxes and 10 breakfasts.

**DEPARTS:** May – September.

2020 Price (per person)	Twin
From	\$3,306





Lake Myvatn, Iceland

## ICELAND'S NORTHERN LIGHTS | 7 DAYS

*To see the aurora borealis in all its glory requires a great deal of patience and luck but the stunning light show is definitely worth the effort! One of the best chances you might have of catching the aurora is to travel to Northern Iceland which maximises your chances with longer hours of darkness. The winter equinox in Reykjavik allows about 20 hours of darkness and this increases to 22 in the north.*



features as well as a wealth of flora and fauna. With luck, you might see the northern lights tonight.

### DAY 6 LAKE MYVATN > AKUREYRI > REYKJAVIK

You'll be transferred to Akureyri for your flight back to Reykjavik. Enjoy the landscapes as you drive back to Akureyri, as well as a short tour of the town before you are dropped off at the town's airport. Make your own way to the hotel in Reykjavik.

### DAY 7 REYKJAVIK

Arrangements conclude after breakfast.

### DAY 1 REYKJAVIK

Arrive Reykjavik and make your own way to your hotel.

### DAY 2 REYKJAVIK

Today we combine the famous Golden Circle route with stops at local farms for some traditional tastes. Visit a local spa and hopefully a chance to see the northern lights.

### DAY 3 REYKJAVIK

If you are looking for a food and drink activity in Iceland then this culinary walking tour should be on your list! The food walk is led by a fun and knowledgeable local guide who'll take you to everything from well-known 'must visit' restaurants to small family run businesses and secret local hangouts in Reykjavik.

### DAY 4 REYKJAVIK > AKUREYRI > LAKE MYVATN

Breakfast at your hotel. On your own, transfer to Reykjavik's domestic airport for a morning flight to Akureyri, the capital of North Iceland. You'll be met and transferred to the Sel-Hotel in the Lake Myvatn area. During your drive to the hotel you'll get a short sightseeing tour of the Lake Myvatn area, renowned for its beauty and geological wonders.

### DAY 5 LAKE MYVATN

Breakfast at your hotel. Today you can enjoy various optional leisure activities in the area. Mývatn is Iceland's fourth largest body of water, and is home to some incredible geological



Akureyri

**INCLUDES:** Tailor-made journey, 6 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, flights Reykjavik > Akureyri > Reykjavik and sightseeing and transfers as listed.

**DEPARTS:** Daily October – March.

2020 Price (per person)	Twin
From	\$3,528



Danish smørrebrød, Copenhagen

## CULINARY SCANDINAVIAN CAPITALS | 10 DAYS

Indulge yourself in an independent tour of four charming Nordic cities; Stockholm, Copenhagen, Oslo, and Bergen, with a focus on food! Experience the culture, breath-taking scenery and modern city life of these famous cities, all the while treating yourself to the region's delicious delicacies.



### DAY 1 STOCKHOLM

Arrive in Stockholm and make your way to your hotel. Perhaps try some new and unique restaurants.

### DAY 2 STOCKHOLM

Join a walking food tour and visit the old town and Ostermalms Saluhall to try authentic Swedish food. Afternoon at leisure.

### DAY 3 STOCKHOLM > COPENHAGEN

Journey by train through the Swedish countryside to the Danish capital of Copenhagen. At leisure to go sightseeing.

### DAY 4 COPENHAGEN

Enjoy an in-depth walking food tour of Copenhagen. Sample chocolate and some of the most famous street foods in town.

### DAY 5 COPENHAGEN > OSLO

Morning and early afternoon at leisure in Copenhagen before boarding your overnight ferry to Oslo.

### DAY 6 OSLO

Arrive in the Norwegian capital of Oslo in the morning. Perhaps visit some of the highlights including The Viking Ship, Kon-

Tiki and Fram museums, the Vigeland Sculpture Park, and the Holmenkollen Ski Jump and Museum, or stroll around the city centre at your leisure.

### DAY 7 OSLO

Take a walking tour of Oslo, visiting the new food hall and smaller boutique food outlets. Depending on the season, head out to the woods to collect wild blueberries or mushrooms, or enjoy a late afternoon seafood buffet cruise into the Oslo fjords.

### DAY 8 OSLO > FLAM

Experience Norway's most popular tour, Norway in a Nutshell. Depart Oslo by train and cross the Hardanger Plateau to the village of Myrdal. Board the Flam railway which takes you through stunning mountain scenery to the fjord village of Flam. Afternoon at leisure.

### DAY 9 FLAM > BERGEN

Continue by boat to Gudvangen, travel by coach to Voss, and train to Bergen – the capital of the fjords. Day at leisure exploring this old harbour city.

### DAY 10 BERGEN

Arrangements conclude after checkout.

**INCLUDES:** Tailor-made journey, 8 nights' accommodation in comfortable 3½ to 4 star hotels, 1 night twin outside cabin with private facilities on overnight ferry, 3 in-depth guided food tours, train and ferry tickets as described, city passes/cards in Copenhagen, Bergen, and Oslo and 9 breakfasts.

**DEPARTS:** Daily.

**NOTE:** Many fine dining restaurants are closed on Monday nights. Winter rates available on request.

2020 Price (per person)	Twin	Single
1 May – 30 Sep from	\$5,354	\$7,278



Northern lights, Tromsø

## NORTH CAPE AND NORTHERN LIGHTS | 8 DAYS

Experience the northern lights in the outermost regions of Finland and Norway – Saariselkä to Tromsø including an expedition to the North Cape Plateau. This tour will give you the best chances of hunting the northern lights in many different locations and environments. Along the way you also have the opportunity to try a variety of winter activities: Husky dog sledding, reindeer safari, overnighing in a snow hotel, snowmobiling and much more.



### DAY 1 IVALO > SAARISELKÄ

Private transfer from Ivalo Airport to Saariselkä and remainder of day at leisure at the Northern Lights Village in Saariselkä. Welcome dinner and meeting with your tour leader.

### DAY 2 SAARISELKÄ

Today you will enjoy a husky safari through the snowy forests and fells. Driving a team of huskies over the white, shimmering fells is an experience you will never forget. In the evening you will visit an Aurora Camp by one of the local lakes. Here you warm up in a cozy hut by the fire, enjoy a hot drink and prepare a traditional Lapland midnight snack, and if lucky and the sky is clear, experience the fascinating northern lights.

### DAY 3 SAARISELKÄ > INARI > KARASJOK

Morning departure by private coach, via Inari, where a stop and entrance to the Siida Sami Museum is included. Continue north west, later crossing the border to Norway. Arrive in Karasjok, the Sami capital, with strong ties to the Sami culture and parliament, "Samediggi".

### DAY 4 KARASJOK > HONNINGSVÅG > NORTH CAPE

Early morning departure and the journey continues north, bound for the North Cape. Travelling through the North Cape

tunnel we reach the Magerøya Island on which the North Cape is situated. The North Cape cliff itself will be visited today (subject to weather conditions). Overnight and dinner in Honningsvåg.

### DAY 5 HONNINGSVÅG > ALTA

Today head south, and travel back along the Porsanger fjord, bound for Alta, "The northern lights city of Norway". In the afternoon visit the Alta Museum to see the expositions about the local history of northern lights. The remainder of the afternoon and evening is free, and why not try your luck and join in on a local northern lights safari, in and around Alta. In Alta you have the chance to upgrade to an overnight stay in the Sorrisniva Igloo Hotel (supplement applies).

### DAY 6 ALTA > TROMSØ

Today, drive along the Arctic fjords bound for Tromsø, the former starting point of many North Pole expeditions. Free time before your evening northern lights safari, where a light dinner will be included.

### DAY 7 TROMSØ

Day at leisure in Tromsø, where you have the opportunity to take an optional snowmobile safari, husky safari or many more exciting excursions.

### DAY 8 TROMSØ

Arrangements conclude after breakfast.

**INCLUDES:** Small group tour max 18 travellers, accommodation in hotels and Aurora cabin, transfers and sightseeing as shown, English-speaking tour leader, 7 breakfasts and 5 dinners (including 1 light dinner)

**DEPARTS:** 12 Jan, 26 Jan, 9 Feb, 16 Feb 2020.

**NOTE:** Please enquire for 2021 winter dates and prices.

2020 Price (per person)	Twin
3½ Star: from	\$4,630



## HURTIGRUTEN BERGEN TO KIRKENES RETURN | 12 DAYS

The coast of Norway is often rated as one of the most beautiful places on Earth. Discover the full range of this natural treasure on our 12-day round trip voyage on board your Hurtigruten cruise.



### DAY 1 BERGEN

Sail north from Bergen along the Viking route of Hjeltefjord. Spend the rest of the evening relaxing as you admire the spectacular landscapes from the deck or panorama lounge.

### DAY 2 FLORØ > MOLDE

Enjoy the morning in the breathtaking Nordfjord. Sail past West Cape for the approach to Ålesund and its beautiful art nouveau architecture. We visit Geirangerfjord in summer.

### DAY 3 KRISTIANSUND > RØRVIK

Charming Trondheim is home to great history and a rich cultural life. After sailing through the narrow channel of Stokksund, head towards Rørvik.

### DAY 4 BRØNNØYSUND > SVOLVÆR

Today cross the Arctic Circle, marking your best chance to see the northern lights in winter and experience the midnight sun in summer.

### DAY 5 STOKMARKNES > SKJERVØY

We briefly dock at Risøyhamn, Harstad and Finnsnes in the morning then sail to the Arctic exploration capital of Tromsø.

### DAY 6 ØKSFJORD > BERLEVÅG

Enjoy magnificent landscapes as we sail to the North Cape. In summer, you may see herds of reindeer and small camps of indigenous Sámi people in the area. After a stop in Hammerfest, we arrive in Havøysund. Join a small boat to see the North Cape from the sea, visit the world's northernmost fishing village and

ride by bus to North Cape plateau. The ship continues north into the heartland of the Sámi people.

### DAY 7 BÅTSFJORD > BERLEVÅG

We arrive early today in Vadsø before docking in Kirkenes - the ship's turning point for the return journey. Cruise along Varanger peninsula to Båtsfjord and Berlevåg, home to a famous male choir of local fishermen.

### DAY 8 MEHAMN > TROMSØ

Around midnight we dock at Mehamn with the option, in winter, to join a snowmobile trip to hunt the aurora. We again dock at Honningsvåg, and Hammerfest before continuing south to Øksfjord with a brief stop at the old trading post of Skjervøy. Dock in Tromsø, and maybe choose to enjoy a midnight concert at the Arctic Cathedral.

### DAY 9 TROMSØ > STAMSUND

The island groups of Lofoten and Vesterålen offer some of the most stunning natural scenery of the entire voyage. From Svolvær, sail to Stamsund along the massive Lofoten wall.

### DAY 10 BODØ > RØRVIK

Celebrate crossing the Arctic Circle and sail along the Helgeland coast and see the strange mountain Torghatten before moving on to Sandnessjøen and Rørvik.

### DAY 11 TRONDHEIM > ÅLESUND

Revisit Trondheim and sail on to Kristiansund. Those choosing to stay on board at Kristiansund will cross the open sea to Molde, known as Norway's 'City of Roses'.

### DAY 12 ÅLESUND > BERGEN

The ship calls at Ålesund, Torvik and Måløy, as our voyage draws to a close. In the morning, we call at Florø before you disembark in Bergen.

**INCLUDES:** 11 night cruise in the cabin category of your choice, English-speaking tour leader on board, onboard lectures and presentations, captains dinner and farewell event, 11 breakfasts, 11 lunches and 11 dinners on board.

**DEPARTS:** Daily (some exclusions apply).

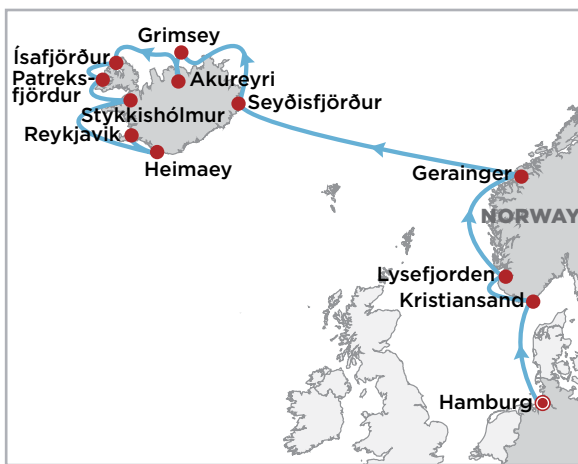
**NOTE:** Sightseeing excursions are optional and to be paid separately.

2020 Price (per person)	Twin
From	\$1,988



## HURTIGRUTEN ICELAND EXPEDITION | 15 DAYS

Explore the spectacular natural world and charming towns of Iceland and Norway. The experience of being on deck as we cruise into the majestic Norwegian fjords is unforgettable.



### DAYS 1-2 HAMBURG

Enjoy an overnight stay on board which gives you plenty of time to explore Hamburg and some of its many canals.

### DAY 3 AT SEA

Enjoy an idyllic day at sea as we head towards Norway. Take in the panoramic views from one of the many viewpoints around the ship.

### DAY 4 KRISTIANSAND

Kristiansand's beautiful beaches and archipelago, charming old town, interesting local history and nearby nature make it a popular destination.

### DAY 5 LYSEFJORDEN

Lysefjord is 40 kilometres long and 422 metres deep. We will sail into the fjord, enjoy the great landscape from the deck and hope to have a fine view of Preikestolen from below.

### DAY 6 GEIRANGER

Geirangerfjord features stunning nature and idyllic villages. The fjord here is famous for its dramatic landscape and is UNESCO-listed as a World Heritage Site.

### DAY 7 AT SEA

Enjoy a relaxing day at sea with onboard lectures while we set course towards Iceland.

### DAY 8 SEYÐISFJÖRÐUR

Explore quirky Seyðisfjörður, join an organised hike or take an optional excursion to Skálanes.

### DAY 9 GRÍMSEY

Use the tender boats to reach this green and grassy island. It is probably best known for its proximity to the Arctic Circle, which cuts across the island.

### DAY 10 AKUREYRI

Lively Akureyri is the most populous Icelandic community outside Reykjavík, and serves as the centre of trade, culture and services for the region.

### DAY 11 ÍSAFJÖRÐUR

Flanked by towering mountains on all sides, Ísafjörður is a nearly perfect natural harbour. See the architecture, shop for local handicrafts and view the oldest houses in Iceland.

### DAY 12 PATREKSFJÖRÐUR

Patreksfjörður is a charming settlement on the west coast with around 660 inhabitants. The picturesque fjord offers scenic hiking trails if conditions allow.

### DAY 13 STYKKISHÓLMUR

Stykkishólmur has beautiful and well-preserved old houses in the town centre and is surrounded by wonderful scenery. Explore the town's interesting museums or join optional excursions to the iconic sites of Snæfellsnes Peninsula.

### DAY 14 HEIMAEY

Heimaey features dramatic sea cliffs, which provide a habitat for countless birds, including the charming puffin.

### DAY 15 DISEMBARK REYKJAVIK

Iceland's capital offers fine restaurants, museums and shops. Disembark in the morning.

**INCLUDES:** 14 night cruise in the cabin category of your choice, professional English-speaking expedition team, complimentary wind-and water-resistant jacket, loan of boots, trekking poles, and equipment needed for optional and included activities, onboard lectures and presentations, 14 breakfasts, 14 lunches and 14 dinners on board.

**DEPARTS:** 24 Jun 2020.

**NOTE:** Some sightseeing excursions are optional and to be paid separately.

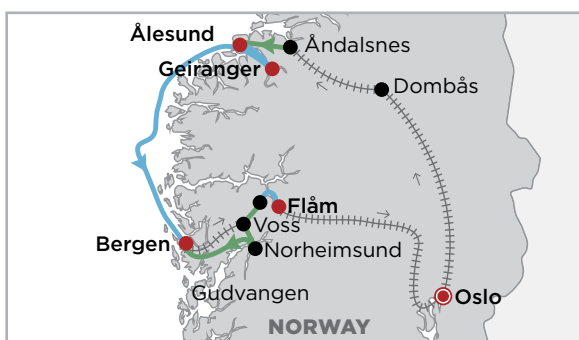
2020 Price (per person twin sharing)	Twin
From	\$9,483



Alesund

## FJORDS & NORWAY IN A NUTSHELL | 11 DAYS

*A comprehensive exploration of Norway's mesmerising fjord heartland. Experience rail and coach journeys through amazing alpine landscapes and ferry trips along the world's most spectacular fjords.*



### DAY 1 OSLO

Arrive in Oslo and transfer to your hotel.

### DAY 2 OSLO

This morning meet your local guide for a private sightseeing tour of Oslo. Oslo was the European Green Capital for 2019, thanks to one of the world's lowest carbon footprints, excellent public transport, and a true commitment to sustainable food production and green space.

### DAY 3 OSLO > DOMBAS > ÅNDALSNES > ÅLESUND

Depart Oslo this morning on the famous Dovre Railway, travelling through quaint villages and glorious country scenery to Dombås. Change trains and continue past picturesque mountains to Åndalsnes. Proceed to Ålesund by bus.

### DAY 4 ÅLESUND > GEIRANGER

Arrive at Geiranger and take a private transfer to your hotel. Make your own way to the pier and board your Hurtigruten coastal voyage into the Geirangerfjord.

### DAY 5 GEIRANGER

Day at leisure to explore this beautiful region.

### DAY 6 GEIRANGER > ÅLESUND > HURTIGRUTEN

Morning at leisure. In the afternoon travel by coach to Alesund, and board Hurtigruten for your cruise down to Bergen. Overnight on board the Hurtigruten ship.

### DAY 7 BERGEN

In the morning, we call at Florø, Norway's westernmost community. Then we navigate the mouth of the mighty Sognefjord before arriving in Bergen in the afternoon and private transfer to your hotel. Meet your local guide for a walking tour and enjoy a ride by funicular to Mount Floyen for a last panoramic view of Norway.

### DAY 8 BERGEN > HARDANGERFJORD > BERGEN

Take the train from Bergen to Voss for your Hardangerfjord trip and continue by bus to the village of Ulvik. Here you will change to a boat for a sightseeing trip to Eidfjord and Voringfossen waterfall. Continue by boat to Norheimsund and the bus back to Bergen.

### DAY 9 BERGEN > VOSS > FLAM

Start your Norway in a Nutshell package with a train to Voss. Here you will change to a bus down to Gudvangen and then join a boat for a trip through the Naeroyfjord to Flåm.

### DAY 10 FLÅM > MYRDAL > OSLO

Take the famous Flam railway to Myrdal and continue by train to Oslo.

### DAY 11 OSLO

Private transfer to Oslo Airport.

**INCLUDES:** Tailor-made journey, 9 nights' accommodation, 1 night Hurtigruten Cruise, private transfers in Oslo, Bergen and Geiranger, private sightseeing Oslo, luggage handling from hotel in Bergen to hotel in Oslo (1 piece per person), private 3 hour walking tour in Bergen, return Floyen funicular tickets, public transport as listed, breakfast daily and 3 dinners.

**DEPARTS:** 1 Jun – 31 Aug.

2020 Price (per person share twin)	Twin
4 Star: from	\$8,230



Lofoten Island

## LOFOTEN ISLANDS SELF-DRIVE | 6 DAYS

Far above the Arctic Circle, the Lofoten Islands are a wild and unusual outpost with a dramatic landscape of fjords and mountains, beaches, wonderful fishing and is the ideal place to see the northern lights or the midnight sun. Visit small villages, try kayaking, hike, join a Sea Eagle Safari and enjoy this special destination on our self-drive journey.



### DAY 1 LEKNES

Leknes embodies 'Powered by Nature'. Sitting on the northwest coast, Leknes boasts an impressive array of fjords. On arrival make your way to collect your car.

### DAY 2 LEKNES > REINE

This morning drive to Reine, whose red and white fishermen's huts and the granite peaks of the Reinefjorden give the village the reputation as "the most beautiful place in the world." Some of the best rorbuer can be found here – traditional fishermen's cabins converted into accommodation.

### DAY 3 REINE

This morning depart on your kayak tour, the best way to experience the magnificent Reinefjorden. Cruise around the nearby islands of Reine, Sakrisoy and Hamnoy.

### DAY 4 REINE > SVOLVAER

A beautiful drive awaits today. You will have time to stop along the way to admire the views, visit fishing villages and go hiking. Tonight, you will be staying at the famous town of Svollvær,

busy with tourists in the summer and cosy and quiet in the winter.

### DAY 5 SVOLVAER

Today enjoy a Sea Eagle Safari to Trollfjorden, one of the most dramatic landscapes that Norway has to offer. Sea eagles have the largest wing span in the world, so to have one circling above your head is an experience to treasure. Also learn the history of the abandoned fishing settlements you will pass, a history that goes all the way back to the Viking era.

### DAY 6 SVOLVAER > LEKNES

Your trip ends in Leknes upon returning your rental car.



Sea eagle, Trollfjorden

**INCLUDES:** Tailor-made journey, 5 nights' accommodation, kayak tour, Sea Eagle Safari and 5 breakfasts.

**DEPARTS:** Daily June – August.

**NOTE:** Rental car, road tolls and petrol are not included. Please contact us for details.

2020 Price (per person)	Twin
From	\$1,995



ICEHOTEL

## SWEDEN WINTER ICEHOTEL | 6 DAYS

*With spectacular scenery on its doorstep, Abisko boasts striking hills and lakes while the Abisko National Park spreads out from beautiful Lake Torneträsk. Framed by the neighbouring hills of Lapporten, this is the driest part of Sweden which gives the area a long summer hiking season while the incomparable northern lights attract visitors over the winter.*



### DAY 1 KIRUNA > ABISKO

Abisko is considered to be one of the last true wilderness areas and perhaps more known for its sightings of the magical northern lights. Disembark the train at Abisko and make your way to the mountain lodge, inhaling the unspoiled winter scenery on your stroll.

### DAY 2 ABISKO

Start the day with a husky safari, afternoon at leisure. In the evening chase the northern lights, wrap up warm and listen to your guide talk about the auroras and the history of the Abisko National Park.

### DAY 3 ABISKO

Visit the Aurora Sky Station with a beautiful chair-lift ride up to the top of Mount Nuolja.

### DAY 4 ABISKO > ICEHOTEL

After breakfast, you will take the train from Abisko to Kiruna and be transferred to the world-renowned ICEHOTEL. The rest of your day is at leisure in this unique and breath-taking area. Overnight in a warm room.

### DAY 5 ICEHOTEL

Learn about the traditional Sami way of life on a guided reindeer safari. Tonight you will overnight at the ICEHOTEL in an ice room. The ice rooms are especially comfortable – you will get a good night's sleep in minus 5 degrees. You sleep in thermal sleeping bags on a special bed built of snow and ice, covered with reindeer skins.

### DAY 6 ICEHOTEL > KIRUNA

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport.



**INCLUDES:** Tailor-made journey, 3 nights hotel, 1 night ice room and 1 night warm room at ICEHOTEL, train Kiruna > Abisko > Kiruna, airport transfer Kiruna, sightseeing as shown and 5 breakfasts.

**DEPARTS:** Daily Dec – March.

2020 Price (per person)	Twin
4 Star from	\$3,478





Trosa

## WALK STOCKHOLM'S ARCHIPELAGO | 8 DAYS

Just a stone's throw away from the charming city of Stockholm, you will find Sweden's southernmost wilderness, Sörmland, and the sprawling archipelago of 24,000 islands spreading far out into the Baltic waters. After spending a night in the 'Venice of the North', head out to the countryside.



### DAY 1 STOCKHOLM

Commonly referred to as the 'Venice of the North', beautiful Stockholm is the perfect start to your tour.

### DAY 2 STOCKHOLM > TULLGARN PALACE > TROSA

Transfer to the impressive 18<sup>th</sup> century Tullgarn Palace. You can choose an optional guided tour of the palace before starting your walk to Trosa. Trosa, on the banks of the Baltic Sea, is a charming little 17<sup>th</sup> century town with a quaint square surrounded by wooden houses. Walk: 12-19km

### DAY 3 STENDÖRREN & SÄVÖ

Join a short transfer this morning to Stendörren nature reserve. Travel by boat to Sävö island nature reserve in the Sörmland archipelago. Pick up the Sörmlandsleden hiking trail which leads you around the island. Travel by boat back to the mainland, follow the trail to Sandvik beach, then transfer back to Trosa. Walk: 12km

### DAY 4 TROSA

Morning at leisure and this afternoon board the boat for the three hour journey to Nynäshamn. Enjoy an optional evening walk along the Strandvägen – a small, winding road following the coast with wide open views across the horizon.

### DAY 5 HÄRINGE-HAMMERSTA NATURE RESERVE

Take public transport to Håringe-Hammersta nature reserve, a region of manor houses, giant oaks, broad-leaved woods, coniferous forest and saltwater bays. Walk: 10-15km (optional)

### DAY 6 NÄTTARÖ & ALÖ ISLANDS > UTÖ

Travel by boat to the small island of Nättarö, home to deserted sandy beaches with views across the islands from the Bötsudden viewpoint. You then continue to Alö island, another beautiful peaceful island with wonderful fish restaurants. Cycle or transfer to Utö Island. Walk: 12km

### DAY 7 UTÖ > FJÄRDLÅNG > TYSTA KLINT > STOCKHOLM

Enjoy a leisurely morning on Utö before hopping over by boat to Fjärdlang island. Hike to the highest point, Tysta Klint, then board a boat back to Stockholm, and watch as the archipelago changes from the remote islands of the outer stretches to the more inhabited regions nearer the town. Walk: 10-15km

### DAY 8 DEPART STOCKHOLM

Arrangements conclude after breakfast.

**INCLUDES:** Tailor-made journey, 7 nights in 3 and 4 star accommodation, boat trips and transfers as shown, luggage transfer, pre departure information, route notes, local maps and 7 breakfasts.

**DEPARTS:** Saturdays and Mondays June – August.

**NOTE:** This is a moderately paced walking tour and an adequate level of fitness is required.

2020 Price (per person sharing)	Twin
3 Star: from	\$2,810



Reindeer, Lapland

## UNIQUE LAPLAND | 6 DAYS

*Lapland is a special place, particularly so in the winter. Allow yourself to be caught up in the magical spell of the vast wilderness, aurora borealis, reindeer, huskies and of course, none other than Santa Claus himself.*



### DAY 1 HELSINKI

On arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

### DAY 2 HELSINKI > SINETTA

After breakfast transfer to Helsinki airport and board your flight to Rovaniemi (flight not included). On arrival transfer to the Arctic Snowhotel in Sinetta. The pristine Lapland wilderness creates the perfect conditions for catching the northern lights and enjoying the starry skies. Sleep peacefully as the “Aurora Alarm” searches the skies for you. Once the Aurora Alarm has woken you, look at the night sky and enjoy the natural phenomenon from the comfort of your bed and glass igloo.

### DAY 3 SINETTA > ROVANIEMI

After breakfast transfer to Rovaniemi. Take an exhilarating husky-drawn sled ride this afternoon through snowy forests. Return to the farm and enjoy some hot berry juice by an open fire. Later this evening, venture out on a trip in search of the elusive northern lights. Overnight at the Arctic TreeHouse hotel.

### DAY 4 ROVANIEMI

Take part in our popular safari that combines nature, culture and the spirit of Christmas. Take a snowmobile safari to a reindeer farm and learn about reindeer husbandry and Lappish Culture and enjoy a reindeer ride. In the afternoon continue to Santa Claus Village to meet Santa Claus and enjoy a delicious lunch in a cozy restaurant.

### DAY 5 ROVANIEMI > KEMI

Transfer to Sampo Icebreaker in Kemi and enjoy this unique cruise experience on the Gulf of Bothnia. If you’re feeling adventurous you can swim in the frozen ocean comfortably dressed in survival suits. After the cruise take your shuttle bus to Kemi Glass villas for overnight.

### DAY 6 KEMI

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Kemi Airport.



Santa Claus Office, Rovaniemi

**INCLUDES:** Tailor-made journey, 5 nights’ accommodation, sightseeing and transfers as listed, 5 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 1 dinner.

**DEPARTS:** Daily Jan – March.

2020 Price (per person)	Twin
From	\$5,980



Lappeenranta

## THE FINNISH LAKE DISTRICT | 6 DAYS

*The Finnish Lake District is an absolute labyrinth of islands, canals, lakes and rivers surrounded by hundreds of kilometres of forest resulting in a breathtakingly beautiful expanse. Nature is a huge part of the Finnish identity and something for which they can be justly proud. Immerse yourself in this staggering region and enjoy the sense of wellbeing also enjoyed by the Finns themselves.*



### DAY 1 HELSINKI

On arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel

### DAY 2 HELSINKI

Private tour of Helsinki, the capital of Finland, also known as the “White City of the North”. You will learn more about Finland, its culture, history, traditions and much more. See Senate Square with the famous Cathedral, the Market Square, the orthodox Uspenski Cathedral, Olympic Stadium, Parliament, Finlandia hall, Sibelius Monument and the unique Temppeliaukio Church which is also known as ‘the Church In The Rock’ (subject to opening – entrance fee included).

### DAY 3 HELSINKI > LAPPEENRANTA

In the morning, make your own way to Helsinki train station. Board your direct train to Lappeenranta, located beside Lake Saimaa, showcasing a complex system of channels, little lakes, rivers and islands in the south-east of Finland. Make your own way to the hotel and the afternoon is at leisure to discover the city and its lake.

### DAY 4 LAPPEENRANTA > MIKKELI > JÄRVISYDÄN

Make your own way to the train station and board your train to Mikkeli. On arrival you will be met and transferred to the hotel.

### DAY 5 JÄRVISYDÄN

Free day to enjoy the spa, relax on the private white sandy beach or take a walk in the surrounding woodlands.

### DAY 6 JÄRVISYDÄN > MIKKELI > HELSINKI

Transfer to Mikkeli train station and board your direct train to Helsinki central station. Arrangements conclude on arrival.



Helsinki

**INCLUDES:** Tailor-made journey, 5 nights’ accommodation, private city tour Helsinki, arrival airport transfer Helsinki, return private transfers Mikkeli > Hotel, train tickets Helsinki > Lappeenranta > Mikkeli > Helsinki, 5 breakfasts and 2 dinners.

**DEPARTS:** Daily.

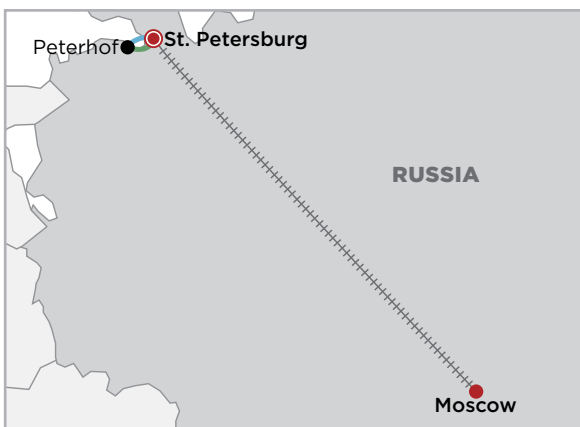
2020 Price (per person)	Twin
From	\$2,425



St. Basil's Cathedral and Spassky Tower, Moscow

## EXPLORE MOSCOW & ST. PETERSBURG | 8 DAYS

*Taste the mystery, beauty, and intrigue of Russia, the land that lay hidden behind the Iron Curtain for decades. This tour explores the grandeur of Moscow and the grace of St Petersburg. Discover the great cities of Russia and enjoy special touches such as visiting attractions before the crowds, private transfers, and boat trips.*



### DAY 1 ST. PETERSBURG

On arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

### DAY 2 ST. PETERSBURG

St. Petersburg was the capital of the Russian Empire for almost 200 years. After breakfast, enjoy a city tour visiting Peter and Paul Fortress, St. Isaac's Cathedral, and the world-renowned Hermitage Museum.

### DAY 3 PETERHOF

Early departure for a tour of Peterhof (also called Petrodvorets). We arrive earlier than the official opening hour to tour the Lower Park and Grand Cascade. Return to St. Petersburg by hydrofoil for an evening at leisure along Nevsky Prospect.

### DAY 4 ST. PETERSBURG

After breakfast, join a walking tour of the Church of the Saviour on Spilled Blood – built on the spot where Alexander II was fatally wounded by a revolutionary in 1881. In the evening, enjoy a boat trip along the waterways.

### DAY 5 ST. PETERSBURG > MOSCOW

After a leisurely morning, depart for the railway station to board a high speed German-built Sapsan train to Moscow, covering 700km in just over four hours. On arrival, transfer to your hotel to check in.

### DAY 6 MOSCOW

In the morning you will be met and taken on a city tour of Moscow, including Red Square, GUM Department Store, and St. Basil's Cathedral. This afternoon, visit the State Tretyakov Gallery, consisting entirely of Russian artwork.

### DAY 7 MOSCOW

Today, visit the historical nucleus of the city – the Kremlin. Once the residence of the Tsars, now the seat of the Russian President. Tour the grounds, a cathedral, and the Armory Museum – the Treasury of the Tsars. You will also see the huge Belfry of Ivan the Terrible, Big Kremlin Palace, Alexander's Garden, and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Enjoy lunch at Grand Café "Dr. Zhivago". This afternoon, enjoy time at leisure.

### DAY 8 MOSCOW

You will be transferred to the airport or train station.

**INCLUDES:** Tailor-made journey, 7 nights' accommodation, transfers and transport, guided sightseeing as per the itinerary, Russian visa invitation letter, 7 breakfasts and 3 lunches.

**DEPARTS:** Daily.

**NOTE:** For single traveller pricing and information on winter departure dates, please contact World Journeys.

2020 Price (per person)	Twin
4 Star: 1 May – 15 Oct from	\$5,600



St. Isaac's Cathedral, St. Petersburg

## FAIRYTALE WINTER IN ST. PETERSBURG | 7 DAYS

*During the winter, St Petersburg comes alive with activity – the parks turn into a snowy wonderland while the locals are out in force, ice skating, sledding and skiing. It is also the perfect opportunity to see the Mariinsky Ballet and Opera and the Bolshoi Ballet as they perform at home. Winter is truly the best time of year to experience the true warmth of the Russian people and enjoy Russian culture.*

### DAY 1 ST. PETERSBURG

You will be met on arrival at the airport and transferred to your hotel. Few cities can offer so many stunning attractions and intriguing moods as the City of the Tsars.

### DAY 2 ST. PETERSBURG

Discover St. Petersburg – a city of infinite charm with its majestic palaces, churches and cathedrals, river embankments, beautiful parks and innumerable bridges – a city of imperial proportions and romantic vistas which has been a source of inspiration for generations of artists. Tour the city including the Peter and Paul Fortress and followed by a guided visit of St. Isaac's Cathedral. Afternoon at leisure.

### DAY 3 PUSHKIN

Depart for Pushkin, the site of a spectacular baroque palace and the garden of Catherine II. Marvel at the opulence of the Gold and Amber Rooms, and wander through the immaculate garden. In the afternoon start your acquaintance with the Russian winter with a traditional lunch in the Podvori, a typical wooden log house resembling a fortress. After lunch take a tour of Pavlovsk and Pauls Palace.

### DAY 4 ST. PETERSBURG

Start a brief but memorable guided visit to the famous Hermitage. The world-known Hermitage museum was the residence of the Russian Emperors in the past and nowadays it comprises five palaces and is one of the largest museums in the world. By special arrangement the group enters the Winter Palace one hour before the official opening. This afternoon take a guided visit to the General Staff Building of the Hermitage. This spectacular building, most famous for its central triumphal arch which brings pedestrians out on to Palace Square from

Nevsky Prospect, was designed by renowned St. Petersburg architect Carlo Rossi and completed in 1827.

### DAY 5 ST. PETERSBURG

Guided visit to the Holy Saviour on the Spilt Blood. One of St. Petersburg highest buildings, the Church of the Resurrection of Christ is a superb example of Russian architecture and decorative art of the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Afterwards take a tour of the Yusupov Palace. The richest of non-imperial palaces of St. Petersburg, this palace was the home of the noble and powerful Yusupov family, relatives to the Russian Tsars. The Yusupovs were great collectors of art, and their collection was known well beyond Russia.

### DAY 6 ST PETERSBURG

Tour the Russian Museum, located in the former Mikhailovsky Palace which was turned into a museum in 1898 by Nicholas II. Lunch in the TSAR, where you can try traditional Russian borscht followed by famous "pelmeni". In the afternoon take a tour of the Faberge Museum in the Shuvalov Palace.

### DAY 7 ST PETERSBURG

Transfer to the airport.

**INCLUDES:** Tailor-made journey, 6 nights' accommodation, private transfers as listed, sightseeing as per itinerary, 6 breakfasts and 4 lunches.

**DEPARTS:** Daily 15 Oct – 31 March.

**NOTE:** Supplements apply over peak periods and national holidays.

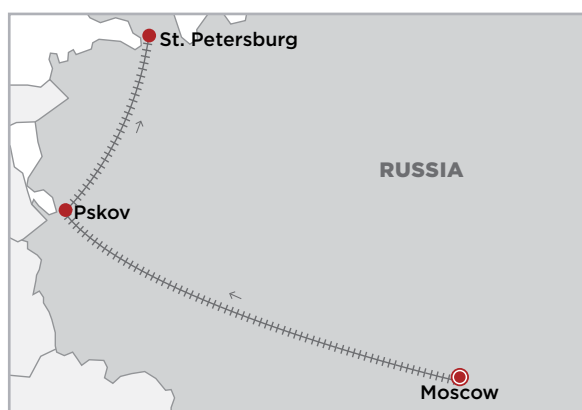
2020 Price (per person)	Twin
From	\$3,936



Pskov

## CULTURAL & MEDIEVAL RUSSIA | 10 DAYS

Combine the treasures of Moscow and the glory of St Petersburg with one of Russia's oldest cities, Pskov. First mentioned in the Laurentian Chronicle in 903, Pskov features some remarkable ancient churches and a 13th century Medieval Fortress protecting the Trinity Cathedral. Pilgrims from across the country also visit the oldest functioning Russian Monastery, Pskov Monastery of the Caves. Dive into the remarkable architectural heritage of Cultural and Medieval Russia.



### DAY 1 MOSCOW

On arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

### DAY 2 MOSCOW

Explore the famous Moscow metro on your way to the Kremlin. The Kremlin was once a residence of the Tsars, now a seat of the Russian President. This afternoon enjoy a walking tour of Red Square including the History Museum, Lenin's mausoleum and the famous St. Basil's cathedral.

### DAY 3 MOSCOW

Meet your guide for your private city tour of Moscow. You will see many ancient churches and cathedrals contrasting with modern high-rise buildings and glamorous shopping malls, The Russian White House and huge cathedral of Christ the Saviour and giant statue of Peter the Great. After some free time for lunch visit the state Tretyakov Gallery, consisting entirely of Russian artwork.

### DAY 4 MOSCOW > PSKOV

Day at leisure. This afternoon you will be transferred to the train station. Board your overnight train to Pskov.

### DAY 5 PSKOV

On arrival in Pskov, you will be met by your private guide for a panoramic city tour of Pskov by car, including a visit to

Mirozhsky Monastery. After lunch at a local city restaurant, your guide will take you on a walking tour of the Pskov Kremlin, the architectural and historical centre of the city.

### DAY 6 PSKOV

This morning you will be met by your private guide for a trip to Pechory where the main attraction of the town is the Holy Pskov-Pechory Assumption Monastery of the caves. Afterwards your guide will take you to Izborsk where lunch at a local tavern is included.

### DAY 7 PSKOV > ST. PETERSBURG

Depart for the train station. Board your commuter train to St Petersburg. On arrival, transfer to your hotel to check in.

### DAY 8 ST. PETERSBURG

St. Petersburg was the capital of the Russian Empire for almost 200 years. After breakfast, enjoy a city tour visiting Peter and Paul Fortress, St. Isaac's Cathedral, and the world-renowned Hermitage Museum.

### DAY 9 ST. PETERSBURG

Today your guide will take you on a walking tour of the Church of the Saviour on Spilled Blood, built on the spot where Alexander II was fatally wounded by a revolutionary in 1881.

### DAY 10 ST. PETERSBURG

After breakfast, transfer to the airport.

**INCLUDES:** Tailor-made journey, 8 nights' accommodation, 1 overnight train, transfers and transport, guided sightseeing as per the itinerary, Russian visa invitation letter, 8 breakfasts and 2 lunches.

**DEPARTS:** Daily.

**NOTE:** Supplements apply over peak periods and national holidays.

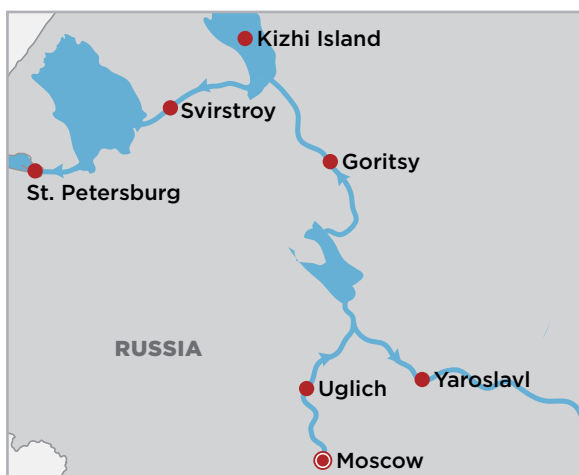
2020 Price (per person)	Twin
15 Jan – 30 Sep	\$5,118



MS Volga Dream

## VOLGA DREAM | 7 DAYS

Discover the wonders of the Russian countryside aboard the elegant MS Volga Dream as you cruise along the serene Volga River. Explore Russia's past, join fascinating discussions on Russian history and politics, perhaps learn a little of the language and plunge into a festival of Russian cuisine (including vodka tasting!) as you cruise from Moscow to St Petersburg or vice versa.



### DAY 1 MOSCOW > UGLICH

Join the cruise this morning and this evening enjoy the captain's welcome dinner as you set sail.

### DAY 2 UGLICH

Stop in Uglich to visit the 17<sup>th</sup> century Chapel of Dimitry, built on the site where Ivan the Terrible's son was killed. See the Church of the Transfiguration and attend an unforgettable choral concert. The view of the two churches as you sail into the town is mesmerising.

### DAY 3 YAROSLAVL

Marvel at the Transfiguration of the Saviour Cathedral, which is adorned with murals of St John's apocalyptic visions. Continue to the richly frescoed Church of St Elijah the Prophet. Enjoy a costumed performance at the historic Governor's House.

### DAY 4 GORITSY

Cross Lake Belye to the peaceful village of Goritsy, where you can admire wonderful frescoes at the Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery. Enjoy a costumed Russian dinner with vodka tasting.

### DAY 5 KIZHI

Explore World Heritage-listed Kizhi, a picturesque island in Lake Onega. A highlight is the 18<sup>th</sup> century Church of the Transfiguration, an onion-domed wooden masterpiece built without using a single nail.

### DAY 6 SVIRSTROY

Today we are invited into a local resident's home. Warm and welcoming Svirstroy villagers will offer tea with jam and pirozhkie (local pies). See the attractions of the village while learning about Russian tradition and lifestyle. We also visit a local WWII monument and a primary school.

### DAY 7 ST. PETERSBURG

Leave the ship this morning.

**INCLUDES:** River cruise, 6 nights in the cabin category of your choice, 24 hour tea and coffee station, bottled water (replenished daily), house wine and soft drinks with lunch and dinner, sightseeing as per itinerary, Russian workshop including lectures, classes, films, concerts and performances, all port charges, fuel surcharges, local taxes, 6 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 6 dinners.

**DEPARTS:** From Moscow: Jun 7, 21, Jul 4, 16, 28 Aug 10, 23, Sep 6, 24.

From St Petersburg: May 30, Jun 27, Aug 29, Sep 30.

**NOTE:** Pre and post accommodation packages available. Other cabin categories available. Please contact us for information.

2020 Price (per person)	Twin	Single
Standard cabin	\$3,576	\$5,910
Superior stateroom	\$5,312	\$8,766
Deluxe stateroom from	\$5,995	\$9,910
Junior suite	\$7,858	\$12,966



Rundale Castle, Latvia

## THE MANOR HOUSES OF THE BALTICS | 13 DAYS

*Opulent and exquisite manor houses are slowly being restored to their former glory across the Baltic states. Shiny parquet floors, sparkling chandeliers, antique furniture and elaborate paintings are now treasured features of once crumbling edifices. Step back in time and enjoy the wonders of years past in our stunning Manor Houses of the Baltics tour.*



### DAY 1 TALLINN

You will be met by your guide and transferred to your hotel. Check in to a renovated 14<sup>th</sup> century merchant house. Enjoy a guided tour of Tallinn's Old town.

### DAY 2 TALLINN > LAHEMAA

After breakfast visit the 18<sup>th</sup> century Kadriorg Palace. Continue to Lahemaa National Park, where you will see diverse plant and animal life, before checking into a grand manor house.

### DAY 3 LAHEMAA > TARTU

Visit the lovely town of Tartu and Peipso lake. Check in to a refined hotel palace and spa with impressive parklands.

### DAY 4 TARTU > RUNDALĒ

Drive to the splendid 18<sup>th</sup> century Rundale Palace and its famous garden of roses, after which you will head to Bauska town. Your manor house accommodation is known as the pearl of Latvian Classicism.

### DAY 5 RUNDALĒ > VILNIUS

Drive to Vilnius – capital of Lithuania. Explore the UNESCO listed Old Town. Your superb accommodation contains a spa for relaxation and beautiful baroque and gothic features.

### DAY 6 VILNIUS > MONTE PACIS

Marvel at Trakai's red-brick castle surrounded by a lake. Continue to Kaunas and its impressive Pazaislis monastery

complex. Relax at your unique accommodation surrounded by a lagoon.

### DAY 7 MONTE PACIS > PAKRUOJIS

Onwards to Pakruojis Manor and tour all the entertainment on offer: a cinema, costume room and beautiful grounds.

### DAY 8 PAKRUOJIS > PIENA MUIŽA

Venture to the unforgettable pilgrimage site of the Hill of Crosses. Continue to Pienamuiza Manor and relax in their famous milk spa.

### DAY 9 PIENA MUIŽA > KUKSU

Take a tour of Kuldiga town and then drive to your next manor stay, which provides a peaceful atmosphere where you can enjoy a romantic boat ride on the lake.

### DAY 10 KUKSU > RIGA

This morning tour Jurmala town and drive to the Latvian capital of Riga where you will check in to your spa hotel.

### DAY 11 RIGA > SIGULDA

Your guide will show you Riga's UNESCO-listed Old Town and an organ concert in Riga's Dome church, after which you will be driven to the picturesque town of Sigulda. Explore the red-brick medieval castle of Turaida and take a stroll through the romantic park at your designer hotel.

### DAY 12 SIGULDA > PARNU

Travel to Soomaa National Park and the Estonian seaside resort town of Pärnu. Your final night is in an art nouveau hotel.

### DAY 13 PARNU > TALLINN

Transfer to Tallinn airport for your onward flight.

**INCLUDES:** Tailor-made journey, 12 nights' accommodation, private English-speaking driver-guide throughout, private car services, entrance fees to Kadriorg Palace and park, Rundale Palace and Park, Trakai Castle, Pazaislis Monastery, Riga Open Air Museum, Riga Dome Church and 12 breakfasts.

**DEPARTS:** Daily.

2020 Price (per person)	Twin
1 Jan – 26 Mar	\$8,840





Traditional Lithuanian stuffed potato dumplings

## TASTE OF VILNIUS | 5 DAYS

*The creative food culture of Lithuania is likely to be a surprise. The country's little capital, Vilnius, is the largest surviving medieval old town in Northern Europe and the heart of a rich and thriving culinary experience. Easily explored on foot with cobbled streets and hidden courtyards, you will be able to find authentic Baltic flavours at every turn from high-end restaurants to charming and relaxed cafes.*

### DAY 1 VILNIUS

You will be met and transferred to your hotel

### DAY 2 VILNIUS

Private walking tour of Vilnius old town where you can feel the atmosphere of the city's history in its narrow winding streets and visit the most exciting architectural and historic monuments. Vilnius Cathedral, erected on the historic site where pagan gods were worshipped and where Vilnius was founded as far back as the 13th century; nearby Gediminas Castle on the hill rising above the city centre, the gem of the Lithuanian Gothic; the elegant St. Anne's Church; the Vilnius University and the Gate of Dawn with a miraculous icon of Virgin Mary. In the evening enjoy a tasting dinner of modern Lithuanian cuisine

### DAY 3 VILNIUS

At a chocolate tasting a professional chocolate specialist will reveal all the delicacies of taste and production. Enjoy tasting the chocolate you have just made. This afternoon enjoy a cheese and wine tasting. Here you will taste various hard cheeses. Tasting will be supplemented with honey, various nuts, grapes, pears, jams, branded sweets, spreads, crackers, grissini bread sticks and, of course, wine.

### DAY 4 VILNIUS

Meet for a Lithuanian beer tasting tour. As a country with a northern climate and delicious water, Lithuania has developed a rich craft beer brewing culture. It is based on a deep respect for the liveliness of yeast, bitterness of hops, and the skill of the experienced brewer. Beer librarians have skills and tricks to open your mind and rinse your palate for the wide range of barley browning, wheat sweetness, colours and after-tastes followed by fascinating stories of the largest beer library in town. Afterwards enjoy a short tour around the Alaus biblioteka, a beer library of 60 shelves, 17 taps and 300 bottles, with a beer tasting including professional guidance from the somelier also known as a beer librarian.

### DAY 5 VILNIUS

Private transfer to Vilnius Airport. End of arrangements.



Vilnius old town

**INCLUDES:** Tailor-made journey, private transfers by luxury car Vilnius airport > Stikliai Hotel > Vilnius airport, 4-nights' accommodation, Vilnius walking tour with an English-speaking guide, modern Lithuanian cuisine tasting dinner at the restaurant Amandus, chocolate workshop and tasting with a local instructor at Pilies Sokoladine, cheese and wine tasting at Džiugas House with a local instructor, a Lithuanian beer tasting at a Beer Library with a professional beer librarian and 4 breakfasts.

**DEPARTS:** Daily.

2020 Price (per person)	Twin
From	\$2,150



# GIVING BACK

*As you will see in this brochure, we visit some of the most pristine locations in the world; some are home to a local population less fortunate than ours, to endangered wildlife, or to fragile environments and ecosystems.*

All too often, their plight goes unseen, whether its the devastation in marine environments caused by ghost nets in the Indian Ocean, cheetah being poisoned in Namibia, rhino massacred for their horns, or the struggles of disabled children in India. World Journeys is proud to support a number of charitable organisations in their quest to

minimise humankind's impact on the environment and bring relief to those in need. Join us in aiding these noble organisations to keep our world beautiful and prosperous so that future generations can enjoy inspiring journeys of their own.

## WE SUPPORT THESE ORGANISATIONS

**PACK for a PURPOSE**  
Small Space. Little Effort. Big Impact.

Travellers help struggling schools in the areas they visit by packing supplies such as pencils, soccer balls, stethoscopes, and blood pressure kits. See [packforapurpose.org](http://packforapurpose.org) for more information.



Supporting the marginalised children of Chennai, India who live with intellectual and/or physical disabilities, the Mithra rehabilitation centre helps these young people reach their potential.



Forming links between travel, conservation and sustainable development in Namibia, Conservation Travel Foundation works at a local level, investing 100% of funds donated to worthwhile projects.



This rehabilitation centre for poisoned or injured (by traps) leopards and cheetahs also educates local game farmers on how to avoid these cats eating their stock.



### Arya Kanya Gurukul, Delhi

For more than 7 decades, Gurukul school has been providing education to hundreds of girls, supported by IT, with values that will enable them to be custodians of society.



Supporting the communities who live in Africa's wilderness regions, Africa Foundation ensures communities see meaningful benefits from conservation, through effective consultation and collaboration.

# TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please read these terms and conditions carefully as they incorporate the basis upon which bookings are accepted by World Journeys Limited (“World Journeys”, “we”, or “us”).

## Brochure Validity

This brochure is valid from 1 December 2019 to 31 December 2020 except where noted. While World Journeys have exercised reasonable care and skill to ensure that the contents of this brochure are correct, accurate, and up-to-date at the time of printing, please note that: the contents of this brochure are based on information supplied to us by third party suppliers and we cannot be expected to have personal knowledge of the current conditions of accommodation, facilities, and services provided by each supplier; facilities and/or services may change after the date of printing.

## Confirmation of Services

Your acceptance of a quotation or your booking request does not guarantee actual availability of the requested flights, tours, accommodation, or services until such time as you receive a confirmation invoice from World Journeys.

## Deposits and Final Payments

A non-refundable deposit of 20% of the total invoice is required within 7 days of confirmation of arrangements. If the deposit is not received by this time we reserve the right to cancel all arrangements without notification. Some tours and cruises require higher deposits and details of such will be advised at time of reservation. Receipt of deposit will be taken as an understanding by us that you have checked your confirmed arrangements and have read and agree to abide by the terms and conditions set forth in this brochure. Final payment is due 60 days before departure or by the payment deadline stated on the final invoice whichever is the earliest. If the final payment is not received by the company by the due date we reserve the right to cancel all arrangements without notification. Bookings made within 60 days of departure will only be processed if we hold full payment. We do not accept bookings for travel within 7 days of departure. **Please note:** once arrangements are paid in full the price is set and no further communication over pricing will be entered into.

## Amendments

If you wish to alter your arrangements after your booking is confirmed you must notify us in writing. We will endeavour to make the amendments you require but due to the additional administrative costs we will charge you \$100 per amendment plus any supplier charges. Amendments within 60 days of departure are subject to full cancellation fees.

## Cancellation and Refunds

Cancelled bookings will incur charges. These charges can be up to 100% of the cost of the booking regardless of whether travel has commenced. As a minimum, our cancellation charges are 20% of the total booking value, plus any applicable supplier fees or penalties. The amount of each supplier's cancellation fees or penalties is beyond our control and payment is solely your responsibility. To the extent permitted by law, no refund is available for cancellations after the holiday package has commenced or in respect of any tours, accommodation, meals or any other services not utilised. Requests for refunds must be received no later than 30 days after the last service booked with World Journeys. Where air tickets are purchased from World Journeys, cancellation fees will be applied by the airline and refunds, if any, will not be made until the airline has refunded World Journeys.

## Prices, Taxes, and Currency Fluctuations

World Journeys guarantees the price of your arrangements once you have paid us in full. Prices in this brochure are based on costs and exchange rates as at 1 October 2019 – should these change it may be necessary to reprice your holiday package. Please check with World Journeys before placing your reservation to ascertain if there have been any pricing changes. The price quoted for a package will be a total figure and no breakdown

of component costs can be provided. Taxes or levies imposed by government bodies or their agencies are beyond our control. Prices shown are for payment by cash, cheque or debit card only.

## Prices are in New Zealand Dollars

(unless stated otherwise)

## Credit Card Transactions

We accept certain credit cards by special arrangement – contact World Journeys for more details. A service fee will apply. If you pay by credit card and a service provider is unable to provide the services which we have contracted for you, you agree that your remedy lies against that provider and not World Journeys. In the event that payment has been made to World Journeys by credit card, you agree that you will not seek to dispute the World Journeys charge with your credit card company.

## Not Included in Tour Cost

Airfares (unless specified), airport taxes, ticketable taxes and surcharges, visas, insurance, excess baggage and items of a personal nature.

## Holiday Variation

If unforeseen circumstances beyond our control require us to make necessary changes to your holiday we reserve the right to cancel or reschedule departures and itineraries. When it is necessary to change a hotel the company reserves the right to substitute accommodation of at least a similar standard.

## Accommodation

All accommodation utilised in this brochure provides room with ensuite facilities unless otherwise stated. Hotel descriptions are based on current guides and are subject to change. Hotel photographs may not be specific to the actual hotel room occupied.

## Maps

Maps used in the brochure are for illustration purposes only and may not be to scale.

## Insurance

It is a condition of booking arrangements from this brochure that travellers are adequately insured for the full duration of their holiday.

## Travel Advice

World Journeys makes no representation as to the safety, conditions or other issues that may exist at any destination. For travel advice please contact the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade or visit their website at [www.safetravel.govt.nz](http://www.safetravel.govt.nz)

## Passports, Visas, and Health

It is your responsibility to have a valid passport and any visas, re-entry permits and/or health regulations which meet the requirements of immigration and other government authorities.

## Business Purposes

You agree that where our services are acquired for business purposes, or where you hold yourself out as acquiring our services for business purposes, the Consumer Guarantees Act 1993 will not apply to any supply of goods or services made under these conditions.

## Governing Law

This agreement is covered by the laws of New Zealand. Any claim or legal action against overseas suppliers is likely to be subject to the terms of your contract with them, and may be governed by the laws of other countries.

## Responsibility

There is no contract between the company and the client until the company has provided a confirmation invoice and the appropriate deposit has been received. World Journeys accepts bookings subject to the following conditions:

- World Journeys acts as a co-ordinator for all persons taking the tour in the making of all arrangements for transport, sightseeing and accommodations none of which are owned, managed, controlled or operated by us.

– World Journeys only acts as an agent for the owners, contractors and suppliers of transport and/or other related travel services provided and assume no responsibility for the loss or damage to property or for injury, illness or death or for any damages or claims however so caused arising directly or indirectly from accidents, loss or damage to person or property, delays, transport failures, strikes, wars, uprisings or acts of God over which we have no control.

– World Journeys does not assume responsibility for seat assignments, name changes, schedule or flight changes, cancellations, claims for reimbursement of airline ticket fees, frequent flier accruals or any other loss or expense incurred to you for any reason whatsoever when purchasing or using airline services.

– While we will use our best endeavours to operate all tours as advertised, reasonable changes in the itinerary may be made without notice where deemed necessary by us.

– The information contained in this brochure is correct to the best of our knowledge at the time of print. We however accept no liability for innocent inaccuracies contained herein.

Please note that employees of overseas suppliers are not authorised to make undertakings to our clients in respect of refunds or other matters.

## Health & Medical Requirements

It is important for us to know and a condition of accepting your booking that you advise us at the time of booking of any health or medical conditions that could affect your ability to participate in the travel arrangements requested. If you have any concerns over the suitability of the proposed travel arrangements we recommend that you contact your medical practitioner to discuss the travel to be undertaken. You must advise us in writing at the time of reservation (or subsequently should a new condition be diagnosed):

1. Any physical or mental conditions that may require medical or professional treatment or attention during the journey.
2. Any condition that may render the traveller unfit for travel, or that may require special care or assistance.
3. Any condition that may pose a risk or danger to the guest or anyone else on the journey.
4. Any condition that may require oxygen for medical reasons.
5. Any intention or need to use a wheelchair or other mobility device during the journey.

By booking the journey and paying the deposit, all travellers represent and warrant that they are physically and otherwise fit to travel. Should you have any concerns over your condition(s), you are requested to discuss your condition(s) with us before placing your reservation and paying your deposit.

## Peace of Mind

World Journeys are bonded members of the Travel Agents Association of New Zealand (TAANZ) ([www.taanz.org.nz](http://www.taanz.org.nz)) and we hold professional indemnity and liability insurance with AIG in the amount of NZ \$2 million.



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