



AIR JOURNEY

TREASURES OF  
**EURASIA**

MAY 13 - JUNE 20, 2024

# THE ROUTE

CANADA | GREENLAND | ICELAND | CZECH REPUBLIC | CYPRUS | GEORGIA | TURKMENISTAN  
TAJIKISTAN | KAZAKHSTAN | UZBEKISTAN | AZERBAIJAN | TURKEY | ITALY | GREAT BRITAIN



**39**  
DAYS

**14**  
COUNTRIES

**3**  
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**13.7K**  
NAUTICAL MILES

## JOURNEY PRICE

PRICE PER PERSON  
(DOUBLE OCCUPANCY)

\$44,975

PLANE  
REGISTRATION FEE


\$11,850

SINGLE  
SUPPLEMENT

Available  
upon request

# ITINERARY & ACCOMMODATIONS

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# JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

## THE AIR JOURNEY EXPERIENCE



### ★ SOME OF THE HIGHLIGHTS THE AIR JOURNEY EXPERIENCE

#### Prague, Czech Republic

- Explore the history, precious cultural and architectonic heritage of Prague.

#### Paphos, Cyprus

- Venture on a half-day boat tour to explore a world of crystal-clear waters.

#### Tbilisi, Georgia

- Enjoy a private Georgian wine tasting at Chateau Mukhrani or Guramishvili's Winery.

#### Ashgabat, Turkmenistan

- Visit Tolkuchka Bazaar, a bustling marketplace offering a vibrant and colorful atmosphere where locals gather to trade a wide range of goods, including traditional handicrafts, textiles, spices, and fresh produce.

#### Dushanbe, Tajikistan

- Discover the main sights of the city and its surroundings including the famous Novruz Teahouse boasting its unique exterior design.

#### Almaty, Kazakhstan

- Enjoy a private visit to the Sunkar Falconry Center with hands-on experience, lunch at a traditional yurt with a live performance by Kazakh musicians, and visit the Charyn Canyon National Park.

#### Samarkand, Uzbekistan

- Savor the rich flavors of traditional Uzbek pilaf in the charming setting of a local caravanserai, where culinary traditions come to life. Delve into the art of Samarkand bread-making in a master class, explore the craft of silk carpet making, and be captivated by a private tightrope-walker performance at the old Samarkand paper center.

#### Baku, Azerbaijan

- Relish the exquisite black caviar from the Caspian sturgeon at the Baku Caviar Boutique. Savor a delectable Azeri shish-kebab dinner and immerse yourself in the age-old craft of creating traditional ladies' scarves. Discover a unique collection of vintage cars with an exclusive after-hours visit.

#### Cappadocia, Turkey

- Take in the majestic sights of Cappadocia from a breathtaking hot-air balloon ride while floating above the fairy chimneys and valleys at sunrise.



DAY-BY-DAY  
**ITINERARY**

YOU DO THE FLYING,  
WE TAKE CARE OF THE REST...





## DAY 1 | MONDAY, MAY 13

### HOME → QUEBEC CITY (CYQB)

Welcome to Quebec City! Air Journey staff will greet you at the Fairmont Le Château Frontenac. Situated in the heart of historic Old Quebec, the hotel sits high on a bluff overlooking the St. Lawrence River.


All participants will meet for introductions and attend an extensive briefing covering the general procedures of our Journey as well as details for the next day's departure.

Afterwards, we will gather for a welcome cocktail before dinner.

-  Fairmont Le Chateau Frontenac
-  Welcome Cocktail and Dinner included



## DAY 2 | TUESDAY, MAY 14

 575 + 870 NM

### QUEBEC CITY (CYQB) → GOOSE BAY, CANADA (CYR) → KANGERLUSSUAQ, GREENLAND (BGSF)


We will fly over the immense forests and numerous lakes of Canada on our way to Goose Bay for a technical stop.

Then, continue over southern Greenland's beautiful scenery before landing at Kangerlussuaq in western Greenland. Upon arrival we will transfer to Hotel Kangerlussuaq, where we will enjoy an overnight stay to prepare ourselves for our flight the next morning.

-  Hotel Kangerlussuaq
-  Breakfast and Dinner included



## DAY 3 | WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

 730 NM

### KANGERLUSSUAQ, GREENLAND (BGSF) → REYKJAVIK, ICELAND (BIRK)

After breakfast, we will fly to Reykjavik, Iceland.

Upon arrival we will transfer to the Hotel Borg. Enjoy luxury accommodations in the very center of Reykjavik. The Hotel Borg overlooks the beautiful square of Austurvöllur and is situated across from Althingi, the Icelandic parliament and the cathedral.

-  Hotel Borg
-  Breakfast and Dinner included

REYKJAVIK, ICELAND (BIRK) → STAVANGER, NORWAY (ENZV) → PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC (LKPR)

Fly southeast toward the British Isles for our next stop, Stavanger, to refuel and have lunch.

Our flight continues to the Czech Republic to discover the beautiful city of Prague. One of the most beautiful and visited cities of Europe, this capital of 1.2 million has an incredible mix of Gothic, Romanesque, Baroque and Art Nouveau architecture. The Vltava River winds through this “city of a hundred spires,” its riverbanks and the surrounding hills contrasting with the compact, winding cobblestone streets of the old city center. Prague is lively and sophisticated, drawing on its centuries-old tradition of breakthrough thinking in literature, music, architecture and engineering.

 Mandarin Oriental Prague  
 Breakfast and Dinner included



## DAY 5 | FRIDAY, MAY 17

### PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

After a leisurely morning and lunch, we will depart with a private local guide for a walking tour of Prague Castle and Lesser Town.

The largest ancient castle in the world, Prague Castle sits on the highest hill in the city. Gigantic St. Vitus Cathedral, part of the castle, towers over the city and took 600 years to build. The crown-jewels of the Bohemian kings and relics of St. Wenceslas, the 10th-century duke of Bohemia, are on display.


We'll explore the history and precious cultural and architectonic heritage of Prague. It is one of the most attractive sites in Europe and — not only for its geographic location — is called the “Heart of Europe.” It lies in the center of Bohemia on the river.

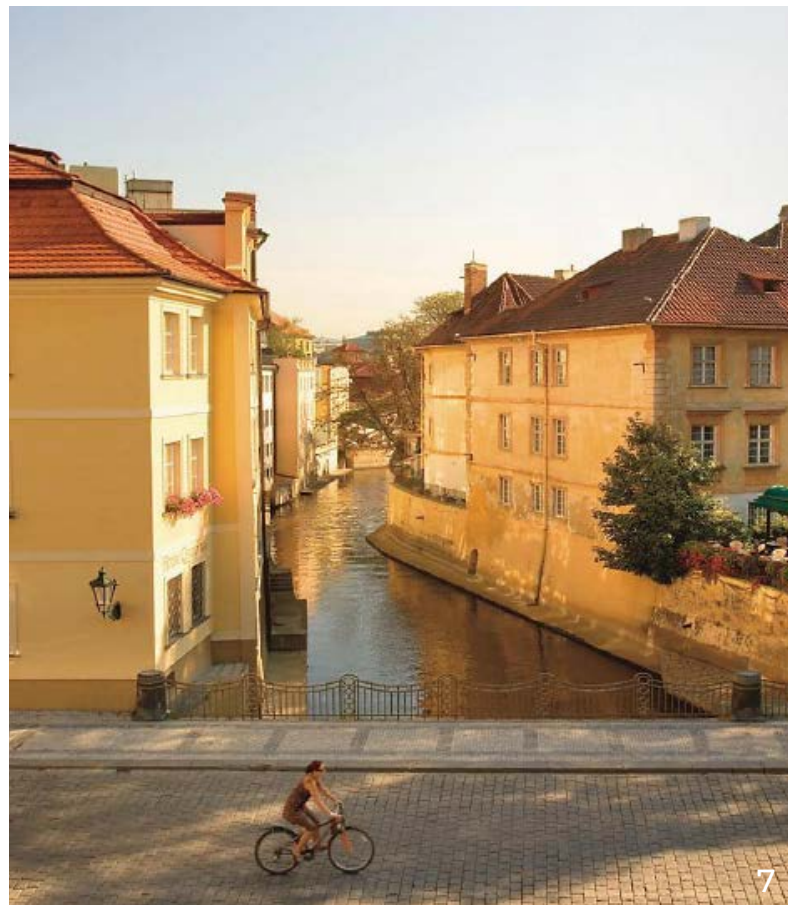
 Mandarin Oriental Prague  
 Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included

## DAY 6 | SATURDAY, MAY 18

### PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

Today is at your leisure to relax at the property or explore this historical city on your own. Your Journey Director will be available to help you plan your day.

 Mandarin Oriental Prague  
 Breakfast and Dinner included





**DAY 7 | SUNDAY, MAY 19**

✈ 1,220 NM

**PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC (LKPR) → PAPHOS, CYPRUS (LCPH)**

Leave Prague behind as we will fly to Cyprus. The third largest island in the Mediterranean, Cyprus offers ancient sites, breathtaking mountains, and a beautiful coastline featuring stunning, unspoiled beaches.



Upon arrival, we will transfer to the Cap St Georges Hotel & Resort where the panoramic views of the Mediterranean Sea, surrounded by lush gardens with centuries-old olive trees, captures the rich culture and landscape of the island through its architecture.

-  Cap St Georges Hotel & Resort
-  Breakfast and Dinner included

**DAY 8 | MONDAY, MAY 20**

**PAPHOS, CYPRUS**

Today we will venture on a half-day boat tour to explore a world of crystal-clear waters as our friendly sea captain takes us on a journey from coast to coast, stopping at remote sea caves and offering incredible views along the way.

-  Cap St Georges Hotel & Resort
-  Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included

**DAY 9 | TUESDAY, MAY 21**

**PAPHOS, CYPRUS**

Today is at leisure to relax or explore on your own.

Optional activities include watching a movie under the stars at the outdoors cinema and gaming at the state-of-the-arts Gamers Lounge. Other options for an additional cost include horseback riding, private yacht excursions and fishing trips, bicycle and buggy rentals, and more!

-  Cap St Georges Hotel & Resort
-  Breakfast and Dinner included

**DAY 10 | WEDNESDAY, MAY 22**

✈ 720 NM

**PAPHOS, CYPRUS (LCPH) → TBILISI, GEORGIA (UGTB)**

Our Journey continues to Tbilisi, Georgia. Upon arrival we will transfer to Stamba Hotel, a captivating urban sanctuary where elegance meets innovation.

Situated in the vibrant cityscape, this unique hotel is a harmonious blend of modern design and historic charm.

-  Stamba Hotel
-  Breakfast and Dinner included







**DAY 11 | THURSDAY, MAY 23**

**TBILISI, GEORGIA**

Today, we will embark on an enriching journey beyond Tbilisi's city limits, starting with a scenic drive to the 6th-century Jvari Monastery perched atop a cliff, overlooking the confluence of the Aragvi and Mtkvari rivers. Our adventure will continue to the historic city of Mtskheta, where we will explore the sacred Svetitskhoveli Cathedral, a site that houses the Robe of Christ. After our cultural exploration, we will savor a delightful wine tasting and lunch at Chateau Mukhrani (or Guramishvili's Winery), enjoying Khinkali dumplings and experiencing a Churchkhela sweet-making master class.



-  Stamba Hotel
-  Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included

**DAY 12 | FRIDAY, MAY 24**


**TBILISI, GEORGIA**

Our adventure continues with a full-day exploration of Tbilisi and this city's rich history, vibrant culture, and captivating architecture. In the Old Town, we'll stroll through cobbled streets, admiring iconic Georgian houses and the oldest surviving church, Anchiskhati Basilica, before taking in a panoramic view from Narikala Fortress.

After lunch, we will be able to choose between an optional visit to the Georgian National Museum or leisure time before our evening farewell dinner on Mtatsminda hill, accompanied by fine Georgian wines.

-  Stamba Hotel
-  Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included

**DAY 13 | SATURDAY, MAY 25**

 660 NM

**TBILISI, GEORGIA (UGTB) → ASHGABAT, TURKMENISTAN (UTAA)**

Our Journey continues to Ashgabat, Turkmenistan.



Upon arrival, we will transfer to Yyldyz Hotel, an exquisite oasis in the vibrant city, offering luxury, comfort, and a serene ambiance. Enjoy elegantly designed rooms, delectable cuisine at the restaurant, and rejuvenation at the spa. Yyldyz Hotel ensures a memorable stay, perfect for discerning travelers seeking an elevated experience.

-  Yyldyz Hotel
-  Breakfast and Dinner included

**DAY 14 | SUNDAY, MAY 26**

**ASHGABAT, TURKMENISTAN**

Today, we will marvel at the city's iconic landmarks, including the Independence Monument and Park, which resembles a stunning white-marble "Eiffel Tower" nestled within a beautiful park. We will also explore the rocket-like Arch of Neutrality, the exquisite Ertugul Gazie Mosque with its reminiscent Blue Mosque influences from Istanbul, and the enigmatic Wedding Palace (Palace of Happiness). Following this exploration, we will break for a delightful lunch at a local restaurant. In the evening, we will immerse ourselves in Turkmen culture by enjoying a special dinner complemented by a folk show featuring traditional music and songs, providing us with a captivating glimpse into Turkmen customs and rituals.

-  Yyldyz Hotel
-  Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included



**DAY 15 | MONDAY, MAY 27**

✈️ 170 + 335 NM

**ASHGABAT, TURKMENISTAN (UTAA) → MARY, TURKMENISTAN (UTAM) → DUSHANBE, TAJIKISTAN (UTDD)**

Today, we will fly to Mary, Turkmenistan and explore the ancient town of Merv, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with a local archaeologist. There will be lunch at a local restaurant before returning to the Mary airport.

Our journey will then continue to Dushanbe, Tajikistan. Upon arrival, we will transfer to the Hyatt Regency Dushanbe, one of the first 5-star luxury destinations in the city conveniently located in the city center on the grounds of City Park, adjacent to Lake Javonon. The property reflects the distinctive flavor of Tajikistan in the design of its generously sized rooms and suites.

**DAY 16 | TUESDAY, MAY 28**

**DUSHANBE, TAJIKISTAN**

We will begin our exploration of Dushanbe with a visit to the Novruz Teahouse, renowned for its unique exterior design, and then proceed to Rudaki Park and Independence Park. Afterward, we will venture outside the city to the picturesque Varzob Gorge, which is a short drive away, and enjoy a picnic lunch by the river. We will have the opportunity to leisurely stroll through the natural landscapes, taking in the breathtaking mountain and river views, before our return to Dushanbe later in the afternoon.



DAY 17 | WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

✈ 475 NM

DUSHANBE, TAJIKISTAN (UTDD) → ALMATY, KAZAKHSTAN (UAAA)

We will leave Dushanbe behind as today we will fly to Almaty, Kazakhstan, the largest city in Kazakhstan. Nestled against the backdrop of the stunning Tien Shan Mountains, Almaty offers a diverse tapestry of experiences.

Upon arrival, we will transfer to the Ritz-Carlton, Almaty. Later in the afternoon, we will travel by cable car to relish the panoramic view of Almaty from Kok-Tobe Hill, the city's highest point at 1,100 meters above sea level. Following this breathtaking experience, we will gather for a welcome dinner.


-  Ritz-Carlton, Almaty
-  Breakfast and Dinner included

DAY 18 | THURSDAY, MAY 30

ALMATY, KAZAKHSTAN

Today, we will embark on a full-day Almaty city tour, starting with a visit to Panfilovets' Park to honor the WWII Infantry Unit. We'll explore the awe-inspiring Ascension Cathedral, one of the world tallest wooden structures, experience daily life at the lively Zelyony Green Bazaar, and visit the State Museum.

Afterward, we will head to the picturesque Big Almaty Gorge and explore the Sunkar Falconry Center, home to rare birds of prey. Lunch will be a delightful experience in a traditional yurt with live Kazakh music. The afternoon offers free time to enjoy the hotel's spa facilities, concluding with a delightful dinner at a local restaurant.

-  Ritz-Carlton, Almaty
-  Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included

DAY 19 | FRIDAY, MAY 31

ALMATY, KAZAKHSTAN

If road conditions allow, we will visit Issyk Lake, situated at an elevation of 1,760 meters (5,775 feet) above sea level.

This alpine lake offers a picturesque setting embraced by exceptionally beautiful surroundings featuring dense forests and vast meadows adorned with flowers. The lake is renowned for its pristine and remarkably transparent water, displaying a vivid bluish-green hue. Beyond the lake, the imposing and rugged Issyk Bash Mountain ridge looms.

-  Ritz-Carlton, Almaty
-  Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included



## ALMATY, KAZAKHSTAN (UAAA) → SAMARKAND, UZBEKISTAN (UTSS)

Our Journey continues to Samarkand, Uzbekistan. Upon arrival, we will transfer to the Samarkand Regency Amir Temur.

In the afternoon, we will visit the center of Samarkand to explore the world-famous Registan Square, a true architectural gem where we will discover the most breathtaking historical monuments in Central Asia. This traditional town square is enveloped by mosques and madrasas lavishly adorned with stunning tiles and crowned by vibrant blue domes. In the evening, we will delight in a welcome dinner at a local restaurant.

- 🕌 Samarkand Regency Amir Temur
- ✂ Breakfast and Dinner included

## DAY 21 | SUNDAY, JUNE 02

## SAMARKAND, UZBEKISTAN

Our exploration today begins with a sightseeing tour of the city's majestic monuments. We will explore the Ulugh Beg Observatory. Beg was the grandson of conquer Tamerlane and one of the most esteemed astronomers of his era. Our experience will then take us to Shah-i-Zinda, a collection of grand mausoleums from the 14th century showcasing various forms of highly developed craftsmanship. We will pause for a pilaf lunch at a local caravanserai.

- 🕌 Samarkand Regency Amir Temur
- ✂ Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included

## DAY 22 | MONDAY, JUNE 03

## SAMARKAND, UZBEKISTAN

Today, we will further explore Samarkand, starting with a visit to a local bakery tucked away in the winding alleys of the Old Town, where we will witness the art of crafting the renowned local round bread. Afterward, we will explore the Guri Amir Mausoleum to pay our respects at the tomb of Tamerlane. Our experience continues with visits to the Bibi Khanym Mosque and the bustling Siab Bazaar.

Later, we will transfer to Meros, a mulberry tree paper-making studio, to relish a traditional Uzbek open-air lunch and enjoy a captivating private performance by a local tightrope-walking family. In the evening, we will revisit Registan Square, which takes on a particularly enchanting aura at night.

- 🕌 Samarkand Regency Amir Temur
- ✂ Breakfast and Dinner included



## SAMARKAND, UZBEKISTAN (UTSS) → BUKHARA, UZBEKISTAN (UTSB)

Fly to Bukhara. On arrival, transfer to the Mercure Bukhara Old Town, a charming hotel that seamlessly blends heritage and modern comfort.

Later in the afternoon, we will explore Bukhara on a walking tour, starting at Lyab-i-Hauz Square, the heart of Old Bukhara. During our excursion, we will visit an ancient Zoroastrian temple, which has been transformed into a mosque and is known today as Magok-i-Attari. Afterward, we will meander through the renowned Bukhara Trading Domes. As we stroll through the trading domes, we will have the opportunity to step into the workshops of local artisans, including a sixth-generation blacksmith, a calligrapher, and a local jeweler, and become acquainted with their crafts.

- 🏠 Mercure Bukhara Old Town
- 🍴 Breakfast and Dinner included

## DAY 24 | WEDNESDAY, JUNE 05

## BUKHARA, UZBEKISTAN

Our exploration of Bukhara, celebrated as one of the most complete medieval cities in Central Asia, will continue. We'll begin with a visit to the Samanid Mausoleum and the Bolo Haouz Mosque, both dating from the 9th to 10th centuries. The mosque's impressive 39-foot-high iwan, a covered pillared portico, is a striking example of Central Asian architecture. Afterward, we'll explore the Ark Citadel, an ancient structure that served as the residence of Bukhara's rulers for over a millennium. Following lunch, we'll head to the renowned Kalyan Square, where we'll be awed by the impressive Kalyan Minaret, often referred to as the Tower of Death, along with the Kalyan Mosque and the Mir-i-Arab Madrasa.

- 🏠 Mercure Bukhara Old Town
- 🍴 Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included

## DAY 25 | THURSDAY, JUNE 06

## BUKHARA, UZBEKISTAN (UTSB) → URGENCH, UZBEKISTAN (UTNU) → KHIVA, UZBEKISTAN

Our Journey continues to Urgench, Uzbekistan. Upon arrival, we will transfer to the Farovon Khiva Hotel, located in the heart of one of the oldest cities of Uzbekistan and entire Central Asia, Khiva.

In the afternoon, we will visit the extravagant Nurullabay Palace and nearby photography museum. Dinner tonight will include such local specialty as Shivit-oshi — a traditional Khorezmian “green pasta” that Khiva is famous for.

- 🏠 Farovon Khiva Hotel
- 🍴 Breakfast and Dinner included







DAY 26 | FRIDAY, JUNE 07

## KHIVA, UZBEKISTAN


Our adventure will continue with a full-day tour of the medieval town of Khiva. We will meander through the labyrinthine alleyways of the city, exploring key sites like the Kunya Ark or Old Citadel, the Emir's Palace, the impressive Juma Mosque with its 200 intricately carved wooden pillars, the Caravanserai, and the local bazaar.

In the evening, we'll savor sundowners and marvel at the incredible views of Khiva from the ancient city walls.

-  Farovon Khiva Hotel
-  Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included



DAY 27 | SATURDAY, JUNE 08

 485 NM

## KHIVA, UZBEKISTAN → URGENCH, UZBEKISTAN (UTNU) → BAKU, AZERBAIJAN (UBBB)

We will leave Khiva behind as today we will fly to Baku, Azerbaijan. Straddling the Middle East, Europe and Asia, the enigmatic capital of Azerbaijan sits on the coast of the opal-blue waters of the Caspian Sea, with the Caucasus Mountains to the west. Upon arrival, we will transfer to the Beaux-Arts style Four Seasons Hotel perched along the waterfront in the heart of central Baku.

After dinner, we will head to the Martyrs' Alley above the city to enjoy a unique night panoramic view of the illuminated city and the Flame Towers.



-  Four Seasons Hotel Baku
-  Breakfast and Dinner included

DAY 28 | SUNDAY, JUNE 09

## BAKU, AZERBAIJAN

In the morning, we'll explore Icheri Shekher, a UNESCO World Heritage Site with historical buildings and narrow lanes and one of the Middle East's oldest continuously inhabited areas. We'll visit the Museum Palace of Shirvan Shahs and savor tandir bread. Our experience continues at the iconic Maiden Tower, also a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Later, we'll discover the art of crafting traditional silk scarves and have lunch at a local restaurant.

Later, we will visit the modern Heydar Aliyev Cultural Center with an impressive exhibition space. In the early evening, join us at the Baku Caviar Boutique for a unique tasting of Caspian black caviar paired with champagne. The day concludes with a festive farewell dinner at a local 18th-century caravansary-turned-elegant restaurant offering dishes like Shah pilaf and a traditional folk show with live "Mugham" music, a UNESCO-recognized Intangible Cultural Heritage.

-  Four Seasons Hotel Baku
-  Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included



DAY 29 | MONDAY, JUNE 10

BAKU, AZERBAIJAN

Today, we will head south of Baku to Gobustan National Park, where we'll discover captivating prehistoric art in the Caucasus and explore ancient petroglyphs — some dating back to the Stone Age — depicting ritual dances, bullfights, and daily life of ancient tribes. Next, we'll visit active mud volcanoes in a lunar landscape. Afterward, we'll return to the city for lunch at the Surakhani Ship Museum, followed by a private visit. The afternoon is free for leisure.

- Four Seasons Hotel Baku
- Breakfast and Dinner included

DAY 30 | TUESDAY, JUNE 11

✈ 725 NM

BAKU, AZERBAIJAN (UBBB) → CAPPADOCIA, TURKEY (LTAZ)

Our Journey continues to Cappadocia, Turkey.

Upon arrival, we will transfer to the Museum Hotel. This unique property is the world's first "living museum" concept hotel. Every area of the hotel — the rooms, the public areas, the hotel restaurant, and even the cave tunnels — displays examples of priceless historical monuments from the Hittite, Roman, Seljuk, and Ottoman periods, all registered with the Nevşehir Museum.

- Museum Hotel
- Breakfast and Dinner included

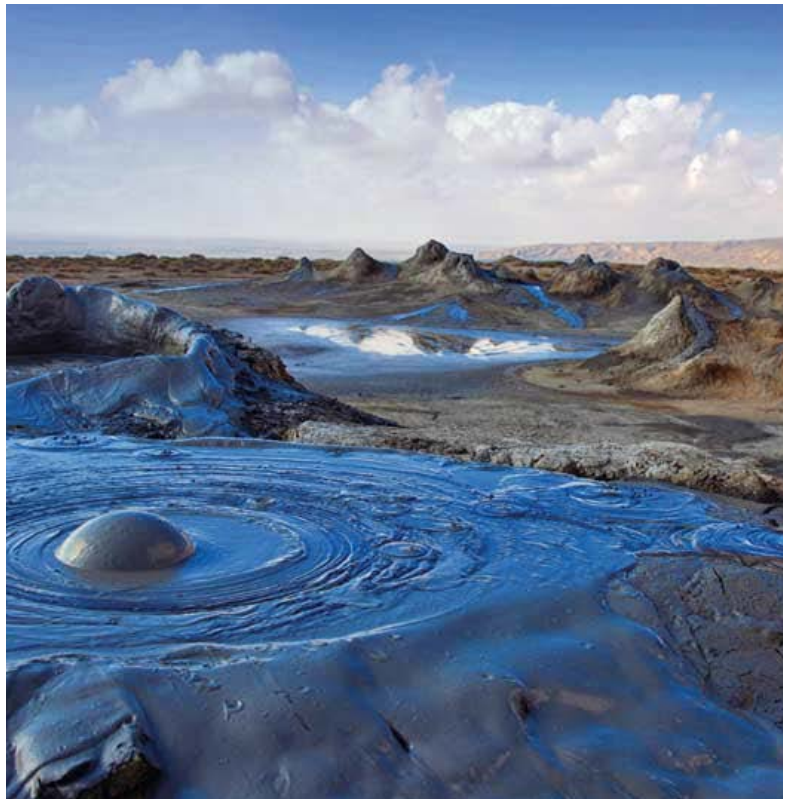
DAY 31 | WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12

CAPPADOCIA, TURKEY

Weather permitting, we'll embark on an early morning Balloon Adventure over Cappadocia's enchanting "lunar escape" to witness the rising sun, a once-in-a-lifetime experience. From above, we'll marvel at the region's farthest fairy chimneys, resembling a fantasy lunar landscape.

Afterward, we'll enjoy breakfast at the hotel before continuing our tour to Goreme, an open-air museum showcasing rock-carved churches from the 9th and 10th centuries, forming an exceptional collection of medieval art. Next, we'll visit Kaymali's underground city, a marvelous wonder with over 40 discovered empty cellar villages, among the highlights of Cappadocia.



- Museum Hotel
- Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included





**DAY 32 | THURSDAY, JUNE 13**  
**CAPPADOCIA, TURKEY**

Today is at your leisure to explore or relax on your own. Your Journey Director will be available to help you plan your day.

-  Museum Hotel
-  Breakfast and Dinner included

**DAY 33 | FRIDAY, JUNE 14**  1,160 NM  
**CAPPADOCIA, TURKEY (LTAZ) → OLBIA, ITALY (LIEO)**  
**→ COSTA SMERALDA, ITALY**



Fly to Olbia, Italy. Upon arrival we will transfer to Hotel Cala di Volpe. Overlooking one of the most beautiful bays of the Costa Smeralda, the Hotel Cala di Volpe was built to resemble an ancient fishing village, with porches, granite flooring, arches and stairs.

A wooden bridge plunges into the crystalline waters of the sea while the beach is surrounded by juniper and myrtle bushes. Typical Sardinian rocks span the bay, helping to create the unique atmosphere for one of the most beautiful landscapes in the Mediterranean.

-  Hotel Cala Di Volpe
-  Breakfast and Dinner included



**DAY 34 | SATURDAY, JUNE 15**  
**COSTA SMERALDA, ITALY**

Today we will enjoy an unforgettable full-day boat trip to the islands of the La Maddalena Archipelago. We will visit all the most beautiful islands: Spargi, Budelli, Santa Maria and La Maddalena in a unique setting, and we will have plenty of time to swim in crystal clear waters, and check out some local souvenir shops.

-  Hotel Cala Di Volpe
-  Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included

**DAY 35 | SUNDAY, JUNE 16**  
**COSTA SMERALDA, ITALY**

Today, we will enjoy a half-day culinary adventure in Olbia, where we'll uncover new flavors and family recipes. We'll dive into pasta-making, crafting two styles from scratch with organic flours and semolina. Our journey continues with a visit to a local wine cellar to learn ancient Sardinian wine production methods. Finally, we'll savor a feast of local Sardinian specialties. In this intimate class, we'll discover the secrets of pasta making and learn about the secrets to long life in Sardinia from our expert instructor, with all tools and ingredients provided. Plus, we'll enhance our knowledge of Sardinian food and wine specialties through tastings.

-  Hotel Cala Di Volpe
-  Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included





DAY 36 | MONDAY, JUNE 17

✈ 805 NM

OLBIA, ITALY (LIEO) → CIRENCESTER, GREAT BRITAIN (EGBP)

Today we fly to Cirencester — a charming market town situated on the River Churn in Gloucestershire, England. Upon arrival, we'll transfer to Wild Thyme & Honey — a boutique hotel composed of 17th-century cottages and refined rooms dotted throughout Southrop Manor's 150-acre estate. With an on-site farm and fruitful kitchen garden, the hotel's cookery school is revered among visiting gourmands.

The property is a family story where a passion for the land, food and entertaining merges with a love of nature, beauty and conservation. A collection of restored, historic buildings form a peaceful hamlet environment that invite you to rest and reconnect in this English country paradise.

- 🏠 Wild Thyme & Honey
- 🍴 Breakfast and Dinner included



DAY 37 | TUESDAY, JUNE 18

CIRENCESTER, GREAT BRITAIN

Today we'll explore the Cotswolds — a range of hills in Gloucestershire now designated as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. We'll journey into the idyllic English countryside synonymous with charming thatched cottages, rolling hills and beautiful rural settings, passing through quaint villages made distinctive by the famous honey-colored Cotswold stone.

- 🏠 Wild Thyme & Honey
- 🍴 Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included



DAY 38 | WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19

✈ 905 NM

CIRENCESTER, GREAT BRITAIN (EGBP) → EGILSSTAÐIR, ICELAND (BIEG)

Fly to Egilsstaðir, Iceland, where we will transfer to the Lake Hotel. With its origins dating back to 1903, the Lake Hotel is a renowned, family-run accommodation that rests on the old core of Icelandic farming culture.

- 🏠 Lake Hotel
- 🍴 Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner included



DAY 39 | THURSDAY, JUNE 20

✈ 730 + 870 NM

EGILSSTAÐIR, ICELAND (BIEG) → KANGERLUSSUAQ, GREENLAND (BGSF) → GOOSE BAY, CANADA (CYR) → HOME

After breakfast, we will head west to return home. We will have two technical stops in Kangerlussuaq, Greenland, and Goose Bay, Canada to refuel, before flying our separate ways back home as our Journey comes to an end.

For those based on the west coast of the United States, an alternate stop to clear U.S. customs can be arranged.

Afterwards, we will all go our separate ways home.

## FLIGHT DAYS & DISTANCES

		DEPARTURE FROM:		ARRIVE AT:		
DAY		CITY	ICAO CODE	CITY	ICAO CODE	DISTANCE
DAY 1	MON, MAY 13	HOME		QUEBEC CITY, CANADA	CYQB	
DAY 2	TUE, MAY, 14	QUEBEC CITY, CANADA	CYQB	GOOSE BAY, CANADA	CYYR	575 NM
		GOOSE BAY, CANADA	CYYR	KANGERLUSSUAQ, GREENLAND	BGSF	870 NM
DAY 3	WED, MAY 15	KANGERLUSSUAQ, GREENLAND	BGSF	REYKJAVIK, ICELAND	BIRK	730 NM
DAY 4	THU, MAY 16	REYKJAVIK, ICELAND	BIRK	STAVANGER, NORWAY	ENZV	845 NM
		STAVANGER, NORWAY	ENZV	PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC	LKPR	605 NM
DAY 7	SUN, MAY 19	PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC	LKPR	PAPHOS, CYPRUS	LCPH	1,220 NM
DAY 10	WED, MAY 22	PAPHOS, CYPRUS	LCPH	TBILISI, GEORGIA	UGTB	720 NM
DAY 13	SAT, MAY 25	TBILISI, GEORGIA	UGTB	ASHGABAT, TURKMENISTAN	UTAA	660 NM
DAY 15	MON, MAY 27	ASHGABAT, TURKMENISTAN	UTAA	MARY, TURKMENISTAN	UTAM	170 NM
		MARY, TURKMENISTAN	UTAM	DUSHANBE, TAJIKISTAN	UTDD	335 NM
DAY 17	WED, MAY 29	DUSHANBE, TAJIKISTAN	UTDD	ALMATY, KAZAKHSTAN	UAAA	475 NM
DAY 20	SAT, JUN 01	ALMATY, KAZAKHSTAN	UAAA	SAMARKAND, UZBEKISTAN	UTSS	505 NM
DAY 23	TUE, JUN 04	SAMARKAND, UZBEKISTAN	UTSS	BUKHARA, UZBEKISTAN	UTSB	115 NM
DAY 25	THU, JUN 06	BUKHARA, UZBEKISTAN	UTSB	URGENCH, UZBEKISTAN	UTNU	205 NM
DAY 27	SAT, JUN 08	URGENCH, UZBEKISTAN	UTNU	BAKU, AZERBAIJAN	UBBB	485 NM
DAY 30	TUE, JUN 11	BAKU, AZERBAIJAN	UBBB	CAPPADOCIA, TURKEY	LTAZ	725 NM
DAY 33	FRI, JUN 14	CAPPADOCIA, TURKEY	LTAZ	OLBIA, ITALY	LIEO	1,160 NM
DAY 36	MON, JUN 17	OLBIA, ITALY	LIEO	CIRENCESTER, GREAT BRITAIN	EGBP	805 NM
DAY 38	WED, JUN 19	CIRENCESTER, GREAT BRITAIN	EGBP	EGILSSTAÐIR, ICELAND	BIEG	905 NM
DAY 39	THU, JUN 20	EGILSSTAÐIR, ICELAND	BIEG	KANGERLUSSUAQ, GREENLAND	BGSF	730 NM
		KANGERLUSSUAQ, GREENLAND	BGSF	GOOSE BAY, CANADA	CYYR	870 NM
		GOOSE BAY, CANADA	CYYR	HOME		

**TOTAL: 13,710 NM**

# TERMS AND CONDITIONS

## Our land program includes:

- Presence of an Air Journey tour leader who will facilitate clearances, Immigration, refueling, flight planning, and provide help with any difficulty that might arise
- Full-time services of a professional Air Journey guide and local experts
- **Lodging for 39 days, 38 nights**
- Meals as described in the program
- Wine selected by Air journey is included with dinner. All other beverages are not included
- Tours and admission to all planned group sightseeing as listed in the itinerary
- All service charges and taxes
- Round trip transfers between airport and hotel

## Our land program does not include:

- Airport departure taxes
- Fees associated with the airports and aircraft
- Fuel for the aircraft
- Cost of obtaining passport or visas and or inoculations
- Beverages except as noted
- Personal expenses such as laundry, room service, communication charges and other incidentals
- Travel Insurance (Highly Recommended)

## Journey Requirements

### Passports & Visas

Passports are mandatory for the Journey and they must be valid for at least six (6) months after the return date. Air Journey will closely monitor visa requirements and will provide you with all the information at least 120 days before the departure date.

### Vaccinations

Air Journey will closely monitor vaccination requirements for each country on the itinerary, to ensure compliance with local health regulations. All the information will be provided to you at least 120 days before the departure date.

### Travel and Cancellation Insurance

Travel and Cancellation Insurance is strongly recommended and not included in the package, but it can be purchased from Air Journey. Contact Anais (561-841-1551) at Air Journey for a quote today. Birth dates and State of residence will be required.

### Survival Equipment

**Survival equipment** is available for rental on a daily basis. Life vests and a transatlantic life rafts are mandatory for all aircraft participating on the journey. Survival suits are required for single engine aircrafts. Contact us for more details.

### The Airplane Registration Fee includes:

- Extensive Navigation log (airports, route, frequencies, information of airspace, nav-aids, reporting points, international flight plan) tailored for each aircraft.
- Flight plans and eAPIS manifest (departure and arrival) filed on your behalf.
- Pilot briefing prior to each day's flight.
- A fleece lined jacket, and a collared, cotton shirt for each traveling participant on the full Journey with their name and aircraft tail number embroidered on the upper front. A bag is provided for each couple.

### Cancellation, refunds:

a) **Cancellation by the client:** Is always required in writing and is subject to the following schedule of dates, whereby some or all moneys paid will be retained:

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| Given outside of 90 days of departure:     | AJ retains the deposit and will hold the Plane Registration Fee on credit for 12 months from client cancellation date. |
| Between 90 and 60 days of departure:       | AJ retains 50% of tour cost and plane registration fee   |
| Between 60 and 45 days of departure:       | AJ retains 75% of tour cost and plane registration fee   |
| Less than 45 days or no show of departure: | AJ retains 100% of tour cost and plane registration fee  |

b) **Cancellation by AJ:** Should AJ cancel the tour after deposits have been received due to fewer than the minimum participants required, the full deposit will be refunded. Should AJ cancel the tour at any time due to factors beyond their control (including war, flood, force of nature, riot, civil action, disease) they will refund the client whatever portion of moneys are reimbursed by ground operators and accommodation suppliers.

*Please note that hotel accommodations and sightseeing are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances. Air Journey reserves the right to amend the order of sightseeing as necessary. Every effort will be made to operate tours as planned, but alterations may occur after the final itinerary has been issued. Air Journey has quoted this itinerary with minimum participation of 5 airplanes. Our quoted prices are based on current rates of exchange, tariffs and taxes as of **October 2023**. Air Journey reserves the right to increase tour prices to cover increased costs, tariffs and taxes, and to reflect fluctuations in foreign exchange markets.*



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