29 Dec 2024 - 14 Jan 2025 17 DAYS

\$8995

Sri Lanka is steeped in a history dating back 2,000 years and is home to some of the best preserved ancient monuments in all of Asia. A centuries old heritage lives on here in the culture and daily lives of the Sri Lankan people encompassing a rich tapestry of cultural practices, beliefs and traditional ways of life. Tour the island's surprising north to discover the beauty and cultural richness of this Indian Ocean jewel and its welcoming people. Explore a path less travelled, UNESCO World Heritage sites, old arts and crafts, vibrant bazaars, charming colonial architecture, wildlife and fabulous cuisine on this niche tour.



ALONG THE MURRAY

07 - 13 Apr 2025 7 DAYS

\$3495

Join a delightful cultural tour along the beautiful River Murray through three states. Days are filled cruising and exploring local history, heritage museums and architecture, rural life and culture, never far from the tranquility of the mighty Murray. Relax on a Spirit of the Coorong cruise, a Captain Proud lunch cruise and the PS Pevensey paddle steamer, taking in the serenity, birdlife, townships and river boats of a by-gone era. Visit the Pines Historic Home, take a tractor ride on an orange orchard, explore thriving communities and see the wonderful Heartbeat of the Murray Sound & Light Laser show in Swan Hill. Enjoy quality accommodation including the stylish Bridgeport Hotel in Murray Bridge and spacious coach touring.



#### **HISTORIC HOBART & BRUNY ISLAND**

12 - 18 Feb 2025 7 DAYS

\$3970

Join your historian tour leader Dr Denis Binnion AM on this unique tour of historic Hobart, the idyllic east coast of Tasmania and breathtaking Bruny Island. Staying in one of Hobart's finest hotels on the waterfront for the duration of your stay. Highlights include a fabulous Bruny Island Wilderness cruise, the Cascade Female Factory a UNESCO designated site of cultural significance, a private tour of opulent Government House one of the finest Vice-Regal residences in the Commonwealth and a full day tour along the spectacular Great Eastern Scenic Drive.



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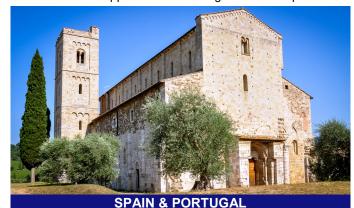
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## **ITALIAN GARDENS, LAKES & VILLAS**

28 April - 18 May 2024 21 DAYS

\$11.980

A magical tour of Italy's most beautiful gardens, villas and lakes. With multiple nights in Rome, Siena, Florence, Venice and on exquisite Lakes Garda and Maggiore, enjoy cruises to jaw droppingly beautiful islands and eat in local trattorias with your experienced guide. Visit the two thousand year old amphitheatre in Verona, the Pope's Summer Palace, Leonardo da Vinci's Last Supper and astonishing Tuscan hilltop towns.



24 May - 13 June 2024 21 DAYS

\$12,490

A carefully crafted tour staying in stylish hotels and combining the distinctive character and cultural treasures of Portugal with those of its exotic neighbor Spain. Savour phenomenal artworks, exquisite Moorish architecture, flamenco, white washed villages and the intoxicating beauty of the Al Hambra Palace in Spain. Indulge in gastronomic pleasures, cruise the fabulous Douro River, enjoy traditional Portuguese folk music and journey through history with expert guides in Portugal.



#### TROPICAL TOWNSVILLE

26 June - 01 July 2024 6 DAYS

\$ 3290

Escape to the sunshine of Far North Queensland. Flying nonstop from Adelaide return with Qantas join your historian tour leader on this exploration of regional history and heritage, botanical gardens and galleries. Enjoy guided day tours to the sugar mill town of Ingham, the wet tropics, scenic TYTO wetlands, the heritage icon of Charters Towers and idyllic Magnetic Island. Staying in quality accommodation with full buffet breakfasts daily plus welcome and farewell dinners, unpack in one spot, relax and relish something different.



27 Aug - 1 Sep 2024 6 DAYS

\$3660

Ceduna on South Australia's remote and beautiful Far West Coast is the eastern gateway to the famous Nullarbor Plain and Great Australian Bight. It boasts a rich indigenous culture and European settlement history and breathtaking dunes, cliffs, coastlines and wildlife. Flying with Regional Express Airlines and staying at the Ceduna Foreshore Hotel enjoy quality food and accommodation as you explore local heritage, art, museums and highlights including cruising on Fowlers Bay in search of whales, dolphins and sea lions.



### TREASURES OF THE ADRIATIC

09 - 29 Sep 2024 21 DAYS

\$12,495

Alpine Slovenia is a most unspoiled destinations with fairytale Lake Bled and Venetian architecture along its pretty coast. Croatia boasts the stunning coastlines of Istria and Dalmatia, idyllic islands and ancient red-rooved towns with Roman amphitheatres, colossal palaces and postcard harbours. Bosnia Herzegovina reflects an Ottoman culture and ethnic diversity while Montenegro has some of the oldest walled enclaves on the Adriatic with 3500 year old Budva and ancient Kotor being unsurpassed in age and beauty. Discover the authentic treasures of the Adriatic on this thoughtfully planned tour.



05 - 24 Oct 2024 20 DAYS

\$10,330

An unrivalled tour to the enchanting states of Assam, Sikkim & West Bengal. A region of pure delight with Buddhist monasteries, Hindu temples, mosques and churches coexisting harmoniously side by side. Taking a path less travelled you explore genteel hill towns of the British Raj, colonial legacy, Tibetan, Bhutanese and diverse ethnic cultures, colossal museums, art, dance, tea plantations, wildlife parks, spicy bazaars and colourful village life. With quality accommodation and travel in private vehicles, experience the captivating north of India in comfort.

#### **LEAF FALL IN JAPAN**

12 - 30 Oct 2024 19 DAYS

\$11,350

Appreciating the highly revered spectacle of Japan's magnificent autumn foliage season this sophisticated tour to the pristine islands of Hokkaido and northern Honshu has been thoughtfully designed to follow the change of colour. With a perfect balance of exquisite gardens, national parks, cruises, cable car rides, breathtaking scenic drives and cultural sights you bypass the crowds of busy Japan and immerse yourself in colour and ancient Japanese grace and culture.