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Dear Alumni, Friends, and Family,

Lawrence University is so glad to be working with Collette to plan travel adventures once more. We are announcing four upcoming opportunities to see the world as a part of our Travel program in 2022 and 2023.

From Costa Rica's world of nature to the Imperial Cities with Claudena Skran, and The Classics of Spain with Rosa Tapia! We hope you'll join us in 2022 on one of these upcoming tours, all offering unique experiences & lifelong learning.

In 2023 join Bart & Beth De Stasio in Peru's ancient land of mystery! From the Sacred Valley of the Incas to the heights of Machu Picchu and the shores of the floating islands of Lake Titicaca, come explore with us new and ancient cultures of Peru.

By traveling with Collette, you are taking advantage of more than 100 years of travel experience. Collette carefully crafts each trip to include a broad range of sightseeing and cultural experiences, and provides top-rated accommodations and travel options. Traveling with your fellow alumni is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with your alma mater! There is no better time than now to start your next adventure and see the world with your fellow graduates and friends.

Wishing you happy travels,  
Lawrence Alumni Travel

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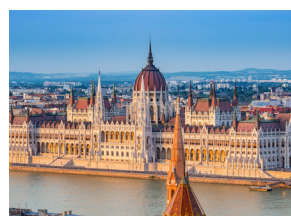
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Our Lawrence University Alumni Tour of the **Imperial Cities** of Central Europe will begin in Prague, known as the “City of a Hundred Spires” and the largest city in the Czech Republic. Prague is a magical city, known for its well-preserved medieval architecture and rich cultural and political life. Our group will see the gothic-style St. Vitus Cathedral, tour the Old Jewish Quarter, and take in the dramatic Charles River. We will also reflect on the life and times of our own Professor Mojmir Povolny, who was born in what is now the Czech Republic just over 100 years ago, and whose early political career began in Prague.



From Prague, our tour will travel through scenic countryside to Vienna, once the capital of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. In addition to taking in its gothic and baroque architecture, we will have the opportunity to sip coffee outdoors in a street cafe, take lessons in the Viennese waltz, listen to a Mozart concert, and cruise down the Danube to Melk Abbey. We'll also reflect on Austria's changing political role from a dynastic center, to a contested country in World War Two, to a neutral country in the Cold War, to its present position as a full member of the European Union.

After an afternoon stop in Bratislava, Slovakia, our tour group will arrive in Budapest, Hungary to soak in its life and culture, from medieval times to the present. We'll learn about Hungary's historic achievements in the arts and culture, as well as life during the Cold War under communist rule and in contemporary Hungary.

Our group will be limited to no more than 20, giving us an intimate look at these countries and their cultures from the inside.

Stacy Mara and I look forward you to joining us in Prague, Vienna, and Budapest.

Claudena Skran

Professor of Government and Edwin and Ruth West Professor of Economics and Society  
Coordinator, Povolny Lectures Series in International Studies



### Imperial Cities Host Bio: Claudena Skran

Edwin & Ruth West Professor of Economics and Social Science and Professor of Government  
Coordinator, Povolny Lectures Series in International Studies

A member of the Lawrence faculty since 1990, Claudena Skran is a scholar of international affairs, whose research focuses on the role of international organizations in providing emergency relief and the resettlement of refugees. In 2005, she was awarded a U.S. Fulbright Scholars grant and spent six months in Sierra Leone

studying the role of NGOs in refugee resettlement following the country's 10-year-long civil war. Since coming to Lawrence, Skran has led students on trips to the West African nation. She founded her own NGO — Kids Give — a scholarship program that today is financially supporting students at three different schools in Sierra Leone. She is the author of *Refugees in Interwar Europe: The Emergence of a Regime*. After earning her bachelor's degree from Michigan State University, she earned master's and doctorate degrees from Oxford University, which she attended as a Rhodes Scholar.

### Spain's Classics and Portugal Host Bio: Rosa Tapia

Professor of Spanish, Global Studies, and Film Studies



A native of Spain and member of the Lawrence faculty since 2002, Rosa Tapia is a scholar of Spanish and Latin American literature and film. Her research takes her frequently to Spain and Latin America, as it focuses on the representation of historical memory and national identity in the wake of civil conflicts and democratic transitions. Publications include the book *Catalan Writers on the Border*, a volume on Latin American cinema, and a number of articles on Spanish literature and Latin American film. Tapia's research is deeply connected to her classes, where students engage with authentic materials and current cultural topics in preparation for studying and living abroad. She has received several teaching awards, including Lawrence's junior faculty award in 2005, as well as the award for excellence in advising in 2014. Tapia chairs the national development committee for the AP Spanish exam and she organizes the Lawrence University Latin American and Spanish Film Festival. After earning her bachelor's degree from the Universidad de Granada in Spain, she earned a master's degree from the University of Delaware and a doctorate from Penn State University before coming to Lawrence.

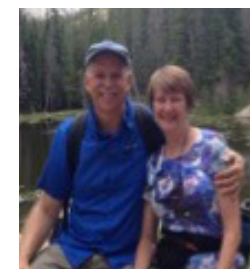


### Peru: Machu Picchu and Lake Titicaca Hosts: Bart and Beth De Stasio

Dear Alumni and Friends,

From the Sacred Valley of the Incas to the heights of Machu Picchu and the shores of the floating islands of Lake Titicaca, come explore with us new and ancient cultures of Peru. We look forward to sharing our enthusiasm for engaged learning and exploration of new and old ways humans have interacted with their environment! Like our teaching at the Lawrence London Center, we will integrate learning about local ecology, culture, culinary traditions, and history. Come join the adventure!

Bart and Beth De Stasio





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## make your trip your own

We include *It's Your Choice* excursions on most tours to allow flexibility in your itinerary. Plus, you can add options, extensions, and more to make your trip as unique as you.

## your itinerary is inclusive, yet flexible

Your tour is balanced with must-sees, cultural experiences, and plenty of free time. Plus, our team of experts walk the streets and experience it firsthand.

## your accommodations are arranged

Stay in 4-star and above accommodations, with expertly paced itineraries to keep one-night stays to a minimum.

## many meals included

Get a true taste of a destination with included meals full of local flavor, plus unique culinary experiences like cooking classes, home-hosted meals, and more.

## arrive in style & comfort

On air inclusive tours, leave the hassle of getting to the airport behind. Enjoy complimentary hometown to airport transportation for groups of 10 or more. Passengers departing from alternate gateways receive private sedan service. (RESTRICTIONS APPLY. CALL FOR DETAILS.)



# Imperial Cities

## featuring Prague, Vienna & Budapest

► SEPTEMBER 7 – 17, 2022 | 11 DAYS | 14 MEALS

### RATE PER PERSON\*

DOUBLE	\$4,549	\$4,399
SINGLE	\$5,449	\$5,299
TRIPLE	\$4,499	\$4,349

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**Included in the price:** Round Trip Air from Austin Straubel Fld, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

**Not included in the price:** Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$399 per person

Upgrade your in-flight experience with Elite Airfare  
Additional rate of: Business Class \$3,790

† Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

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### CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Tour the majestic Prague Castle.
- Get a glimpse into Hungary's communist past during an exclusive talk with a local.
- Get to know Bratislava's 4,000-year-old history on a tour with a local expert.



### MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Visit the magnificent Schönbrunn Palace, a summer retreat of the Habsburg dynasty.
- Discover Budapest's iconic sights through the eyes of an expert.
- Enjoy a stop in the fairy-tale town of Cesky Krumlov.



### CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- **9 Breakfasts - 1 Lunch - 4 Dinners**
- Join local residents for a community hosted lunch in Dunaalmas.
- Savor a Renaissance-style dinner at a medieval castle restaurant near Budapest.
- Choose from a selection of different venues in Prague for Diner's Choice.

### ..... itinerary .....

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Set out on a grand cultural adventure through the Imperial Cities of Central Europe – Prague, Vienna and Budapest. Along the way, enjoy traditional entertainment, local cuisine, and a glimpse into this region's eminent history.

#### Day 2: Prague, Czech Republic - Tour Begins

Arrive in Prague, the "City of 100 Spires." Behold ancient landmarks and medieval architecture. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

#### Day 3: Prague

Feel the magic and wonder of Prague. Your introduction to this fairy-tale city begins with a panoramic tour. Explore the "Castle District," including the gothic St. Vitus Cathedral and the majestic Prague Castle. Next, take in the iconic, statue-lined Charles Bridge, a picturesque structure stretching over the Vltava River. (B)

#### Day 4: Prague

Discover Prague on your own. Consider shopping for Bohemian crystal or visiting the city's museums, such as the Lapidarium. Maybe you will join an optional excursion to Prague's Old Jewish Quarter to see its historic Jewish Museum and Europe's oldest Jewish cemetery, founded in 1478. Personalize your evening with Diner's Choice, choosing from a selection of different venues. Perhaps you'll enjoy traditional cuisine at a folklore show, or discover the city through its craft beer and food scene, or opt for a more quiet dinner at the hotel. (B, D)

#### Day 5: Prague - Cesky Krumlov - Vienna, Austria

Travel through the scenic countryside on your way to Vienna. En route, make a stop in the medieval town of Cesky Krumlov. Lined with towering Baroque architecture, explore the quaint preserved streets before continuing on to the grand city of Vienna. (B)

#### Day 6: Vienna

Join a local guide at the magnificent Schonbrunn Palace, the summer retreat of the Habsburg dynasty for more than 200 years. Continue on to

Vienna's city center and behold the beautiful architecture, scenic parks, and gothic spires that fill the city. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure where perhaps you'll partake in the city's famous cafe culture as you walk the streets, watching locals take a moment out of their day for a hot coffee and bite of cake. Tonight, hear Vienna's past come alive and experience a classical performance featuring the works of Mozart and Strauss. (B, D)

#### Day 7: Vienna

Choose how you spend your day because **it's your choice!** Venture down the Danube to the medieval town of Durnstein and cruise to the 11th-century Melk Abbey **-OR-** join a local guide in the Belvedere Museum, home to Gustav Klimt's iconic painting *The Kiss* **-OR-** enjoy a leisurely morning before attending a Viennese Waltz lesson in the afternoon. The rest of the day is yours. (B)

#### Day 8: Vienna - Bratislava, Slovakia - Budapest, Hungary

Say hello to Bratislava, the former Imperial capital of the Habsburg Empire. Get to know the city's 4,000-year-old history on a tour with a local expert. Connect with the villagers of Dunaalmas during a community-hosted lunch, learning how to make traditional strudel. Arrive in Budapest, the "Queen of the Danube" and your home for the next 3 nights. Chat with a local and hear stories about his life in the former communist area. Enjoy the evening on your own. (B, L)

#### Day 9: Budapest

Join a local expert for a panoramic tour of the city, where you'll discover the incredible Neo-Gothic marvel of Matthias Church atop Buda Castle Hill, the Fisherman's Bastion, the historic Old Buda and Gellert Hill, and the Parliament House. This afternoon, enjoy some

free time to explore Budapest on your own. Perhaps you will head to the city's famous thermal pools for an afternoon of relaxation. (B)

#### Day 10: Budapest - Visegrad - Budapest

After a morning at leisure, head out of the city to the former Renaissance capital of Visegrad for a magnificent view of the Danube Bend and the Borzsosny Mountains. Step into the past at a 14th-century castle, where knights with authentic weaponry recreate the times of chivalry and kingdoms. Then, embrace the lifestyle yourself and enjoy an exclusive Renaissance-style dinner in the castle. (B, D)

#### Day 11: Budapest - Tour Ends

Say goodbye to these regal cities as your tour comes to a close today. (B)



### ACCOMMODATIONS

<b>Day 1</b>	Overnight Flight
<b>Days 2 – 4</b>	Grandior Hotel, Prague
<b>Days 5 – 7</b>	Intercontinental Hotel or Hotel Stefanie, Vienna
<b>Days 8 – 10</b>	Up Hotel, Budapest

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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# Costa Rica: A World of Nature

SMALL GROUP EXPLORATIONS • 14-24 PASSENGERS

► OCTOBER 23 - NOVEMBER 4, 2022 | 13 DAYS | 24 MEALS



## RATE PER PERSON\*

DOUBLE	\$3,649	\$3,549
SINGLE	\$4,349	\$4,249
TRIPLE	\$3,599	\$3,499

For bookings made after Mar 23, 2022 call for rates.

**Included in Price:** Round Trip Air from Austin Straubel Fld, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

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## CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Learn about Costa Rica's ecosystem and local culture.
- Visit the world's first sea turtle research station in Tortuguero National Park.
- Explore Arenal during a captivating 3-night stay.



## MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Stay in Tortuguero National Park and find yourself surrounded by wildlife.
- Hop aboard a river boat for a jungle crocodile safari and bird watching excursion.



## CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- 12 Breakfasts - 4 Lunches - 8 Dinners**
- Taste for yourself why cacao is called "the food of the gods" and observe the process of converting this seed from bean to bar.
- Enjoy a traditional Costa Rican dinner.
- Learn how to cook using a coconut before making some delicious local candy.

## ..... itinerary .....

**Day 1: San Jose, Costa Rica - Tour Begins** *Pura vida.* In English, it translates to "the simple life." But *pura vida* is so much more: it's an attitude; a celebration of life in the moment. It's time to experience what *pura vida* means to you. You're on your way to explore a place that's unlike anywhere else in the world, where *pura vida* is an unofficial motto and a way of life.

**Day 2: San Jose - Tortuguero National Park** Welcome to Tortuguero National Park. Travel by boat to your hotel before heading further down the rivers and canals to the world's first sea turtle research station. Next, a local will teach you all about his village and its previous history as a coconut plantation. Watch as he demonstrates how they use coconuts before trying your hand at making a local favorite: coconut candy. Later, have time to explore Tortuguero town with your Tour Manager. Relax at your lodge set in the middle of the jungle, your home for the next two nights. From the morning calls of the monkeys to the gentle chatter of the birds, listen to the active sounds of the rainforest around you. (B, L, D)

**Day 3: Tortuguero National Park** Begin the day on an excursion to search for the elusive green macaw and other unique winged creatures that flock to Tortuguero. Embark on a nature cruise, getting a glimpse into the life of jaguars, manatees, ocelots, and more. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy your Tortuguero resort. (B, L, D)

**Day 4: Tortuguero National Park - Sarapiquí - San Carlos** Take a boat back to the mainland and make your way towards Sarapiquí and Tirimbina Rainforest Center. Spend time at a cacao plantation and see the process of converting the seed from bean to bar, tasting for yourself why cacao is called "the food of the gods." Later, arrive at your secluded nature resort, nestled on the edge of the San Carlos River. Stroll the butterfly and botanical gardens. (B, L, D)

**Day 5: San Carlos** Explore the beauty of your surroundings on a Penas Blancas River Safari. Float down the river on a peaceful adventure, taking in the sights and sounds of the rainforest as your naturalist guide describes the wildlife around you. Visit the *finca* of a local family and try specialty snacks such as banana bread, gourmet Costa Rican coffee and more. End your day with a guided walk through a private, primary forest reserve for a look at the various flora

and fauna. (B, D)

**Day 6: San Carlos - Hanging Bridges - Arenal** Today, suspended over the rainforest floor, relish a bird's-eye view of the jungle on a guided tour of Arenal's famous hanging bridges. High above the jungle canopies, marvel at a cloud forest around you. Settle into your resort surrounded by striking views of Arenal's famous volcano for the next 3 nights. (B, D)

**Day 7: Arenal** Today, **it's your choice!** Glide over the canopies on a mind-blowing zip line through the jungle **-OR-** make your way across lava fields for an up-close-and-personal look at the volcano on a moderate hike along the trails formed by lava during the 1968 eruption. The afternoon is yours. Or, consider an optional excursion to a family-owned *finca* with an included farm to table lunch. (B, D)

**Day 8: Arenal** In the shadow of Arenal Volcano, the day is yours to enjoy at leisure. Perhaps you will opt to immerse yourself in wildlife as you float along a river on the Cano Negro Wildlife Refuge cruise, or, if you're feeling adventurous, opt for an exhilarating white water rafting experience. Or simply hang back at the resort, choose a spa service, explore the grounds, and soak in one of Arenal's famous hot springs. (B)

**Day 9: Arenal Volcano - Coffee Plantation - Playa Herradura** This morning, wake up and smell the coffee at a local farm that produces some of Costa Rica's well-known beans. Take a tour with local plantation workers and have a chance to discuss what life is like for these coffee farmers. In the afternoon, head to Playa Herradura and settle into your resort for the next 2 nights. (B, D)

**Day 10: Playa Herradura** Today is yours to spend as you please. Take advantage of your resorts many amenities and enjoy a day by the pool or at the spa. If you're looking for

more adventure, there are ample opportunities in the surrounding area to fish, hike and more. (B)

**Day 11: Playa Herradura - Manuel Antonio National Park - Playa Herradura** Welcome to Manuel Antonio National Park, home to verdant rainforests and white sand beaches. In this natural wonderland, traverse the trails where the wild things are, or go for a swim in the turquoise waters as wildlife rummages in the canopies. (B)

**Day 12: Playa Herradura - Tarcoles - San Jose** See wild crocodiles among the mangroves of Tarcoles' Rio Grande. On this exhilarating jungle crocodile safari, you'll boat beneath the towering jungle, looking along the river banks for a glimpse of these incredible creatures. Then say goodbye to the coast and hello to San Jose. Toast to the *pura vida* of Costa Rica tonight over a farewell dinner. (B, L, D)

**Day 13: San Jose - Tour Ends** Bid Costa Rica farewell as your tour comes to an end today. (B)



## ACCOMMODATIONS

<b>Day 1</b>	Doubletree Cariari Hotel, San Jose
<b>Days 2, 3</b>	Evergreen Lodge, Tortuguero
<b>Days 4, 5</b>	Tilajari Hotel Resort, San Carlos
<b>Days 6 - 8</b>	Arenal Springs Resort, Arenal
<b>Days 9 - 11</b>	Los Suenos Marriott Costa Rica, Playa Herraduras
<b>Day 12</b>	Doubletree Cariari Hotel, San Jose

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# Spain's Classics & Portugal

with Optional 4-Night Madeira Island Post Tour Extension

► DECEMBER 3 - 17, 2022 | 15 DAYS | 20 MEALS

## RATE PER PERSON\*

DOUBLE	\$4,599	\$4,399
SINGLE	\$5,399	\$5,199
TRIPLE	\$4,549	\$4,349

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**Included in Price:** Round Trip Air from Austin Straubel Fld, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

**Not included in price:** Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$399 per person

Upgrade your in-flight experience with Elite Airfare

Additional rate of: Business Class \$3,990

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## CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Feel the energy of Spain at a flamenco performance in Seville.
- In Cordoba, take a walking tour of La Mezquita, an architectural marvel.
- A stop in the little known town of Peniscola, the "City in the Sea."



## MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Step back in time in Toledo, the former capital of the Spanish Empire.
- Visit Antonio Gaudi's final masterpiece, the awe-inspiring La Sagrada Familia.
- Experience Lisbon's many UNESCO World Heritage sites, including the Jeronimos Monastery in Belém.



## CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- **13 Breakfasts - 2 Lunches - 5 Dinners**
- Savor a "paella experience" including a paella-making demonstration and lunch.
- Take a bite of the local culture at a tapas lunch.

## ..... itinerary .....

**Day 1: Overnight Flight** You are on your way to a cultural adventure featuring the best of Spain and Portugal.

**Day 2: Barcelona, Spain - Tour Begins** Begin your journey in the vibrant city of Barcelona. Tonight, meet your fellow travelers and enjoy a welcome dinner. (D)

**Day 3: Barcelona** Embark on a panoramic tour of Barcelona, showcasing the Columbus Monument, Parc de Montjuic, and Antoni Gaudi's Batllo House and Casa Mila building (UNESCO). A local expert will accompany you on a visit to the awe-inspiring La Sagrada Familia (UNESCO), considered to be the most famous of Gaudi's works. (B)

**Day 4: Barcelona - Peniscola - Valencia** Today, travel to beautiful Peniscola where you will enjoy free time to explore on your own. Known as the "City in the Sea," this fortified town and its Knights Templar Castle are a hidden gem. End your day in Valencia, a treasure trove of Roman and Arabic architecture, surrounded by citrus groves. Perhaps you will join an optional tour that explores the myths and legends of Valencia. (B)

**Day 5: Valencia - Albufera - Valencia** On a panoramic tour of Valencia, see the City of Arts and Sciences – an ultramodern educational institution. Explore the city's old town on foot with a local expert. View the ornate Serranos Towers before wandering through the bustling central market, where you'll shop side-by-side with the locals. Enjoy time on your own to explore as you wish. Travel to Albufera, the area where paella first originated. Enjoy a boat ride on the canals surrounding the rice field plantations. Visit a traditional fisherman's home, known as a *barraca*, and enjoy a paella-making demonstration and an authentic paella lunch. (B, L)

**Day 6: Valencia - Granada** Today you'll make your way to Granada. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for dinner. (B, D)

**Day 7: Granada - Seville** This morning, join a local expert for a tour of the world-famous Alhambra (UNESCO), a stone fortress overlooking the entire city and serving as a mesmerizing example of Islamic architecture. End your day in Seville, considered Spain's "cultural capital." (B, D)

**Day 8: Seville** Decide how you see Seville because **it's your choice!** Walk the Santa Cruz Quarter with an expert guide, admiring the orange trees and white-washed houses before continuing to the Plaza de Espana **-OR-** see the city from a different perspective with a boat ride on the Guadalquivir River, drifting by timeworn bridges and towers. Later, visit the Seville Cathedral (UNESCO) – the largest gothic church in the world – and

see Columbus' tomb and the Giralda Bell Tower. End the afternoon with a light tapas lunch, overlooking the cathedral. This evening, enjoy an authentic flamenco show (UNESCO) featuring Seville's most famous traditions. (B, L)

**Day 9: Seville - Cordoba - Madrid** Travel to the extraordinary Moorish city of Cordoba. Upon arrival, embark on a walking tour of La Mezquita (UNESCO), an 8th-century mosque that was converted into the city's cathedral. Continue your exploration of Cordoba in the city's historical Jewish Quarter. Then, perhaps you'll opt to take the AVE high-speed train to reduce travel time and increase free time in Madrid. Your day ends in Madrid, Spain's lively capital and largest city. (B)

**Day 10: Madrid** During a locally guided panoramic tour of Madrid's historic center, see iconic sites such as the Puerta del Sol and Plaza Mayor. Join a local expert to explore the priceless masterpieces of the Prado Museum, which boasts some of the world's finest collections of art by masters such as Velazquez and Goya. Your afternoon is free to explore. (B, D)

**Day 11: Madrid - Toledo - Elvas, Portugal** Travel to Toledo and embark on a city tour, highlighting the magnificent Gothic cathedral. Then, **it's your choice!** Visit the Church of Santo Tome and view El Greco's masterpiece painting, The Burial of Count Orgaz **-OR-** explore the Santa Maria la Blanca museum, located in a former synagogue and recognized as the oldest synagogue building in Europe. Bid Spain *adios* and cross the border into Portugal, arriving in Elvas, a World Heritage site. (B)

**Day 12: Elvas - Lisbon** Today, make your way to Lisbon, the capital of Portugal. Spend your day uncovering legends of the country's past, including visits to Jeronimo's Monastery (UNESCO), the Monument to the Discoveries, and the Tower of Belem (UNESCO). Enjoy time in the evening to settle into your new home for the next 3 nights. (B)

**Day 13: Lisbon** The day is yours! Discover the capital city on your own. Perhaps you will go on an optional excursion to the Portuguese Riviera, visiting the picturesque towns of Cascais and Sintra. (B)

**Day 14: Lisbon - Nazare - Obidos - Lisbon** Your day on Portugal's "Silver Coast" begins with the quaint seaside town of Nazare, famous for its dramatic cliffs. Continue on to the charming medieval walled town of Obidos. You will have free time to explore each town independently and take in their beauty. Gather this evening for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of an unforgettable trip to Spain and Portugal. (B, D)

**Day 15: Lisbon - Tour Ends** Return home with memories of a beautiful land and a diverse cultural heritage. (B)



## ACCOMMODATIONS

<b>Day 1</b>	Overnight Flight
<b>Days 2, 3</b>	H10 Casanova, Barcelona
<b>Days 4, 5</b>	SH Valencia Palace, Valencia
<b>Day 6</b>	Catalonia Granada, Granada
<b>Days 7, 8</b>	Barcelo Seville Renacimiento, Seville
<b>Days 9, 10</b>	H10 Puerta de Alcalá, Madrid
<b>Day 11</b>	Vila Gale Collection Elvas, Elvas
<b>Days 12 - 14</b>	Altis Grand Hotel, Lisbon

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# Peru: Machu Picchu and Lake Titicaca

With Optional 3-Night Peruvian Amazon Post Tour Extension

**SMALL GROUP EXPLORATIONS • 14-24 PASSENGERS**

► **MARCH 11 - 20, 2023** | 10 DAYS | 15 MEALS

## RATE PER PERSON\*

<b>DOUBLE</b>	<b>\$4,849</b>	<b>\$4,549</b>
<b>SINGLE</b>	<b>\$5,549</b>	<b>\$5,249</b>
<b>TRIPLE</b>	<b>\$4,799</b>	<b>\$4,499</b>

For bookings made after Aug 11, 2022 call for rates.

**Included in Price:** Round Trip Air from Austin Straubel Fld, Inter-flights from Lima, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

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## CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- Explore the colorful markets of Peru, including the famous Pisac village market.
- Discover the artist's techniques and designs at Pablo Seminario Ceramic Studio.



## MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- Venture through the Andes in a domed train to Machu Picchu.
- Spend the afternoon with a guide uncovering the mysteries of Machu Picchu.
- Cruise to the floating islands of the Uros people of Lake Titicaca.



## CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- 9 Breakfasts - 2 Lunches - 4 Dinners**
- Enjoy a culinary demonstration at your hotel at the base of Machu Picchu.
- Delight in a home hosted farm-to-table lunch at a local Quechua community.

## ..... itinerary ..... .....

**Day 1: Lima, Peru - Tour Begins** Welcome to Peru, one of the treasures of South America. Travel through this intriguing land visiting some of the world's most legendary sites, including Machu Picchu, the "Lost City of the Incas." Arrive late this evening in Lima.

**Day 2: Lima** Discover Lima's fascinating history during a colonial tour through the historic city center. Admire the artwork at San Francisco Monastery and enter the catacombs. View the elegant Cathedral at Plaza de Armas and visit the Casa de Aliaga, former house of the conquistador Jeronimo de Aliaga y Ramirez. Get to know your fellow travelers at a welcome dinner featuring Peruvian dishes. (B, D)

**Day 3: Lima - Cuzco - Sacred Valley of the Incas** Fly to Cuzco, in the heart of the Inca civilization. Journey through the Andes to the majestic Sacred Valley of the Incas, the agricultural center of their grand empire. While en route to your hotel, explore different towns in the valley, each a representation of the region's unique culture. After a short lesson on the local language, stop in Pisac village to browse the colorful handicraft market. Settle into your hotel nestled in the heart of the Sacred Valley. (B)

**Day 4: Sacred Valley of the Incas - Ollantaytambo - Sacred Valley of the Incas** This morning, visit the spectacular Ollantaytambo ruins, the only Incan settlement that has been continually inhabited since its inception. A uniquely terraced complex topped with carved stone panels, these ruins reflect ancient Incan architecture and heritage. Then, head to the Pablo Seminario Ceramic Studio where you'll get first-hand knowledge of this internationally renowned artist's techniques, inspired by ancient Peruvian cultures. Experience the lifestyle of the modern Andean people when you travel to a nearby Quechua community and interact with the locals. You'll get a true taste of their daily life when participating in small group workshops that teach you traditional methods of growing, harvesting and weaving. Celebrate their culture as you learn their dances and listen to their musical instruments before enjoying a home-hosted farm-to-table lunch featuring local specialties. (B, L)

**Day 5: Sacred Valley of the Incas - Machu Picchu** Climb aboard your train to Machu Picchu for breathtaking views through panoramic windows as

you ride through the Andes to the "Lost City of the Incas." Hidden by mountains and semi-tropical jungle, Machu Picchu is considered the most spectacular sight in South America. Spend the afternoon with your guide uncovering the mysteries of these majestic ruins. Tonight, stay at the base of Machu Picchu. Enjoy an exclusive culinary demonstration and learn how to craft the perfect ceviche and pisco sour before your dinner featuring a Peruvian menu. (B, D)

**Day 6: Machu Picchu - Cuzco** This morning, take advantage of free time and explore the local markets in Aguas Calientes on your own, or you may choose to visit Machu Picchu at sunrise. Return to the Sacred Valley by train. Upon arriving in Cuzco, take time to explore the captivating city at your leisure. (B)

**Day 7: Cuzco** 🍷 Start your morning with a local guide on a tour of Cuzco, visiting the San Pedro Market, the Koricancha temple, the Plaza de Armas, and the Cuzco Cathedral. Later, **it's your choice!** Travel above the city to discover the important sacred Incan ruins of Sacsayhuaman Fortress **-OR-** embark on a walking tour of San Blas, the traditional old quarter of Cuzco, lined with restaurants and artisan shops. The rest of the afternoon is yours. This evening, it's Diner's Choice! Choose from restaurants featuring the local flavors of Cuzco. (B, D)

**Day 8: Cuzco - Puno** This morning, fly to Puno, hugging the shores of Lake Titicaca. Known as the birthplace of the Inca Empire, ancient legends say that life began here. Have time to meet the locals and discover the history of this region as you explore the village center before checking into your lakeside hotel. Tonight, enjoy an evening at leisure. (B)

**Day 9: Puno - Uros Floating Islands - Lake Titicaca - Chullpas de Sillustani - Puno** The Titicaca area, steeped in tradition and folklore, is the center of Incan legends. Enjoy a morning



cruise to the floating islands of the Uros people of Lake Titicaca; experience walking on the island's spongy surface made from compacted beds of totora reeds and meet the locals, learning about their history and lifestyle. Later, cruise to a local rustic village for a home-hosted meal and swap stories with Peruvian families before visiting the mystical Chullpas de Sillustani – an archaeological area boasting 13th-century funerary monuments. (B, L)

**Day 10: Puno - Lima - Tour Ends** As your tour comes to a close, spend the morning relaxing on the shores of Lake Titicaca before flying to Lima. Upon arrival, head to the Larco Museum, a former mansion built on the site of a pre-Columbian temple. The museum offers a collection of over 3,000 years of ceramic and precious metal artifacts. Your tour concludes with a farewell dinner on the grounds of the museum before departing for Lima's airport and your connecting flight home. (B, D)



## ACCOMMODATIONS

<b>Days 1, 2</b>	Doubletree El Pardo, Lima
<b>Days 3, 4</b>	Casa Andina Premium Sacred Valley, Sacred Valley
<b>Day 5</b>	Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel, Machu Picchu
<b>Days 6, 7</b>	Hilton Garden Inn Cusco, Cuzco
<b>Days 8, 9</b>	GHL Lago Titicaca, Puno

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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# TERMS & CONDITIONS

## Imperial Cities

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

\*The Danube River Cruise to Melk Abbey is available mid-April to mid-October. Outside these times, a cruise through Vienna will be substituted.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts.

While visas are not required for USA, Australian, UK or Canadian citizens for a stay of up to 90-days, we recommend you inquire with your Consulate for further information.

Visitors are required to show proof of travel medical insurance to travel to the Czech Republic. The health insurance must cover medical services abroad with specific coverages. Please visit <https://travel.state.gov> (the U.S. State Department) for the latest details with regards to entry requirements. If you have purchased our Travel Protection Plan, your coverage meets this requirement.

IDENTIFICATION: Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Effective for travel after January 2023, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS travel authorization, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit <https://www.etiasvisa.com/>

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (1-2 hours) isn't a big deal. You can navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, Zodiac, etc.), and could possibly anticipate changes in elevation. You can expect some longer days balanced with free-time to recharge or set out on your own adventure.

A deposit of \$600 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of March 01, 2022 are based upon availability. Final payment due by July 09, 2022. Deposits are refundable up until March 08, 2022.

## Costa Rica: A World of Nature

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Museum visits and shopping may be affected by the observance of religious or local holidays.

The days and order of sightseeing may change to best utilize your time on tour.

Hotel check-in on your day of arrival is 3:00 p.m. Rooms may not be available prior to that time.

Smaller buses, which may not be lavatory equipped, may be used on this program. In this case, frequent stops are made during travel periods.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

### IMPORTANT TRAVELERS INFORMATION

We want you to enjoy your tour with us; therefore, it is important that you know this tour is an adventure! You will view spectacular scenery while experiencing the culture and heritage of the region. We have selected small, comfortable hotels and eco-lodges for their locations and they may be considered rustic. Air conditioning and elevators are not available in all properties used on this tour. Travelers must be in good health as sightseeing requires walking on uneven terrain; wheelchairs and walkers cannot be accommodated on this tour.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

\*Due to luggage size and weight restrictions on the boats, please bring an overnight bag for the 2-night stay in Tortuguero National Park. Your main luggage stays in San Jose and joins you upon your return to the mainland.

\*\*White water rafting is subject to the operator's safety restrictions.

Travel with no more than 24 guests on this tour where a smaller group setting means a more personal travel experience.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (1-2 hours) isn't a big deal. You can navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, Zodiac, etc.), and could possibly anticipate changes in elevation. You can expect some longer days balanced with free-time to recharge or set out on your own adventure.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$600 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of March 16, 2022 are based upon availability. Final payment due by August 24, 2022. Deposits are refundable up until March 23, 2022.

## Spain's Classics & Portugal

Book Now rates valid until Jun 04, 2022, valid on air inclusive packages only.

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appropriate consulate for details. Visit [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Effective for travel after January 2023, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS travel authorization, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit <https://www.etiasvisa.com/>

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Hotel check-in on your day of arrival is 3:00 p.m. Rooms may not be available prior to that time.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (1-2 hours) isn't a big deal. You can navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, Zodiac, etc.), and could possibly anticipate changes in elevation. You can expect some longer days balanced with free-time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. The walking tours of La Alhambra and Toledo are considered to be more strenuous in nature due to the uneven walkways, numbers of steps and some uphill walking necessary to see the historic sights. For your comfort, we recommend bringing sturdy walking shoes.

\*On the rare occasion that the Sagrada Familia in Barcelona is not available, you will instead visit another top Spanish attraction.

\*\*Alhambra tickets are not guaranteed and subject to availability per Spanish Governing Authority. On the occasion that tickets are not available, you will visit another top Spanish attraction and your group leader or travel agent will be notified. Complete passport information is required 120 days prior to departure to book tickets to the Alhambra. If passport information is incomplete or inaccurate within 120 days prior to your tour departure, there is a strong possibility that we will be unable to confirm entrance tickets. You will be subject to any additional charges incurred from failing to provide passport information within the designated time frame.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$600 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of May 28, 2022 are based upon availability. Final payment due by October 04, 2022. Deposits are refundable up until June 04, 2022.

## Peru: Machu Picchu and Lake Titicaca

Book Now rates valid until Aug 11, 2022, valid on air inclusive packages only.

IDENTIFICATION: Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Please be advised that backpacks brought into Machu Picchu cannot exceed 40x35x20cms/16x14x8in or have a capacity larger than 20 liters. Backpacks that exceed the indicated measurements can be left in storage, at an approximate cost of 2 US Dollars. Also, please take notice that bringing in single-use plastic bottles, plastic bags, plastic straws or Styrofoam containers has been forbidden. We suggest bringing reusable water bottles.

Highest elevation is approximately 12,500 feet (3,810 meters) (Puno). During this tour you will spend 4 consecutive days at altitudes over 11,000 feet (3,353 meters).

Complete passport information is required 60 days prior to departure to book train tickets to Machu Picchu. If passport information is incomplete or inaccurate within 60 days, there is a strong possibility that we will be unable to confirm you on the same travel schedule as the rest of your group. You will be subject to any additional charges incurred from failing to provide passport information within the designated time frame.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

In general, hotels outside of Lima are small with one or two levels and do not have elevators, which may require you to climb 10-15 steps to get to/from the room.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

Travel with just 16-24 guests on this tour where a smaller group setting means a more personal travel experience.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 4. This means you're ready to seize the day, whatever it may bring. You lead an active life at home (walking, biking, and hiking are things you may enjoy) and few thousand steps a day isn't out of the norm. You can handle longer walking tours (more than 90 minutes), traversing dusty or uneven terrain, standing for periods of time, varying altitudes and temperatures, and don't mind being on the go with some early starts, late-night experiences, and full days. For your comfort, we recommend bringing sturdy walking shoes. In addition, bring adequate sun protection. Unfortunately, this level is not appropriate for individuals who use wheelchairs or walkers.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions. Each guest is responsible for proper documentation and inoculations that may be required and/or recommended to participate on this tour. Please contact your local travel clinic or personal physician for specific details on the destinations you are traveling to and from.

The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price of your tour. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us. Complete passport information is required for this tour at time of booking. Due to tour scheduling, return flights on the last day of your tour should be booked after 10:00 p.m. Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$600 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of August 04, 2022 are based upon availability. Final payment due by January 09, 2023. Deposits are refundable up until August 11, 2022.

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