



Jordan

Wild Jordan Tour

In partnership with the Royal Conservation Society of Jordan we are glad to offer the 'Wild Jordan Tour' which will feature the nature reserves of Jordan.

The RCSJ has adopted the guideline of The International Ecotourism Society as the benchmark for their initiatives:

"Responsible travel to natural areas that conserves the environment and improves the well-being of the local people"

Join us as we see how the 'Wild Jordan' tour helps promote sustainable tourism.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- **Azraq Wetland Reserve** – an oasis in the desert that sustains migratory birds
- **Mujib Nature Reserve** – the lowest nature reserve on earth
- **Ajloun Forest Reserve** – a large open woodlands just north of Amman
- **Dibeen Forest Reserve** – rolling hills and deep wadis covered by pine oak forests
- **Dead Sea Panoramic Complex** – breathtaking vistas over the Dead Sea basin

March 10-23, 2009*



South Africa

A Big Heart Safari

As Africa struggles to modernize and uplift an impoverished population a few people with great foresight are creating sustainable tourism and business models that afford everyone a better life and at the same time contribute to the preservation of Africa's magnificent natural heritage.

The "Big Heart Safari" affords visitors a world class experience at all levels while contributing through your simple participation in the uplift and betterment of countless lives.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Grootbos Private Nature Reserve
- Nelson's Creek / New Beginnings wine estate
- Green Futures Horticultural and Life Skills College
- Sabi Sands Game Reserve

August 10-21, 2009*

***All World Peace Tours are available at other dates as well. See our web site at www.iipt.org for more information.**

A note to travel agents

World Peace Tours affords you the opportunity to earn commissions while being assured that your clients can truly be "ambassadors for peace." Each tour under the World Peace Tour banner has been especially crafted to help achieve IIPT's goal of "making Travel and Tourism the world's first global peace industry."

Whether your clients are visiting a Central American campesino... joining a cultural festival in the Arabian Peninsula...hiking along the Himalayas in Bhutan...or participating in any of the other WPT offerings, they can be assured of an exhilarating experience – and contributing to a culture of peace.

When you see the World Peace Tour logo, you can be assured that the tours have met the qualifications of the International Institute for Peace through Tourism...and you can also be assured that you and your agency will earn commissions on each tour.



Credo of the Peaceful Traveler

Grateful for the opportunity to travel and experience the world and, because peace begins with the individual, I affirm my personal responsibility and commitment to:

- Journey with an open mind and gentle heart
- Accept with grace and gratitude the diversity I encounter
- Revere and protect the natural environment which sustains all life
- Appreciate all cultures I discover
- Respect and thank my hosts for their welcome
- Offer my hand in friendship to everyone I meet
- Support travel services that share these views and act upon them
- By my spirit, words and actions, encourage others to travel the world in peace

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The International Institute for Peace through Tourism

- Dedicated to making Travel and Tourism the world's first Global Peace Industry
- Promoting the belief that Every Traveler is potentially an 'Ambassador for Peace'
- Mobilizing the Travel and Tourism Industry to be a leading force for Poverty Reduction

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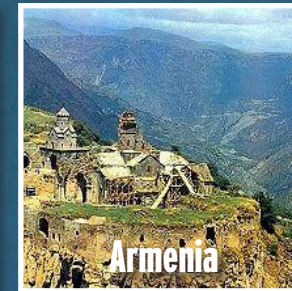
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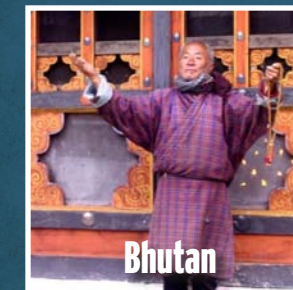
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Arabian Peninsula



Armenia



Bhutan



Guatemala



Iran



Jordan



South Africa

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Algeria & Tunisia

The Cultural Heritage Tour

Join us as we explore the history and culture of the North African coast. From Berber tribes at the beginning of recorded history until now – this southern Mediterranean coast has helped make the world we know today. Pagan, Jewish, Christian and Islamic traditions have formed the history and culture of this complex land. Phoenicians, Canaanites, Greeks, Romans, Vandals, Byzantines, Arabs, Normans, Turks and French have all left their imprint.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- **Tunis** – The Roman baths, the Bardo Museum (best repository of mosaics in the world) & the picturesque city of Sidi Bou Said.
- **Dougga** – some of the most magnificent Roman ruins in North Africa
- **Annaba** – sometimes called “Almost France” for its French influence. Home of the Basilica of St. Augustine, where the Christian thinker served more than 30 years.
- **Timgad** – the ancient ruined city on the slopes of the Aures Mountains.
- **Djemila** – an ancient Christian city with significant mosaics from the Christian era.
- **Kasserine Pass** – site of the first significant battle involving American forces during WWII.
- **Karioun** – the holiest Muslim city in North Africa and the oldest mosque in North Africa.
- **El Djem** – other than the coliseum in Rome, the best-preserved coliseum from that era.

May 4-18, 2009*



Arabian Peninsula

The Essence of Arabia Tour

Three enchanting destinations comprise this tour – Qatar, Oman and United Arab Emirates.

Arriving first in the progressive nation of Qatar, we will explore its famous souq, operational for untold centuries...the stables where the best Arabian stallions are trained...and the commercial skyline which seems to change daily.

In Oman we will visit the Muscat Festival, the annual event which highlights the culture and history of this ancient land. Also we will have the rare opportunity to see nesting turtles along Oman's magnificent coastline.

Dubai is considered the world's most amazing city, and it is a title well deserved. We will see the famous Burj Al Arab hotel, Burj Dubai, the world's tallest building and dozens of other incredible sites. Abu Dhabi, the country's capital and also one of the world's most progressive cities is on our list as well.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- **Qatar** – the souk/the stables/the city
- **Oman** – Muscat Festival/Jebel Shems (Mountain of the Sun)/Turtle Beach/Sharqiyah Sands Desert
- **UAE** – Burj Al Arab/Burj Dubai/Gold Souq/ Abu Dhabi

January 9-23, 2009*



Armenia

The Forgotten Land

Although the smallest of the former Russian republics, Armenia holds a grandeur disproportionate to its size.

Join us as we explore Yerevan, the capital city, as well as the surrounding countryside, including Mt. Aragats, the extinct volcano that rises to 4,000 meters.

Several picturesque ancient monasteries are on the itinerary as well as two World Heritage sites – Sanahin and Haghpat, both architectural jewels.

The Yezidi tribal people, who tend their sheep under the towering peaks of Aragats will offer us fresh cheese and yogurt in their homes as we learn about their traditional way of life.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- **Yerevan** – Armenia's capital city
- Ancient monasteries
- Two World Heritage sites – Sanahin and Haghpat
- Romantic city of Lori
- Dijilian Nature Park

July 10-21, 2009*



Bhutan

A Tour of Kindness

Tucked into the folds of the rugged Eastern Himalayas – blessed with some of the world's highest and youngest mountains, glacial lakes, and an intricate network of deep forests rich with life -- Bhutan is one of the world's most beautiful environmental jewels.

A Tour of Kindness combines a cultural tour with stays in lodges, in traditional farmhouses and a few nights tenting under a Himalayan sky, brimming with stars.

Focused in the Bumthang area, with its gentle wide valleys and ancient spiritual sites, we'll take easy day hikes along a sparkling river and climb a gentle trail under tall pines to visit a small nunnery.

Keeping a flexible schedule, experience the gentleness and good humor of Bhutan's warmhearted people and take time to receive and share kindness along the way.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- **Rinpun Dzong** – the monastic fairy-tale type fortress
- **Thimpu** – the capital city
- **Punakha Dzong** – ‘Palace of Pure Bliss’
- **Thangi Mani Festival** – the culture of Bhutan on display
- **Tang Primary School** – share stories and songs with the children of Bhutan

October 6-19, 2009*



Guatemala

The Village Experience Tour

Follow in the footsteps of the ancient Mayans as you explore the colorful markets, rich ceremonial sites, intricate cities, and the lush countryside of Guatemala.

Learn about the coffee making process and how it affects all walks of life, meet women involved in micro-financing projects in rural areas.

Journey through fishing villages on the shores of Lake Atitlan, and spend time with a local charity dedicated to uplifting those in poverty.

You will leave Guatemala touched by the kindness, humility, and generosity of the people you have met and you will forever be changed by what you have experienced.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- **Antigua** – the ancient city
- **'El Mercado'** – the famous market
- Lake Atitlan
- Interaction with artisans and craftsmen
- Canopy tour of the jungle

June 20-27, 2009*



Iran

A Persian Journey

Persia . . . land of great kings – Cyrus, Darius, Xerxes, Artaxerxes . . .

Persia . . . land of renowned poets – Omar Khayam, Hafez, Firdausi, Saadi . . .

Persia . . . land of the great religions – Judaism, Islam, Zoroastrianism, Christianity...

Persia . . . land of 2500 years of recorded history . . .

Persia . . . land of new opportunity...

The ancient Persian kingdoms developed one of the world's great civilizations. Join us as we explore the rich culture and history of this significant land...and make friends as we bridge cultures.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- **Tehran** – Sa'ad Abad Palace, the Bazaar, the Crown Jewels
- **Persepolis** – the magnificent ruins
- **Shiraz** – the city of poets and gardens
- **Isfahan** – the opulence of the Safavid dynasty on display
- **Qom and Kashan** – the holy cities

March 5-18, 2009*

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