

CLASSIC PERU PLUS
OCTOBER 13 – 27, 2018



Machu Picchu with the Urubamba River below – Courtesy of Maura Armstrong

If not now, when? Join a unique small group tour ranging from Lima’s historic city centre to panoramic landscapes, from ocean to desert to the high Andes. Discover the archaeological riches of Northern Peru combined with the bucket list splendour of Machu Picchu and Cusco, the ancient Inca capital.

Travel with archaeologist Giles Spence Morrow, who will share with us privileged access to remarkable sites including the Tomb of the Lord of Sipán, the fabled tattooed princess mummy, and the walled royal city of Chan

Chan. Ponder the meaning of the erotic ceramics of the Moche culture and marvel at the mosaics of mysterious ritual sacrifice. Ride the rails to the majestic citadel of Machu Picchu.

Indulge in a private dinner at the elegant Aliaga family home, their residence since 1535 and the oldest continuously inhabited home in the southern hemisphere. Refresh midway in the serene Sacred Valley of the Inca at a Relais & Châteaux luxury resort. Lunch at a hacienda showcasing the celebrated equestrian skills of Peruvian Paso horses.

Experience the indigenous vibrancy of Peru, still thriving five centuries after the Spanish invaded. Meet local artisans and shop at colourful village markets. Savour Peru’s world class cuisine. Discover the poetry that is Peru: in Quechua, the ancient Inca language still spoken in many places, its gold is “the sweat of the sun”, its silver, “the tears of the moon”. Peru—the travel gem of South America — as only ROMTravel can guide you.

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Awana Kancha – Courtesy of Maura Armstrong



Come with us on a journey to the top of the world where we will experience the culture, history and stunning scenery of our Himalayan destinations. In Bhutan, journey to the famous Tiger’s Nest monastery which clings to the side of a cliff. Experience Pjobjhika valley, the wintering home of black-necked cranes. Visit the dzongs (fortresses) of

Thimphu and Punakha. Admire the Bhutanese skill in archery, their national sport.

Marvel at Swayambhunnath Stupa, one of the most important Buddhist shrines in Nepal. Visit Patan, one of three royal cities in the Kathmandu valley – a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Go on a jungle safari in Chitwan National Park with a chance to

see the great one-horned rhinoceros. View the Himalayas at sunrise in the well-preserved Newari town of Dhulikel. In Tibet, be impressed by the magnificent Potala Palace which dominates the city of Lhasa. And these are just some of the highlights. Sara Irwin, past manager of the Asian collections at the ROM, will be our Resource Person for the trip.

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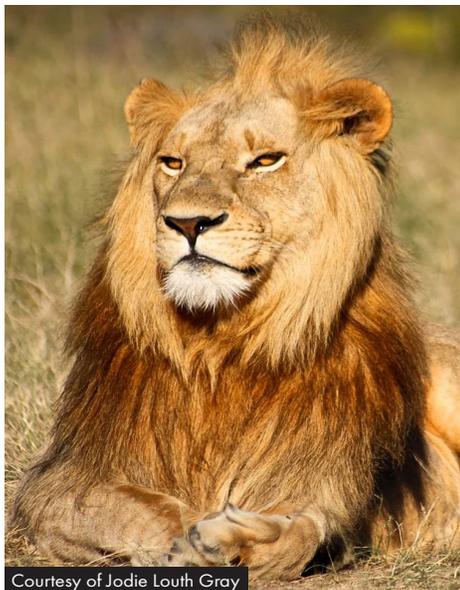
Information Night May 24, 5:30 pm. RSVP to the Coordinator.

STUNNING SOUTH AFRICA

Dinos, Rhinos,
Diamonds and Wine

March 1 – 15, 2019

See one of the world’s truly magnificent countries. The setting for much of this African trip



is the stunning veldt. Here you will experience a big game safari and bush walks from our base at a game lodge to see the “Big 5” animals in a magical setting.

We tour the “Cradle of Humankind”, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with a renowned expert, Dr. David Evans of the ROM. We will be privileged to visit the site of his remarkable find...a dinosaur nursery.

We tour the award-winning “wine district” for some fabulous food and drink and see penguins at the tip of the Cape of Good Hope. We visit Robben Island, near Capetown, site of Nelson Mandela’s long captivity. And in case you are wondering about it, the restrictions on water don’t apply to tourists and in fact they don’t extend beyond Cape Town to the other areas we will visit.



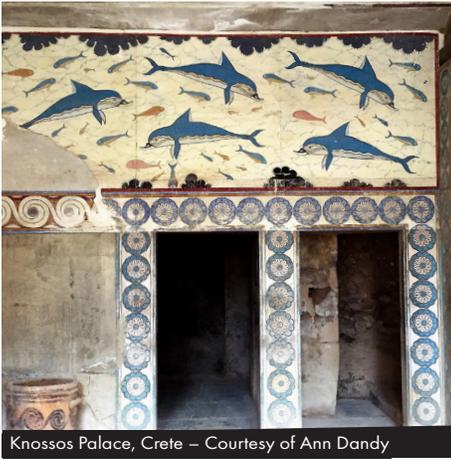
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Knossos Palace, Crete – Courtesy of Ann Dandy

Trinity Jackman, archaeologist and ancient historian, will make our trip an unforgettable experience as she shares with us her expertise on the ancient Mediterranean world. Spend a week exploring Crete, home to the fascinating Bronze Age civilization of the Minoans. Arrive by sea to the breathtaking sight of the caldera, rising from the water like a black wall and topped with the magical

A GREEK ODYSSEY:

Crete, Santorini and mainland Greece

MAY 1 – 16, 2019

town of Santorini. Visit Akrotiri, where a cataclysmic volcanic eruption in the second millennium BCE created a Bronze Age Pompeii. Absorb Hellenic heritage in ancient Athens where we will visit the Acropolis, the heart of Greek democracy. From Athens, travel to Delphi which for over a millennium contained the most important oracle in the ancient world. In Sounion, be mesmerized by the blankets of reds and oranges that engulf the Temple of Poseidon as the sun descends. History comes alive at Mycenae, the home of the hero Agamemnon who led the Greek forces to the site of Troy. Dinners by the sea or in the shad-

ow of the Acropolis, ancient ruins teeming with legend, shorelines steeped in mythology, museums, magnificent scenery, monasteries, churches....the enduring beauty of Greece stuns the senses.

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ROME & BEYOND

for the cognoscenti

May 6 – 16, 2019

Whether or not you have been to Rome before, our trip to the Eternal City contains sights specially chosen to intrigue you by our Resource Person Ken Bartlett. By the end of this tour, you will indeed be one of the “cognoscenti” about Rome! Our Roman holiday will include exclusive visits not usually available to the public as well as some surprises.

We’ll enjoy multiple facets of the city, including Renaissance Rome, exemplified by the Villa Farnesina with its Raphael frescoes, and the Villa Borghese collection featuring Caravaggios and Berninis; Papal Rome, with the Vatican Museums and St. Peter’s; and ancient Rome.



Roman Forum, Rome – Courtesy of Wikipedia and DannyBoy7783

We’ll glimpse the life of Roman nobility at the Palazzo Colonna and the Palazzo Doria Pamphilj. A hidden gem is the Quartiere Coppedè, an area of “Liberty Style” buildings with unique flair. In addition to the city itself, we will venture into surrounding Lazio for more wonderful sights, many of which are less well-known. For example, in Bomarzo we’ll be amazed by the Renaissance garden, the “Park of the Monsters”, and we’ll discover Orvieto’s Etruscan history and impressive Duomo.

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HAIDA GWAI:

Canada's Galapagos

JUNE 8 – 16, 2019

Sail in the comfort of our chartered yacht on the famous Hecate Strait, alongside the shores of British Columbia, and be immersed in the surreal surroundings. The landscape speaks its magic when you look at the bounty on the ocean floor at low tide in Burnaby Strait. Walk with Haida Watchmen across ancestral lands, carpeted with sphagnum and dotted with moss-draped giant cedars and spruce. Listen



SGang Gwaay – Courtesy of Randy Burke



Skidegate – Courtesy of Richie Buxton

to ancient stories told with pride and dignity, and learn about the art and history of Haida people. Emily Carr visited here twice to seek inspiration for her haunting totem paintings.

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LOOKING FORWARD UPCOMING TRIPS



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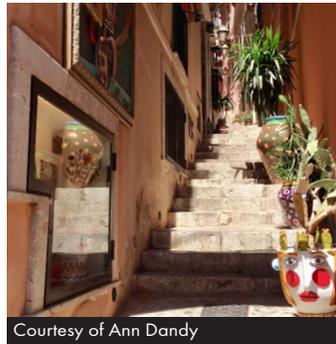
2020

Amazing Argentina, land of marvellous cuisine, heady wines, thunderous Iguazu Falls, the Tango and yes, dinosaurs! We will be accompanied by Dr. David Evans, Senior Curator of Palaeontology. A trip not to miss.

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Courtesy of Ann Dandy

SICILY

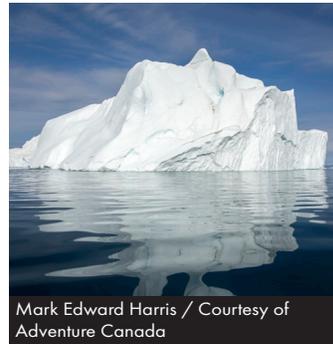
Apr/May 2020

Join archaeologist Trinity Jackman, as we discover Sicily, an island at the crossroads of the Mediterranean which seduces visitors with its dazzling diversity of landscapes and treasures.

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INTO THE ARCTIC WITH BOB MACDONALD

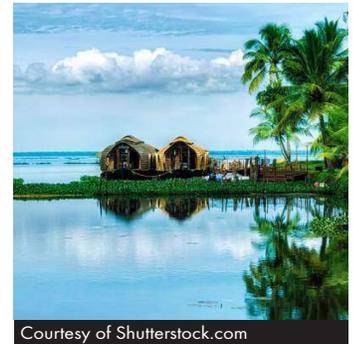
Jul/Aug 2020

Travel with the *Quirks and Quarks* host across the Arctic Circle in the shadow of icebergs. Bob has been making climate change understandable for 30 years and is exclusive to this ROMTravel trip.

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SOUTH INDIA

Feb/Mar 2020

Join curator Deepali Dewan as we explore a laid-back introduction to South India and its sandalwood, saffron and sandy beaches. A profusion of natural landscapes, and architectural wonders await.

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