

**A GREEK ODYSSEY: CRETE, SANTORINI AND MAINLAND GREECE**

**May 2 - 17, 2018**

**ANN DANDY**  
Trip Coordinator

Join archaeologist Trinity Jackman and ROMTravel as we explore Crete, Santorini and Mainland Greece.



Bronze Age fresco at Akrotiri, Santorini, preserved by a volcanic eruption in 1627 BC

by the 1627 BC eruption of the island's volcano.

Mycenae, makes history come alive. Here lived the hero Agamemnon, who, according to Homer, led the Greeks against Troy.



Oia, second largest town on the island of Santorini

**A GREEK ODYSSEY**  
**INFORMATION MEETING**  
Wednesday  
May 10, 2017  
5:30 pm at the ROM  
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Parthenon's illuminated columns, explore the Athenian Agora, heart of Greek democracy, and stroll the cobbled lanes of Plaka, Athens' Old Town, home to shops, cafes and restaurants.

Cost: \$8,395 s/s \$1,495  
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Our trip begins with a week-long exploration of Crete, home to the Bronze Age civilization of the Minoans. Crete is Homer's land: a mountain cave was the birthplace of Zeus, the labyrinth at Knossos was home to the Minotaur, the sun over Crete melted the wax wings of Icarus.

We arrive by sea at the volcanic shores of Santorini. We will visit Akrotiri, an important prehistoric Aegean settlement, frozen in time

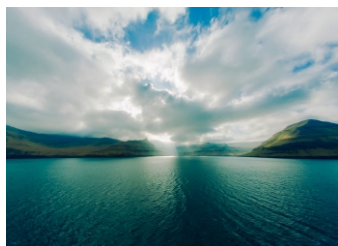
Nestled among beautiful terraces at the foot of Mt. Parnassus lies Delphi, the Panhellenic sanctuary, which contained the most famous oracle in the ancient world.

In Athens, the Acropolis, with the ancient Parthenon, looks down over the city. We will dine in the shadows of the



Porch of the Caryatids, the Erechtheum, Acropolis of Athens

# LOOKING FORWARD



Sailing to the Faroe Islands  
Pixabay

## NORTH ATLANTIC SAGA

**June 21 - July 1, 2018**

Sail the Norse explorers' route from Aberdeen, Scotland to the Orkney, Shetland and Faroe Islands, then to Iceland. Lots of marine mammal viewing, bird watching and spring wildflowers, geysers and wild landscapes.

Cost: From \$4,995 US

Contact:

Virginia Van Vliet

**Details below**



South African Rhinoceros  
By Raymond Tusk - Pixabay

## SOUTH AFRICA: DINOS, DIAMONDS AND WINE

**March 2019**

Travel South Africa with Dr David Evans, the ROM's renowned dinosaur specialist. He'll give us exclusive access to his dinosaur dig. We'll go on a big game safari, visit the Cullinan diamond mine, and eat and drink in the wine district.

Cost: TBD

Contact:

Eric Morrison

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Oval fountain at the Villa d'Este, Tivoli, northeast of Rome.  
By Dnalor - Wikimedia

## ROME & BEYOND FOR THE COGNOSCENTI May 2019

Resource person, historian Ken Bartlett, will select sights for both the experienced and the newcomer to Rome. At the Vatican, our itinerary includes several less-visited sections. Beyond Rome: medieval Viterbo and the famous gardens of the Villa d'Este in Tivoli.

Cost: TBD

Contact:

Anne Lindsey

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Phatta statue, Nyatapola Temple, Bhaktapur, Nepal.  
Wikipedia

## TIBET, BHUTAN, NEPAL September - October 2019

Cost: TBD

Contact:

ROMTravel

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### DETAILS: DATE COST ROUTE TRAVEL COMPANIES Flights to and from destinations are not included

**GREECE: May 2 to May 17, 2018** Tour starts in Chania, Crete and ends in Athens

**Cost:** \$8,395 s/s \$1,495. **Contact:** Coordinator **Ann Dandy** 647.346.4334 [ann\\_dandy@yahoo.com](mailto:ann_dandy@yahoo.com)

**Brochure:** [http://www.rom.on.ca/sites/default/files/event/downloads/greece\\_brochure\\_master\\_2017\\_02\\_241.pdf](http://www.rom.on.ca/sites/default/files/event/downloads/greece_brochure_master_2017_02_241.pdf)

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**NORTH ATLANTIC: June 21 - July 1, 2018** Tour starts in Aberdeen, Scotland and ends in Reykjavik, Iceland

**Cost:** From \$4,995 US **Contact:** Coordinator **Virginia Van Vliet**, 416.925.5891 [virginivanvliet@rogers.ca](mailto:virginivanvliet@rogers.ca)

**Travel company:** Adventure Canada (On. Reg. 4001400)

**PERU: October 2018** Tour starts in Lima and ends in LimaBD

**Cost:** TBD **Contact:** Coordinator **Judy Ireland** 416.532.1492 [judy028@sympatico.ca](mailto:judy028@sympatico.ca)

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# CLASSIC PERU PLUS

October 2018

JUDY IRELAND  
Trip Coordinator

Our adventure starts in Lima. Perched on the Pacific coast, it is graced by elegant Spanish colonial architecture and top-rated cuisine. Lima's outstanding museums and art galleries are a great introduction to Peru's many ancient civilizations. We fly north to Chiclayo where dry sands have preserved pyramids, temples and tombs.

We will encounter cultures and sites starting in 200 BC: gold artifacts hidden in royal tombs, expressive pottery of the Moche, and Chan Chan - the world's largest adobe city.



By Antonio Velasco Wikipedia

Lambayeque: Mummies in the Tomb of the Lord of Sipán, a Moche ruler before 300 CE

We visit Cusco, the capital of the Incan Empire, then return to Lima for the journey home.

Archaeologist Giles Spence Morrow will travel with us, introducing the special people and places of classic Peru.

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By McAllen Brothers - Wikipedia

Adobe reliefs at Chan Chan

We will explore the graceful mansions of colonial Trujillo, walled against fierce pirates in the 17th century.

We continue to the serene and sacred Urubamba Valley dotted with Inca ruins and colourful Andean villages, then on to mysterious Machu Picchu.



© Ron McDougall

Machu Picchu's mysterious dry stone walls were built in 1450. The Spanish conquistadors never found this city.

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### ROME & BEYOND: May 2019

Cost: TBD Contact: Coordinator **Anne Lindsey** 416.489.0251 [aylindsey@sympatico.ca](mailto:aylindsey@sympatico.ca)

### RUSSIA: July 20 - August 1, 2018

Tour starts at Moscow airport and ends at St Petersburg airport  
Cost: \$11,490 s/s \$2,100 Contact: Coordinator **Eric Morrison** 416.691.6770 [morrison.eric07@gmail.com](mailto:morrison.eric07@gmail.com)

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### SOUTH AFRICA: March-April 2019

Cost: TBD Contact: Coordinator **Eric Morrison** 416.691.6770 [morrison.eric07@gmail.com](mailto:morrison.eric07@gmail.com)

### TIBET, BHUTAN, NEPAL: September/October 2019

Cost: TBD Contact: ROMTravel 416.586.8034 or [travel@rom.on.ca](mailto:travel@rom.on.ca)

# HEAVENLY RUSSIA: AEROSPACE AND IMPERIAL TREASURES WITH BOB McDONALD

July 20 - August 1, 2018

## ERIC MORRISON

Trip Coordinator

Prepare yourself for two Russias:

– Imperial Russia: onion-domed cathedrals, palaces and the art masterpieces of the Hermitage Museum.

– Modern Russia: Star City, the once-secret Russian space complex. Bob McDonald, host of CBC's *Quirks and Quarks* will take us behind the scenes.



TMA Spacecraft capable of ferrying three cosmonauts to and from the International Space Station.

### HEAVENLY RUSSIA INFORMATION MEETING WITH BOB McDONALD



Monday  
May 8, 2017  
5:30 pm at the ROM  
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Proton-K rocket launch of the Zvezda service module of the International Space Station.

In Moscow we will delight in the beauty of the Kremlin and of fanciful St. Basil's cathedral.

At the Hermitage Museum in St Petersburg enjoy a private tour of that great museum's art collection. The city is one of the grandest in Europe, full of canals, cathedrals and palaces.



The Winter Palace, site of the Hermitage Museum, St. Petersburg.

There is no other trip that gives you the combination of insights, experiences and pleasures at the heart of a land of extreme pride and profound contradictions.

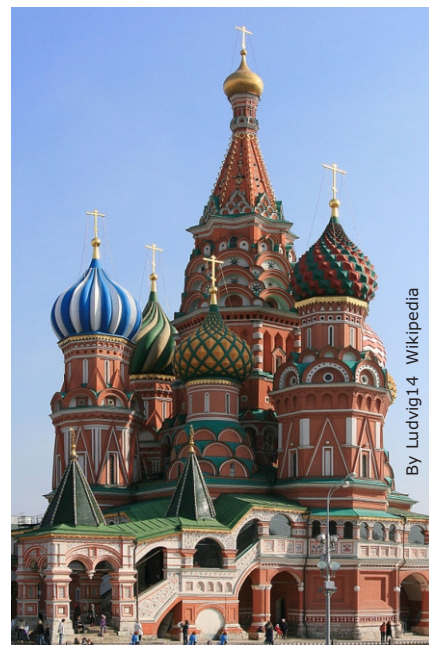
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St Basil's Cathedral, Red Square, Moscow. Ivan the Terrible had it built (1555-1561) to commemorate the capture of Kazan and Astrakhan.

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