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# Extraordinary Moments, Expertly Crafted

We're proud to be Australia's leader in luxury travel, committed to delivering unforgettable experiences for our valued guests for almost a century. From the moment you choose to travel with us, rest assured that every detail will be meticulously managed. Whether you choose to explore diverse Asia, ethereal Antarctica, the majestic rivers of Europe, the untamed wilderness of Australia, or the breathtaking beauty of Canada, Alaska, and beyond, you'll create memories that last a lifetime. Our Travel Experts look after every aspect of your holiday from start to finish, allowing you to fully immerse yourself in each destination.

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# The APT Story

As Australia's largest family-owned tour and cruise company, APT is committed to delivering unforgettable travel experiences to our valued guests. What began as a vision, almost a century ago, has now grown into a proud global business, demonstrating the power of dreaming fully.

*The world is a book  
and those who do not travel  
read only one page - St. Augustine*



## 1920s

Tram strikes in Melbourne's northern suburbs inspire Bill McGearry to begin ferrying commuters around in his makeshift bus. He begins his business by accruing more buses and routes.



## 1933

Bill's business expands with more bus routes into Melbourne's Bayside region with operations headquartered at Bill's house in Brighton.

## 1961

Bill passes the legacy of his business on to his son, Geoff, who takes leadership of the company.

## 1967

Australian Pacific Coaches is established.

## 1970

Australian Pacific Coaches transforms to Australian Pacific Tours and the company takes its first overseas tour to New Zealand.



## 1970-75

The overseas range of tours continues to grow and includes destinations in North America, the United Kingdom and Europe.

## 1991

Canada and Alaska tours begin in partnership with Rocky Mountaineer and Holland America Line.

## 2001

APT enters the digital world with the creation of its first website.



## 2005

Geoff invests in an innovative river cruise business, AmaWaterways. APT's first river ship, MS Amadagio, sets sail in 2006.

## 2011

APT debuts the RV Amalotus on the Mekong River, marking the company's first travel offerings in Vietnam and Cambodia.



## 2022

APT celebrates 95 years of travel.

## 2023

APT launches the Mekong River's most luxurious river ship, the Mekong Serenity, in Vietnam and Cambodia.

## 2024

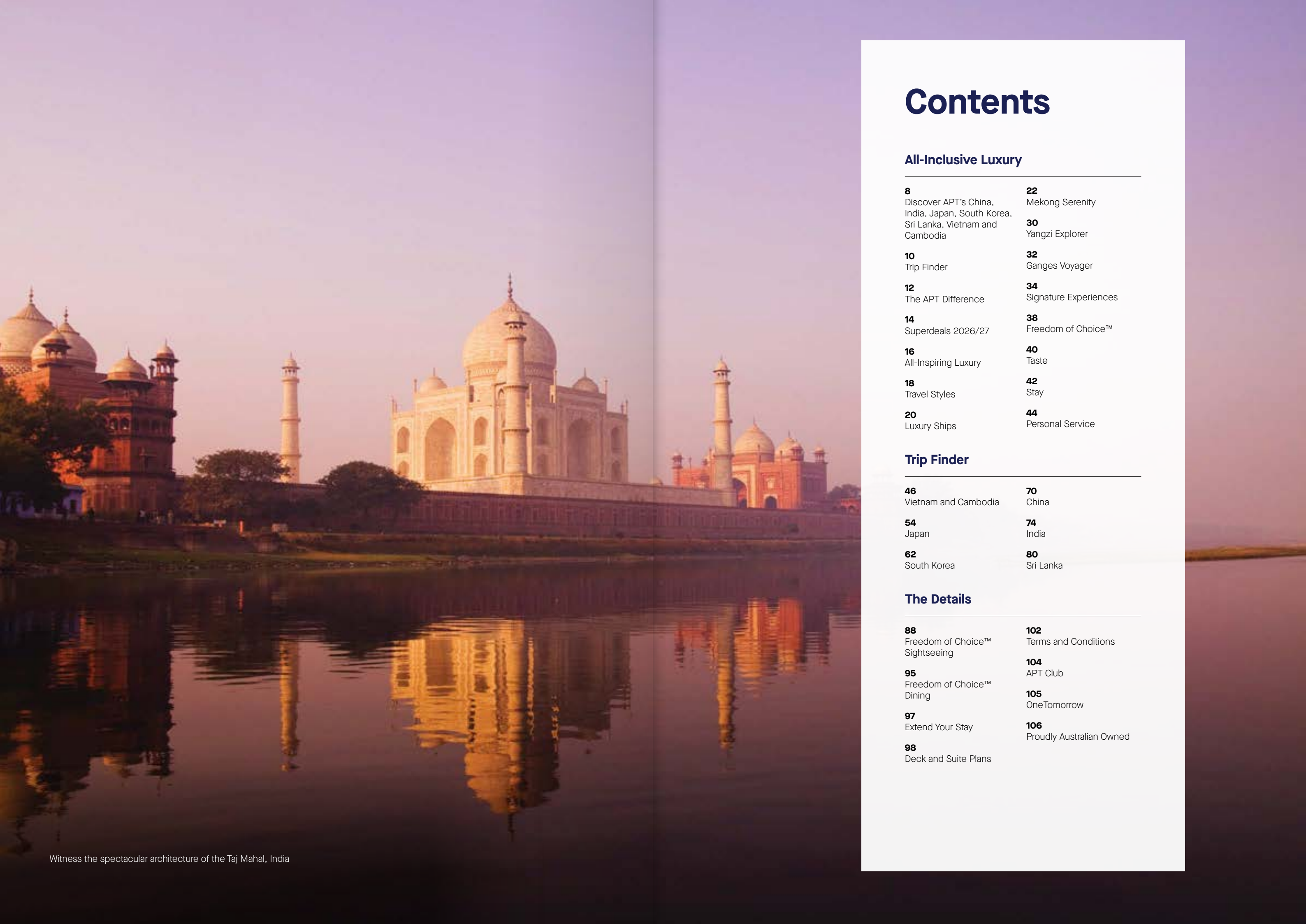
The MS Estrela sets sail on the Douro River in Portugal. APT joins forces with Seabourn to offer ultra-luxury ocean cruises in Antarctica. APT awarded Most Outstanding Tour Operator – Global by ATIA – Australian Travel Industry Association.



## 2025

The new-generation river ships, APT Solara and APT Ostara, begin cruising Europe's Rhine, Main and Danube rivers.





Witness the spectacular architecture of the Taj Mahal, India

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## China

From the charming architecture in Shanghai's Old Town to the awe-inspiring Three Gorges of the Yangtze River and the historic tales of the Terracotta Warriors in Xi'an, explore the very best of China. Indulge in sumptuous culinary staples, admire giant pandas and uncover the stories that have shaped this fascinating country throughout history.



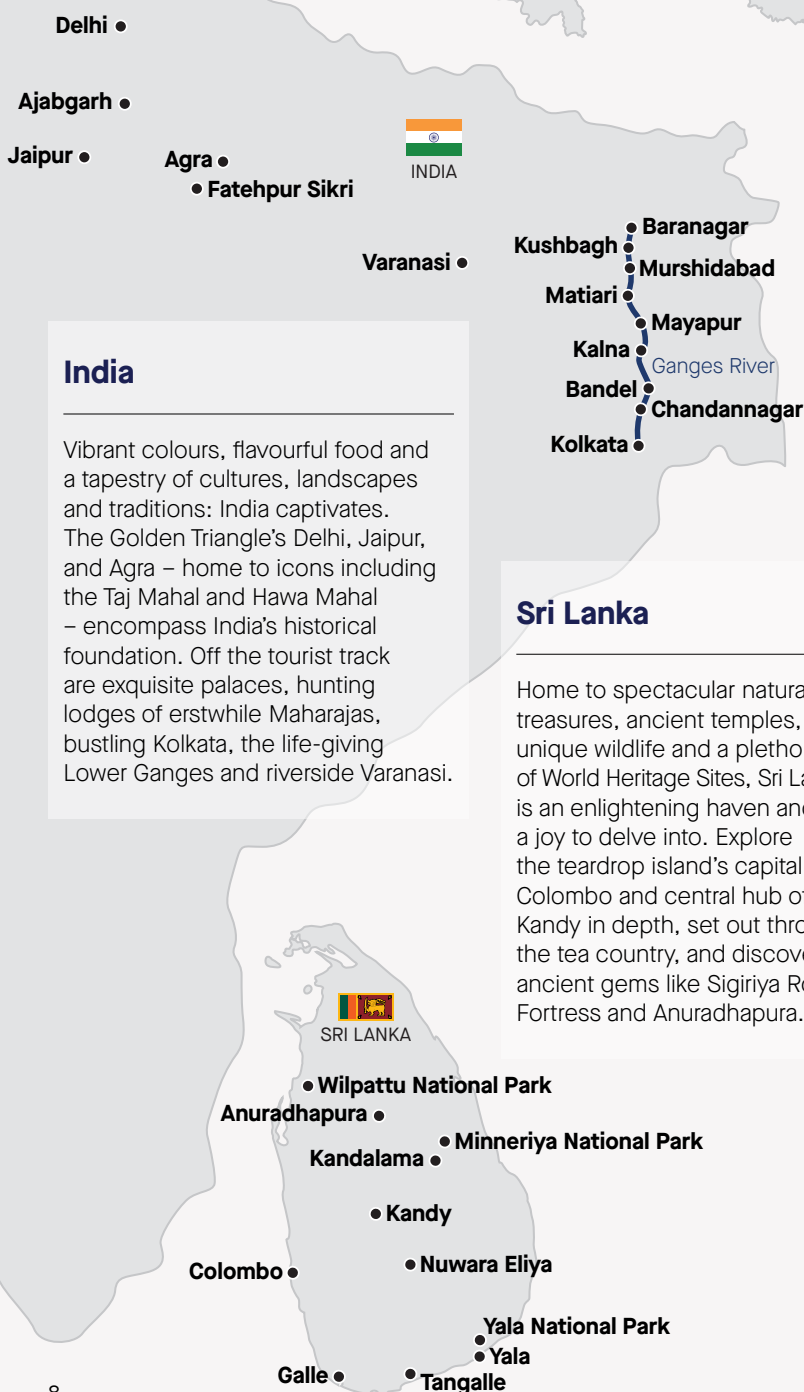
## Vietnam and Cambodia

Immerse yourself in buzzing cities with a kaleidoscope of colours, sounds and flavours. Explore age-old temples from a bygone era. Cruise the Mekong as it weaves through quaint riverside villages. Pass rice terraces, flourishing in verdant valleys. From the region's spectacular waterways to traversing stunning scenery by coach, uncover the best of Vietnam and Cambodia.



## India

Vibrant colours, flavourful food and a tapestry of cultures, landscapes and traditions: India captivates. The Golden Triangle's Delhi, Jaipur, and Agra – home to icons including the Taj Mahal and Hawa Mahal – encompass India's historical foundation. Off the tourist track are exquisite palaces, hunting lodges of erstwhile Maharajas, bustling Kolkata, the life-giving Lower Ganges and riverside Varanasi.



## Sri Lanka

Home to spectacular natural treasures, ancient temples, unique wildlife and a plethora of World Heritage Sites, Sri Lanka is an enlightening haven and a joy to delve into. Explore the teardrop island's capital of Colombo and central hub of Kandy in depth, set out through the tea country, and discover ancient gems like Sigiriya Rock Fortress and Anuradhapura.



# Discover APT's China, India, Japan, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Vietnam and Cambodia

## South Korea

Discover South Korea in depth, first exploring the wonders of its capital city Seoul. Visit the Korean Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) and gaze into mysterious North Korea, delve deep into South Korean traditions in Gyeongju, and learn why Jeonju is well known as the city of bibimbap. The delightful highlights of the colourful seaside city of Busan also await.



## Japan

Japan's diverse offerings ensure no two stays are ever the same. A vast metropolis at the forefront of technological development and bursting with vibrant subcultures, Tokyo is one of the world's largest and most fascinating cities. Step back in time as you experience Kyoto's rich history and culture, and learn about Hiroshima's sobering history. Naoshima Island's art will leave you mesmerised, and the regional delights of Takayama, Fukuoka, Karuizawa, Kanazawa and Okayama are sure to impress.





# Trip Finder

Your dream holiday awaits in one of these handcrafted journeys designed just for you. Select your preferred itinerary and you're on your way.

Soak in the scenery of Vietnam's Mai Chau

## VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA

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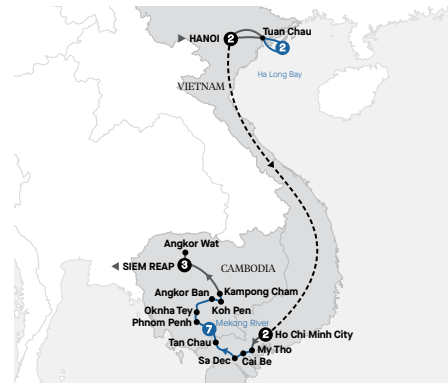
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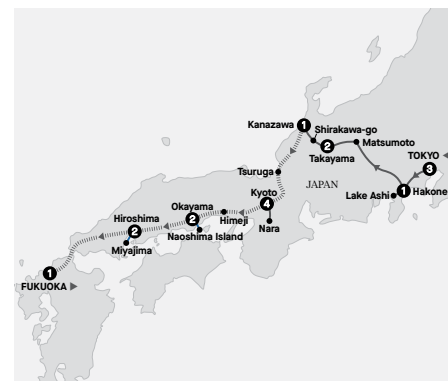
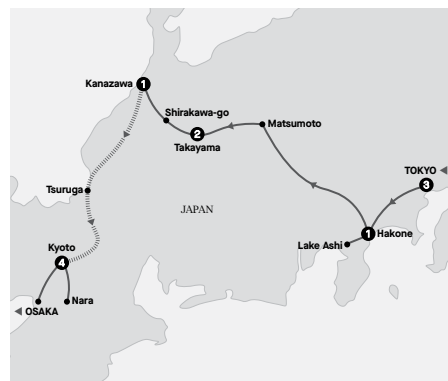
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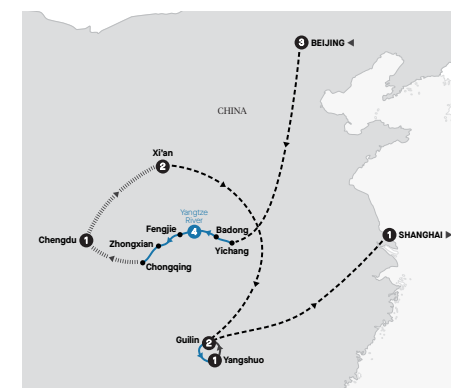
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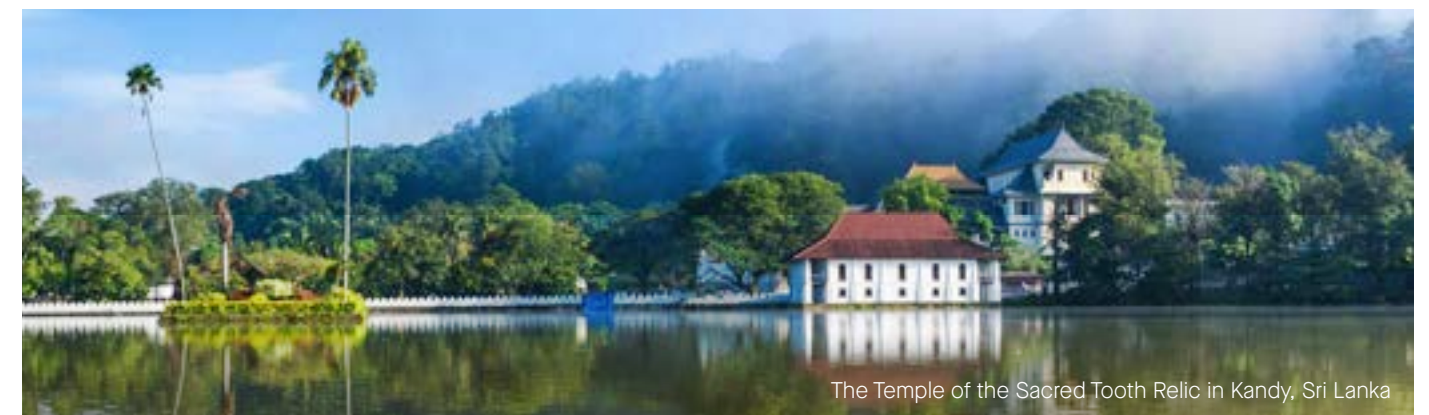
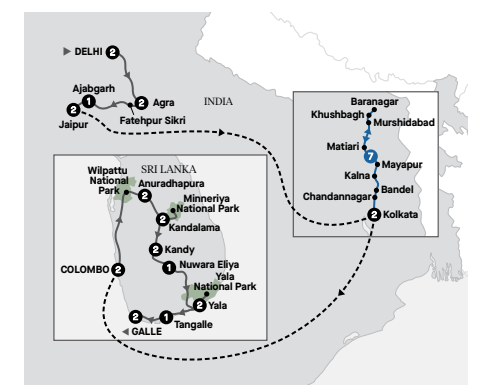
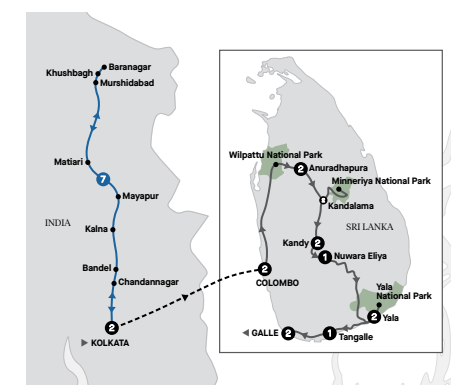
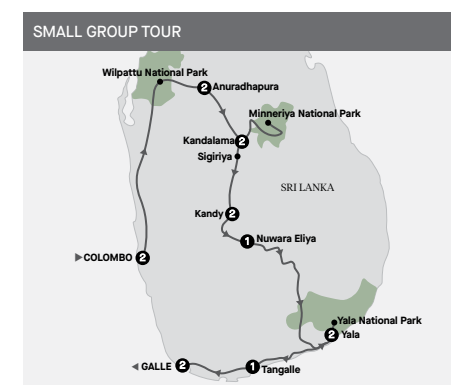
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The Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic in Kandy, Sri Lanka





# The APT Difference

For nearly a century, APT has been showing the world to our guests. We understand freedom and flexibility are important. That's why when booking with us, we'll support you if plans change, and ensure your health and safety are our highest priority.

## **All Taken Care Of**

Our Travel Experts look after all aspects of your journey with unrivalled care. There's 24/7 emergency support and we'll keep you updated on any travel requirements.

## **Award-Winning**

APT has a 98% guest satisfaction rating. Our awards include the Australian Federation of Travel Agents' Most Outstanding Tour Operator — Global for 2023 and Best River Cruise Operator from 2015-19, and 2023 Best Holiday Operator by Reader's Digest.

## **Travel Styles**

We offer a range of travel styles including luxury River Cruising, Land Tours, Rail Tours, Small Group Tours and more.

## **Experienced Crew and Staff**

APT's world-class crew will look after you every step of the way. From experienced Tour and Cruise Directors, to expert local guides, APT's crew is there to support your every need.

## **Australian-Owned**

We're proud to be Australia's leader in luxury travel, committed to delivering unforgettable travel experiences to our valued guests for almost a century.

## **The Best Destinations**

When you travel with APT, you discover hidden delights in the world's most exciting destinations. All our experiences are specially curated to capture the essence of each place you visit.

## **Locally Inspired Dining**

Cuisine across Asia is as diverse as it is delectable. Each region offers a tantalising array of traditional and contemporary dishes, ensuring world-class dining experiences throughout your holiday.

## **OneTomorrow**

OneTomorrow is our charity fund. Our goal is to make a lasting, positive impact on nature and communities through support for environmental and humanitarian causes.

For full details, visit [aptouring.com.au](https://aptouring.com.au) and search Book with Confidence, or speak with your APT Travel Expert or local travel agent.





Soak in the bright lights of Tokyo in Japan

# Superdeals 2026/27

Book early to secure the best Superdeal offer available.  
Superdeal offers are strictly limited and will sell out.

**Book by 30 November 2025, unless sold out prior – strictly limited**

## EARLYBIRD SAVINGS\*

**Save up to \$3,200 per couple\***

\*Book any Asia holiday by 30 November 2025 and enjoy Earlybird Savings of up to \$3,200 per couple.

The offer above can be combined with the following two offers:

## EARLY PAYMENT DISCOUNT\*

**Save up to \$600 per couple\***

\*Pay in full 10 months prior to departure and enjoy additional savings of up to \$600 per couple on India tours, Vietnam and Cambodia tours and Japan and China tours of 17 days or more. Save up to \$400 per couple on Japan, South Korea, China and Sri Lanka tours of 15 days or less.

## TRAVEL WITH FRIENDS AND SAVE\*

**Save up to \$600 per couple\***

\*When six or more people are travelling together and book their trip at the same time, enjoy additional savings of up to \$600 per couple on tours of Japan and Vietnam & Cambodia of 21 days or longer, up to \$400 per couple on Vietnam & Cambodia tours of 17 days or less, up to \$300 per couple on Japan, China, South Korea and Sri Lanka tours of 18 days or less and all India tours.

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# All-Inspiring Luxury

At APT, we like to make things as easy as possible. Our journeys are what we like to call All-Inspiring Luxury. When you travel with APT, everything you need is included and organised, so you can rest assured knowing those details have been taken care of. It's the sort of luxury that sets you free.

Dried incense in Hanoi, Vietnam

## Included on your journey

### The APT Difference

- ✓ Australian-owned and operated, with programs curated with the discerning traveller in mind
- ✓ Award-winning service

### Personalised Service

- ✓ Dedicated Tour Director and Cruise Director
- ✓ Expert local guides
- ✓ Locally based operations and support team

### Luxury Stays

- ✓ Hand-picked accommodation chosen for their service, character, style and location
- ✓ Spend two nights at Ho Chi Minh City's most luxurious hotel, Park Hyatt Saigon
- ✓ Delight in the ultimate indulgence at Shanghai's Fairmont Peace Hotel

### Locally Inspired Dining

- ✓ On our River Cruises, all meals are served with a selection of onboard beverages. Dishes are internationally and locally inspired, with diverse options to suit every traveller
- ✓ Daily breakfast, with a range of delicious options served with tea and coffee, ensuring you're ready for each exciting day of discovery
- ✓ A selection of locally inspired lunches and dinners, showcasing the very best produce and tantalising flavours from each destination — from the vibrant spices of India and Sri Lanka to Japan's delicate ingredients, South Korea's delectable delicacies, and the rich, diverse flavours of China's culinary heritage

### Unforgettable Experiences

- ✓ APT Signature Experiences
- ✓ Freedom of Choice™ inclusions

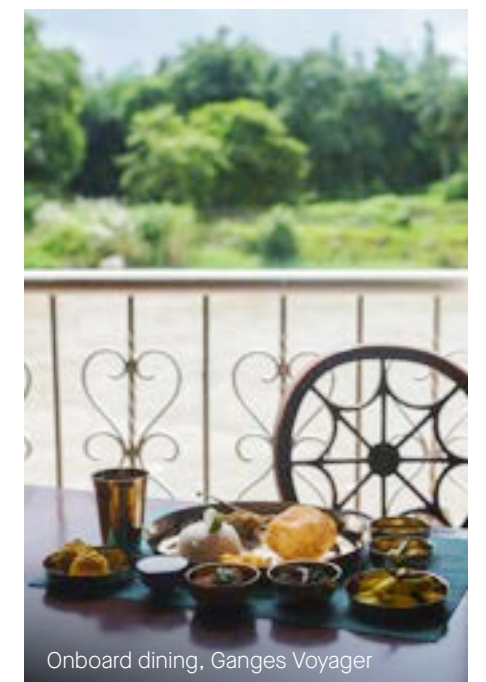
### All Taken Care Of

- ✓ All onboard and on-land gratuities
- ✓ Porterage\*
- ✓ Return airport transfers
- ✓ Port charges
- ✓ Audio headsets
- ✓ Best-in-class coaches

\*Refer to trip pages for portage inclusions



Relax aboard the Mekong Serenity



Onboard dining, Ganges Voyager



# Travel Styles

We understand that one type of holiday does not fit all, so we've created a range of travel styles. Some cover the must-see sights. Some go more in-depth. And on occasion, we mix multiple styles into the one journey, ensuring your experience is perfectly aligned with your interests and fitness level.

Glide through Japan's landscapes on a bullet train

## Land Tours

Experience Asia on an unforgettable Land Tour. Indulge in stunning hand-picked accommodation in amazing locations, locally inspired dining, and discover the must-see sights. Go beyond the beaten path with expert Tour Directors and local guides, passing beautiful landscapes in style aboard a comfortable, climate-controlled coach.

## Rail Tours

Traverse China, Japan, and South Korea on their efficient rail networks. Japan's bullet trains impress with seamless journeys covering vast distances. South Korea's KTX express trains whisk you away in comfort with deluxe seating, meanwhile China's high-speed trains offer a swift and seamless journey.

## River Cruising

Relax aboard your river ship as you discover the riverside gems of India's Lower Ganges, China's Yangtze, or Vietnam and Cambodia's Mekong. Enjoy personalised service, locally inspired dining, vibrant social spaces, and luxurious amenities, all while staying in a spacious suite as stunning landscapes unfold before you each day.

## Small Group Tours

With a maximum of 24 guests, these intimate tours let you experience extraordinary sites up close. Enjoy personalised attention, and delve deeper into the culture and heritage of each destination. It's the perfect way to connect with the places you visit and the people you meet along the way.



Cruise India's Lower Ganges aboard the Ganges Voyager



Zip across South Korea on a high-speed train



Join a small group tour



# Luxury Ships

Navigate the storied waterways of Asia, from India's Lower Ganges to the vibrant Mekong and the mighty Yangtze. With APT, your journey will be defined by world-class vessels and immersive cultural experiences. Discover hidden riverside treasures while enjoying the full spectrum of luxurious comforts and refined service.

Savour exceptional dining aboard the Mekong Serenity.

## Yangzi Explorer

Built in 2025, the Yangzi Explorer carries a heritage name and stands as the ultimate vessel for traversing the breathtaking Yangtze River. This luxurious cruise takes you through the awe-inspiring Three Gorges and the impressive Three Gorges Dam. Featuring world-class engineering, opulent interiors, and exceptional onboard amenities, your river journey promises to be an unforgettable experience.

## Mekong Serenity

Embark on a voyage along South East Asia's Mekong River aboard the boutique Mekong Serenity, the epitome of five-star luxury. Discover charming riverside villages, meet traditional farmers and artisans, and soak in the stunning scenery in unmatched elegance and style.

## Ganges Voyager

Explore the rarely travelled Lower Ganges River and experience the real India in absolute comfort and elegance on a memorable seven-night cruise aboard the stylish Ganges Voyager.



Discover riverside jewels aboard the Ganges Voyager



# Mekong Serenity

Cruise in style aboard the Mekong Serenity, the most luxurious ship on the Mekong River. Enjoy unrivalled service, intimate culinary experiences and a range of amenities as you discover Vietnam and Cambodia in elegance and comfort on this boutique vessel.



Embark on an adventure aboard the Mekong Serenity in Vietnam and Cambodia



# Life On Board

Admire the sunset as you cool off in the open-air pool.  
Rejuvenate and revitalise with a massage at the spa.  
Embrace life's luxuries on board and enjoy the freedom  
to do as much, or as little as you please.

Take a dip in the onboard swimming pool

## Sun Deck

The Sun Deck is perfectly positioned above the pool. It features a large open area to stretch your legs, a walking track, and space to practise tai chi or yoga. Relax on the sun lounges with a cold beverage and admire exceptional views.

## Swimming Pool

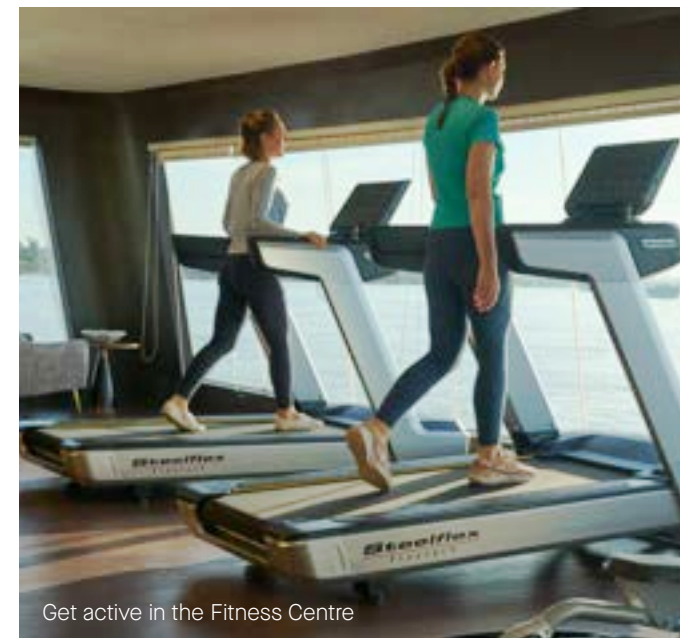
Take a refreshing dip in the outdoor pool, positioned on the open-air Sun Deck. From the pool's centre, soak up 180-degree views of the Mekong River. The surrounding Horizon Pool Bar & Grill features both lounge and dining-style seating options.

## A World of Wellness

Unwind at the onboard spa to relax after a day of exploring. Rejuvenate with a massage, feel pampered at the onboard hair salon, or indulge in a revitalising facial, manicure or pedicure.

## Fitness Centre

The onboard Fitness Centre features cardio equipment, including treadmills and exercise bikes, as well as weights and plenty of floor space for stretching. With floor-to-ceiling windows, you will never miss out on the passing scenery. Stay active and enjoy a refreshing workout experience.



Get active in the Fitness Centre



Start the day with yoga on the Sun Deck



Admire the scenery at the Horizon Pool Bar & Grill



# World-Class Dining

Indulge in the luxury of choice at four unique dining venues on board the Mekong Serenity. Savour authentic dishes, Asian fusion fare, international fine dining and made-to-order cuisine, crafted by expert onboard chefs.

Taste authentic regional fare aboard the Mekong Serenity

## Lemongrass Restaurant

This spacious and relaxed restaurant is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Breakfast includes a large selection of seasonal fruits, baked delights and cereals. Our chefs also prepare a selection of hot breakfast options. Lunch and dinner menus feature regional and Western cuisines, in addition to live cooking stations.

## Harmony Lounge & Bar

This stylish venue offers a wide range of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. Refreshing juices, iced tea, soft drinks, international wines and local beer are included at all times while on board. Coffee and a variety of teas are also available at your leisure. Early risers can delight in a selection of freshly baked pastries served in the lounge before breakfast.

## Indochine Private Dining

For an elevated culinary experience, Indochine Private Dining offers an intimate space, seating up to just 22 guests. Relish authentic flavours from the six-course degustation menu, which showcases Southeast Asian cuisine. Feast on dishes such as roast pork belly in noodles and tea-smoked duck with banana blossom.

## Horizon Pool Bar & Grill

This bar and restaurant is the ideal place to sit back and relax, sip on a cold beverage, read a book or take in the stunning landscapes. A light lunch is served daily with a variety of options to satisfy every craving, including delicious bánh mì, club sandwiches and pizza. Relax poolside and enjoy the convenience of beverages delivered directly to you through our pool bar service.



Delight in a bánh mì lunch at Horizon Pool Bar & Grill



Harmony Lounge & Bar



# Suite Escapes

Experience stylish interiors, effortless sophistication, and unparalleled comfort aboard the Mekong Serenity. Spacious suites with floor-to-ceiling windows provide serene river views and abundant natural light. Your personal floating sanctuary awaits.

Relax in the Bayon Suite

## Deluxe Twin Balcony Suites

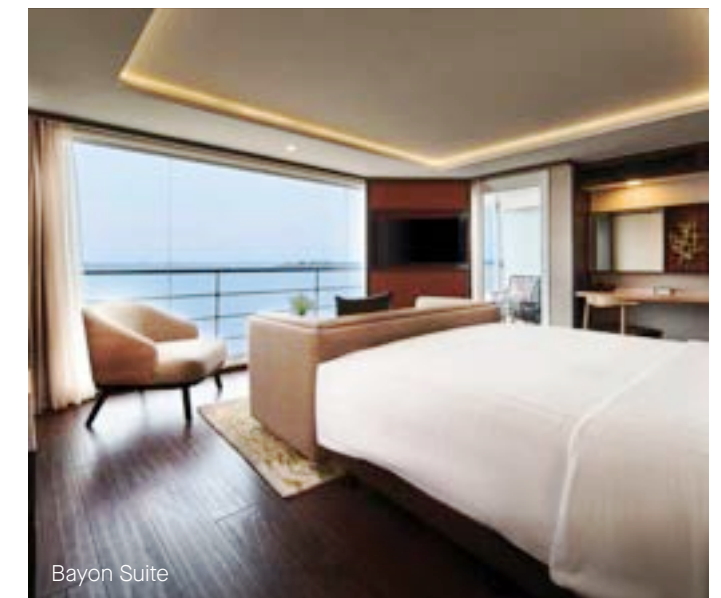
These elegant suites feature a queen-size bed or two twin beds, a comfortable sitting area, and an en suite with a separate standing shower. Bathed in natural light, these suites also feature an indoor floor-to-ceiling panoramic balcony, plus an outside balcony with seating.

## Bayon Suites

These exquisite suites feature a large bedroom and lounge area, floor-to-ceiling windows, an en suite with a spa bath, and a large balcony terrace with sun lounges. Enjoy Silver Butler Service, which includes one relaxing spa treatment per guest, shoe shining, and a daily fruit platter.

## Angkor Suites

These spacious suites feature a deluxe bedroom with a king-size bed and lounge area, a separate en suite with a spa bath, a spacious living room with floor-to-ceiling windows, and an expansive balcony terrace. Indulge in Gold Butler Service, which includes a packing and unpacking service, a bottle of champagne on arrival, tea and coffee service, and pre-dinner canapés, along with all the amenities of Silver Butler Service.





# Yangzi Explorer

Step into a world of lush landscapes, where the majestic Three Gorges rise along the Yangtze River, towering towards the sky. Immerse yourself in contemporary luxuries aboard the brand-new river ship, Yangzi Explorer, which carries a heritage name. Built in 2025, the vessel exudes elegance, offering a voyage that seamlessly blends luxury with adventure.

Step aboard the Yangzi Explorer, China

## Life On Board

The Yangzi Explorer has been designed with a carefully curated colour palette and opulent furnishings to create a serene ambience. Relax in comfort and style as you float along one of China's most prominent rivers. Social spaces include the View Lounge, The Explorer Bar and Star Gazing Terrace. The Ning Spa and onboard fitness centre offer space to prioritise wellness, while onboard activities range from entertainment programs in the Tang Theater, a captain's welcome reception and lectures presented by experts.

## Spacious Suites

With an array of suites to choose from, all with private balconies and butler service on offer, retreat to your oasis of calm at the end of each day. Deluxe Suites are wonderfully spacious and beautifully appointed, offering a private haven where every detail has been thoughtfully curated for your utmost relaxation. Located across the Main, Xiling, Wu, and Qutang Decks, these suites provide a refined and comfortable retreat after a day of exploration. While upgrades to higher suite categories may be requested, allocations are limited and subject to availability.

## Delectable Dining

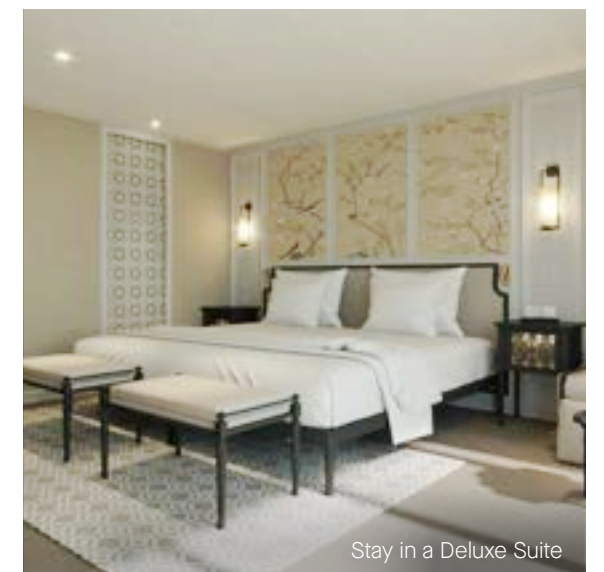
Savour a variety of elevated dining experiences. Unwind with river views and live music at the Explorer Bar, or enjoy intimate culinary moments at distinctive onboard venues. The Dynasty Restaurant offers impeccable service and a curated menu that blends Chinese and international flavours, creating a truly elegant dining experience. Guests staying in upgraded suites can enjoy access to three additional restaurants: Petrus Restaurant, Amber Restaurant and Sunset Hotpot House. In addition, 24-hour in-suite dining is available for all guests.

## Dedicated Service

The friendly crew aboard the Yangzi Explorer is both dedicated and attentive, ensuring that every detail is meticulously handled while serving guests. With an outstanding crew-to-guest ratio of 1:1, it's no wonder the onboard service is exceptional.



Savour meals in the Dynasty Restaurant



Stay in a Deluxe Suite



# Ganges Voyager

Traverse the sacred waters of the Ganges River aboard the exquisite Ganges Voyager, offering a rare opportunity to explore remote riverside villages, ancient temples and vibrant markets. With only 56 guests on board, this intimate river ship combines modern comforts, luxurious amenities, and immersive experiences, ensuring a comfortable and captivating journey through India's rich culture and spirituality.



Uncover the beauty of Kolkata in India

## Personalised Service

With highly trained and experienced staff on board and the highest crew-to-guest ratio of any ship on the Ganges, you'll be treated with the highest levels of attentive service.

## Luxury Onboard Dining

In the East India Dining Room, the Executive Chef leads a team of experts in crafting a range of specialty dining experiences which showcase the exotic local cuisine alongside western-style favourites. A selection of beverages are included with lunch and dinner, while tea and coffee are available throughout your entire cruise.

## Facilities Atop the Sun Deck

The Sun Deck's Governor's Lounge and outdoor Observation Deck offer panoramic views, while the Fitness Centre and Voyager Spa provide the perfect spaces to keep active or savour a relaxing treatment.

## All Suites, All Balconies, All Yours

The onboard suites are equipped with a large en suite, quality robes, slippers, bath amenities, a flat-screen television, a comfortable seating area, individual climate control, and more.

Signature Suites offer a queen-size bed, French balcony, spacious en suite, living area, and luxurious amenities.

Colonial Suites are similar to the Signature Suites but feature expansive views from the upper deck.

Heritage Suites boast spectacular front-facing panoramic views and a comfortable four-poster bed.

The spacious Viceroy Suites offer enhanced floor space, a king-size bed, hand-stencilled walls, and modern amenities.

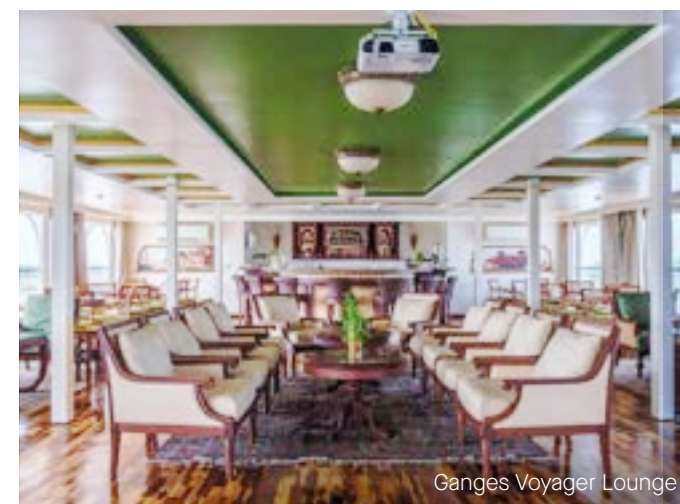
The Maharaja Suite features teak floors, Persian rugs, daily butler service, included laundry service, and an expansive en suite with a deluxe bath.



Relax in the well-appointed Colonial Suite



Glide along the river on the Ganges Voyager



Ganges Voyager Lounge



Enjoy sumptuous onboard dining



# Signature Experiences

These unforgettable and unique events are designed to deepen your experience, taking you on an inspiring journey beneath the surface of local history, culture and traditions. The following experiences are just a taste of what we have prepared, especially for you.

★ Look for the star logo on itinerary pages for your Signature Experiences.





Delight in an aarti in Varanasi, India

#### **Dinner with a Maiko or Geisha, Japan**

Enjoy an exclusive, private evening of dinner, drinks and entertainment with a maiko or geisha in Kyoto. Engage in compelling conversation and enjoy a traditional dance performance.

#### **Bibimbap Cooking Class, South Korea**

In South Korea's Jeonju, a city famous for its thriving food scene, you'll learn how to make bibimbap, the country's most popular dish, and savour your efforts for dinner.

#### **Lunch at the Brickyard, China**

Visit the Brickyard for lunch, a beautifully restored eco-retreat just two kilometres from the Great Wall. Formerly an old tile factory, this venue offers farm-to-table cuisine accompanied by captivating views of the Great Wall and a serene atmosphere.

#### **Admire an Aarti Ceremony, India**

In Varanasi, be swept up in the age-old tradition of an aarti. Witness the ritual as priests and devotees present the Ganges with offerings of fire and mantric chants accompanied by music in the nightly display of respect and worship.

#### **Tea Experience, Sri Lanka**

Be expertly guided through an artisanal tea experience, where you can witness the entire production process from farm to teacup at the renowned Amba Estate. Learn how each tea is individually crafted using extensive traditional methods including hand rolling.

#### **Speedboat to the Cu Chi Tunnels, Vietnam**

Set off on a speedboat journey along the Saigon River to the Cu Chi tunnels, built by Vietnamese resistance fighters during the Vietnam War.

#### **VIP Phare Circus Performance, Cambodia**

With special backstage access, meet the performers at Phare Circus in Siem Reap before taking your VIP seat to watch a mesmerising show.

#### **Buddhist Blessing Ceremony, Cambodia**

Take part in a traditional Buddhist blessing ceremony for good luck, health and safe journey with resident monks at a monastery in Oudong.





# Freedom of Choice™

Culture. Cuisine. Relaxation. Adventure. Wildlife.  
We work with you to personalise your journey to suit your interests. Go with something gourmet one day and get active the next. Or explore a historic site, then relax and unwind. The choice is yours.

Stroll through a vibrant Vietnamese food market in Ho Chi Minh City

## 🏛️ Culture and Heritage

Whether it's wandering through a centuries-old palace, admiring world-renowned art and theatre, touring museums or delving into iconic neighbourhoods, these inclusions guarantee a cultural immersion.

## 🍷 Gourmet Delight

These are for the gastronomes. Relish local delights while visiting fresh-food markets, sipping your way through Kyoto's best sake, savouring authentic Indian flavours and sampling Sichuan fare in China.

## 🌿 Nature and Wildlife

From a guided walk through the forests of Uga Ulagalla to guided tours of Tokyo's most beautiful gardens, these experiences get you closer to nature.

## 🧖 Relax and Revive

Discover the tranquil side of a region and take a moment to rejuvenate. Indulge in a luxury spa treatment or treat yourself to a traditional Khmer massage.

## 🚶 Get Active

You'll have the chance to enjoy a number of active experiences across Asia, including a walking tour in Varanasi, a cycling tour in Kyoto, a rickshaw ride through Beijing's historic Hutong district, or a walk through the gardens of Lunuganga Estate.

See pages 88-96 for a full list of Freedom of Choice™ inclusions in each destination.



Visit the Dongdaemun Design Plaza in Seoul, South Korea



Discover Royal Palace in Phnom Penh, Cambodia



Dine at La PLAGE in Kanazawa, Japan



# Taste

The cuisine of Asia is exceptional, and dining is routinely transformed into a ceremonial experience across its remarkably diverse cultures. Indulge in unforgettable meals at world-class restaurants, tour lively markets, and learn how to cook a range of incredible dishes as you dive head first into the region's rich and multifaceted epicurean landscape.

Experience incredible fine dining across Asia

## Enticing Dishes

Savour sensational dining experiences throughout your luxury holiday, from mouth-watering Hida beef and dinner with a geisha or maiko in Japan, to royal cuisine and delicious Korean BBQ in South Korea. An Indian fusion welcome dinner in Delhi will awaken your tastebuds, while aromatic Sri Lankan curries await at Colombo's Ceylon Curry Club. In China, enjoy a scenic lunch at the Brickyard, an eco-retreat offering farm-to-table cuisine and exceptional views of the Great Wall.

## Onboard Dining

Indulge in exquisite meals aboard your river cruises in India, China, Vietnam and Cambodia. Relish carefully crafted dishes made with locally sourced, fresh ingredients, and feature a blend of Asian fusion and western favourites.

## Cooking Classes

Try your hand at creating some of Asia's most iconic dishes. In South Korea, learn how to prepare bibimbap and seize the chance to make sushi and soba noodles in Japan. A gin cocktail workshop in Ajabgarh in India, and spice classes in both Sri Lanka and India also entice. Perhaps you'll engage in a dumpling-making class in Beijing, and savour your efforts afterwards.

## Local Delights

Traditional Sichuan delicacies, dumplings, okonomiyaki, fresh tempura, temple food, lavish high tea delights and treats fresh from the market are sure to impress along your journey. Meanwhile, Korean rice wine and soju, Japanese sake, Indian gin and Sri Lankan arak pair brilliantly as you delve into the diverse cuisine of each country you visit.



Enjoy a welcome dinner with Indian fusion dishes in Delhi



Sample vegetable tempura in Japan



Feast on sumptuous pho, Vietnam



# Stay

With APT, you'll stay in Asia's leading properties, hand-picked for their distinctive character, unrivalled personal service and spectacular settings. Revealing a great deal about the style, traditions, culture and history of the destinations you visit, each one of our hotels has been carefully selected to ensure a simply exceptional escape.

## **Park Hyatt Saigon, Vietnam**

In Ho Chi Minh City, experience the refined elegance of Park Hyatt Saigon, where tranquil, landscaped gardens provide a serene escape. A seamless blend of world-class design and meticulous details harmonises with modern comforts, creating an unparalleled urban luxury experience.

## **Sofitel Angkor Phokeethra Golf & Spa Resort, Cambodia**

Unwind and rejuvenate at the Sofitel Angkor Phokeethra Golf & Spa Resort. This luxurious hotel is ideally located near the lively centre of Siem Reap and a 10-minute drive from Angkor Archaeological Park. The hotel is home to Cambodia's first 18-hole championship golf course, as well as the country's largest free-form swimming pool.

## **Amanbagh, India**

Peaceful and secluded, Amanbagh seamlessly blends into the stunning Rajasthani countryside with its elegant pink cupolas and vaulted entrances. Its Mughal-inspired design enhances the lush surroundings, while spacious suites and locally inspired cuisine make for an iconic stay.

## **Uga Ulagalla, Sri Lanka**

Nestled in verdant countryside, tranquil Uga Ulagalla features luxury pool villas, friendly eco-practice and carefully crafted dining for a truly relaxing stay.

## **The Prince Gallery Tokyo Kioicho, a Luxury Collection Hotel, Japan**

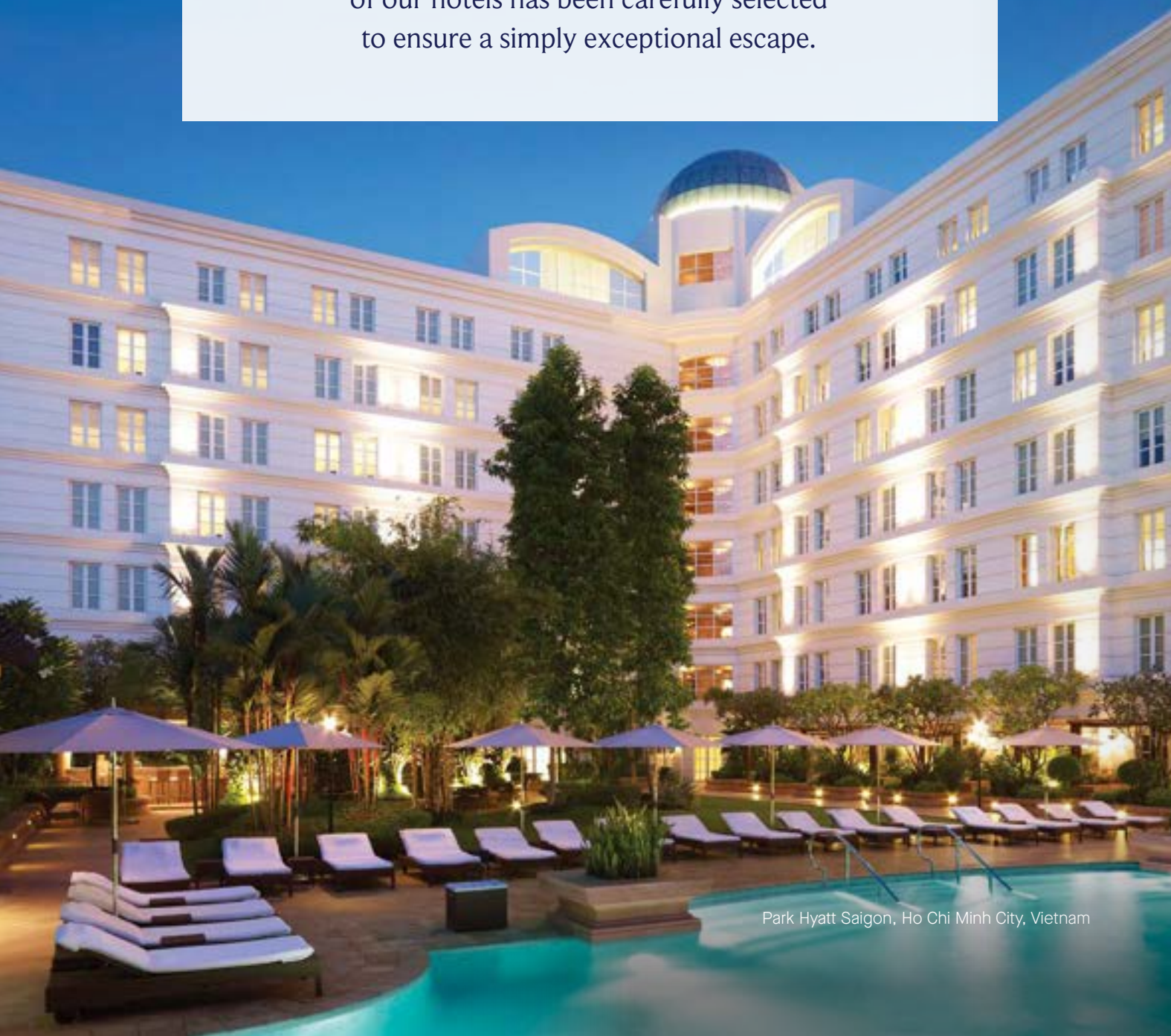
Embodying modern luxury and sophistication, The Prince Gallery Tokyo Kioicho boasts elegant accommodation, impeccable service, stunning city views and a superb location.

## **The Ambassador Seoul — A Pullman Hotel, South Korea**

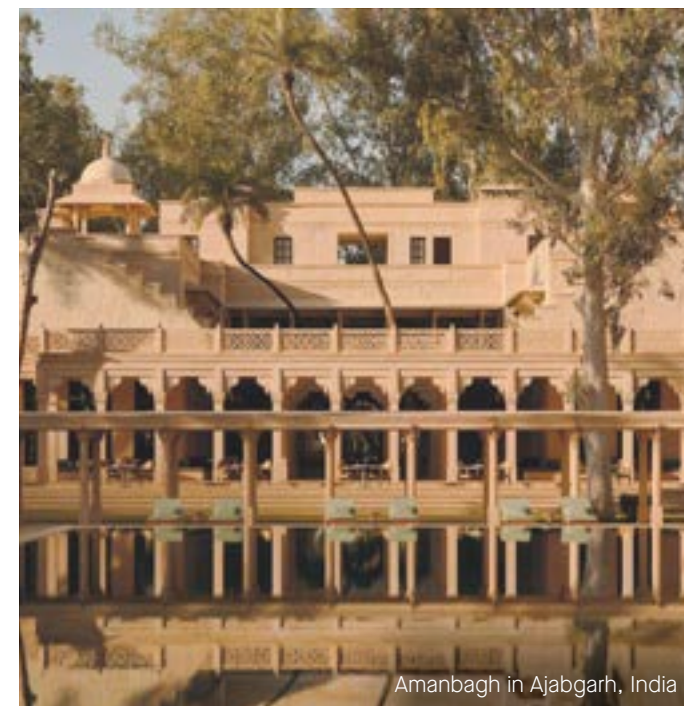
Situated in the heart of the city and established in 1955, this hotel is Korea's first privately owned hotel. While preserving the building's heritage, this accommodation has been newly renovated and includes a range of premium dining options.

## **Fairmont Peace Hotel in Shanghai, China**

Exuding timeless glamour and elegance with its Art Deco design, this chic hotel has preserved its elite status as a coveted destination for social events and weddings. Immerse yourself in its beautifully restored grandeur, ideally located along the iconic Bund promenade, offering stunning views of the waterfront and city skyline.



Park Hyatt Saigon, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam



Amanbagh in Ajabgarh, India



Lobby of Fairmont Peace Hotel in Shanghai, China



# Personal Service

Outstanding service and an unrivalled insider's perspective are hallmarks of every APT journey. You're free from obligation and stress, so you can make every holiday moment count, knowing our experts have taken care of everything.

Enjoy exemplary service on board the Mekong Serenity

## Tour and Cruise Directors

Your APT Tour and Cruise Director is with you every step of the way, and will go the extra mile to ensure your journey exceeds every expectation.

## Dedicated Crew on Board Your Cruise

Committed to your safety at all times, your ship's captain and crew are selected for their experience and expertise. Priding themselves on delivering an unrivalled standard of service, hospitality staff will greet you by name and remember exactly how you take your favourite drink.

## Local Experts, Local Insight

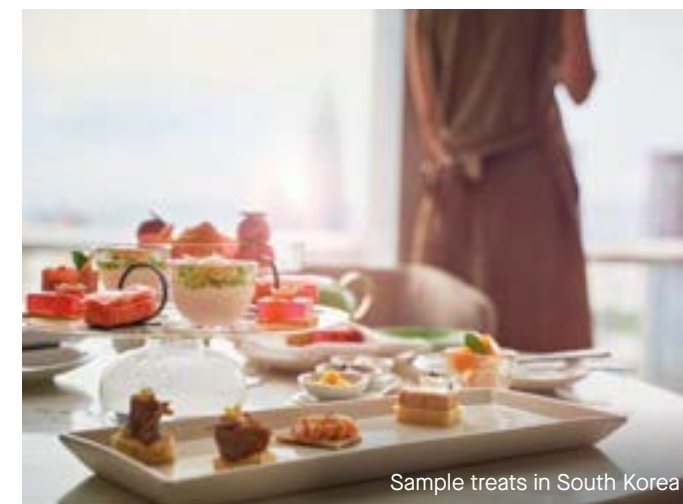
Our expert local guides share insights and knowledge that only a local could possess. Through their storytelling, the history and culture of each incredible destination truly come to life.

## Perfect Travel Companions

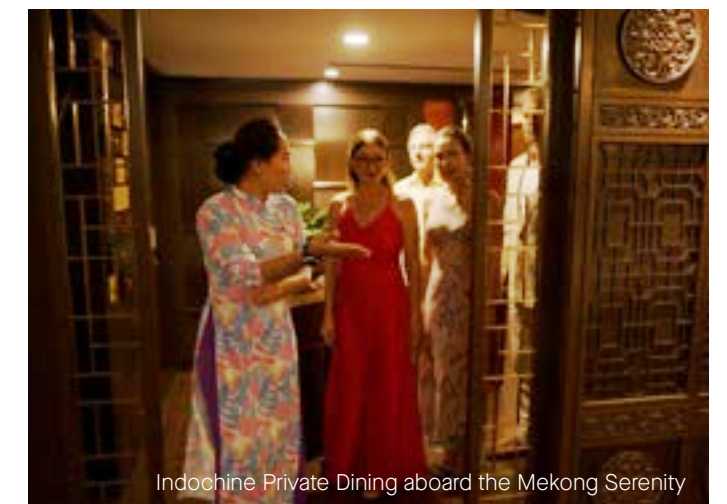
At APT, we're dedicated to making your holiday truly unforgettable. From the moment you step off your flight, a friendly face will greet you, and a vehicle will be waiting to whisk you to your destination. Plus, your luggage will be promptly delivered to your room, allowing you to focus on what matters most — enjoying your holiday.



Enjoy a pampering treatment at the spa aboard the Ganges Voyager, India



Sample treats in South Korea



Indochine Private Dining aboard the Mekong Serenity



# Vietnam and Cambodia

Experience the bustling energy of Vietnam's cities, where mopeds weave through lively streets and vibrant markets brim with life at every turn. In Cambodia, be enchanted by iconic temples and intricate architecture. The majestic Mekong River ties these two captivating nations together, meandering past charming villages and breathtaking countryside — the idyllic setting for river cruising.



Witness the ancient architecture of Angkor Wat in Cambodia





Marvel at Angkor Archaeological Park's Ta Prohm temple in Cambodia

# Vietnam and Cambodia Highlights

VEM13 / Siem Reap to Ho Chi Minh City

Discover wonders on land and cruise along the enchanting Mekong River

13 Days / Five-Night Land Tour + Seven-Night River Cruise

Ship Mekong Serenity / Visit 12 places, two countries

### Signature Experiences

- Visit Opportunities of Development thru Art (ODA), which provides education to children in Siem Reap.
- Enjoy a VIP seat at Phare Circus in Siem Reap and meet the performers backstage.
- Witness a spectacular sunrise at Siem Reap's Angkor Wat.
- Relish a delectable Khmer dinner and watch an apsara dance performance during a private visit to Theam's Gallery in Siem Reap.
- Journey by tuk tuk around the village on the river island of Koh Pen and discover local life.
- Take part in a traditional Buddhist blessing ceremony with resident monks at a monastery in Oudong.
- Travel by speedboat along the Saigon River to the Cu Chi tunnels in Ho Chi Minh City.
- Meet a Master Distiller during a private tour and gin tasting at Ho Chi Minh City's renowned Lady Triêu Distillery.
- Dine at the acclaimed Vietnam House in Ho Chi Minh City.



### Angkor Wat Sunrise

Witness World Heritage-listed Angkor Wat come alive in the soft glow of sunrise, relaxing with a beverage as you soak up sensational views of this iconic 12th-century temple.

### Highlights and Inclusions

- Five nights in luxury accommodation.
- Seven-night Mekong River cruise aboard APT's boutique luxury river ship, the Mekong Serenity.
- Locally inspired dining — a total of 31 meals.
- Freedom of Choice inclusions in three locations.
- Services of an APT Tour and Cruise Director, plus local guides.
- Transfers, portage, port charges and gratuities.



### Itinerary

**Day 01: Arrive Siem Reap** We'll meet you on arrival and transfer you to your luxurious hotel. Tonight, enjoy dinner with your fellow travellers. **D**

Three Nights: Siem Reap, Sofitel Angkor Phokeethra Golf & Spa Resort.

**Day 02: Siem Reap** Explore World Heritage-listed Angkor Archaeological Park. Here, see Angkor Thom, the Bayon temple and the Terrace of Elephants. Journey to Ta Prohm, commonly referred to as the 'Tomb Raider Temple'. Later, visit Opportunities of Development thru Art (ODA), which provides education to local disadvantaged children. Tonight, enjoy a VIP seat at Phare Circus. **B**

**Day 03: Siem Reap** Witness the magic of sunrise at Angkor Wat before a guided tour. This afternoon, set off on your preferred Freedom of Choice sightseeing activity. Tonight, enjoy a private visit to Theam's Gallery. Discover the famous Cambodian artist's sculptures and paintings, then indulge in a special five-course Khmer dinner while watching a traditional apsara dance performance. **BD**

**Day 04: Siem Reap, Kampong Cham, Embark Ship, Koh Pen, Angkor Ban** Transfer to Kampong Cham, where you will board the boutique Mekong Serenity.

**BLD:** Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Following lunch on board, explore Koh Pen by tuk tuk. A welcome dinner awaits you in the evening. **BLD**

Seven Nights: Mekong River, Mekong Serenity.

**Day 05: Angkor Ban, Oknha Tey, Phnom Penh** Walk through Angkor Ban, one of the few Cambodian villages that was not destroyed under the 1970s Khmer Rouge regime. Later, cruise to Oknha Tey, known for its silk weaving traditions. **BLD**

**Day 06: Phnom Penh** Today, select your Freedom of Choice sightseeing activity. After lunch back on board, explore Phnom Penh at leisure or relax. **BLD**

**Day 07: Phnom Penh, Oudong, Koh Chen, Phnom Penh** Travel to Oudong, where you will take part in a traditional Buddhist blessing ceremony with resident monks at a local monastery. Wander through the village of Koh Chen, then enjoy the afternoon at leisure in Phnom Penh. **BLD**

**Day 08: Phnom Penh, Border Crossing, Tan Chau** Spend the day cruising towards the Vietnamese border. While border formalities are carried out, enjoy onboard activities. Cross into Vietnam and cruise to Tan Chau. **BLD**

**Day 09: Tan Chau, Evergreen Island, Sa Dec** Take a rickshaw tour of Tan Chau, and visit a silk and rattan weaving workshop. Later, experience authentic rural life at Evergreen Island before cruising to Sa Dec. **BLD**

**Day 10: Sa Dec, Cai Be, My Tho** Journey by a small tender boat to Sa Dec. Tour the home of Huynh Thuy Le, the lover of French writer Marguerite Duras, and learn the story behind Duras' novel, *The Lover*. Then, visit a Cao Dai temple. Return to the ship for lunch and cruise to Cai Be, where you'll visit Cai Be Church, the port area, and a rice paper manufacturer. **BLD**

**Day 11: My Tho, Disembark Ship, Ho Chi Minh City** Disembark in My Tho and continue to Ho Chi Minh City, once known as Saigon. Enjoy your selected Freedom of Choice sightseeing activity before dinner this evening. **BD**

Two Nights: Ho Chi Minh City, Park Hyatt Saigon.

**Day 12: Ho Chi Minh City** Travel by speedboat along the Saigon River to the Cu Chi tunnels, built by Vietnamese resistance fighters during the Vietnam War. Afterwards, meet a Master Distiller at a gin distillery and enjoy a private tasting. Tonight, savour dinner at the acclaimed Vietnam House, along with a cocktail specially crafted for APT guests. **BLD**

**Day 13: Depart Ho Chi Minh City** After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for your onward flight. **B**

For more information about Freedom of Choice sightseeing and dining options, see pages 88-96.

Trip from **\$7,695** per person, twin share

SAVE UP TO \$3,000 PER COUPLE*			
2025/26 Dates and Prices (A\$) Per person, twin share	Suite Category	Early Booking Price From*	Standard Price From
13 Days Siem Reap to Ho Chi Minh City (VEM13)			
<b>2025</b> Jul. 19, 25; Aug. 2, 8, 16, 22, 30 Sep. 5, 13, 19, 27; Oct. 3, 11, 17, 25, 31 Nov. 8, 14, 22, 28	Deluxe Twin Balcony	\$7,695	\$8,895
	Bayon	\$9,690	\$10,890
	Angkor	\$10,890	\$12,090
<b>2026</b> Jan. 17, 23, 31; Feb. 6, 14, 20, 28 Mar. 6, 14, 20, 28; Apr. 3, 11, 17 Jul. 19, 25; Aug. 2, 8, 16, 22, 30 Sep. 5, 13, 19, 27; Oct. 3, 11, 17, 25, 31 Nov. 8, 14, 22, 28	Deluxe Twin Balcony	\$7,695	\$9,195
	Bayon	\$9,690	\$11,190
	Angkor	\$10,890	\$12,390

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For a detailed day-by-day itinerary, up-to-date prices, savings and departure dates, search **VEM13** on [aptouring.com.au](http://aptouring.com.au)

### Reverse Journey

This journey is also available in reverse. Begin your holiday in Ho Chi Minh City and finish in Siem Reap. Search **VEMR13** on

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# Vietnam and Cambodia Discovery

VEMR17 / Hanoi to Siem Reap



Cruise spectacular Ha Long Bay in Vietnam

## 17 Days / Seven-Night Land Tour + Seven-Night River Cruise + Two-Night Coastal Cruise

**Ships** Mekong Serenity and Au Co / **Visit** 14 places, two countries

### Signature Experiences

- ★ Enjoy VIP Fast Track Service on arrival at Hanoi's airport.
- ★ Join a local historian for a private tour of the bomb shelter at Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi.
- ★ Embark on a three-day luxury cruise through World Heritage-listed Ha Long Bay aboard the stylish Au Co.
- ★ Travel by speedboat along the Saigon River to the Cu Chi tunnels in Ho Chi Minh City.
- ★ Meet a Master Distiller during a private tour and gin tasting at Ho Chi Minh City's renowned Lady Triệu Distillery.
- ★ Dine at the acclaimed Vietnam House in Ho Chi Minh City.
- ★ Take part in a traditional Buddhist blessing ceremony with resident monks at a monastery in Oudong.
- ★ Journey by tuk tuk around the river island of Koh Pen.
- ★ Visit Opportunities of Development thru Art (ODA), which provides education to children in Siem Reap.
- ★ Enjoy a VIP seat at Phare Circus and meet the performers.
- ★ Witness a spectacular sunrise at Angkor Wat.
- ★ Relish a delectable Khmer dinner and watch an apsara dance performance during a private visit to Theam's Gallery.

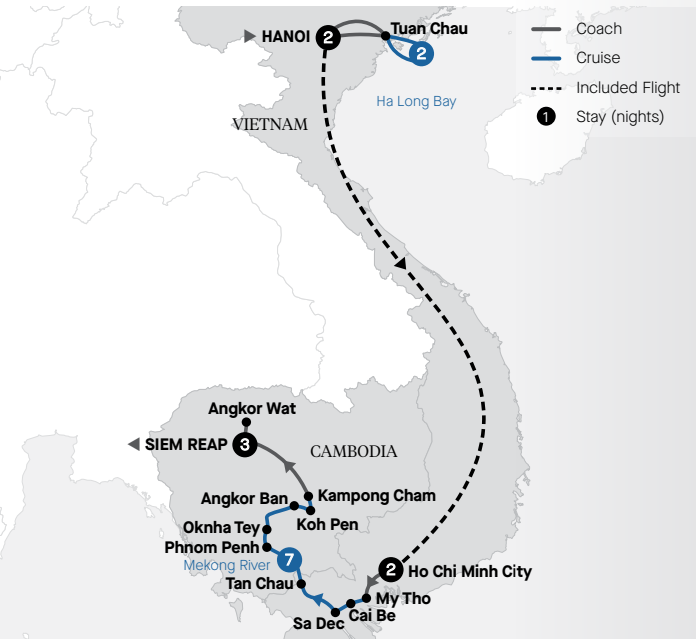


### Ha Long Bay Cruise

Cruise World Heritage-listed Ha Long Bay over three days aboard the luxurious Au Co. The bay is one of nature's most inspiring displays, with over 1,600 lush limestone islands and islets.

### Highlights and Inclusions

- ✓ Seven nights in luxury accommodation.
- ✓ Seven-night Mekong River cruise aboard APT's boutique luxury river ship, the Mekong Serenity.
- ✓ Two-night coastal cruise aboard the Au Co.
- ✓ Locally inspired dining — a total of 43 meals.
- ✓ Freedom of Choice inclusions in four locations.
- ✓ Services of an APT Tour and Cruise Director, plus local guides.
- ✓ Transfers, portage, port charges and gratuities.
- ✓ Domestic flight from Hanoi to Ho Chi Minh City.



### Itinerary

**Day 01: Arrive Hanoi** Enjoy VIP Fast Track Service at the airport for a seamless arrival. Later, a welcome dinner awaits. **D**

Two Nights: Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi.

**Day 02: Hanoi** Set off on a guided tour of the city's famous historical and cultural sites. Select your Freedom of Choice sightseeing activity this afternoon and enjoy a range of dining options tonight. **BD**

**Day 03: Hanoi, Tuan Chau, Embark Ship, Ha Long Bay** Join a local historian for a private tour of a bomb shelter. Then, board the Au Co for your three-day Ha Long Bay cruise. Travel to Cat Ba Island and ride a bike or electric cart through Viet Hai village, where you'll learn how to prepare bánh cuốn. Return to your ship for dinner and perhaps enjoy an onboard activity. **BLD**

Two Nights: Ha Long Bay, Au Co.

**Day 04: Ha Long Bay** Explore the Trinh Nu area by kayak, then cruise to Cua Van Floating Village. Discover this location by kayak or rowing boat before sunset drinks and dinner on board the Au Co. **BLD**

**Day 05: Ha Long Bay, Tuan Chau, Disembark Ship, Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh City** Visit Sung Sot Cave or Titov Island. Later, disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight to Ho Chi Minh City. **BLD**

**BLD:** Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Two Nights: Ho Chi Minh City, Park Hyatt Saigon.

**Day 06: Ho Chi Minh City** Journey by speedboat to the Cu Chi tunnels. Then, meet a Master Distiller and enjoy a private gin tasting. Savour dinner at Vietnam House, and indulge in a cocktail specially crafted for APT guests. **BLD**

**Day 07: Ho Chi Minh City, My Tho, Embark Ship, Cai Be** Select your Freedom of Choice activity. Later, transfer to My Tho and board your river ship. **BLD**

Seven Nights: Mekong River, Mekong Serenity.

**Day 08: Cai Be, Sa Dec, Tan Chau** Explore Cai Be Church and the port before visiting a rice paper manufacturer. In Sa Dec, learn the story behind French writer Marguerite Duras' novel, *The Lover*. Later, visit a Cao Dai temple. **BLD**

**Day 09: Tan Chau, Evergreen Island, Border Crossing, Phnom Penh** Take a rickshaw tour in Tan Chau, then visit a weaving workshop. Later, experience authentic rural Mekong life on Evergreen Island. Enjoy onboard activities as you cruise to the Cambodian border. **BLD**

**Day 10: Phnom Penh** Enjoy a Freedom of Choice sightseeing activity. **BLD**

**Day 11: Phnom Penh, Oudong, Koh Chen, Oknha Tey** Visit a monastery in Oudong and receive a Buddhist blessing from the resident monks. Stroll through Koh Chen, then cruise to Oknha Tey, known for its silk weaving traditions. **BLD**

**Day 12: Oknha Tey, Angkor Ban, Wat Hanchey** Cruise to Angkor Ban and join a walking tour. This afternoon, your ship continues upstream to Wat Hanchey. **BLD**

**Day 13: Wat Hanchey, Kampong Cham, Koh Pen** Climb to the hilltop pagoda of Wat Hanchey for views over the Mekong. Explore Koh Pen by tuk tuk. Enjoy a final dinner aboard your ship tonight. **BLD**

**Day 14: Kampong Cham, Disembark Ship, Siem Reap** Disembark and transfer to Siem Reap. Visit Opportunities of Development thru Art (ODA). Enjoy a VIP seat at Phare Circus this evening. **BL**

Three Nights: Siem Reap, Sofitel Angkor Phokeethra Golf & Spa Resort.

**Day 15: Siem Reap** Witness sunrise at Angkor Wat before taking a guided tour. Later, visit Angkor Thom, the Bayon temple and Ta Prohm. Tonight, select a Freedom of Choice dining option. **BD**

**Day 16: Siem Reap** Set off on your preferred Freedom of Choice activity. Delight in a private visit to Theam's Gallery tonight, where you'll enjoy a Khmer dinner and apsara dance performance. **BD**

**Day 17: Depart Siem Reap** Transfer to the airport for your onward flight. **B**

For more information about Freedom of Choice sightseeing and dining options, see pages 88-96.

## Trip from \$10,295 per person, twin share

SAVE UP TO \$3,400 PER COUPLE*			
2025/26 Dates and Prices (A\$) Per person, twin share	Suite Category	Early Booking Price From*	Standard Price From
17 Days Hanoi to Siem Reap (VEMR17)			
<b>2025</b> Jul. 15, 21, 29; Aug. 4, 12, 18, 26 Sep. 1, 9, 15, 23, 29; Oct. 7, 13, 21, 27 Nov. 4, 10, 18, 24	Deluxe Twin Balcony	\$10,295	\$11,695
	Bayon	\$12,290	\$13,690
	Angkor	\$13,490	\$14,890
<b>2026</b> Jan. 13, 19, 27; Feb. 2, 10, 16, 24 Mar. 2, 10, 16, 24, 30; Apr. 7, 13 Jul. 15, 21, 29; Aug. 4, 12, 18, 26 Sep. 1, 9, 15, 23, 29; Oct. 7, 13, 21, 27 Nov. 4, 10, 18, 24	Deluxe Twin Balcony	\$10,295	\$11,995
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	Angkor	\$13,490	\$15,190

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### Reverse Journey

This journey is also available in reverse. Begin your holiday in Hanoi and finish in Ho Chi Minh City. Search **VEM17** on

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Wander along the canals of Hoi An in Vietnam

# Best of Vietnam and Cambodia

VEMR21 / Hanoi to Siem Reap

## 21 Days / 11-Night Land Tour + Seven-Night River Cruise + Two-Night Coastal Cruise

**Ships** Mekong Serenity and Au Co / **Visit** 16 places, two countries

### Signature Experiences

- Enjoy VIP Fast Track Service on arrival at Hanoi's airport.
- Join a local historian for a private tour of the bomb shelter at Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi.
- Embark on a three-day luxury cruise through World Heritage-listed Ha Long Bay aboard the stylish Au Co.
- Discover Hoi An's colourful market and enjoy an exclusive cooking class with the Red Bridge Cooking School.
- Set out on an agricultural eco-tour in Hoi An.
- Cruise Hue's Perfume River and savour afternoon tea.
- Travel by speedboat to the Cu Chi tunnels.
- Meet a Master Distiller during a private tour and gin tasting at Ho Chi Minh City's renowned Lady Triệu Distillery.
- Dine at the acclaimed Vietnam House in Ho Chi Minh City.
- Take part in a traditional Buddhist blessing ceremony with resident monks at a monastery in Oudong.
- Journey by tuk tuk around the river island of Koh Pen.
- Visit Siem Reap's Opportunities of Development thru Art (ODA), providing education to local disadvantaged children.
- Enjoy a VIP seat at Siem Reap's Phare Circus.
- Witness a spectacular sunrise at Angkor Wat in Siem Reap.
- Relish a delectable Khmer dinner and watch an apsara dance performance during a private visit to Theam's Gallery.

### Highlights and Inclusions

- ✓ 11 nights in luxury accommodation.
- ✓ Seven-night Mekong River cruise aboard APT's boutique luxury river ship, the Mekong Serenity.
- ✓ Two-night coastal cruise aboard the Au Co.
- ✓ Locally inspired dining — a total of 50 meals.
- ✓ Freedom of Choice inclusions in four locations.
- ✓ Services of an APT Tour and Cruise Director, plus local guides.
- ✓ Transfers, portage, port charges and gratuities.
- ✓ Domestic flights from Hanoi to Da Nang and Hue to Ho Chi Minh City.



### Itinerary

**Day 01: Arrive Hanoi** Enjoy VIP Fast Track Service at the airport for a seamless arrival. This evening, a welcome dinner awaits. **D**

Two Nights: Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi.

**Day 02: Hanoi** Take a guided tour to the city's most famous historical and cultural sites. Enjoy a cyclo ride through the Old Quarter. Then, explore this city on your selected Freedom of Choice experience. Tonight, choose your dining option. **BD**

**Day 03: Hanoi, Tuan Chau, Embark Ship, Ha Long Bay** Take a private tour of your hotel's bomb shelter. After, travel to Tuan Chau and board the Au Co for your two-night cruise through Ha Long Bay. Savour Vietnamese dishes during lunch as you pass Trong Mai Islet, Ngan Tay Islet and Con Coc Islet. Embark on an excursion to Cat Ba Island and ride a bicycle or electric cart through Viet Hai village. Enjoy dinner back aboard the ship. Perhaps join a rice wine tasting session in the onboard restaurant, or try your hand at squid fishing off the main deck. **BLD**

Two Nights: Ha Long Bay, Au Co.

**Day 04: Ha Long Bay** Start the day with a Tai Chi lesson. After breakfast, explore the Trinh Nu area by kayak. Return to the ship for a cruise toward Cua Van Floating Village and savour a special lunch. In the

afternoon, explore by kayak or traditional rowing boat. Enjoy a sunset drink on the deck and savour dinner on board. **BLD**

**Day 05: Ha Long Bay, Tuan Chau, Disembark Ship, Hanoi, Da Nang, Hoi An** After breakfast, choose between two exciting options. Perhaps discover Sung Sot Cave. Alternatively, embark on an excursion to Titov Island. Return to the ship to disembark and head to Hanoi for your flight to Da Nang. Continue to Hoi An and your accommodation. **BLD**

Two Nights: Hotel Royal Hoi An — M Gallery.

**Day 06: Hoi An** Discover Hoi An this morning, taking in sights such as the Japanese Covered Bridge and the 19th-century Chinese temple. Visit a handicraft workshop to see local artisans making silk lanterns and other crafts. Stop off at a local cafe to try a Vietnamese specialty, coconut coffee. This afternoon, a boat cruise along the Thu Bon River takes you to an exclusive cooking class with the Red Bridge Cooking School. **BD**

**Day 07: Hoi An, Hue** Set out on an agricultural eco-tour. Depart Hoi An bound for Hue, travelling via Da Nang over the stunning Hai Van Pass, with views across Lang Co beach. Tonight, dine on authentic Hue cuisine at the hotel's Nam Phuong restaurant. **BD**

Two Nights: Silk Path Grand Hue Hotel & Spa.

**Day 08: Hue** Venture to the Imperial Citadel, then visit the historical Thien Mu Pagoda. Next, glide along Hue's Perfume River while savouring a delicious afternoon tea. **B**

**Day 09: Hue, Ho Chi Minh City** Fly to Ho Chi Minh City and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure before dinner. **BD**

Two Nights: Ho Chi Minh City, Park Hyatt Saigon.

**Day 10: Ho Chi Minh City** Set off on a speedboat to the Cu Chi tunnels, before meeting a Master Distiller and enjoying a private gin tasting. Tonight, relish dinner at Vietnam House. **BLD**

**Day 11: Ho Chi Minh City, My Tho, Embark Ship, Cai Be** Choose your sightseeing, then be transferred to your river ship. Set sail from My Tho and cruise towards Cai Be. Tonight, a Vietnamese welcome dinner awaits. **BLD**

Seven Nights: Mekong River, Mekong Serenity.

**Days 12-21: Mekong River Cruise**

Refer to days 08-17 on page 51 for details of your Mekong River cruise.

For more information about Freedom of Choice sightseeing and dining options, see pages 88-96.

## Trip from \$12,195 per person, twin share

SAVE UP TO \$3,800 PER COUPLE*			
2025/26 Dates and Prices (A\$) Per person, twin share	Suite Category	Early Booking Price From*	Standard Price From
<b>21 Days Hanoi to Siem Reap (VEMR21)</b>			
<b>2025</b> Jul. 11, 15, 25, 29; Aug. 8, 12, 22, 26 Sep. 5, 9, 19, 23; Oct. 3, 7, 17, 21, 31 Nov. 4, 14, 18	Deluxe Twin Balcony	\$12,195	\$13,795
	Bayon	\$14,190	\$15,790
	Angkor	\$15,390	\$16,990
<b>2026</b> Jan. 9, 13, 23, 27; Feb. 6, 10, 20, 24 Mar. 6, 10, 20, 24; Apr. 3, 7 Jul. 11, 15, 25, 29; Aug. 8, 12, 22, 26 Sep. 5, 9, 19, 23; Oct. 3, 7, 17, 21, 31 Nov. 4, 14, 18	Deluxe Twin Balcony	\$12,195	\$14,095
	Bayon	\$14,190	\$16,090
	Angkor	\$15,390	\$17,290

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For a detailed day-by-day itinerary, up-to-date prices, savings and departure dates, search **VEMR21** on [aptouring.com.au](http://aptouring.com.au)

### Reverse Journey

This journey is also available in reverse. This holiday is Ho Chi Minh City return. Search **VEM21** on

[aptouring.com.au](http://aptouring.com.au)

**BLD:** Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner



# Japan

A nation at the forefront of technological advancement, and rich in culture and customs, both old and new. As you explore intriguing Japan, you'll journey to its greatest destinations and uncover its hidden delights. Embrace the country's unique traditions, discover its quieter pockets, and traverse picturesque landscapes aboard thrilling bullet trains and spacious coaches. Tokyo and Kyoto are captivating in their contrasts, and iconic Mount Fuji and Lake Ashi are just a taste of the natural wonders that await. Sample and savour Japan's world-famous cuisine throughout, with cooking classes revealing the nation's best sake, sushi, miso, wasabi and more.



Admire the streets of Kyoto in Japan





Enjoy the stunning panorama of Tokyo's skyline in Japan

# Enchanting Japan

JA12 / Tokyo to Osaka

Delve into the heart of Japan, discovering vibrant cities and cultural gems

## 12 Days / 11-Night Land and Rail Tour

Visit 11 places, one country

### Signature Experiences

- ★ In Tokyo, take part in a sushi-making class and taste your homemade delights for lunch.
- ★ Join a soba buckwheat noodle cooking lesson in Hakone.
- ★ In Takayama, enjoy a Sarubobo-making workshop, learning how to create these traditional dolls.
- ★ Relish a gold leaf-making experience in Kanazawa, and decorate a small lacquer plate.
- ★ Delve into Japanese culture with a tea ceremony and kimono-wearing experience in Kyoto.
- ★ Savour a private dinner and drinks hosted by a maiko or geisha in Kyoto.

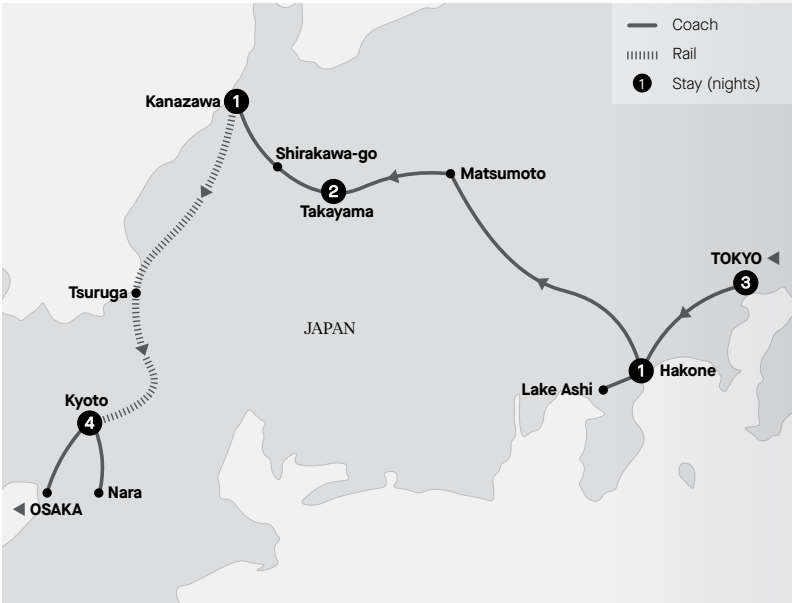


### See More of Japan and South Korea

Travel further into Japan on the Culture and Art of Japan holiday (JA17 — see pages 58-59) or add a South Korean discovery on the Ancient Kingdoms of Japan and South Korea itinerary (JAS21 — see pages 66-67).

### Highlights and Inclusions

- ✓ Small Group departures available — maximum 24 guests.
- ✓ 11 nights in luxury accommodation.
- ✓ Locally inspired dining — a total of 23 meals.
- ✓ Freedom of Choice inclusions in three locations.
- ✓ Services of an APT Tour Director.
- ✓ Transfers, most portorage and gratuities.
- ✓ Bullet train/limited express train from Kanazawa to Kyoto.



### Day 05: Hakone, Matsumoto, Takayama

Join a soba buckwheat noodle cooking lesson. After lunch, visit Matsumoto Castle and tour the castle and its grounds. Later, be transferred to your hotel in Takayama. Tonight, try the region's famous Hida beef at a local restaurant. **BLD**

Two Nights: Tokyu Stay Hida Takayama Musubi no Yu or similar.

**Day 06: Takayama** This morning, visit the Miyagawa morning market. Following your Sarubobo-making experience, stroll through Takayama Jinya. Then, wander along the stunning streets of the city's old town on the way to the Festival Floats Exhibition Hall. **B**

**Day 07: Takayama, Shirakawa-go, Kanazawa** Visit the World Heritage-listed village of Shirakawa-go en route to Kanazawa. Stop at Kanda House to gain a deeper insight into the traditional homes before strolling around the peaceful village. Continue to Kanazawa and Kenroku-en, ranked one of the top three gardens of Japan. Enjoy your choice of restaurant for dinner. **BD**

Stay: Hotel Nikko Kanazawa.

### Day 08: Kanazawa, Tsuruga, Kyoto

Start your day in the Higashi Chaya District. Relish a gold leaf-making experience before visiting Shima teahouse. Following lunch, board a bullet train to Tsuruga, then change to a limited express train to Kyoto. Savour

dinner at the restaurant of your choice. **BLD**

Four Nights: The Thousand Kyoto.

**Day 09: Kyoto** Set out for Arashiyama this morning, taking a rickshaw ride past the Nonomiya Shrine and the Arashiyama Bamboo Grove. Stop at the World Heritage-listed Tenryuji temple. After lunch, head to the famous Kinkakuji temple, commonly known as the Golden Pavilion. Visit historic Nijo Castle before returning to your hotel for an evening at leisure. **BL**

**Day 10: Kyoto** Begin your day with a special tea ceremony experience. Head out on your chosen Freedom of Choice activity before returning to your hotel. **B**

**Day 11: Kyoto, Nara, Kyoto** Journey to the nearby town of Nara and stroll through the Todaiji Temple. Explore the surrounding Nara Park. Afterwards, see Kasuga Taisha, a shrine established in AD768. Return to the hotel and savour a private dinner and drinks hosted by a maiko or geisha. **BD**

**Day 12: Kyoto, Depart Osaka** Your journey comes to an end after breakfast this morning with a transfer to Osaka's Kansai International Airport. **B**

For more information about Freedom of Choice sightseeing and dining options, see pages 88-96.

### Itinerary

**Day 01: Arrive Tokyo** Be met on arrival and transferred to your hotel. Meet your Tour Director and fellow travellers at a welcome dinner at your hotel. **D**

Three Nights: The Prince Gallery Tokyo Kioicho, a Luxury Collection Hotel.

**Day 02: Tokyo** Head to Roppongi and ascend the Tokyo City View observation deck at Mori Tower. Visit Asakusa to see the city's oldest temple, Sensoji, and stroll through the Namikase shopping street. Following lunch, embark on a Freedom of Choice activity. **BL**

**Day 03: Tokyo** Visit Meiji Shrine, before taking part in a sushi-making class. Head to Ginza, Tokyo's upscale shopping district. In the afternoon, explore the Kabukiza Gallery and Ginza before enjoying time at your leisure. **BL**

**Day 04: Tokyo, Hakone** Depart for Hakone and glimpse Mount Fuji if it is a clear day. Stop at Hakone Shrine. Enjoy lunch before embarking on a cruise on Lake Ashi. Arrive at Togendai before taking in the scenery on the way to the volcanic valley of Owakudani via the Hakone Ropeway. Head to your luxury hotel, boasting access to a naturally heated onsen, and savour a kaiseki-style dinner. **BLD**

Stay: Hakone Kowakien Ten-yu.

**BLD:** Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

### Trip from \$14,195 per person, twin share

SAVE UP TO \$2,400 PER COUPLE*		
2026 Dates and Prices (A\$) Per person, twin share	Early Booking Price From*	Standard Price From
12 Days Tokyo to Osaka (JA12)		
Mar. 10*	\$14,195	\$15,195
Mar. 24	\$16,195	\$17,195
Mar. 31*	\$16,495	\$17,495
Apr. 7*	\$15,495	\$16,695
May 12*, 19*	\$14,395	\$15,595
Sep. 29;	\$14,795	\$15,995
Oct. 13; Nov. 3	\$14,995	\$16,195
12 Days Tokyo to Osaka (JA12) Small Group departures (Max. 24 guests)		
Mar. 17*	\$15,795	\$16,795
Sep. 1	\$14,895	\$16,095
Oct. 27	\$15,495	\$16,695

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# Culture and Art of Japan

JA17 / Tokyo to Fukuoka



See artwork by Yayoi Kusama at Naoshima Island in Japan

## 17 Days / 16-Night Land and Rail Tour

Visit 17 places, one country

### Signature Experiences

- ★ In Tokyo, take part in a sushi-making class and taste your homemade delights for lunch.
- ★ Join a soba buckwheat noodle cooking lesson in Hakone.
- ★ In Takayama, enjoy a Sarubobo-making workshop, learning how to create these traditional dolls.
- ★ Relish a gold leaf-making experience in Kanazawa, and decorate a small lacquer plate.
- ★ Delve into Japanese culture with a tea ceremony and kimono-wearing experience in Kyoto.
- ★ Savour a private dinner and drinks hosted by a maiko or geisha in Kyoto.
- ★ Delight in a tour and tasting at a traditional sake brewery in Himeji.
- ★ Spend a full day exploring the wonders of Naoshima Island, Japan's incredible island of art.



### Naoshima Island

Immerse yourself in captivating galleries and contemporary outdoor art installations on Naoshima Island.

### Highlights and Inclusions

- ✓ Small Group departures available — maximum 24 guests.
- ✓ 16 nights in luxury accommodation.
- ✓ Locally inspired dining — a total of 33 meals.
- ✓ Freedom of Choice inclusions in three locations.
- ✓ Services of an APT Tour Director.
- ✓ Transfers, most portage and gratuities.
- ✓ Bullet train/limited express train between five destinations.



### Itinerary

**Day 01: Arrive Tokyo** Be met on arrival and transferred to your hotel. Meet your Tour Director and fellow travellers at a welcome dinner this evening. **D**

Three Nights: The Prince Gallery Tokyo Kioicho, a Luxury Collection Hotel.

**Days 02-11: Tokyo to Kyoto** Refer to days 02-11 on page 57 for more details.

**Day 12: Kyoto, Himeji, Okayama** This morning, venture to Kyoto Station by foot and take a first-class bullet train to Himeji, where you'll visit one of Japan's most iconic and spectacular castles, World Heritage-listed Himeji Castle. The beautifully preserved castle is a fascinating historic site to explore and has remarkably avoided damage from war and natural disasters. After lunch at a local restaurant, journey on to a sake brewery for a tour and delicious tasting. Return to the train station for another first-class bullet train journey to Okayama. After checking in to your hotel, spend the remainder of the day discovering the city at leisure. **BL**

Two Nights: Hotel Granvia Okayama.

**BLD:** Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

**Day 13: Okayama, Naoshima Island, Okayama** Be transported by private coach to Uno Port, where a ferry awaits to whisk you to the remarkable Naoshima Island, where you will spend a full day exploring its elegant galleries and outdoor art installations. Afterwards, be transferred back to your accommodation and enjoy an evening at your leisure. **BL**

**Day 14: Okayama, Hiroshima** This morning, explore the beautiful and spacious Korakuen, a member of the Three Great Gardens of Japan. Afterwards, board a bullet train for a first-class journey to Hiroshima. In the afternoon, visit the Peace Memorial Park, which lies at ground zero of the devastating atomic bomb dropped on the city on August 6, 1945. Walk through the park and discover its memorials and monuments before a moving visit to the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum. Later, head to Hiroshima Orizuru Tower for views of the surrounds. Tonight, indulge in a yakiniku dinner, where delicious meats and sides are flame grilled over wood charcoal. **BD**

Two Nights: Sheraton Grand Hiroshima Hotel.

**Day 15: Hiroshima, Miyajima Island, Hiroshima** After breakfast, visit Hiroshima Castle, known as Carp Castle. Originally built in the 1590s, the castle was bombed during World War II and rebuilt on

the original site. Then, take part in an okonomiyaki cooking experience, where you'll create your own savoury pancakes in the traditional Hiroshima style. Later, board a ferry to Miyajima Island. A sacred island and holy place of Shintoism, Miyajima is home to the World Heritage-listed Itsukushima Shrine, which is famous for its partially submerged floating torii gate. After strolling around the island, be transferred back to your hotel and enjoy Hiroshima's charm at your leisure. **BL**

**Day 16: Hiroshima, Fukuoka** After breakfast, set off on foot to Hiroshima Station. Board a first-class bullet train to Fukuoka, where you'll have free time for lunch before taking a private coach to Dazaifu Tenmangu Shrine. Explore the shrine before reboarding your coach for the journey to your accommodation. Tonight, soak in the atmosphere at a local izakaya, where you'll enjoy a farewell dinner to toast your incredible Japan journey. **BD**

Stay: Fukuoka, Miyako Hotel Hakata.

**Day 17: Depart Fukuoka** Your tour concludes with a transfer to Fukuoka Airport for your onward flight. **B**

For more information about Freedom of Choice sightseeing and dining options, see pages 88-96.

## Trip from \$19,295 per person, twin share

SAVE UP TO \$2,600 PER COUPLE*		
2026 Dates and Prices (A\$) Per person, twin share	Early Booking Price From*	Standard Price From
17 Days Tokyo to Fukuoka (JA17)		
Mar. 10*	\$19,295	\$20,295
Mar. 24*	\$20,995	\$21,995
Mar. 31*	\$21,195	\$22,195
Apr. 7*	\$20,795	\$22,095
May 12*, 19*	\$19,295	\$20,595
Sep. 29	\$19,495	\$20,795
Oct. 13; Nov. 3	\$19,895	\$21,195
17 Days Tokyo to Fukuoka (JA17) Small Group departures (Max. 24 guests)		
Mar. 17*	\$20,795	\$21,795
Sep. 1	\$19,995	\$21,295
Oct. 27	\$20,395	\$21,695

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Be awe-inspired by Matsumoto Castle in Japan

18 Days / 17-Night Land and Rail Tour / Small Group Tour

Visit 16 places, one country

Signature Experiences

- ★ In Tokyo, take part in a Japanese calligraphy lesson with an expert instructor.
- ★ Visit Kitsukara Brewery and enjoy a sake tasting in Karuizawa.
- ★ Delight in a visit to Ishii Miso Brewery and enjoy the produce with lunch in Matsumoto.
- ★ See Japanese macaques up close at the Jigokudani Monkey Park in Jigokudani Valley.
- ★ Enjoy a visit to the Daio Wasabi Farm, and savour an inspired restaurant lunch in Azumino.
- ★ In Takayama, enjoy a Sarubobo-making workshop, learning how to create these traditional dolls.
- ★ Set out on a scenic walk along the Nakasendo trail through the Kiso Valley.
- ★ Savour a private dinner and drinks hosted by a maiko or geisha in Kyoto.
- ★ Try your hand at grinding matcha and enjoy a freshly brewed cup of tea in Uji.
- ★ Visit the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park and the moving Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum.

Highlights and Inclusions

- ✓ A maximum of 24 guests in your APT group.
- ✓ 17 nights in hand-picked accommodation.
- ✓ Locally inspired dining — a total of 37 meals.
- ✓ Freedom of Choice inclusions in two locations.
- ✓ Services of an APT Tour Director.
- ✓ Transfers, most portorage and gratuities.
- ✓ Bullet train/limited express train between five destinations.



Itinerary

**Day 01: Arrive Tokyo** Be met on arrival and transferred to your hotel. Meet your Tour Director at a welcome dinner. **D**

Two Nights: The Prince Gallery Tokyo Kioicho, a Luxury Collection Hotel.

**Day 02: Tokyo** Embark on your Freedom of Choice activity and be transferred to Asakusa. After lunch at a local restaurant, take part in a calligraphy lesson. Visit Sensoji, and stroll through Namikase. **BL**

**Day 03: Tokyo, Karuizawa** Visit Imperial Palace East Gardens before travelling via bullet train to Karuizawa. On arrival, visit Kitsukura Sake Brewery. **BLD**

Two Nights: Hotel Indigo Karuizawa.

**Day 04: Karuizawa** Board a private coach to Shiraito no Taki Waterfalls. Next, see Kumoba Pond and return to Karuizawa to visit Karuizawa Ginza. See the Shaw Memorial Church and Musée Ando à Karuizawa. **B**

**Day 05: Karuizawa, Matsumoto** Visit Manns Wines Komoro Winery before being transferred to Matsumoto. Enjoy lunch at Ishii Miso Brewery and visit the Matsumoto City Museum of Art. Tour Matsumoto Castle and its grounds. **BLD**

Two Nights: Matsumoto Marunouchi Hotel.

**BLD:** Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

**Day 06: Matsumoto** Come face-to-face with playful Japanese macaques (snow monkeys) at the Jigokudani Monkey Park in the geothermal Jigokudani Valley. Then, head to Daio Wasabi Farm in Azumino. Return to Matsumoto. **BL**

**Day 07: Matsumoto, Takayama** Travel to the Japan Ukiyoe Museum. Transfer to Takayama and explore the Takayama Jinya. Wander the Sanmachi Suji district in Takayama's old town, and sample the region's Hida beef at a local restaurant for dinner. **BD**

Two Nights: Tokyu Stay Hida-Takayama.

**Day 08: Takayama** Visit the Miyagawa morning market and enjoy a Sarubobo-making workshop. Explore the Festival Floats Exhibition Hall and enjoy time at leisure before returning to the hotel. **B**

**Day 09: Takayama, Magome, Tsumago, Kyoto** Discover Magome, before a walk along the Nakasendo Trail to Tsumago. Board an express train and a bullet train from Nagoya to Kyoto. Tonight, dine at the hotel. **BLD**

Two Nights: Hilton Kyoto.

**Day 10: Kyoto** Board a rickshaw for a ride past the Nonomiya Shrine and through Arashiyama Bamboo Grove. Head to Kinkakuji temple and later, enjoy dinner with a maiko or geisha. **BD**

**Day 11: Kyoto, Uji, Osaka** Travel to Uji for a matcha experience before visiting the Byodo-In Temple. Be transferred to Osaka and take a walking tour of Dotonbori. Dine at a local restaurant. **BD**

Two Nights: Zentis Osaka.

**Day 12: Osaka, Hiroshima, Osaka** Board a bullet train to Hiroshima, visit the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park and dine on Osaka-

style okonomiyaki. Take a ferry to Miyajima Island, known for its torii gate. After exploring the island, return to Osaka via bullet train. **BL**

**Day 13: Osaka, Nara** Set off for Nara to visit Todaiji temple and Isuien Garden. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before admiring Kasuga Taisha shrine and exploring Nara Park. Savour a dinner of your choice. **BLD**

Two Nights: JW Marriott Hotel Nara.

**Day 14: Nara** Enjoy your choice of touring before a day at your leisure. **B**

**Day 15: Nara, Hakone** Board a bullet train to Odawara and delight in an in-depth visit to the Hakone Open-Air Museum. **BLD**

Two Nights: Hakone Kowakien Ten-yu.

**Day 16: Hakone** Transfer to Mount Fuji's fifth station and marvel at the view on a clear day. After lunch at a local restaurant, visit the Kubota Itchiku Art Museum. Later, return to your hotel and relish a night at leisure. **BL**

**Day 17: Hakone, Lake Ashi, Tokyo** Embark on a cruise on Lake Ashi and arrive at Togendai before taking in vistas on the way to the volcanic valley of Owakudani via the Hakone Ropeway. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before travelling to Tokyo. Indulge in a Japanese farewell dinner. **BLD**

Stay: The Prince Gallery Tokyo Kioicho, a Luxury Collection Hotel.

**Day 18: Depart Tokyo** After breakfast this morning, transfer to Haneda Airport. **B**

For more information about Freedom of Choice sightseeing and dining options, see pages 88-96.

Trip from \$20,995 per person, twin share

SAVE UP TO \$2,600 PER COUPLE*		
2026 Dates and Prices (A\$) Per person, twin share	Early Booking Price From*	Standard Price From
18 Days Tokyo Return (JAC18) Small Group Tour (Max. 24 guests)		
Mar. 16*	\$21,295	\$22,295
Apr. 6*	\$21,395	\$22,695
May 11*, 18*	\$20,995	\$22,295
Sep. 28	\$21,395	\$22,695
Oct. 5, 12; Nov. 2	\$21,495	\$22,795

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# South Korea

From ancient royal palaces to towering skyscrapers, delve into the incredible wonders of South Korea.

Savour delectable dining experiences throughout your luxury holiday in this culinary world destination, learning how to cook bibimbap and dining on royal cuisine.

Experience the country's cultural diversity from K-pop to ancient dynasties. Learn all about South Korea's captivating history and visit the fascinating Korean Demilitarized Zone (DMZ). Admire the natural beauty of Korea throughout your journey.





# Impressions of South Korea

KA10 / Seoul Return

Immerse yourself in the beauty of Seoul's Gyeongbokgung Palace, South Korea

## Traverse the best of South Korea by land and rail

### 10 Days / Nine-Night Land and Rail Tour

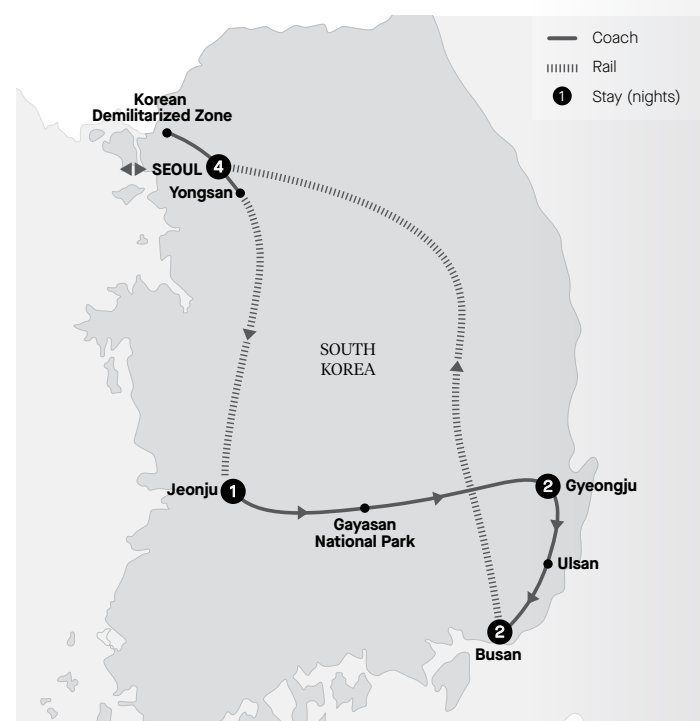
**Visit** Eight places, one country

#### Signature Experiences

- ★ Savour Korean royal cuisine, soju and rice wine at a special welcome dinner in Seoul.
- ★ In Seoul, delight in a private performance of traditional music and try your hand at playing the unique instruments.
- ★ Learn how to make bibimbap and enjoy your efforts for dinner, tasting the best of local flavours in Jeonju.
- ★ Enjoy a visit to the Hanji Culture and Industry Center in Jeonju and take a crafting class.
- ★ In Busan, embark on a private, scenic yacht cruise from Haeundae Beach, soaking in the sights at sunset.
- ★ In Seoul, savour delectable European-inspired fine dining at a magnificent farewell dinner.

#### Highlights and Inclusions

- ✓ Nine nights in luxury accommodation.
- ✓ Locally inspired dining — a total of 19 meals.
- ✓ Freedom of Choice inclusions in one location.
- ✓ Services of an APT Tour Director.
- ✓ Transfers, portorage and gratuities.
- ✓ KTX express train between two destinations.



### Add Japan to Your Journey

See more of this diverse region and add a journey through Japan on the Ancient Kingdoms of Japan and South Korea (JAS21 — see pages 66-67), and Cultural Wonders of Japan and South Korea holidays (JAS26 — see pages 68-69).

food or traditional dishes. In the afternoon, enjoy a guided tour of Jeonju Hanok Village, discovering landmarks like Gyeonggijeon Shrine and Jeondong Cathedral. For dinner, learn how to make bibimbap. **BD**

Stay: Lahan Hotel Jeonju.

**Day 05: Jeonju, Gayasan National Park, Gyeongju** Enjoy a visit to the Hanji Culture and Industry Center. Delight in a crafting class, learning how to create the traditional, multi-purpose paper including imprinting patterns and the drying process. Journey to Gayasan National Park and visit Haeinsa Temple before venturing on to Gyeongju. Check in to your hotel in time for dinner. **BD**

Two Nights: Lahan Select Gyeongju.

**Day 06: Gyeongju** Begin with a visit to Seokguram Grotto, a government-classified National Treasure of South Korea which overlooks the East Sea and contains some of the most important Buddhist sculptures in the world. Next, you'll explore Bulguksa Temple, a Buddhist temple completed in AD774 by the Silla royal court. Following the morning's sightseeing, sit down for a Korean bulgogi lunch at a local restaurant. Later, visit the Gyeongju National Museum, the Cheomseongdae Observatory and Tumuli Park, a fascinating area featuring a variety of burial mounds containing tombs of kings and officials of the Silla Dynasty. Enjoy a moonlight walking tour of Donggung Palace and the beautiful Wolji Pond. **BL**

**Day 07: Gyeongju, Ulsan, Busan** Head to Ulsan after breakfast and discover Daewangam Park and Ulsandaeyo Observatory, the latter of which offers panoramic views of the Hyundai Shipyard. Following lunch, be transferred to your

stylish hotel in Busan. Then, visit Haedong Yonggung Temple. Later, set off on a private sunset yacht cruise from Haeundae Beach before dinner. **BLD**

Two Nights: Grand Hotel Josun Busan.

**Day 08: Busan** Head downtown for a walking tour of Gamcheon Culture Village. Marvel at the village's street art and pastel-coloured houses before taking a cable car to Songdo Island. Visit BIFF Square, a bustling movie district, and Jagalchi Fish Market, the largest of its kind in South Korea. Enjoy panoramic views from Busan Tower before stopping at the United Nations Memorial Cemetery, which is the only one of its kind and features 22 unique burial sites designated to each nationality of the buried service members. **B**

**Day 09: Busan, Seoul** Transfer to the station this morning and take a KTX express train back to Seoul in the luxury of a deluxe seat. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel and check in before setting off on the activity of your choice. Tonight, savour delectable European-inspired fine dining with a magnificent farewell dinner at Walking on the Cloud, which boasts sensational views of the city from its vantage point atop a skyscraper. **BD**

Stay: The Ambassador Seoul Pullman Hotel.

**Day 10: Depart Seoul** After breakfast this morning, transfer to Incheon International Airport. **B**

For more information about Freedom of Choice sightseeing and dining options, see pages 88-96.

#### Itinerary

**Day 01: Arrive Seoul** Be met on arrival and transferred to your luxurious hotel in Seoul. After time to settle in, join a welcome briefing with your Tour Director and fellow travellers before a welcome dinner. **D**

Three Nights: The Ambassador Seoul — A Pullman Hotel.

**Day 02: Seoul** Head to Gyeongbokgung Palace to witness the lively changing of the guard ceremony before taking a tour. Following a Korean-style lunch at a local restaurant, transfer to Insadong Antique Street. Then, tour Bukchon Hanok Village, a neighbourhood with restored traditional Korean houses. Head to Jijidaeak for a private performance of traditional music. Choose where to dine this evening. **BLD**

**Day 03: Seoul, Demilitarised Zone** Tour the Korean Demilitarized Zone (DMZ). Following a drive to Paju, see Imjingak Park, then visit the DMZ Theater and Exhibition Hall and walk along the Third Infiltration Tunnel. Transfer to a local restaurant for a hot pot lunch before returning to Seoul to visit the War Memorial of Korea and its extensive museum. Enjoy time at your leisure. **BL**

**Day 04: Seoul, Yongsan, Jeonju** Following breakfast at your hotel, board a KTX express train to Jeonju, a city renowned for its vibrant food scene. Upon arrival, enjoy free time in Jeonju Hanok Village and savour street

**BLD:** Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

## Trip from \$9,995 per person, twin share

**SAVE UP TO \$2,400 PER COUPLE\***

2026 Dates and Prices (A\$) Per person, twin share	Early Booking Price From*	Standard Price From
<b>10 Days Seoul Return (KA10)</b>		
Mar. 15	\$10,795	\$11,795
Mar. 29	\$10,195	\$11,195
May 3, 10	\$10,595	\$11,795
Oct. 4	\$10,595	\$11,795
Oct. 25	\$9,995	\$11,195

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# Ancient Kingdoms of Japan and South Korea

JAS21 / Seoul to Osaka

Visit Donggung Palace and Wolji Pond in Gyeongju, South Korea

## 21 Days / 20-Night Land and Rail Tour

Visit 19 places, two countries

### Signature Experiences

★ Includes all Signature Experiences listed on page 56 and 64.



### Changing of the Guard Ceremony

Experience the vibrant Changing of the Guard Ceremony, a captivating tradition at Gyeongbokgung Palace, the largest and most prominent royal palace in South Korea.

### Highlights and Inclusions

- ✓ 20 nights in luxury accommodation.
- ✓ Locally inspired dining — a total of 42 meals.
- ✓ Freedom of Choice inclusions in four locations.
- ✓ Services of an APT Tour Director.
- ✓ Transfers, most portage and gratuities.
- ✓ KTX express train/bullet train between three destinations.
- ✓ International flight from Seoul to Tokyo.



### Itinerary

**Days 01-09: Arrive Seoul, Impressions of South Korea Tour** Refer to days 01-09 on page 65 for more details.

**Day 10: Seoul, Tokyo** Fly to Tokyo, be met on arrival and transferred to your luxurious hotel. Meet your Japan Tour Director at a welcome dinner at your hotel. **BD**

Three Nights: The Prince Gallery Tokyo Kioicho, a Luxury Collection Hotel.

**Day 11: Tokyo** Head to Roppongi, where you'll soak in the scenery at the Tokyo City View observation deck at Mori Tower. Next, visit Asakusa to see the city's oldest temple, Sensoji, and stroll through the Namikase shopping street. Embark on your Freedom of Choice activity. **BL**

**Day 12: Tokyo** Visit Meiji Shrine, before taking part in a sushi-making class. Head to Ginza, Tokyo's renowned upscale shopping district. In the afternoon, explore the Kabukiza Gallery and the vibrant streets of Ginza before enjoying the rest of the day at your leisure. **BL**

**Day 13: Tokyo, Hakone** Depart for Hakone and catch glimpses of iconic Mount Fuji. Your first stop is Hakone Shrine. Enjoy lunch before embarking on a cruise on Lake Ashi. Arrive at Togendai before taking in the scenery on the way to the volcanic valley of Owakudani via the Hakone Ropeway. Follow the walking trails around

**BLD:** Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

the bubbling pools and steam vents. Head to your luxury hotel, which boasts access to a naturally heated onsen, and delight in a kaiseki-style dinner. **BLD**

Stay: Hakone Kowakien Ten-yu.

**Day 14: Hakone, Matsumoto, Takayama** Set out this morning to a soba buckwheat noodle cooking lesson. Following lunch, visit the spectacular Matsumoto Castle. Tour the castle and its pristine grounds. This afternoon, be transferred to your hotel in Takayama. Tonight, you'll have the chance to try the region's famous Hida beef at a local restaurant. **BLD**

Two Nights: Tokyu Stay Hida Takayama Musubi no Yu or similar.

**Day 15: Takayama** This morning, visit the Miyagawa morning market, one of the largest in Japan. Following your Sarubobo-making experience, take a stroll through Takayama Jinya. Then, wander along the stunning streets of the city's old town on the way to the Festival Floats Exhibition Hall. **B**

**Day 16: Takayama, Shirakawa-go, Kanazawa** Visit the World Heritage-listed village of Shirakawa-go en route to Kanazawa. Some of the village's famous gassho-zukuri farmhouses date back more than 250 years. Stop at Kanda House to gain a deeper insight into the traditional homes. Continue to Kanazawa and Kenroku-en garden, one of the Three Great Gardens of Japan. Enjoy your choice of restaurant for dinner. **BD**

Stay: Hotel Nikko Kanazawa.

**Day 17: Kanazawa, Tsuruga, Kyoto** Start your day in the Higashi Chaya District. Relish a gold leaf-making experience before visiting Shima teahouse. Following lunch, board a bullet train to Tsuruga, then change to a limited express train to Kyoto. Savour dinner at the restaurant of your choice. **BLD**

Four Nights: The Thousand Kyoto.

**Day 18: Kyoto** Set out for Arashiyama this morning, taking a rickshaw ride past the Nonomiya Shrine and the Arashiyama Bamboo Grove. Stop off at the World Heritage-listed Tenryuji temple. After lunch, head to the famous Kinkakuji temple, commonly known as the Golden Pavilion. Visit historic Nijo Castle before returning to your hotel. **BL**

**Day 19: Kyoto** Begin your day with a special tea ceremony experience. Head out on your chosen Freedom of Choice activity before returning to your hotel. **B**

**Day 20: Kyoto, Nara, Kyoto** Head to the nearby town of Nara and stroll through the Todaiji Temple, home to the country's largest statue of Buddha. Explore the surrounding Nara Park. Next, see Kasuga Taisha, established in AD768. Return to the hotel and savour a private dinner and drinks hosted by a maiko or geisha. **BD**

**Day 21: Kyoto, Depart Osaka** After breakfast this morning, transfer to Osaka's Kansai International Airport. **B**

For more information about Freedom of Choice sightseeing and dining options, see pages 88-96.

## Trip from \$25,095 per person, twin share

SAVE UP TO \$3,400 PER COUPLE*		
2026 Dates and Prices (A\$) Per person, twin share	Early Booking Price From*	Standard Price From
21 Days Seoul to Osaka (JAS21)		
Mar. 15	\$26,995	\$28,395
Mar. 29	\$25,895	\$27,295
May 3, 10	\$25,095	\$26,795
Oct. 4	\$25,695	\$27,395
Oct. 25	\$25,095	\$26,795

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Experience the heritage of Shirakawa-go in Japan

## 26 Days / 25-Night Land and Rail Tour

**Visit** 23 places, two countries

### Signature Experiences

☼ Includes all Signature Experiences listed on page 58 and 64.

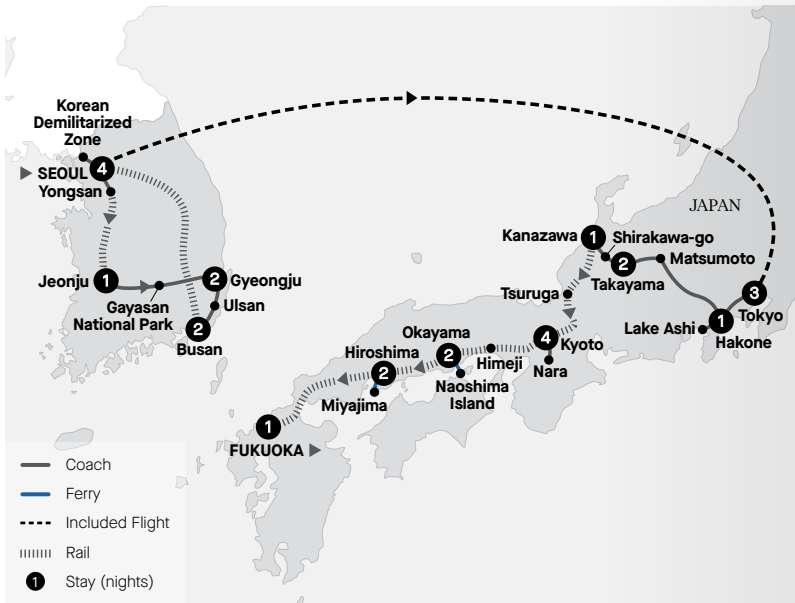


### Mount Fuji

Mount Fuji, a sacred symbol of Japan, stands as a towering representation of the nation's natural beauty and spiritual significance, offering breathtaking views and a tranquil connection to nature.

### Highlights and Inclusions

- ✓ 25 nights in luxury accommodation.
- ✓ Locally inspired dining — a total of 52 meals.
- ✓ Freedom of Choice inclusions in four locations.
- ✓ Services of an APT Tour Director.
- ✓ Transfers, most portorage and gratuities.
- ✓ Bullet train/limited express train between six destinations.
- ✓ International flight from Seoul to Tokyo.



### Itinerary

**Days 01-09: Arrive Seoul, Impressions of South Korea Tour** Refer to days 01-09 on page 65 for more details.

**Day 10-20: Seoul to Kyoto** Refer to days 10-20 on page 67 for more details.

**Day 21: Kyoto, Himeji, Okayama** Head to Kyoto Station by foot and take a first-class bullet train to Himeji, where you'll visit one of Japan's most iconic and spectacular castles, World Heritage-listed Himeji Castle. The castle is a fascinating historic site and has remarkably avoided damage from war and natural disasters. Following lunch at a local restaurant, journey to a traditional sake brewery in Himeji, where you will delight in a tour and tasting. Return to the train station for another first-class bullet train journey to Okayama. After checking in to your hotel, spend the remainder of the day at leisure exploring the city. **BL**

Two Nights: Hotel Granvia Okayama.

**Day 22: Okayama, Naoshima Island, Okayama** Naoshima Island is peppered with elegant galleries and outdoor art pieces. Visit Chichu Art Museum, a unique museum built into the hillside overlooking the coastline. Designed by Ando Tadao,

the building lies mostly underground and relies only on natural light to illuminate each piece. The museum's permanent collection of Monet's famous Water Lilies comes to life in the adjacent Chichu Garden, where 200 kinds of flowers faithfully recreate the physical experience captured in Monet's works. After lunch, step inside the Benesse House Museum. Later, enjoy the Art House Project, which features an abandoned temple and shrine, along with a collection of deserted houses and workshops converted into art installations and galleries by artists and architects from across the world. Following your full-day excursion, be transferred back to your accommodation and enjoy an evening at your leisure. **BL**

**Day 23: Okayama, Hiroshima** This morning, explore the beautiful and spacious Koraku-en, a member of the Three Great Gardens of Japan. Afterwards, board a bullet train for a first-class journey to Hiroshima. In the afternoon, visit the Peace Memorial Park, which lies at ground zero of the devastating atomic bomb dropped on the city on August 6, 1945. Stroll through the park and discover its memorials and monuments before a moving visit to the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum. Later, head to Hiroshima Orizuru Tower for expansive views of the surrounds. Tonight, you'll indulge in a yakiniku dinner, where delicious meats and sides are flame grilled over wood charcoal. **BD**

Two Nights: Sheraton Grand Hiroshima Hotel.

**Day 24: Hiroshima, Miyajima Island, Hiroshima** After breakfast, visit Hiroshima Castle, known as Carp Castle. Originally built in the 1590s, the castle was bombed during World War II and rebuilt on the original site. Then, take part in an okonomiyaki cooking experience, where you'll create your own savoury pancakes in the traditional Hiroshima style. Board a ferry to Miyajima Island. A sacred island and holy place of Shintoism, Miyajima is home to the World Heritage-listed Itsukushima Shrine, which is famous for its partially submerged floating torii gate. After strolling around the island, be transferred back to your hotel and enjoy Hiroshima's charm at your leisure. **BL**

**Day 25: Hiroshima, Fukuoka** After breakfast, set off by foot to Hiroshima Station. Board a first-class bullet train to Fukuoka, where you'll have free time for lunch before taking a private coach to Dazaifu Tenmangu Shrine. Explore the shrine before reboarding your coach and driving to your accommodation. Tonight, soak in the atmosphere at a local izakaya, where you'll enjoy a farewell dinner to toast your Japan journey. **BD**

Stay: Fukuoka, Miyako Hotel Hakata.

**Day 26: Depart Fukuoka** After breakfast, transfer to Fukuoka Airport. **B**

For more information about Freedom of Choice sightseeing and dining options, see pages 88-96.

## Trip from \$30,595 per person, twin share

SAVE UP TO \$3,400 PER COUPLE*		
2026 Dates and Prices (A\$) Per person, twin share	Early Booking Price From*	Standard Price From
26 Days Seoul to Fukuoka (JAS26)		
Mar. 15	\$32,295	\$33,695
Mar. 29	\$32,595	\$33,995
May 3, 10	\$30,595	\$32,295
Oct. 4	\$31,995	\$33,695
Oct. 25	\$31,295	\$32,995

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# China

Journey through China's ancient wonders, where timeless traditions intertwine with stunning landscapes. Immerse yourself in the country's rich history and artistic heritage, exploring iconic landmarks and uncovering stories that have shaped its cultural legacy. Glide along the majestic Yangtze River, marvel at the Three Gorges, and experience the vibrant atmosphere of Shanghai's historic Old Town. Savour authentic culinary delights with breathtaking views of the Great Wall, and discover the ancient art of calligraphy.

Admire the enchanting views of the Great Wall of China





Marvel at the extraordinary craftsmanship of the Terracotta Army in Xi'an, China

Be captivated by China's epic landscapes, from wilderness to bustling metropolises

15 Days / 10-Night Land and Rail Tour + Four-Night River Cruise

Ship Yangzi Explorer / Visit 11 places, one country

Signature Experiences

- ★ In Beijing, visit the Brickyard for lunch, an eco-retreat just two kilometres from the Great Wall.
- ★ Pass through the Three Gorges Project Ship Lift on board the Yangzi Explorer in Yichang.
- ★ In Xi'an, immerse yourself in a Tang Dynasty performance accompanied by a banquet dinner.
- ★ From Guilin, embark on a Li River cruise to Yangshuo and see the breathtaking limestone peaks.

Highlights and Inclusions

- ✓ Small Group departures available — Maximum 24 guests.
- ✓ 10 nights in luxury accommodation.
- ✓ Four-night cruise aboard the Yangzi Explorer.
- ✓ Locally inspired dining — a total of 36 meals.
- ✓ Freedom of Choice inclusions in seven locations.
- ✓ Services of an APT Tour Director.
- ✓ Transfers, porterage, port charges and gratuities.
- ✓ Domestic flights from Beijing to Yichang, Xi'an to Guilin, Guilin to Shanghai.



Treasures of China with Shanghai

Extend your journey with a 17-day adventure from Beijing to Shanghai. Embark on a Jeep ride through Shanghai's Old Town and enjoy a guided walking tour through the French Concession. Search **CHY17** on aptouring.com.au.



**Day 05: Badong** Begin the day with a Tai Chi lesson. Witness the Yangzi Explorer gliding through the Three Gorges Project Ship Lift. Upon arriving in Badong County, choose your Freedom of Choice option. Tonight, enjoy an outdoor cultural show. **BLD**

**Day 06: Fengjie** Enjoy a Tai Chi lesson before spending time at leisure. Cruise through the Wu and Qutang gorges. After lunch, choose your Freedom of Choice option in Fengjie. Attend a lecture by a local scholar about Fengjie. **BLD**

**Day 07: Zhongxian** Dock at Shibao Pier in Zhongxian County. After breakfast, select your Freedom of Choice option. **BLD**

**Day 08: Chongqing, Disembark Ship, Chengdu** Disembark your Yangtze River cruise and board a high-speed train to Chengdu. Savour lunch at a local restaurant and stroll along Jinli Street. Check in to your hotel and choose your dining experience. **BLD**

Stay: The Langbo Chengdu, in The Unbound Collection by Hyatt.

**Day 09: Chengdu, Xi'an** Head to the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding and observe giant pandas in their natural, well-preserved environment. Stop for lunch before boarding a high-speed train to Xi'an. Check in to your hotel and choose from two dining options. **BLD**

Two Nights: InterContinental Xi'an Hi-tech Zone.

**Day 10: Xi'an** Visit the Terracotta Army Museum, and explore the three excavation pits and admire the iconic Bronze Chariot.

After lunch, visit a clay factory and learn about the making of Terracotta soldiers. Tonight, enjoy the grandeur of a Tang Dynasty show and banquet dinner. **BLD**

**Day 11: Xi'an, Guilin** Tour the ancient City Wall and opt to cycle along its ramparts. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. In the evening, fly to Guilin. **BL**

Stay: Shangri-La Guilin.

**Day 12: Guilin, Yangshuo** Cruise along the Li River and enjoy lunch. Explore Yangshuo's market. Return to the hotel before savouring dinner at a local restaurant and attending the renowned Impression of Liu Sanjie show. **BLD**

Stay: Yangshuo Riverside Resort.

**Day 13: Yangshuo, Guilin** Explore Yangshuo at your leisure. Later, drive back to Guilin, stopping to explore the Reed Flute Cave. Choose where to dine at your hotel. **BD**

Stay: Shangri-La Guilin.

**Day 14: Guilin, Shanghai** Fly from Guilin to Shanghai. On arrival, enjoy a guided walking tour through the French Concession. Then, head to the Xintiandi district. Return to your hotel before a farewell dinner at Hakkasan. **BD**

Stay: Shanghai, Fairmont Peace Hotel.

**Day 15: Depart Shanghai** After breakfast, set off for your onward journey home. **B**

For more information about Freedom of Choice sightseeing and dining options, see pages 88-96.

Itinerary

**Day 01: Arrive Beijing** Be transferred to your hotel and check in before meeting your Tour Director at a welcome cocktail reception at the hotel this evening.

Three Nights: Regent Beijing.

**Day 02: Beijing** Visit Tiananmen Square, then explore the Forbidden City. Savour lunch at a local restaurant before selecting a Freedom of Choice experience. Indulge in a welcome dinner of Peking duck, a cultural delicacy. **BLD**

**Day 03: Beijing** Drive to the Mutianyu section of the Great Wall of China, and take a cable car to soak in breathtaking vistas of the surrounding mountains. Explore the ancient watchtowers at your own pace. Enjoy a special lunch at the Brickyard. En route to the hotel, marvel at the National Stadium's exterior (Bird's Nest). This evening, choose between two exciting Freedom of Choice sightseeing options. **BL**

**Day 04: Beijing, Yichang, Embark Ship** Fly from Beijing to Yichang. Savour a delicious lunch before visiting the Hubei Three Gorges Resettlement Museum. Drive to the pier to board the Yangzi Explorer. Enjoy dinner on board, followed by a safety briefing and a captain's welcome reception. **BLD**

Four Nights: Yangtze River, Yangzi Explorer.

Trip from \$12,095 per person, twin share

SAVE UP TO \$2,400 PER COUPLE*			
2026 Dates and Prices (A\$) Per person, twin share	Suite Category	Early Booking Price From*	Standard Price From
15 Days Beijing to Shanghai (CHY15)			
Apr. 9; Aug. 20; Nov. 5	Deluxe	\$12,095	\$13,295
	Ambassador	\$14,270	\$15,470
	Celestial/Imperial	\$22,925	\$24,125
15 Days Beijing to Shanghai (CHY15) Small Group departures (Max. 24 guests)			
May 14; Oct. 15	Deluxe	\$13,195	\$14,395
	Ambassador	\$15,535	\$16,735
	Celestial/Imperial	\$24,855	\$26,055

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# India

Beyond words, inspiring India will enthrall you with its rich history, vibrant culture and incredible cuisine. Discover Delhi, the country's capital, and be awed by the diverse heritage. Marvel at the Taj Mahal's ivory splendour and relish Rajasthan's royal palaces and forts. Explore Kolkata's colonial architecture and witness Varanasi, the spiritual heart, where the sacred Ganges River flows. Take a serene journey on the Lower Ganges, embracing timeless landscapes and ancient villages along the riverbank.



# Kolkata, Varanasi and Lower Ganges Cruise

INKV12 / Kolkata to Varanasi



Navigate along the Ganges aboard the Ganges Voyager, India

Uncover the soul of India as you explore Kolkata, Varanasi, and the Ganges

12 Days / Four-Night Land Tour + Seven-Night River Cruise

Ship Ganges Voyager / Visit 10 places, one country

## Signature Experiences

- ★ In Kolkata, set out on a privately chartered heritage tram ride and explore the city.
- ★ Savour a delightful afternoon tea at the Glenburn Penthouse in Kolkata.
- ★ Delight in a delicious Indian high tea in the four-storeyed Kathgola Palace in Murshidabad.
- ★ Experience the tradition of an aarti in Varanasi.
- ★ In Varanasi, take a sunrise cruise on the Ganges.

## Highlights and Inclusions

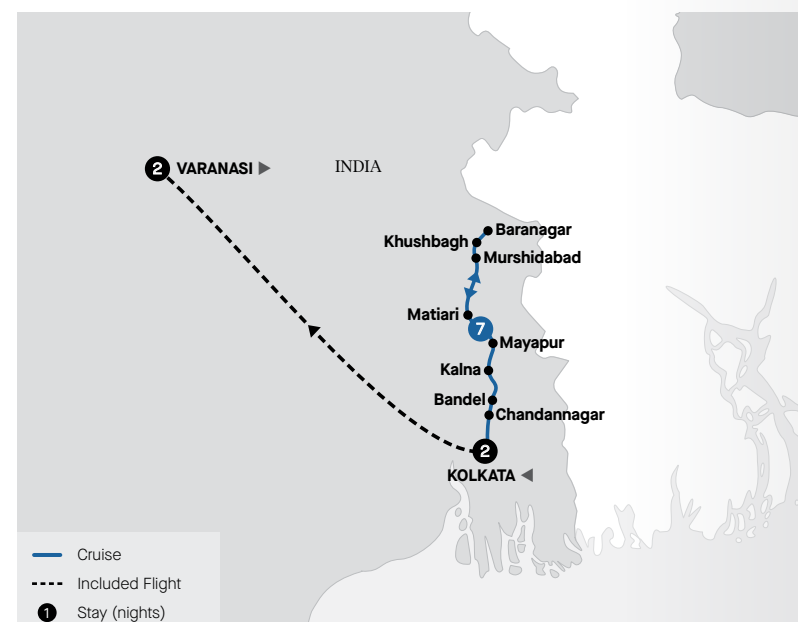
- ✓ Four nights in luxury accommodation.
- ✓ Seven-night cruise aboard the Ganges Voyager.
- ✓ Locally inspired dining — a total of 28 meals.
- ✓ Freedom of Choice inclusions in two locations.
- ✓ Services of an APT Tour and Cruise Director.
- ✓ Transfers, portage, port charges and gratuities.
- ✓ Domestic flight from Kolkata to Varanasi.



## Golden Triangle, Kolkata, Varanasi and Lower Ganges Cruise

Extend your journey to the 19-day itinerary which includes the Golden Triangle. Highlights include the Taj Mahal and Agra Fort.

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## Itinerary

**Day 01: Arrive Kolkata** Be transferred to your luxury accommodation and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

Two Nights: Kolkata, Taj Bengal.

**Day 02: Kolkata** Set out on an exploration of Kolkata during an unforgettable heritage tram ride. Later, visit Kumartuli, the city's traditional potters' quarter. Enjoy afternoon tea at the Glenburn Penthouse before relishing free time. **BD**

**Day 03: Kolkata, Embark Ship** Choose your morning sightseeing before boarding the Ganges Voyager. Following lunch on board, head to the Victoria Memorial and its museum. Return to your ship and enjoy a performance by Baul musicians. **BLD**

Seven Nights: Ganges River, Ganges Voyager.

**Day 04: Kolkata, Bandel, Kalna** Set out on a walking tour featuring some of Kolkata's best-preserved colonial buildings including the Raj Bhawan (Governor's House) and take a tour of St John's Church. After lunch on board, cruise along the Hooghly River on the Lower Ganges. Visit the 19th-century Hooghly Imambara. Return to your ship and sail to Kalna. **BLD**

**BLD:** Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

**Day 05: Kalna, Matuari** After breakfast, explore Kalna, known as the City of Temples. Enjoy a rickshaw ride through town to visit some of Bengal's most distinct terracotta temples, including the Rajbari royal palace complex and Shiva temples. Later, stroll through the local market en route back to your ship. Sail to the village of Matuari. **BLD**

**Day 06: Matuari, Khushbagh** Take a morning walk through Matuari and peruse beautiful cooking and household items. Visit the small home factories that have been operating for generations and watch the masterful craftspeople at work. Continue cruising upstream to Plassey, the site of the Battle of Plassey. Sail on to the peaceful garden and cemetery of Khushbagh, and stroll to the tomb of the last Nawab of Bengal, Siraj ud-Daula. **BLD**

**Day 07: Khushbagh, Baranagar, Murshidabad** Cruise to Baranagar and experience rural Indian life on a walk, admiring local sights. Back on board, spend the afternoon at leisure. As you approach Murshidabad, see the Hazarduari Palace and take a tour. After an Indian high tea in the grounds of Kathgola Palace, ride a toto (electric rickshaw) to Katra Mosque and learn about the Mohammedan rulers. **BLD**

**Day 08: Murshidabad, Mayapur** Enjoy a restful morning before a visit to Mayapur. Learn about the Hari Krishna community and culture in a meeting with some of the movement's dedicated followers. View the final stages of construction for the Temple of the Vedic Planetarium, also known as Mayapur Chandrodaya Mandir ISKON headquarters. **BLD**

**Day 09: Mayapur, Chandannagar, Kolkata** Begin the day with a tranquil cruise to Chandannagar, which was established as a French colony in 1673. Stroll along the lively promenade as you marvel at the French architecture, then visit the 17th-century Sacred Heart Church and the Dupleix Museum, which is housed in the home of former French Governor Joseph François Dupleix. This afternoon, continue cruising along the Ganges and soak in your final night on board. **BLD**

**Day 10: Disembark Ship, Varanasi** After an early morning breakfast, disembark your ship for the final time and travel to the airport for your flight to Varanasi, one of the world's oldest continually inhabited cities. Check in to your hotel and enjoy lunch before experiencing an aarti at sunset this evening. **BL**

Two Nights: Varanasi, Taj Ganges.

**Day 11: Varanasi** Begin with a sunrise cruise along the Ganges before returning to the hotel for breakfast. Choose your Freedom of Choice activity, then spend time at leisure. Celebrate this evening with a memorable farewell dinner in the hotel, savouring a Satvik Thali feast, contemporary Indian cuisine at its best. **BD**

**Day 12: Depart Varanasi** Your adventure comes to an end today with a transfer to Varanasi's Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport for your onward journey. **B**

For more information about Freedom of Choice sightseeing and dining options, see pages 88-96.

Trip from **\$10,195** per person, twin share

**SAVE UP TO \$2,600 PER COUPLE\***

2026/27 Dates and Prices (A\$) Per person, twin share	Suite Category	Early Booking Price From*	Standard Price From
<b>12 Days Kolkata to Varanasi (INKV12)</b>			
<b>2026</b>	Signature	\$10,495	\$11,495
Mar. 4*	Colonial	\$10,990	\$11,990
Sep. 3, 21	Heritage	\$11,390	\$12,390
Oct. 25	Viceroy	\$11,990	\$12,990
Nov. 26	Maharaja	\$12,390	\$13,390
<b>2027</b>			
Jan. 29			
Mar. 14			

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\*Note Mar. 4 itinerary will operate slightly differently. See terms and conditions towards the back of the brochure.

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# Golden Triangle, Kolkata and Lower Ganges Cruise

INDK17 / Delhi to Kolkata



Admire the grandeur of the Taj Mahal in Agra, India

## 17 Days / Nine-Night Land Tour + Seven-Night River Cruise

Ship Ganges Voyager / Visit 13 places, one country

### Signature Experiences

- Take private art collection tour before an Indian fusion dinner at The Spice Route in Delhi.
- In Delhi, visit the exquisite Gurudwara Bangla Sahib, a Sikh temple renowned for its daily service feeding 10,000 people.
- Indulge in a delicious dinner overlooking Delhi's Qutub Minar alongside a local historian.
- Admire a private, soulful Sufi performance in Agra.
- In Ajabgarh, enjoy an Indian gin cocktail workshop under the guidance of a mixologist.
- Take part in a delicious cooking class and enjoy your creations for lunch in Ajabgarh.
- Take a heritage tram ride through beautiful Kolkata.
- Indulge in a delectable high tea at Kolkata's Glenburn Penthouse.
- Delight in a delicious Indian high tea in the four-storeyed Kathgola Palace in Murshidabad.



Hawa Mahal in Jaipur, India

### Highlights and Inclusions

- ✓ Nine nights in luxury accommodation.
- ✓ Seven-night cruise aboard the Ganges Voyager.
- ✓ Locally inspired dining — a total of 40 meals.
- ✓ Freedom of Choice inclusions in three locations.
- ✓ Services of an APT Tour and Cruise Director.
- ✓ Transfers, portage, port charges and gratuities.
- ✓ Domestic flight from Jaipur and Kolkata.



### Itinerary

**Day 01: Arrive Delhi** Be met at the airport and transferred to your accommodation. Tonight, soak in the hotel's rich heritage and admire the Victorian and Art Deco architecture as you enjoy a tour of the hotel's extensive private art collection, before sitting down for an Indian fusion dinner at The Spice Route. **D**

Two Nights: The Imperial New Delhi.

**Day 02: Delhi** Set out to explore India's largest mosque, the Jama Masjid. Embark on an electric rickshaw ride through Old Delhi, driving through Chandni Chowk market. Enjoy lunch at Cafe Lota, then see Gurudwara Bangla Sahib. Later, visit the World Heritage-listed Qutub Minar and dine at a venue overlooking this spectacular monument. **BLD**

**Day 03: Delhi, Agra** Visit Humayun's Tomb and admire India Gate, a memorial dedicated to Indian Army soldiers who died in WWI. Later, travel to Agra and enjoy dinner at the restaurant of your choice. **BD**

Two Nights: ITC Mughal, a Luxury Collection Resort & Spa, Agra.

**BLD:** Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

**Day 04: Agra** Rise early to marvel at the Taj Mahal at sunrise, one of the New Seven Wonders of the World. Next, visit the nearby Agra Fort, a World Heritage-listed site. Explore the beautiful Tomb of Itmad-ud-Daulah, often referred to as the Baby Taj. Tonight, enjoy a private Sufi performance and regional snacks. **B**

**Day 05: Agra, Fatehpur Sikri, Ajabgarh** Set off to Ajabgarh, stopping en route at the World Heritage-listed Fatehpur Sikri, a spectacular ancient 16th-century fortified city. Stroll among the ruins, admire the intricate carvings and hear stories about this site. Continue to your hotel, a peaceful oasis in rural Rajasthan. Set out on a guided nature walk. Enjoy an Indian gin cocktail workshop with an expert mixologist before dinner this evening. **BLD**  
Stay: Ajabgarh, Amanbagh.

**Day 06: Ajabgarh Jaipur** Join a yoga session. Enjoy an exclusive cooking class with a chef, prepare lunch and learn about Indian spices. Later, travel to Jaipur, Rajasthan's capital. **BLD**

Two Nights: Jaipur, Jai Mahal Palace.

**Day 07: Jaipur** You will have a full day to explore the enthralling, historical Pink City of Jaipur, Rajasthan's spectacular capital. Take a tour of the city's most iconic attractions including Amber Fort, the Hawa Mahal (Palace of the Winds), and the City Palace, which is still home of the Jaipur royal family. For lunch, savour delicious local produce at a traditional vegetarian Indian restaurant tucked away in the heart of the lively Johri Bazaar. In the afternoon, immerse yourself in

a private workshop of block printing using natural and Azo-free dyes. **BL**

**Day 08: Jaipur, Kolkata** Today, you can further explore Jaipur on your chosen activity. Later, be transferred to the airport and board your flight to Kolkata, the lively City of Joy, and be transferred to your luxury accommodation. Once the capital of colonial India, Kolkata is a thriving hub of culture and history. **B**

Two Nights: Kolkata, Taj Bengal.

**Day 09: Kolkata** Set out on an exploration of Kolkata today during a privately chartered tram ride. Later, visit Kumartuli, the city's traditional potters' quarter. Here you can admire the potters' incredible craftwork, spanning from clay pots to elaborate statues of gods and goddesses used for a myriad of festivals. Afterwards, savour a delightful afternoon tea at the Glenburn Penthouse. **BD**

**Days 10-16: Kolkata Return** Refer to days 03-09 on page 77 for details of the journey.

Seven Nights: Ganges River, Ganges Voyager.

**Day 17: Disembark Ship, Depart Kolkata** After breakfast, disembark and transfer to a hotel in Kolkata, where you can leave your luggage and relax before your onward journey. At the appropriate time, a transfer will be arranged to the airport. **B**

For more information about Freedom of Choice sightseeing and dining options, see pages 88-96.

## Trip from \$16,195 per person, twin share

SAVE UP TO \$2,600 PER COUPLE*			
2026/27 Dates and Prices (A\$) Per person, twin share	Suite Category	Early Booking Price From*	Standard Price From
17 Days Delhi to Kolkata (INDK17)			
2026			
Feb. 25*	Signature	\$16,195	\$17,495
Aug. 27	Colonial	\$16,690	\$17,990
Sep. 14	Heritage	\$17,090	\$18,390
Oct. 18			
Nov. 19	Viceroy	\$17,690	\$18,990
2027			
Jan. 22	Maharaja	\$18,090	\$19,390
Mar. 7			

\*Early Booking Price includes Earlybird Savings and/or Early Payment Discount. For full terms and conditions, visit [www.aptouring.com.au](http://www.aptouring.com.au) and search trip code. Solo travellers add on from \$8,300, please enquire for details.

Please note: Prices listed are indicative and may not be available on all departure dates listed. Prices are seasonal and are subject to change. Prices are based on Signature Suite on Ganges Voyager.

\*Note Feb. 25 itinerary will operate slightly differently. See terms and conditions towards the back of the brochure.

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# Sri Lanka

Embark on a captivating journey through Sri Lanka. In the bustling capital, Colombo, explore vibrant markets and colonial buildings. Venture into the Cultural Triangle, where ancient cities like Anuradhapura and Polonnaruwa unveil the island's rich heritage. Climb the iconic Sigiriya Rock Fortress and marvel at the impressive wall art at the Dambulla Cave Temple. Sri Lanka's hill country also delights with its emerald tea plantations, stunning waterfalls, and quaint villages.

Along the southern coast, discover Galle Dutch Fort, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

See the majestic Sigiriya Rock Fortress in Sri Lanka





## Deep dive into the spectacular heritage and culture of Sri Lanka

### 15 Days / 14-Night Land Tour / Small Group Tour

**Visit** 11 places, one country

#### Signature Experiences

- ★ In Colombo, meet with an expert for a talk on the architect, Geoffrey Bawa.
- ★ Join your resort's head chef for a talk on spices and a cooking demonstration in Anuradhapura.
- ★ Experience a one-of-a-kind meal at Heritance Kandalama with a signature Cave Dinner.
- ★ Take a morning walk to the top of Sigiriya Rock Fortress.
- ★ In Kandy, learn about the history of Asgiriya Cricket Stadium.
- ★ Witness a private performance of traditional dance in Kandy accompanied by a five-course dinner.
- ★ Take a stroll through the beautiful Royal Botanical Gardens of Peradeniya with an expert botanist.
- ★ Be expertly guided through an artisanal tea experience at Ella's Amba Tea Estate.



#### Add India to Your Tour

Extend your Sri Lankan journey with India on the Wonders of India and Sri Lanka tour (**INKSLA24** — see pages 80-81), or the Ultimate India and Sri Lanka tour (**INDSLA31** — see pages 82-83).

#### Highlights and Inclusions

- ✓ A maximum of 24 guests in your APT group.
- ✓ 14 nights in luxury accommodation.
- ✓ Locally inspired dining — a total of 34 meals.
- ✓ Freedom of Choice inclusions in three locations.
- ✓ Services of an APT Tour Director.
- ✓ Transfers, portage and gratuities.
- ✓ Visit Yala, Wilpattu and Minneriya National Parks.



#### Itinerary

**Day 01: Arrive Colombo** Be transferred to your hotel and enjoy the day at leisure.  
Two Nights: Hilton Colombo.

**Day 02: Colombo** Enjoy a visit to the Geoffrey Bawa Residence. Meet with an expert for a talk and savour a delicious lunch at the Gallery Cafe. Later, set out on a walking tour through Colombo's heritage region before hopping in a tuk tuk to Pettah Market. Delight in a welcome dinner at the Ceylon Curry Club. **BLD**

**Day 03: Colombo, Wilpattu National Park, Anuradhapura** Set out to Wilpattu National Park and enjoy lunch before a game drive. Be transferred to your hotel for dinner. **BLD**  
Two Nights: Anuradhapura, Uga Ulagalla.

**Day 04: Anuradhapura** Explore the ancient city of Anuradhapura. Visit the dome-shaped stupas of Ruwanwelisaya and Jethawanaramaya. Admire the Samadhi Buddha Statue and Jaya Sri Maha Bodhi. This evening, take part in an interactive cooking demonstration. **BD**

**Day 05: Anuradhapura, Polonnaruwa, Kandalama** Visit Polonnaruwa, renowned for its blend of archaeological monuments and one of its most notable features, Parakrama Samudra. Visit Gal Viharaya, home to four Buddha statues. Savour lunch at EKHO

**BLD:** Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Lake House. Then, continue to your hotel for a delectable signature Cave Dinner. **BLD**

Two Nights: Heritance Kandalama.

**Day 06: Kandalama, Sigiriya, Minneriya, Kandalama** Visit Sigiriya Rock Fortress. Ascend the 200-metre-high rock boulder, explore the ruins of the royal palace, and admire the views. Enjoy lunch before an exciting game drive at Minneriya National Park. **BLD**

**Day 07: Kandalama, Dambulla, Matale, Kandy** Visit the Dambulla Cave Temple. Continue to Kandy, stopping at a Batik Factory in Matale and for lunch at an artisan's home. Visit the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic. **BL**

Two Nights: Kandy, Earl's Regency Hotel.

**Day 08: Kandy, Peradeniya, Kandy** Choose a Freedom of Choice excursion. Visit Asgiriya Cricket Stadium and learn about its history. Return to the hotel for a private performance of traditional dance and a five-course meal. **BD**

**Day 09: Kandy, Peradeniya, Nuwara Eliya** Enjoy a walk through the Royal Botanical Gardens of Peradeniya. Next, proceed to the scenic central highlands. Arrive at the Grand Hotel for a high tea style lunch before heading to your hotel. **BLD**  
Stay: Nuwara Eliya, Grand Hotel.

**Day 10: Nuwara Eliya, Ella, Yala** Transfer to Amba Tea Estate for your artisanal tea experience, where you can admire views of Ella Gap and Ravana-Ella Waterfalls. After lunch at Amba Estate, travel to Yala. **BLD**

Two Nights: Hilton Yala.

**Day 11: Yala** Take a morning game drive in a luxury shared jeep, guided by a ranger. Return to the resort for breakfast. Take a

late afternoon game drive before returning to the resort to savour dinner. **BD**

**Day 12: Yala, Udawalawe, Tangalle** Visit the Udawalawe Elephant Transit Centre during feeding time. Enjoy lunch at Grand Udawalawe, then travel to Tangalle. Select where to dine from your Freedom of Choice dining options. **BLD**  
Stay: Tangalle, Anantara Peace Haven.

**Day 13: Galle** Enjoy leisure time on the beach. Check out and proceed to the fortified city of Galle. Then, embark on a guided walking tour through the atmospheric streets of Galle Dutch Fort. Explore its iconic landmarks, including the Old Dutch Reformed Church, boutique hotels, lighthouse, and souvenir shops. Conclude the walk at the Moon Bastion, where you can capture a stunning view of the Indian Ocean. Spend some time at leisure exploring Galle Fort. **B**

Two Nights: Galle, Jetwing Lighthouse.

**Day 14: Galle** Choose your Freedom of Choice activity, both including lunch. Perhaps take a guided tour of a cinnamon plantation or explore Lunuganga Estate. Later, enjoy some time at leisure back at the hotel. In the evening, return to the hotel and savour an exceptional farewell dinner at The Cinnamon Room at Jetwing Lighthouse, celebrating your time in Sri Lanka amid a stunning coastal setting. **BLD**

**Day 15: Depart Galle** After breakfast, transfer to Bandaranaike International Airport in time to for your onward flight. **B**

For more information about Freedom of Choice sightseeing and dining options, see pages 88-96.

#### Trip from \$9,995 per person, twin share

SAVE UP TO \$2,400 PER COUPLE*		
2026 Dates and Prices (A\$) Per person, twin share	Early Booking Price From*	Standard Price From
15 Days Colombo to Galle (SLA15) Small Group Tour (Max. 24 guests)		
Feb. 11; Mar. 13	\$10,995	\$11,995
Apr. 22	\$10,795	\$11,995
Sep. 12, 30; Oct. 7	\$9,995	\$11,195
Nov. 3, 25	\$10,395	\$11,595

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# Wonders of India and Sri Lanka

INKSLA24 / Kolkata to Galle

Glimpse elephants at Minneriya National Park in Sri Lanka

## 24 Days / 16-Night Land Tour + Seven-Night River Cruise

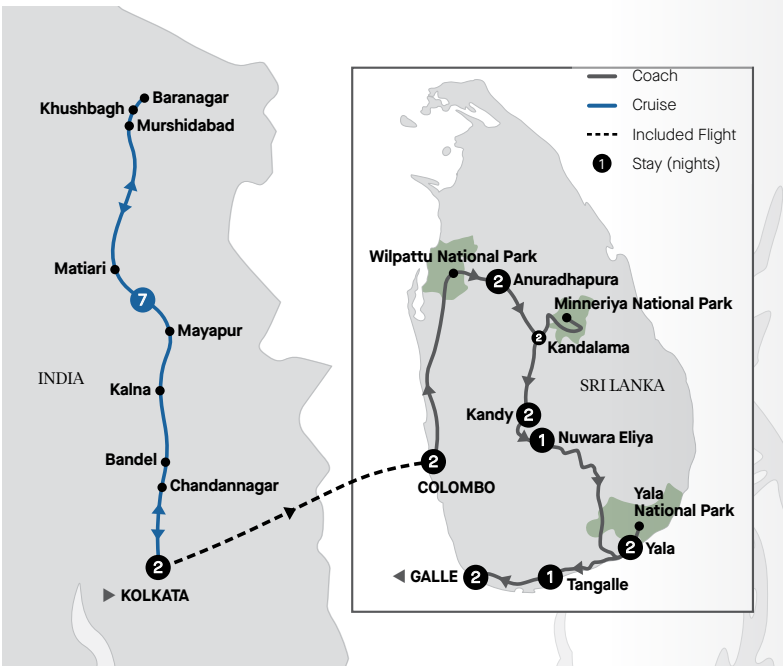
Ship Ganges Voyager / Visit 20 places, two countries

### Signature Experiences

- ★ In Kolkata, set out on a privately chartered heritage tram ride and explore the city.
- ★ Savour a delightful afternoon tea at the Glenburn Penthouse in Kolkata.
- ★ Delight in a delicious Indian high tea in the four-storeyed Kathgola Palace in Murshidabad.
- ★ In Colombo, meet with an expert for a talk on the architect, Geoffrey Bawa.
- ★ Join your resort's head chef for a talk on spices and a cooking demonstration in Anuradhapura.
- ★ Experience a one-of-a-kind meal at Heritance Kandalama with a signature Cave Dinner.
- ★ Take a morning walk to the top of Sigiriya Rock Fortress.
- ★ In Kandy, learn about the history of Asgiriya Cricket Stadium.
- ★ Witness a private performance of traditional dance in Kandy with a five-course dinner.
- ★ Take a stroll through the beautiful Royal Botanical Gardens of Peradeniya with an expert botanist.
- ★ Be expertly guided through an artisanal tea experience at Ella's Amba Tea Estate.

### Highlights and Inclusions

- ✓ 16 nights in luxury accommodation.
- ✓ Locally inspired dining — a total of 58 meals.
- ✓ Freedom of Choice inclusions in four locations.
- ✓ Services of an APT Tour and Cruise Director.
- ✓ Transfers, porterage, port charges and gratuities.
- ✓ International flights from Kolkata to Colombo.



### Itinerary

**Day 01: Arrive Kolkata** Be transferred to your luxury accommodation and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

Two Nights: Kolkata, Taj Bengal.

**Day 02: Kolkata** Set out on an exploration of Kolkata today during a privately chartered tram ride. Later, visit Kumartuli, the city's traditional potters' quarter. Savour a delightful afternoon tea at the Glenburn Penthouse before dinner. **BD**

**Day 03: Kolkata, Embark Ship** Choose your morning sightseeing before boarding the Ganges Voyager. Following lunch on board, head to the Victoria Memorial and its museum. Return to your ship and enjoy a performance by Baul musicians. **BLD**

Seven Nights: Ganges River, Ganges Voyager.

**Day 04: Kolkata, Bandel, Kalna** Set out on a walking tour featuring some of Kolkata's best-preserved colonial buildings including the Raj Bhawan (Governor's House) and take a tour of St John's Church. After lunch on board, cruise along the Hooghly River on the Lower Ganges. Visit the 19th-century Hooghly Imambara, return to your ship and sail to Kalna. **BLD**

**BLD:** Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

**Day 05: Kalna, Matiari** After breakfast, explore Kalna, known as the City of Temples. Enjoy a rickshaw ride through town to visit some of Bengal's most distinct terracotta temples, including the Rajbari royal palace complex and Shiva temples. Later, stroll through the local market en route to your ship. Sail to the village of Matiari. **BLD**

**Day 06: Matiari, Khushbagh** Take a morning walk through Matiari and peruse beautiful cooking and household items. Visit the small home factories that have been operating for generations and watch the masterful craftspeople at work. Continue cruising upstream to Plassey, the site of the Battle of Plassey. Sail on to the peaceful garden and cemetery of Khushbagh, and stroll to the tomb of the last Nawab of Bengal, Siraj ud-Daulah. **BLD**

**Day 07: Khushbagh, Baranagar, Murshidabad** Cruise to Baranagar and experience rural Indian life on a walk, admiring local sights. Back on board, spend the afternoon at leisure. As you approach Murshidabad, see the Hazarduari Palace and take a tour. After an Indian high tea in the grounds of Kathgola Palace, ride a toto (electric rickshaw) to Katra Mosque and learn about the Mohammedan rulers. **BLD**

**Day 08: Murshidabad, Mayapur** Enjoy a restful morning before a visit to Mayapur. Learn about the Hari Krishna community and culture in a meeting with some of the movement's dedicated followers. View the final stages of

construction for the enormous Temple of the Vedic Planetarium, also known as Mayapur Chandrodaya Mandir ISKON headquarters. **BLD**

**Day 09: Mayapur, Chandannagar, Kolkata** Begin the day with a tranquil cruise to Chandannagar, which was established as a French colony in 1673. Stroll along the lively promenade as you marvel at the French architecture, then visit the 17th-century Sacred Heart Church and the Duplex Museum, which is housed in the home of former French Governor Joseph François Duplex. This afternoon, continue cruising along the Ganges and soak in your final night on board. **BLD**

**Day 10: Disembark Ship, Kolkata, Colombo** After breakfast, disembark and transfer directly to Kolkata's Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose International Airport for your international flight to Sri Lanka. Upon arrival, meet your local representative and transfer to your hotel in Colombo. **B**

Two Nights: Hilton Colombo.

**Days 11-24: Colombo to Galle, Depart Galle** Refer to days 02-15 on page 83 for details of the journey.

For more information about Freedom of Choice sightseeing and dining options, see pages 88-96.

## Trip from \$18,295 per person, twin share

SAVE UP TO \$3,400 PER COUPLE*			
2026 Dates and Prices (A\$) Per person, twin share	Suite Category	Early Booking Price From*	Standard Price From
24 Days Kolkata to Galle (INKSLA24)	Signature	\$18,295	\$19,995
	Colonial	\$18,790	\$20,490
	Heritage	\$19,190	\$20,890
	Viceroy	\$19,790	\$21,490
	Maharaja	\$20,190	\$21,890

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# Ultimate India and Sri Lanka

INDSLA31 / Delhi to Galle

Absorb the beauty of Humayun's Tomb in Delhi, India

## 31 Days / 23-Night Land Tour + Seven-Night River Cruise

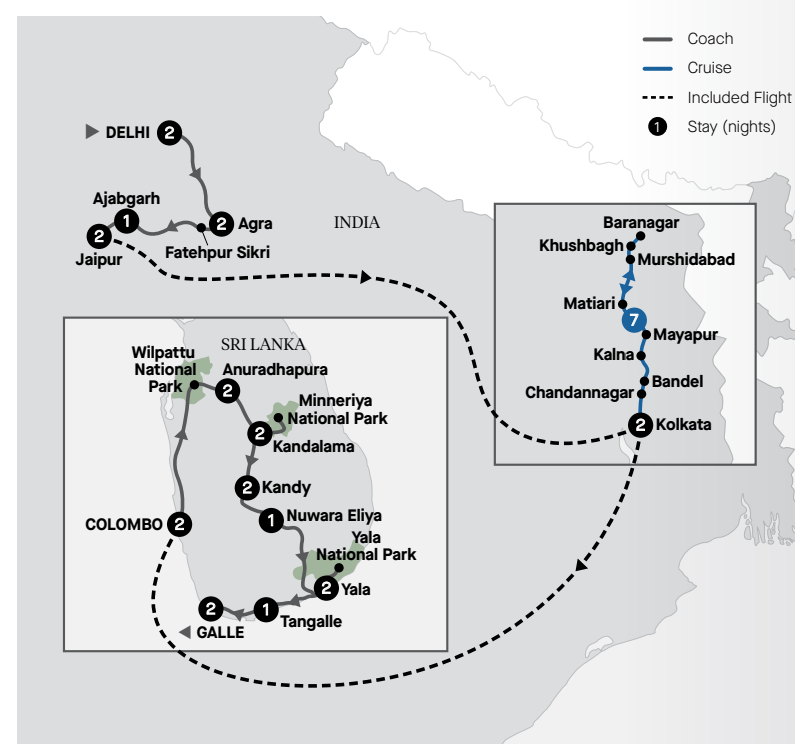
Ship Ganges Voyager / Visit 24 places, two countries

### Signature Experiences

- Take private art collection tour before an Indian fusion dinner at The Spice Route in Delhi.
- In Delhi, visit the exquisite Gurudwara Bangla Sahib, a Sikh temple.
- Dine on a delicious dinner overlooking Delhi's Qutub Minar alongside a local historian.
- Admire a private, soulful Sufi performance in Agra.
- In Ajabgarh, enjoy a gin cocktail workshop.
- Take part in a delicious cooking class and enjoy your creations for lunch in Ajabgarh.
- Take a heritage tram ride through beautiful Kolkata.
- Savour a delightful afternoon tea at the Glenburn Penthouse in Kolkata.
- Delight in a delicious Indian high tea in the four-storey Kathgola Palace in Murshidabad.
- In Colombo, meet with an expert for a talk on the architect, Geoffrey Bawa.
- Join your resort's head chef for a cooking demonstration in Anuradhapura.
- Experience a one-of-a-kind meal at Heritance Kandalama with a signature Cave Dinner.
- Take a walk to the top of Sigiriya Rock Fortress.
- In Kandy, learn about Asgiriya Cricket Stadium.
- Witness a private performance of dance in Kandy accompanied by a five-course dinner.
- Take a stroll through the beautiful Royal Botanical Gardens of Peradeniya with an expert botanist.
- Be expertly guided through a tea experience at Ella's Amba Tea Estate.

### Highlights and Inclusions

- ✓ 23 nights in luxury accommodation.
- ✓ Seven-night cruise aboard the Ganges Voyager.
- ✓ Locally inspired dining — a total of 74 meals.
- ✓ Freedom of Choice inclusions in six locations.
- ✓ Services of an APT Tour and Cruise Director.
- ✓ Transfers, portage, port charges and gratuities.
- ✓ Domestic flight from Jaipur to Kolkata and international flight from Kolkata to Colombo.



### Itinerary

**Day 01: Arrive Delhi** Be met at the airport and transferred to your accommodation. Tour the hotel's extensive private art collection and sit down for an Indian fusion dinner at The Spice Route. **D**

Two Nights: The Imperial New Delhi.

**Day 02: Delhi** Set out to explore the Jama Masjid. Embark on an electric rickshaw ride through Old Delhi, driving through Chandni Chowk market. Enjoy lunch at Cafe Lota. Then, see Gurudwara Bangla Sahib. Later, visit Qutub Minar and dine at a venue overlooking the site. **BLD**

**Day 03: Delhi, Agra** Visit Humayun's Tomb and admire India Gate. Later, travel to Agra. Choose where to dine this evening. **BD**

Two Nights: ITC Mughal, a Luxury Collection Resort & Spa, Agra.

**Day 04: Agra** Marvel at the Taj Mahal at sunrise. Next, visit the nearby Agra Fort. Explore the Tomb of Itmad-ud-Daulah. Tonight, enjoy a private Sufi performance and regional snacks. **B**

**Day 05: Agra, Fatehpur Sikri, Ajabgarh** Set off to Ajabgarh, stopping at Fatehpur Sikri. Continue to your hotel, then set out on a guided nature walk. Enjoy an Indian gin cocktail workshop with an expert mixologist before dinner this evening. **BLD**

Stay: Ajabgarh, Amanbagh.

**BLD:** Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

**Day 06: Ajabgarh Jaipur** Join a yoga session. Next, take part in a cooking class. Later, be driven to Jaipur. **BLD**

Two Nights: Jaipur, Jai Mahal Palace.

**Day 07: Jaipur** Take a tour of Jaipur's most iconic attractions including Amber Fort, the Hawa Mahal, and the City Palace. For lunch, savour local produce at a traditional vegetarian restaurant. Immerse yourself in a private workshop of block printing. **BL**

**Day 08: Jaipur, Kolkata** Explore Jaipur on your chosen activity. Later, board your flight to Kolkata. **B**

Two Nights: Kolkata, Taj Bengal.

**Day 09: Kolkata** Set out on an exploration of Kolkata today during a heritage tram ride. Later, visit Kumartuli. Enjoy afternoon tea at the Glenburn Penthouse. **BD**

**Day 10: Kolkata, Embark Ship** Choose your sightseeing before boarding the Ganges Voyager. After lunch on board, head to the Victoria Memorial and its museum. Return to your ship for a performance by Baul musicians. **BLD**

Seven Nights: Ganges River, Ganges Voyager.

**Day 11: Kolkata, Bandel, Kalna** Set out on a walking tour featuring some of Kolkata's colonial buildings and take a tour of St John's Church. After lunch on board, cruise the Hooghly River. Visit Hooghly Imambaral. Return to your ship and sail to Kalna. **BLD**

**Day 12: Kalna, Matuari** Explore Kalna on a rickshaw ride to see some of Bengal's distinct terracotta temples. Stroll through the market before sailing to Matuari. **BLD**

**Day 13: Matuari, Khushbagh** Take a walk through Matuari. Then, cruise to Plassey. Sail on to the garden and cemetery of Khushbagh. Stroll to the tomb of the last Nawab of Bengal, Siraj ud-Daulah. **BLD**

**Day 14: Khushbagh, Baranagar, Murshidabad** Cruise to Baranagar and explore. Spend the afternoon on board. In Murshidabad, tour the Hazarduari Palace. After a high tea in the grounds of Kathgola Palace, ride a toto to Katra Mosque and learn about the Mohammedan rulers. **BLD**

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**Day 16: Mayapur, Chandannagar, Kolkata** Cruise to Chandannagar and stroll along the promenade. Then, visit the 17th-century Sacred Heart Church and the Dupleix Museum. **BLD**

**Day 17: Disembark Ship, Kolkata, Colombo** After breakfast, disembark and transfer to Kolkata's Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose International Airport for your international flight to Sri Lanka. Upon arrival, meet your local representative and transfer to your hotel in Colombo. **B**

Two Nights: Hilton Colombo.

**Days 18-31: Colombo to Galle, Depart Galle** Refer to days 02-15 on page 83 for details of the journey.

For more information about Freedom of Choice sightseeing and dining options, see pages 88-96.

## Trip from \$25,295 per person, twin share

SAVE UP TO \$3,400 PER COUPLE*			
2026 Dates and Prices (A\$) Per person, twin share	Suite Category	Early Booking Price From*	Standard Price From
31 Days Delhi to Galle (INDSLA31)			
Aug. 27 Sep. 14 Oct. 18	Signature	\$25,295	\$26,995
	Colonial	\$25,790	\$27,490
	Heritage	\$26,190	\$27,890
	Viceroy	\$26,790	\$28,490
	Maharaja	\$27,190	\$28,890

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# Freedom of Choice™

Culture. Cuisine. Relaxation. Adventure. Wildlife.

We work with you to personalise your journey to suit your interests. For a select range of experiences, mix and match from our five key categories. Go with something gourmet one day and get active the next. Or discover historic sites, then immerse yourself in nature. It's completely up to you.


Discover Beijing's Wangfujing Street market in China


PERSONALISE YOUR HOLIDAY WITH A CHOICE OF INCLUDED SIGHTSEEING EXPERIENCES.

 Culture and Heritage  Gourmet Delight  Nature and Wildlife  Get Active  Relax and Revive


## JAPAN

### Tokyo

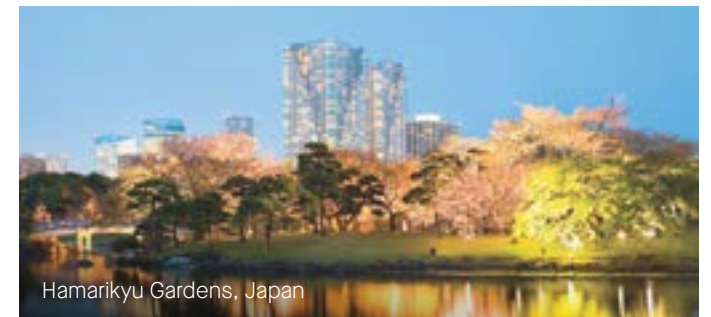
 **Japanese Gardens Discovery** Explore quaint parts of Tokyo as you discover the beauty of the Hamarikyu Gardens and the Imperial Palace East Gardens.

 **Scenic Tokyo Tour** Be captivated by the picturesque Hamarikyu Gardens before admiring the panoramic views of the Japanese capital from the main deck of Tokyo Tower.

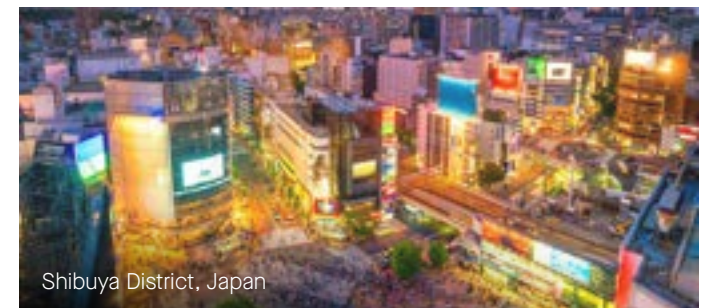
 **Shibuya and Harajuku Exploration** Experience the incredible energy and efficiency of Tokyo's vast underground metro as you delve into the buzzing districts of Shibuya and Harajuku.

 **Tokyo National Museum** Learn more about the history of Japan at the Tokyo National Museum, which is home to a collection of approximately 120,000 objects.

 **Museum and Yanaka Exploration** Delve into the history of Japan at the vast Tokyo National Museum before setting off on a walk through the historic old town Yanaka district.





Hamarikyu Gardens, Japan





Shibuya District, Japan

### Kyoto

 **E-Bike Cycling Tour** Ride an E-bike through the Miyagawacho and Gion geisha districts, stop off at the Imperial Palace Park and cycle along the Shirakawa Canal and Kamogawa River.

 **Ginkakuji and Philosopher's Path Walking Tour** Visit the Ginkakuji Temple (Silver Pavilion), a Zen Buddhist temple in Kyoto's Higashiyama area. Ginkakuji was added to UNESCO's World Heritage List in 1994. Stroll along the Philosopher's Path, a trail from Ginkakuji to Nanzenji Temple, known for its cherry blossoms and canal.

 **Japanese Sweets Workshop and Visit to a Historic Confectionery Shop** Learn how to craft Kyoto-style wagashi (Japanese sweets) and enjoy your handmade creations paired with a soothing cup of green tea. Afterwards, visit a renowned confectionery shop with over two centuries of history.

 **Market and Sake Tour** Embark on a tour of Nishiki Market, often referred to as 'Kyoto's Kitchen', before delighting in a sake-tasting tour.





Ginkakuji Temple in Kyoto, Japan




Sweets workshop, Japan

### Nara

 **Asuka Exploration** Set out on a guided walk through the ancient town of Asuka, the political and cultural capital of Japan in the fifth and sixth centuries.

 **Hasedera Temple** In Nara, you might like to visit the beautiful Hasedera Temple, home to a spectacular statue of Kannon — the goddess of mercy — for a fascinating morning service.

 **Horyuji Temple** Visit the World Heritage-listed Horyuji Temple, which features the world's oldest surviving wooden structures and is one of the country's oldest temples.



Okadera Temple in Asuka, Japan



SOUTH KOREA

Seoul

**Gwangjang Market and Nanta Performance** Take a mouth-watering street food tour through Gwangjang Market, tasting local dishes, before marvelling at the NANTA show, Korea's longest-running theatre show.

**Modern Seoul Tour** Be transferred from your hotel to COEX Mall, the largest underground shopping mall in Asia. You'll also visit Byeolmadang Library, the Gangnam Style Sculpture and the Lotte World Tower.

**Seoul Fortress Wall and Dongdaemun Fashion Market Tour** Stroll along the Seoul Fortress Wall before visiting the Dongdaemun Market and Dongdaemun Design Plaza.



NANTA Show, South Korea

SRI LANKA

Galle

**Cinnamon Estate Visit** Journey to Villa Mayurana, set among a cinnamon plantation with views of Koggala Lake, and enjoy a guided tour. Learn about growing, harvesting, and processing cinnamon. Watch a demonstration on peeling and preparing cinnamon for market, and enjoy a cinnamon-inspired lunch with fragrant tea.

**Tour Lunuganga Estate** Savour a Sri Lankan lunch, then tour the former home of architect Geoffrey Bawa. Explore the landscaped gardens and pavilions with views of Dedduwa Lake.



Cinnamon plantation, Sri Lanka

Kandy

**Kandy Temple Tour** Take a cultural tour of three of Kandy's most important ancient temples: Gadaladeniya, Lankathilaka and Embekka Devalaya.

**Sri Lankan Gem Experience** Take a hands-on gem identification and cutting experience with an expert gemmologist.



Gadaladeniya Temple, Kandy

CHINA

Beijing

**Beijing Opera Show** See a Beijing opera performance at Qianmen Liyuan Theatre with tea and snacks.

**Historic Hutong, Rickshaw Ride and Local Family Experience** Visit the Hutong area. Take a traditional rickshaw ride to a local family home and be guided through a dumpling-making class.

**Temple of Heaven** Discover the significance and ancient rituals of the site as you explore the Temple of Heaven.

**Tour of Wangfujing Street** Take a walking tour of Wangfujing Street, where you can explore the bustling night food market.



Steps to the Temple of Heaven, Beijing

Shanghai

**Calligraphy Lesson with a Master** Enjoy a unique calligraphy lesson in the home of a renowned master.

**Huangpu River, Yu Garden and Tea Ceremony** Take a cruise on the Huangpu River, explore the beautiful Yu Garden and the surrounding Old Town area. After, take part in a traditional Tea Ceremony, where you'll learn about the art of tea-making.

**Visit the Water Town of Jinxi** Explore Jinxi with a scenic boat ride through canals, followed by a guided walking tour.

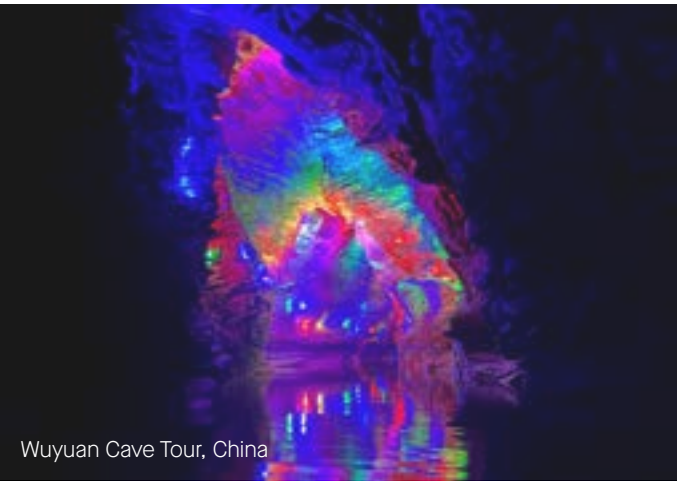


Traditional tea ceremony, China

Badong - Yangtze River Cruise

**Enchanting Wuyuan Cave Tour** Travel by wooden sampan along the cave's underground river, surrounded by rock formations. Relish tea brewed from mountain springs and traditional snacks from the Tujia community.

**Insightful Badong Museum Tour and Wu Gorge Lookout** Immerse yourself in the rich history and culture of Badong at the local museum. Discover a fascinating collection of artefacts and exhibits that showcase the traditions of the Tujia and Miao ethnic minorities, who have called this region home for centuries. Afterwards, head to the Wu Gorge Lookout for stunning panoramic views of the surrounding mountains and river, a perfect spot for photos.



Wuyuan Cave Tour, China

Fengjie - Yangtze River Cruise

**Sunset at Three Gorges Summit** Take a coach ride to the Three Gorges Summit, where you'll experience a magnificent sunset. The summit provides some of the most breathtaking views along the Yangtze River.

**Walk along the Poetic Trail in Qutang Gorge** Embark on a scenic hike along the Poetic Trail in Qutang Gorge. This trail leads up to the Three Gorges Summit, offering one of the most iconic hiking routes in the region. Be captivated by the views of the high mountains and the astounding beauty of Qutang Gorge, often regarded as the most picturesque of the Three Gorges.

**White Emperor City Tour** Take a 15-minute coach ride to the historic site and delve into the intriguing stories of the area and celebrated poems of Li Bai from the Tang Dynasty.



Qutang Gorge, China

Zhongxian - Yangtze River Cruise

**Huanghua Island** Embark on a journey to this island, nestled in the heart of the Three Gorges Reservoir, dating back to the Song Dynasty. It was once a fortified city and the centre of Xianchun Prefecture. Explore the remnants of ancient government offices and defensive city walls, offering a unique look at one of China's rare island defence systems and its storied past. Experience the fascinating blend of history and natural beauty that makes Huanghua Island a must-see destination.

**Shibaozhai (Precious Stone Fortress)** Visit Shibaozhai Pavilion, a remarkable wooden architectural masterpiece. Rising 56 metres above the ground, this fortress sits atop a 220-metre hill along the Yangtze River. Known as the Nine Heavens, this twelve-storey structure is a stunning example of ancient engineering and is steeped in fascinating legends.

**Xituo Ancient Town** Take a short ferry ride from Shibaozhai to Xituo Ancient Town, where you'll step back in time to experience centuries of tradition and local life. Explore this charming town and immerse yourself in its rich history and vibrant heritage. Once a significant salt trade hub dating back to the pre-Qin era, Xituo was crucial to early commerce. Stroll along Yunti Street, a historic stone path that ascends from the river pier with 1,314 steps, earning it the title of the First Street of the Yangtze River.



Shibaozhai Pavilion, China



INDIA

Jaipur

**🚲 Jaipur Cycling Tour** If you're feeling active, set out early to explore Jaipur by bicycle, traversing the narrow lanes of the old city as you experience the historic city coming to life.

**🏛️ Observatory and City Palace Visit** Discover the Jantar Mantar astronomical observatory before visiting private areas of the Jaipur royal family's City Palace, which are normally closed to the public.

**🚶 Pink Rickshaw Tour** Explore Jaipur with The Pink City Rickshaw Company, a not-for-profit organisation that aims to provide employment opportunity to local women. Visit Govind Devji Temple for the morning aarti prayers and stop off at the colourful Jaipur Wholesale Flower Market.



Jaipur City Palace, India

Kolkata

**🏛️ Gallery and NGO Visit** Admire the art at Kolkata's CIMA (Centre for International Modern Art) before stepping in to learn about Sasha, an NGO which works with local artisans across India to keep their crafting traditions alive.

**🌸 Kolkata Flower Market** Rise early to set off for a stroll across Howrah Bridge to the kaleidoscopic Mallick Ghat Flower Market, which is among the largest in Asia.



Kolkata Flower Market, India

Varanasi

**🏛️ Sarnath Exploration** Visit Sarnath, one of the most important holy sites of Buddhism and the location of Buddha's first sermon. Visit Deer Park where the sermon took place and reflect during a private session with a monk.

**🚶 Silk Weaver Visit** See the famous weavers of Varanasi and admire the skilled craftspeople in action as they create spectacular garments from beautiful silk.

**🚶 Varanasi Walking Tour** Take a guided walk through Varanasi's maze-like old neighbourhoods including visits to the historic Kashi Vishwanath Temple and the Tulsi Akhara fight club.



Silk Weaver in Varanasi, India



Discover Sarnath in Varanasi

VIETNAM

Hanoi

**🏠 Bat Trang Pottery Village** Journey to Bat Trang, a village where porcelain and pottery of the highest quality has been made for over 700 years. Step out with your guide on an insightful walk and hear stories about the area, which is abundant in white clay.

**🧖 Head, Hand or Foot Massage** Indulge in a relaxing massage at Le Spa du Metropole. Located in the centre of Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi, this luxurious spa overlooks the hotel's charming courtyard garden and pool.

**☕ Vietnam's Coffee Culture** Discover the importance of coffee in Vietnam, one of the country's largest exports. Learn about the history and cultivation of coffee and try your hand at making some unique beverages.

**🚶 Walking Tour of Hanoi** Set out on a guided exploration of Hanoi on foot. Step inside neo-gothic St Joseph's Cathedral, admire Hanoi Opera House, and view exhibits at Hoa Lo Prison. During this tour, learn about Vietnam's struggle for independence from France.

**🎭 Water Puppet Performance** Visit one of Hanoi's most renowned water puppet theatres. Learn about the art of water puppetry and its place in Vietnamese culture, with its origins tracing back to villages in the rice-growing regions of northern Vietnam.



Water Puppet Performance, Vietnam



Vietnamese coffee, Vietnam

Ho Chi Minh City

**👨🍳 Cooking Workshop** Meet your chef, visit a market and learn about local ingredients. Continue to a villa and relax in the outdoor garden before trying your hand at creating authentic Vietnamese dishes, including bánh mì xù mại.

**🚶 Ho Chi Minh City by Foot** Discover the city's iconic landmarks and French colonial architecture on an informative guided walk. Stroll by the must-see sights including Saigon Opera House, Central Post Office and Notre Dame Cathedral.

**🏍️ Motorbike Tour** Jump on the back of a motorbike and experience Ho Chi Minh City like a local during this thrilling sightseeing adventure. Zip through the city's vibrant streets, taking in sights such as the historic Central Post Office, Independence Palace, bustling Chinatown and Thien Hau Pagoda.

**🛍️ Shopping Adventure** Seek out the city's boutiques as only a local knows. Discover high-quality handmade textiles on a visit to Mekong Quilts, browse quirky souvenirs at Saigon Kitsch, and peruse trendy lifestyle products and a range of local artisanal goods at L'Usine.



Shopping in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam



Market in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam



CAMBODIA

Phnom Penh

**Killing Fields and Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum** Learn about a confronting part of Cambodian history with a sobering visit to the Killing Fields and Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum.

**National Museum of Cambodia** Accompanied by your private museum guide, discover the most important works within the National Museum of Cambodia. The collection includes the world’s finest display of Khmer sculptures, art and relics.

**Phnom Penh by Cyclo** Explore Phnom Penh by cyclo, the most popular form of transportation throughout Southeast Asia in the 1960s. Weave past some of the city’s most iconic sites.

**Royal Palace and Silver Pagoda** Discover Cambodia’s Royal Palace, the official residence of the King. Completed in 1870, the palace is a spectacular example of Khmer architecture with elements of French influence. The palace also houses the striking Silver Pagoda.



Royal Palace, Cambodia

Siem Reap

**Horse and Cart Ride** Climb aboard a handmade horse-drawn cart and set off on an authentic journey into the heart of rural Cambodia. Travel off the beaten path, navigating diverse terrain through the beautiful countryside.

**Khmer Cooking Class** Travel to a market and meet your Khmer chef who will whisk you to Lum Orng, Cambodia’s first farm-to-table restaurant. Famed for its New Mekong cuisine, it’s here you’ll learn to prepare a selection of flavourful dishes to taste.

**Khmer Massage** Let your cares melt away as you enjoy the healing powers of traditional Khmer massage. This oil-free 60-minute massage uses firm acupressure and muscular stretching to rebalance your energy.



Khmer massage, Cambodia

**Local Boutiques and Markets** Explore Siem Reap’s vibrant arts and crafts scene, starting at the Angkor Handicraft Association. This Fair Trade Village is home to a wide variety of artisans who produce handmade goods using traditional techniques.

**Quad Bike Adventure** Embark on an exhilarating quad biking experience in the Cambodian countryside outside Siem Reap. Venture along peaceful off-road tracks and see rice fields, hidden temples, and local communities.

**Village Bicycle Tour** Journey to the countryside villages that surround Siem Reap, where you’ll cycle along quiet back trails amid rice paddies and ponds. Witness daily farming activities unfold as you immerse yourself in the charm of local rural life.

**Workshop at Senteurs d’Angkor** Head to a handicraft centre, where you’ll observe the artisans in their workshops and gain an appreciation for their time-honoured crafts. Discover how they create contemporary designs inspired by Khmer know-how.



Village bicycle tour, Cambodia

Freedom of Choice™ Sightseeing – Notes

Please refer to itinerary pages to determine which sightseeing activities apply to your chosen itinerary. Due to venue closures on some dates, some options may not be available as listed. Minimum and maximum numbers may apply on some activities for them to operate.

PERSONALISE YOUR HOLIDAY WITH A CHOICE OF INCLUDED DINING EXPERIENCES.

JAPAN

Kanazawa

**Benkay** Enjoy Kanazawa’s best seasonal produce in a relaxing setting at Japanese restaurant, Benkay.

**La PLAGE** Indulge in an elegant European dinner at La PLAGE, nestled on the top floor of your luxury hotel in Kanazawa.

Kyoto

**Benoit** Originally a Parisian bistro dating back to 1912, French chef Alain Ducasse took the restaurant international. Experience the elegance of French cuisine, including duck confit and mille-feuille. The chic interiors blend classic Parisian charm with a modern Japanese twist.

**Chiriri** Savour the best local produce at Japanese restaurant Chiriri, which specialises in shabu-shabu that melts in your mouth.

Nara

**Azekura** Experience an authentic Japanese dining adventure at Azekura, where you can indulge in traditional regional dishes.

**Silk Road Dining** Enjoy a harmonious blend of Eastern and Western flavours, while watching the talented chefs prepare your meal in the open kitchen.



Benkay, Japan

SOUTH KOREA

Seoul

**Michael’s by Haevichi** If you’re craving world-class Western dining, delight in a delectable meal of new American cuisine at Michael’s by Haevichi.

**Samwon Garden** Experience the iconic flavours of South Korea as you sit down for mouth-watering Korean barbecue at Samwon Garden.



Samwon Garden, South Korea

CHINA

Chengdu

**L’Or by Yi Palace** Indulge in a set menu of authentic Chinese dishes, reflecting both Sichuan and Cantonese cuisine.

**The Dining Room** Located on the 38th floor with views of the Chengdu skyline, savour a set menu of Western dishes at your hotel.

Xi’an

**Cai Feng Lou Chinese Restaurant** Delight in a selection of traditional Cantonese delicacies, featuring an array of exquisite, authentic regional dishes in an elegant setting.

**COMMUNE All Day Dining Restaurant** Savour a diverse range of international and local dishes, offering something for everyone with a varied buffet and à la carte options.

Guilin

**Li Café** Savour a diverse dining experience at Li Café, with the perfect blend of local flavours and global dishes.

**Shang Palace** Delight in enticing cuisine including Cantonese, Hunan, Huaiyang, and Guilin at Shang Palace. Dine on authentic dishes from a set menu.



Cantonese cuisine, China



INDIA

**Agra**  
**Peshawri** For dinner in Agra, taste the authentic flavours of the northwest frontier cuisine at Peshawri.

**Taj Bano** Choose to savour a sumptuous assortment of Indian and international gourmet selections at Taj Bano.



Indian curries, Agra

SRI LANKA

**Tangalle**  
**Il Mare** Feast on Italian cuisine paired with a world-class wine selection as you overlook the Indian ocean by candlelight from Il Mare.

**Journeys** Savour a range of international dishes from fresh grilled seafood to fiery Sri Lankan curries at Journeys.



Tantalising cuisine, Sri Lanka

VIETNAM

**Hanoi**  
**KOTO Van Mieu** Dine on soulful Vietnamese cuisine at KOTO Van Mieu, a training restaurant empowering disadvantaged youth through its hospitality program.

**La Table Hanoia** Located in the heart of the French Quarter, La Table Hanoia offers a fine selection of gourmet food accompanied by exceptional service.

**La Terrasse** Soak up the atmosphere of a French sidewalk cafe at La Terrasse, situated at Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi.

**Lý Club Hanoi** Inspired by the Lý dynasty, Lý Club Hanoi offers innovative Vietnamese cuisine in a beautifully restored 19th-century colonial villa, surrounded by antiques and ornaments from the era.



La Table Hanoia, Vietnam

CAMBODIA

**Siem Reap**  
**Butterfly Pea** Savour Cambodian fare with Thai and Chinese influences in a traditional Khmer house or the tropical garden.

**Fellini** Indulge in authentic Italian cuisine and mouth-watering flavours in an exceptionally designed space at Fellini.

**Malis Siem Reap** Enjoy a garden setting near the Siem Reap River, with a menu of Cambodian and contemporary flavours.

**Mouhot's Dream** Located at Sofitel Angkor Phokeethra Golf & Spa Resort, this restaurant honours explorer Henri Mouhot.

**Sokkhak River Restaurant** Experience a fusion of French and Khmer cuisine in a landscaped garden near the Siem Reap River.

**SPOONS Café Restaurant** Sample authentic Cambodian cuisine at this local favourite, renowned for its community spirit and its mission to train underprivileged young adults.



Mouhout's Dream in Siem Reap

Freedom of Choice™ Dining – Notes

Dining options are subject to availability and seasonal opening times of restaurants. Limited numbers and dining times apply.

Extend Your Stay

The Prince Gallery Tokyo Kioicho, a Luxury Collection Hotel, Japan

If there’s no rush to return to reality, then why not linger a little longer in Asia?  
Continue your journey with a stay in one of these luxury hotels.

Whether you’re preparing for your exciting APT adventure or planning to relax afterwards, we offer accommodation before and after your tour at some of the best hotels in Asia. Extend your stay and spend more time in this incredible region. Exploring. Sightseeing. Dining. Or lounging poolside with your holiday novel.

2026/27 Prices (A\$) per person, per night	Twin From	Solo From
Tokyo, Japan		
The Prince Gallery Tokyo Kioicho, a Luxury Collection Hotel	\$685	\$1,290
Kyoto, Japan		
The Thousand Kyoto	\$580	\$1,080
Fukuoka, Japan		
Miyako Hotel Hakata	\$415	\$715
Seoul, South Korea		
The Ambassador Seoul Pullman Hotel	\$300	\$600
Beijing, China		
Regent Beijing	\$240	\$480

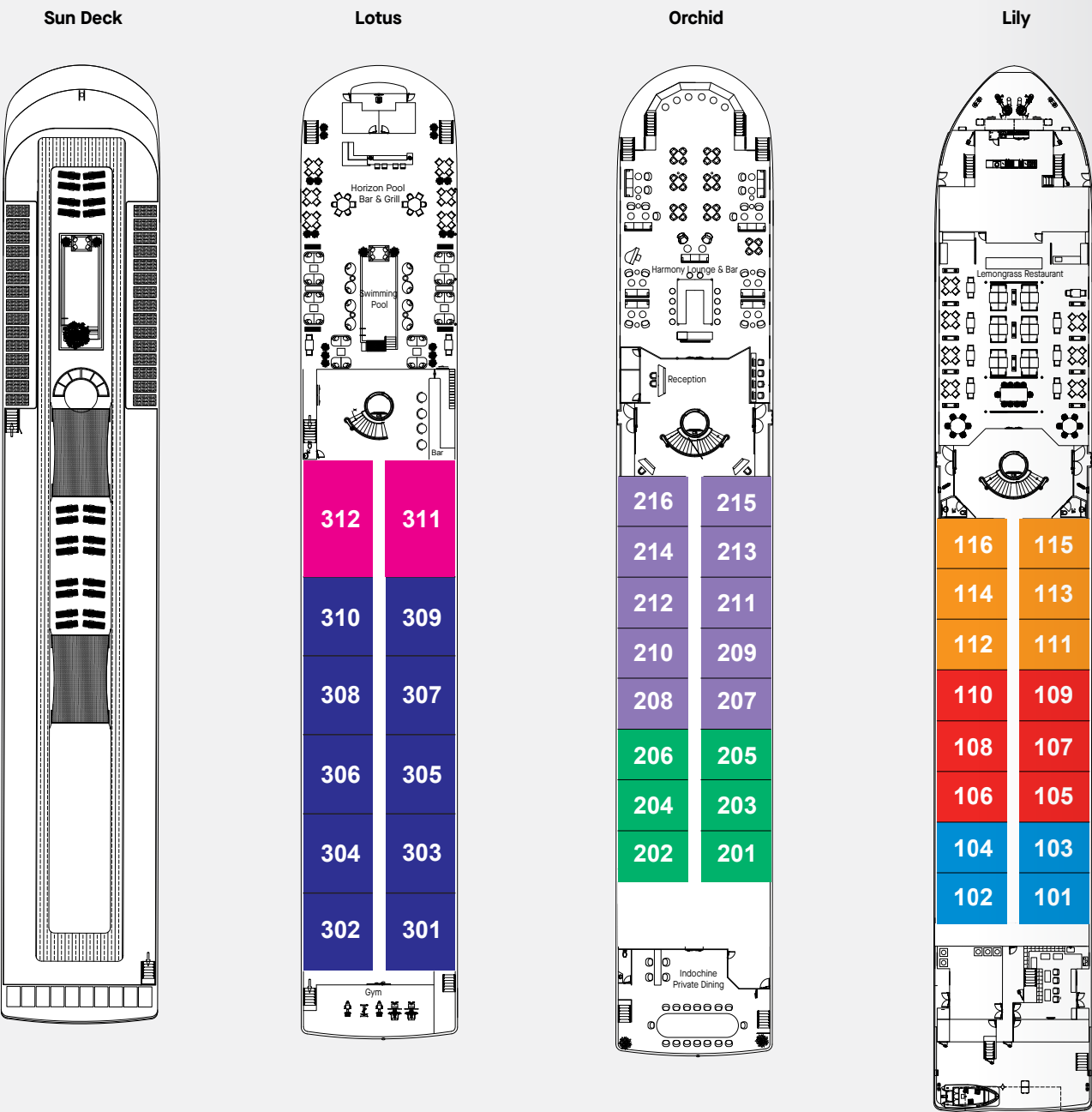
2026/27 Prices (A\$) per person, per night	Twin From	Solo From
Shanghai, China		
Fairmont Peace Hotel	\$275	\$550
Colombo, Sri Lanka		
Hilton Colombo	\$180	\$335
Galle, Sri Lanka		
Jetwing Lighthouse	\$280	\$520
Delhi, India		
The Imperial New Delhi	\$410	\$765
Kolkata, India		
Taj Bengal	\$325	\$620
Varanasi, India		
Taj Ganges	\$310	\$600

All pre/post accommodation, availability and rates are indicative only and may vary depending on season. Prices include breakfast and a one-way transfer to/from the airport. Accommodation must be consecutive nights pre or post at the same hotel for transfer to be included. See terms and conditions towards the back of the brochure.



# Deck and Suite Plans

## Mekong Serenity



**Technical Data**  
**Mekong Serenity – Launched 2023**  
• Length: 92m • Decks: 4 • Suites: 44 • Crew: 44 • Guest Capacity: 84

### Suite Categories

- Lotus**
- Angkor Suites  
Panoramic Balcony and Balcony Terrace
  - Bayon Suites  
Panoramic Balcony and Balcony Terrace
- Orchid**
- Category A  
Panoramic Balcony and Outside Balcony
  - Category B  
Panoramic Balcony and Outside Balcony
- Lily**
- Category C  
Panoramic Balcony and Outside Balcony
  - Category D  
Panoramic Balcony and Outside Balcony
  - Category E  
Panoramic Balcony and Outside Balcony



**ANGKOR SUITE**  
Category: Angkor — 677 sq ft/63 sq m



**BAYON SUITE**  
Category: Bayon — 460 sq ft/43 sq m



**DELUXE TWIN BALCONY SUITE**  
Category: E, D, C, B, A — 300 sq ft/28 sq m

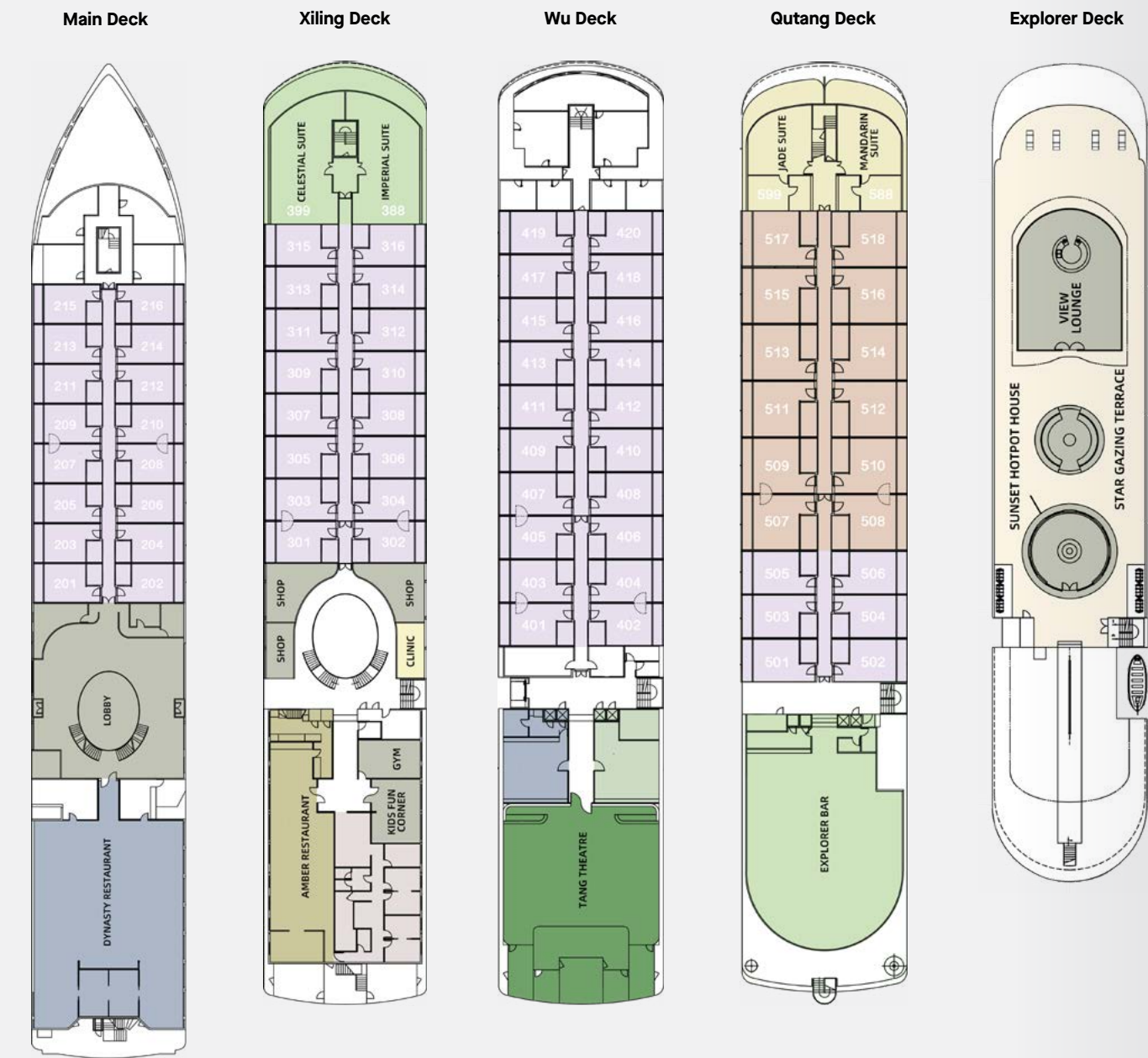


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# Deck and Suite Plans

## Yangzi Explorer



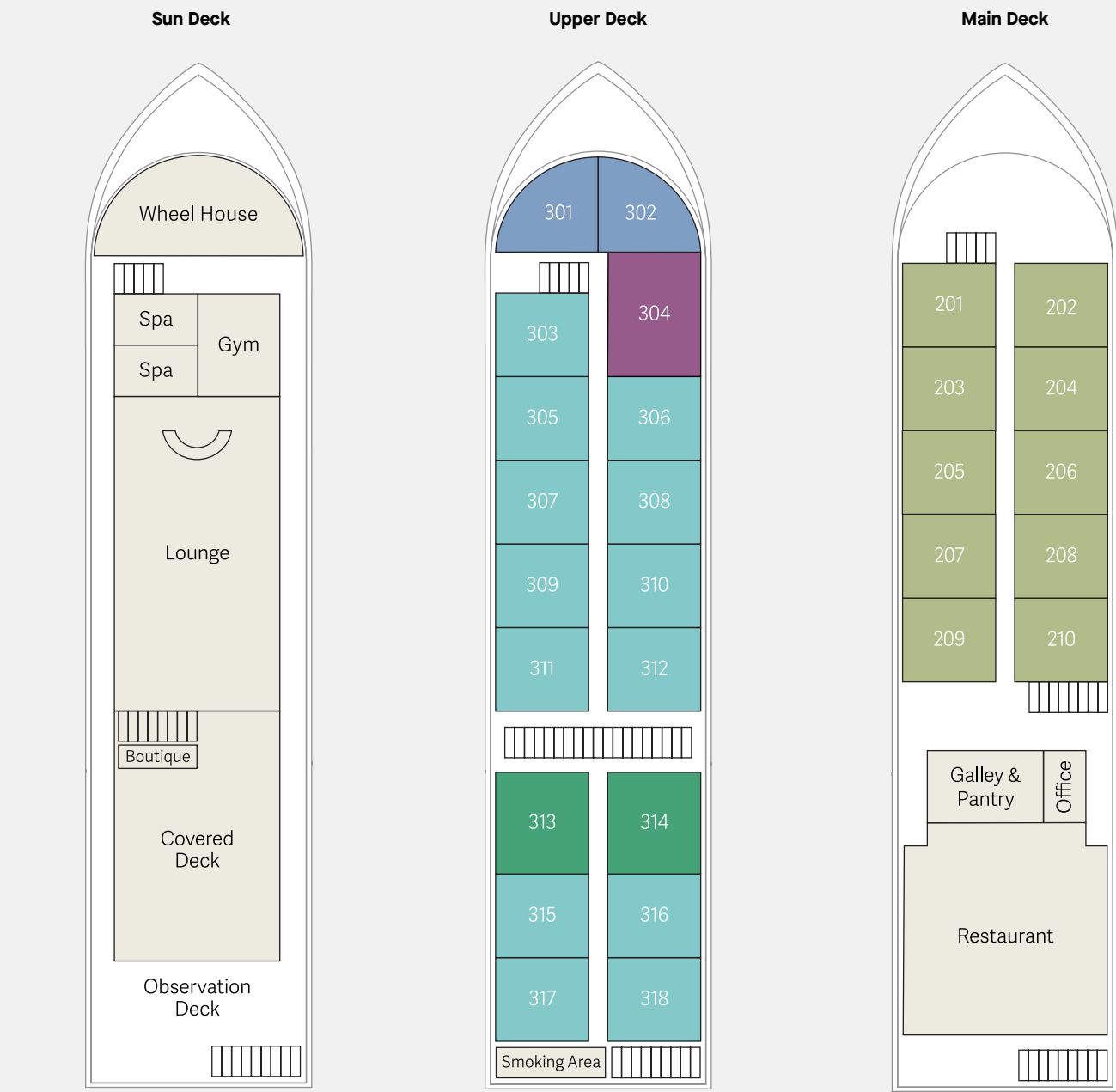
**Technical Data**  
**Yangzi Explorer – Launched 2025**  
• Length: 105m • Decks: 6 • Suites: 74 • Crew: 141 • Guest Capacity: 148

### Suite Categories

- Main Deck**
  - Deluxe Suites Outside Balcony
- Xiling Deck**
  - Celebrity Suite: Celestial Private Terrace
  - Celebrity Suite: Imperial Private Terrace
  - Deluxe Suites Outside Balcony
- Wu Deck**
  - Deluxe Suites Outside Balcony
- Qutang Deck**
  - Celebrity Suite: Jade Private Terrace
  - Celebrity Suite: Mandarin Private Terrace
  - Ambassador Suites Large Private Balcony
  - Deluxe Suites Outside Balcony

# Deck and Suite Plans

## Ganges Voyager



**Technical Data**  
**Ganges Voyager – Launched 2015**  
• Length: 56.5m • Decks: 3 • Suites: 28 • Crew: 40 • Guest Capacity: 56

### Suite Categories

- Upper Deck**
  - Maharaja Suite French Balcony
  - Viceroy Suites French Balcony
- Upper Deck**
  - Heritage Suites Front-facing French Balcony
  - Colonial Suites French Balcony
- Main Deck**
  - Signature Suites French Balcony

Note: Maharaja, Viceroy and Heritage Suites are all Fixed Double Bedding only.



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## GENERAL CONDITIONS:

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

## Governing Law

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**Please see important information listed under Special Conditions for relevant deposit and final payment terms.**

### Transfers

Airport transfers are included on the first and last day of the holiday package at designated times. No refund will be given for unused transfers. Transfers cannot be re-routed to other pick-up points or destinations. Passengers who miss the pre-booked transfers must make their own way to/from the hotel at their own expense. A group transfer is generally a shared transfer and the type of vehicle used will normally be dependent upon the size of the group.

## Freedom of Choice™ and Signature Experiences

Minimum and maximum group numbers apply on some Freedom of Choice™ or Signature Experience inclusions. If your first choice of Freedom of Choice™ or Signature Experience is unavailable you may be asked to choose an alternative.

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## BOOKING AND PAYING FOR YOUR HOLIDAY

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Air travel is arranged with independent airlines. APT will arrange air travel as advertised in connection with your holiday package or otherwise arranged with APT. All airfares are subject to flight and booking class availability. Airfares will be booked and ticketed upon receipt of your deposit to avoid price or tax increases. Airport taxes vary for each departure point and routing of airline. Airline schedules are subject to change without notice. Once air tickets are issued, airline amendment and/or cancellation fees apply and, in some cases, are non-refundable. Name changes and voluntary date and schedule changes will incur fees. APT is not liable for delays or disruptions of air travel. Once tickets are issued APT will have no other liability and will not be responsible for refunding the cost of any services booked in conjunction with the flights.

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APT uses the services of a range of airlines in its packages. APT does not warrant that its airfares attract loyalty points as airlines control the application of loyalty points in all cases. Requests to use loyalty points to upgrade travel need to be directed to the airline concerned by the member.

### APT Deposit Cancellation Peace of Mind

Applicable when an upfront fee of \$95 per person is paid with your deposit. The holiday package can be cancelled prior to the final payment date and your deposit will be retained as an APT holding credit to be used for future bookings. If Deposit Cancellation Peace of Mind is claimed, monies held must be used on a future tour and cannot be redeemed against the original tour departure date. Deposits held in credit will exclude fees imposed by third parties, including but not limited to air travel, rail travel and hotels. When booking airfares through APT (including when taking advantage of a special offer that includes air travel), standard airline cancellation fees will apply. In some cases, airfares will be non-refundable. In the event of cancellation, these fees will be deducted from the deposit paid, and therefore the credit being held. APT Deposit Cancellation

Peace of Mind applies to new bookings only and is only valid up until 100 days prior to travel. After three years, unused credit funds will incur the original cancellation conditions. This does not replace travel insurance, which you are recommended to purchase at the time of booking.

### Travel Insurance

Travel Insurance is not included in your holiday package. For your protection, you are required to purchase comprehensive travel insurance that includes (without limitation) coverage for the full cost of your holiday package, medical expenses, loss of luggage, land content and airfare charges that may occur due to cancellation, impossibility of performance or other frustration, disruption, loss of deposit or strikes.

### Travel Information and Documents

After booking you will receive an invoice with all important information relevant to your holiday package. We strongly recommend you check the details carefully and read the included information. Please ensure that you check your flight timings carefully on your tickets, particularly early morning departures. Approximately 21 days before departure you will receive your e-ticket together with your final itinerary. However, in the case of late bookings, charges or late payment, tickets may be emailed to you.

### Special Requests

Where a special request (e.g. diet, room location, twin or double bedded room, a particular facility at a hotel, flight seat requests and/or particular meals) is an important factor in your choice of holiday, you must advise us when your booking is made. APT will pass your request onto the hotel, airline or other supplier but cannot guarantee that it will be accommodated. APT will also pass on any dietary requests to the airline but we strongly recommend that you check directly with the airline once your tickets have been issued. The provision of any special request does not constitute a term of your contract with us. Confirmation that a special request has been noted or passed on to the supplier or the inclusion of the special request on your confirmation invoice or any other documentation is not confirmation that the request will be met. Unless and until specifically confirmed, all special requests are subject to availability.

### Credit and Debit Card Surcharges

If you pay APT by credit or debit card, surcharges will apply. In the case of credit cards a surcharge of between 1% and 3% (depending on the card used), will be added to the tour price. In the case of debit cards a charge of 0.5% will be added to the tour price.

### Accuracy

APT has endeavoured to ensure that the information provided about accommodation, itineraries etc., is correct to the best of its knowledge at the time of publication. However, advertised descriptions and facilities and prices may change after publication. We recommend that you confirm the details of your chosen holiday package at the time of booking. Additionally, flight times, carriers and routes are given for guidance only as there may be changes. Final details will be shown on your tickets. Holiday package or excursion itineraries may change or be different from those described in our collateral as a result of local conditions, weather conditions, or annual events. APT will endeavour to notify you of any significant changes prior to your departure.

### Disruption to Cruising and Itinerary Arrangements

Itineraries are intended as a guide only and are subject to alteration without notice. Alternations may be necessary for various reasons including, without limitation, road, rail, river or weather conditions, strikes or other reasons beyond APT's control. If conditions render any routes unsafe for navigation, APT reserves the right to provide alternative services including, but not limited to, accommodation on the docked ship or substitute land arrangements. Under normal river conditions, itineraries will operate as far as possible as published. However, sometimes for reasons beyond our control, it may be necessary to make alterations to your itinerary. For example, without limitation, if there is a water level problem on a river, it may be necessary to operate part of the itinerary by coach and alternative sightseeing may be included. APT will not be liable for any direct or indirect costs that you incur as a result of any event or other factor beyond our control which necessitates a change in your itinerary. Additionally, you are not entitled to any refund for any alterations to your itinerary that are caused or contributed to by any flood or water level events or such other events which are beyond our control. APT cannot guarantee exact arrival and departure times for carriers and operators used by APT and APT will not be liable for failure to make connections with any other services or attractions beyond its control.

### Flight Changes

The flight timings detailed on your confirmation invoice are for guidance only and are subject to alteration and confirmation. Flight timings are set by airlines and affected by events outside our control. Scheduled and charter flight timings, and days of operation are also subject to change. APT will advise you of any significant changes as soon as it is informed by the airline. Minor timing changes will be shown on your flight tickets. Any change in the identity of the airline, flight timings or aircraft type (if advised) will not entitle you to cancel or change to other arrangements without paying any applicable cancellation fees except where specified in these booking conditions.

### Out of Date Range Flights

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

### Force Majeure

Force majeure event means the occurrence of an event that is beyond APT's reasonable control and which could not have been reasonably prevented by APT, which includes, but is not

limited to: (a) war, armed conflict, criminal damage, riot, civil strife, industrial dispute, terrorist activity or the threat of any such acts; (b) natural disaster (including but not limited to flooding, fire, earthquake, landslide), adverse weather conditions, high or low water levels; (c) nuclear or other industrial accident causing environmental pollution or contamination; or (d) change in law, meaning, enactment, amendment (including repeal) in the law or administration of any law in Australia or any jurisdiction or territory relevant to the booking contract, which includes changes in statute, regulation, determination, by-law, declaration, license and the common law as applicable from time to time, including changes or amendments in regulations or access to services, sites or countries caused by declared epidemic or pandemic events.

### Termination of Booking Contract or Change of Travel Arrangements due to Force Majeure

If APT, in its reasonable opinion, considers that any force majeure event prevents APT (whether directly or through its employees, contractors, subcontractors and agents) from lawfully or safely providing any products or services subject of the booking contract with you, APT may immediately by written notice: (a) terminate the booking contract (in whole or in part); or (b) change your travel arrangements as reasonably practicable to ensure your safety and invoice you for any additional costs.

### Limitation of Liability in the Event of Force Majeure

In the event that APT cancels or changes your travel arrangements in any way due to a force majeure event, APT will not be liable to you in contract, tort, statute or restitution for any loss (including, but not limited to, loss of deposit or purchase price and loss of enjoyment), damage, costs, charges, expenses or injury resulting from or in connection with (whether directly or indirectly): (a) the cancellation or change to your travel arrangements; or (b) the force majeure event. APT is not liable to refund any part of the deposit or purchase price paid by you if APT subsequently changes or cancels your travel arrangements in connection with a force majeure event. Force majeure events are unpredictable and beyond APT's control. As you are required to purchase travel insurance to adequately protect yourself against these risks, your policy needs to respond to these risks. You acknowledge and accept that these terms are reasonably necessary to protect the legitimate interests of APT based on expected non-recoverable costs and expenses to be incurred by APT, including but not limited to overhead expenses and works or services performed personally by APT, leading up to the commencement of the holiday package, alternatively prior to the force majeure event.

### Data Protection Policy

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

### Limitation of Liability

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

2. If, in the opinion of any representative of APT, your mental or physical condition, or general behaviour is such as to affect your own health and safety, render you incapable to care for yourself, cause you to become a hazard to yourself or other passengers or result in you becoming objectionable to other passengers or staff, you will not be permitted to embark or continue on the whole or any part of the holiday package. Abuse or harassment of any kind toward crew, contracted suppliers or other guests may result in immediate removal from a holiday package. Guests will be responsible for arranging and paying for their own transport home if they are asked to leave the tour. APT is not liable to you for any costs associated with such decision and you will not be refunded for any part of the holiday package.

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

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

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

6. Your travel agent will forward deposits and other payments to us on your behalf, but your travel agent is not our agent for the purpose of receipt of monies. Receipt of deposits and subsequent payments by the travel agent does not constitute receipt of those monies by us and the travel agent has no authority expressed or implied to receive monies on our behalf.

There is no liability on the part of APT in respect to any monies paid to your travel agent unless and until APT notifies you (by way of a booking confirmation advice or payment receipt advice) that monies have been received by APT. APT reserves the right to cancel any ticket or booking or refuse to carry any passenger where payment has not been received by APT within the specified time.

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

### Local Purchases

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

### Personal Belongings and Lost Items

For security reasons, valuables should be kept to a minimum and packed in your hand luggage along with your medicines. It is your responsibility to look after your property at all times and you must ensure you are adequately covered by comprehensive travel insurance in the event of any loss.

### Medical Assistance

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

### Smoking

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

### Responsible Service of Alcohol

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

### Service Enquiries

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

### Luggage Limits

Each passenger is entitled to take one piece of luggage that does not exceed 160cm (63 inches), or weigh more than 23kg (50 pounds). Dimensions for checked baggage are calculated by adding together the width, height and depth of the piece of baggage. An extra charge will be imposed to cover portage handling of any additional luggage. Your Tour Director will advise you of the exact additional charge.

Some holiday packages may have restricted luggage limits, please refer to Specific Terms and Conditions under relevant destination for more information.

### SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR CHINA, JAPAN, SOUTH KOREA, INDIA, SRI LANKA, VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA HOLIDAYS

A \$1,000 security deposit per person, per holiday package for all tours is required within seven days of booking confirmation. Deposit requirements may vary when booking a Special Offer. Final payment of the balance of your holiday package price is due 100 days prior to departure unless stated in the terms of a Special Offer. APT reserves the right to cancel any ticket or booking or, refuse to honour any price or carry any passenger where any payment has not been received by APT within the specified time. All fares and charges are in Australian currency. Payment in full is required at time of booking for reservations made less than 100 days before departure from Australia or New Zealand. If APT is unable to confirm your reservation, all monies will be refunded.

### Travelling with Minors

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

### Included in Holiday Package Price

All coach and travel, accommodation, airfares (if indicated in individual itinerary), gratuities, airport transfers on the first and last day, sightseeing, specified excursions, meals, admissions, port charges and the services of a Cruise or Tour Director as stated in your itinerary. APT Mekong and Yangzi River cruises include select complimentary beverages served on board your river ship (champagne and premium spirits are not included). APT Ganges River cruises include complimentary beer and wine with lunch and dinner. Beverages are included only on your cruise and do not apply to land touring.

### Not Included in Holiday Package Price

Airfares (unless stated), airport taxes, meals and drinks other than those specified in the itinerary, passport and visa fees, excess baggage, fuel surcharges, gratuities not specified in your itinerary, vaccinations, government taxes and laundry (unless stated).

### Gratuities

Gratuities are included for the land and cruise portion of your tour. Gratuities cannot be redeemed for cash. Gratuities are not included for any individual purchases.

### Flights Within Asia

Economy flights within Asia and airport taxes are included in the price. All internal flights must be booked by APT. Airline schedules and fares are subject to change without notice. Flights will be based on best fare available at the time of booking, however surcharges may apply. Once air tickets are issued, airline amendment and/or cancellation fees apply and in some cases are non-refundable. Deposits are considered as a guarantee of the invoiced flight arrangements and once deposit is received, flights will be ticketed. Full names as per passport, including middle name are required for all flights within Asia. Name changes and voluntary date and schedule changes will incur fees. The maximum luggage allowance on all flights within Asia is 20 kilograms.

### APT Tour Director

The services of an APT Tour Director are included on land tours and where specified (subject to minimum numbers). The APT

Tour Director will be different in South Korea and Japan and between India and Sri Lanka. The flight between South Korea and Japan and between India and Sri Lanka will be unescorted.

### Choosing Your Holiday

To maximise your enjoyment of your APT holiday and to ensure that it lives up to your expectations, it is important that you choose the right holiday package for your requirements. Our brochures contain limited information, however, there is more information online at [www.aptouring.com.au](http://www.aptouring.com.au) and our qualified staff are available to discuss your options.

### Hotels

Hotel rooms in South Korea and Japan are often smaller than those in Australia. In more remote places, hotel standards may not be quite as high as in major centres. APT endeavours to utilise the most suitable accommodation available in each destination to ensure that passengers enjoy high levels of cleanliness, comfort and service. The hotels listed in this brochure will be used on almost all holiday packages; however, if a change is necessary for any reason, APT will endeavour to ensure that alternative accommodation is of an equivalent standard to the hotels shown. Hotel rooms are generally not available for check-in before 3pm and require checkout by 10am.

### Twin or Double Rooms

Accommodation in all hotels, regardless of the rating, is in standard rooms (sometimes named superior/deluxe) based on twins or doubles unless otherwise stated. In Japan, double beds are on a request basis in hotels and may not be guaranteed.

### Solo Travellers

A limited number of single rooms may be available by request at time of booking your holiday package. Single rooms may be smaller than standard twin or double rooms and on occasion may only have one single bed.

### Cruising – Cabin/Suite/Stateroom Selection

APT will make every effort to assign specific cabins, cabin numbers or locations on the ship if requested. If this is not possible, APT reserves the right to make changes to cabin assignment, within the category booked, without prior notice. Cabin selection is not available for the Yangzi Explorer and cabin numbers will be advised upon embarkation of your cruise.

### Passengers Needing Assistance

APT welcomes all passengers. Guests with limited mobility are asked to please note the following:

1. Guests with a disability or medical condition requiring assistance must inform APT at the time of booking any important information relating to your health, mobility and/or fitness which may affect your partial or total participation in the cruise or tour. This information will allow APT to ensure the tour you have chosen is suitable and meets your needs. Any changes to health, mobility and fitness must also be reported to APT as soon as possible and prior to departure. Where possible, APT will make reasonable adjustments to the tour to assist you, however, it cannot do so if the adjustment required would be unreasonable in all of the circumstances, including if such adjustments would affect your safety and/or the safety and/or enjoyment of other passengers.

2. If you require assistance or care (such as pushing a wheelchair, assistance with dressing or assistance with walking), you must travel with a companion capable of providing the required assistance or care. APT is unable to assist any passenger with walking, dining, boarding or disembarking any transportation vehicles (including river and ocean cruise ships and trains). To safely participate in embarkation and disembarkation you must be able to do so without the need for assistance. You must also be able to do so without unreasonably impacting other passengers' safety and/or enjoyment.

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

4. Please note coaches and minibuses are not equipped with wheelchair ramps. Many ships require the use of stairs to go between decks. Further, side by side docking may require passengers to climb and descend stairs to cross over vessels to disembark and embark at times. APT ships occasionally sail through remote areas that do not have convenient docking facilities. In such circumstances it will be necessary for passengers to negotiate temporary gangplanks, tender boats, riverbanks and uneven surfaces. If the crew decide that it is not safe for a passenger to negotiate such operations, they may require passengers to stay on board. Due to the lack of infrastructure along the riverbanks, and absence of lifts on board vessels, wheelchairs will be of minimal use. Passengers who use a wheelchair should reconsider travelling on these tours.

### Health and Fitness

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

### Visa and Passports

All passengers must have a valid passport that is valid for at least six months after the holiday package return date. Passengers must consult with the appropriate consulates to ensure that they have any applicable visas for countries included in the holiday package prior to departure. Passengers are solely responsible for meeting necessary passport and visa entry requirements and

paying all associated costs. APT is not responsible for delays or missed portions of the holiday package resulting from incorrect travel documents or visas.

### IF YOU WANT TO CHANGE OR CANCEL YOUR HOLIDAY Changes or Additions to Your Holiday

If you want to change any part of your holiday arrangements after the invoice has been issued, we will do our best to make the change, but it may not be possible. Any request for changes must be made in writing by the person who made the original booking, or their travel agent. If it is possible to make the change, it will be subject to an administration charge and payment of any further costs incurred as a result of the change.

### CANCELLATION POLICY

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

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

If your holiday has commenced, 100% of the full holiday package price is charged. There is no refund for unused services or if portions of the holiday package are missed.

Additional cancellation fees may also be charged in respect of accommodation reserved outside the holiday package dates. These cancellation fees are in addition to any fees that may be levied by APT and your travel agent (if any). You acknowledge that the amounts estimated under the Cancellation Policy are reasonable and represent a genuine pre-estimate of APT's loss and are otherwise reasonably necessary to protect the legitimate interests of APT. If you request changes after APT has issued your documents, APT may charge you an administration and processing fee of \$70 per person in addition to any applicable cancellation fees.

### Cancellation of Ticketed Airfares

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

### Changes to Ticketed Airfares

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

### IF WE NEED TO CHANGE OR CANCEL YOUR HOLIDAY

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

### ON HOLIDAY

#### Noise and Vibration

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

#### Docking Position

During port stops river cruise ships may dock side by side, obstructing views and requiring you to pass through other ships to embark or disembark. River cruise ships may moor overnight midstream rather than dock at a port.

#### APT Tour and Cruise Directors

A dedicated APT Tour and Cruise Director will only be available on tours with 10 or more passengers unless indicated otherwise. For groups of nine passengers and under an experienced local guide in each city will accompany you. Tour Directors do not escort passengers while travelling in Mai Chau, regardless of group size, you will be escorted by an experienced local guide.

#### Seat Allocation on Coach Tours

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

#### Transfers in Tokyo

For tours that start or finish in Tokyo, transfers are included on the first and last day, or when pre/post tour is booked through APT is included for guests flying into or out of Haneda Airport. A surcharge will be applicable on transfers to/from Narita Airport.

#### Luggage Limits

You will be required to pack-down to one small carry-on bag for your stays in Hakone, Kanazawa and Okayama.

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Note that maps may not be to scale.

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## A club that takes you further

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



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

### A World of Difference

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

### Making Travel Mean More

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

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

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