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The Lost Continent (MD 2015)

WILDLIFE

TOURDURAT
15
DAYS

Tour Style: Classic
Tour Pace: Busy

Tour Type: Small Groups
Tour Comfort: Standard

tour Code: MD

Tour Highlights - The Lost Continent

- ✓ Andasibe Reserve - Track the Indri lemur and the remarkable wildlife in the primary forest of Mantadia.
- ✓ Antsirabe - Walk along a stunning crater lake in Tritriva.
- ✓ Highland Scenery - Rice paddies, villages and colourful markets.
- ✓ Ranomafana - Walk in the rainforest and observe various species of lemurs, chameleons and amphibians.
- ✓ Isalo National Park - Explore the 'Grand Canyon' of Madagascar and meet troops of Ring-tailed lemurs.

Tour Essentials

Accommodation:	8 nights Standard Hotel 2 nights Standard Lodge 1 night Simple Community House 3 nights Simple Hotel
Included Meals:	13 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 7 dinners
Start Point:	Join tour: Antananarivo
End Point:	Tour ends: Antananarivo
Transport:	Flight, Minibus
Countries:	Madagascar

The Lost Continent

There is no more unique landscape on earth in which to discover exotic wildlife than on the isolated island of Madagascar. We explore the rainforests, nature reserves and national parks in search of the many species of endangered lemur. We travel from the Malagasy capital 'Tana' across volcanic lakes and sandstone rock formations to the golden shores of the Indian Ocean.

Suitability

We've given each of our tours a comfort rating and a tour pace, walking or cycling grade to give you a general idea about the level of activity on each tour and the standard of accommodation you will be staying in at the end of your day's adventure.

Often you'll stay in different styles of accommodation during your tour; so we make an average rating across the entire tour. For more information on where you'll stay each night, please refer to the day by day tour itinerary.

Tour Comfort: Standard

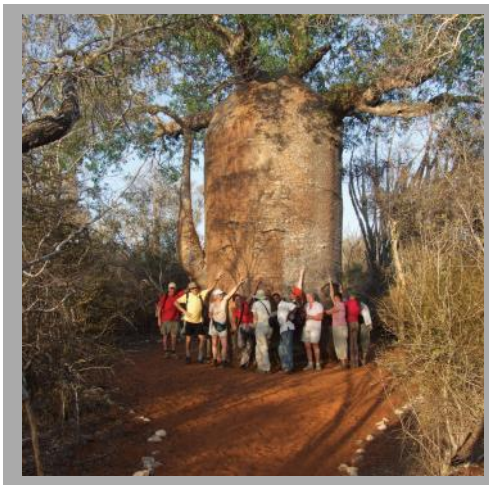
Our mid-range accommodation offers a good level of service often with other amenities such as a restaurant, bar, garden or swimming pool. Generally rooms will be comfortable with en-suite facilities.

Tour Style: Classic

Packed with adventure, these tours offer inspiring destinations and authentic travel experiences at a reasonable price. Using all kinds of transport and accommodation, we'll take you off the beaten track to discover the true heart of the people and places you visit.

Tour Pace: Busy

There may be early starts, long journeys and tiring days along the way, but you'll return home feeling you've really experienced as much as you possibly could.



Your tour itinerary

Tour itinerary notes

While our intention is to adhere to the day-by-day itinerary as printed below, a degree of flexibility is built in. Overnight stops may vary from those suggested.

DAY 1 Join tour Antananarivo

Arrive in Antananarivo. The city is cheerfully stacked on the sloping sides of the Highlands. This medieval capital is affectionately known as 'Tana', enjoys a pleasant climate (1350m).

Overnight: **Standard Hotel**
Single Room Available

Included Meals: None

DAY 2 Drive to Andasibe Reserve, view wildlife

Today we will drive to Andasibe village otherwise known as Perinet. Although only eight square kilometres, Andasibe Reserve boasts nine species of Lemur, including the largest, the Indri indri, whose piercing voice can be heard throughout the forest. Colourful chameleons and many birds can also be seen as we spend the day walking trails in this beautiful forested reserve. There may also be a chance of an optional walk round the local village outside the reserve as well as a nocturnal walk in search of wildlife.

Overnight: **Standard Lodge**
Single Room Available

Included Meals: Breakfast

DAY 3 Visit Mantadia National Park, looking for Black and White Ruffed Lemur

This morning we have a chance to do some birdwatching before driving to Mantadia national park. Here we will take a walk in the park where we have a chance to see Black and White Ruffed lemur, Diademe Sifaka. This area is also good for bird watching. On return to Andasibe in the afternoon there will be optional visit to a private reserve with more opportunities to spot birds and amphibians.

Overnight: **Standard Lodge**
Single Room Available

Included Meals: Breakfast

DAY 4 Drive to Antsirabe, explore the colonial architecture and churches

Heading south we reach the spa town of Antsirabe, the coolest place in Madagascar. Its climate made it a favourite spot with European missionaries and their influence can still be seen in the colonial architecture and churches. Antsirabe is also the agricultural and administrative centre of Madagascar and is also regarded as the ‘pousse-pousse’ capital.

Overnight: **Standard Hotel**
Single Room Available

Included Meals: Breakfast

DAY 5 Lake Tritiva; drive to Ambositira, Malagasy meal and local dancing

This morning we drive to the volcanic Lake of Tritriva. Local myths and taboos have grown up around this mysterious lake which seems to have many guises, changing colour from one day to the next. We have the opportunity to walk round the lake before driving to Ambositra in the afternoon. We’ll visit some of the craft shops, which produce carvings of Malagasy life, furniture and detailed marquetry work. We shall stay at a local development guest house, and there may be the opportunity to enjoy a traditional Malagasy meal and see a folk dancing display this evening. Although the accommodation we use on this night stop is modest and of lower standard than what is provided throughout the rest of the trip, by staying here we directly support an important base for the development of health projects, agriculture, water supply and the empowerment of women within the local community. The accommodation is dormitory style, simple but clean, with shared facilities. Hot water is not available.

Overnight: **Simple Community House**

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 6 Scenic drive to Ranomafana National Park

The drive to Ranomafana takes up most of the day, however the winding road passes varied landscapes of rugged ridges, huge boulders and rural villages surrounded by rice paddies. En route we will stop in Ialatsara for lunch. In 1987 in Ranomafana National Park a new species of lemur named the Golden Bamboo was found. There are many hidden waterfalls and the Namorona river flows through some impressive gorges, flanked on either side by tropical rainforest.

Overnight: **Standard Hotel**
Single Room Available

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 7 In Ranomafana National Park, searching for Lemurs and birdlife

This morning will will enter the park for an early morning walk, but you may choose to do some optional birdwatching before this. Most lemur species are endangered, the last survivors of a once abundant family of primates, now confined to pockets of forest and bush

throughout Madagascar. Deforestation has taken a heavy toll on these arboreal creatures – about 80 species remain. With luck we may see some of the species found in the park including Red-Bellied lemur, Grey Bamboo lemur, Milne-Edwards' sifaka and perhaps the Black and White Ruffed lemur and the extremely rare Golden Bamboo lemur. We may also spot the Malagasy boa constrictor, chameleons, the black parrot, cuckoo roller and many other birds. In the afternoon there will be an additional optional walk within the park with a chance to spot the species not already seen during the morning.

Overnight: **Standard Hotel**
Single Room Available

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 8 Drive to Isalo National Park (Ranohira)

Returning to the main road this morning, we continue south via the regional capital of Fianarantsoa, the academic centre of Madagascar. Leaving the highland plateau and descending through superb mountain scenery to the plains we pause at Ambalavao paper workshop before arriving at Anja Community Reserve. Here we have the chance to watch troupes of ring-tailed lemur among the granite boulders. Continuing south the pine trees thin out and the fertile soil of the highlands gives way to drier savannah, cactus, termite mounds, and the dust of the midsouth. We finally reach our destination late in the afternoon. Ranohira, situated on the edge of the Isalo National Park.

Overnight: **Standard Hotel**
Single Room Available **Swimming Pool Available**

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 9 Isalo National Park, admire Madagascar's "Grand Canyon"

One of the highlights of our trip is Madagascar's 'Grand Canyon' in Isalo National Park. Dervla Murphy, in her book 'Muddling through Madagascar' describes it thus – 'Landscapes that are literally incredible. You don't believe it. You think you're hallucinating. How can wind and water have done all this?'. Natural erosion has produced fantastic canyons and bizarre outcrops of wind-blasted sandstone. Sparse dry deciduous forest, including species of dwarf-like baobab and succulents, is found in the park. We plan to walk to a natural oasis pool known as 'Piscine Naturelle' and see tombs of the Bara people. This afternoon you have the opportunity to take an optional walk within the park to Namaza to see the Cascade des Nymphes.

Overnight: **Standard Hotel**
Single Room Available **Swimming Pool Available**

Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 10 Drive to Toliara, through the spiny desert, stopping at Mahafaly Tombs

This morning we continue our journey south. The temperature rises as we lose height and head for the coast, crossing the savannah plain, dotted with herds of Zebu cattle. The south of Madagascar is largely desert, and weird cactus-like plants unique to the island smother the land and make up the vast areas of so called 'spiny desert'. Close to Sakaraha is the Zombitse National Park. Here we will walk near the remarkable dry forest which is home to many birds, including black parrots, the Madagascar buzzard and the cuckoo roller. The very rare Apperts' Greenbull is also here. As we continue our drive, we'll pass by a number of fascinating Mahafaly Tombs before reaching the town of Toliara once an important port of call for Dutch and English ships plying the trade routes during the 16th and 17th centuries.

Overnight: **Simple Hotel**
Single Room Available

Included Meals: Breakfast

DAY 11 Morning boat journey to fishing village of Anakao, afternoon free

After breakfast this morning we transfer by boat from Toliara to the small fishing village of Anakao, located to the south, just past the Onilahy river estuary. The rich turquoise waters of the Indian Ocean beckon from our beach hideaway. Please note: due to limited space on the boat we kindly request that you take a smaller overnight bag to Anakao. Your main luggage will be stored in Toliara.

Overnight: **Simple Hotel**
Single Room Available

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 12 In Anakao; optional snorkelling visit to Nosy Ve

Today has again been left free to enjoy Anakao.You may wish to spend your day here relaxing on the beach; alternatively there is the option to take a trip out to the island of Nosy Ve, located just off Anakao's western shore. The island is still considered a sacred site for

the local Vezo people and with its reefs and colonies of Red-tailed tropicbirds, it is an ideal place to soak up the tropical atmosphere of this island paradise, and an opportunity to do some snorkelling.

Overnight: **Simple Hotel**
Single Room Available

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 13 Transfer to Toliara and fly to Tana.

This morning we depart Anakao and return to Toliara for our flight back to Tana, where we will spend the night.

Overnight: **Standard Hotel**
Single Room Available

Included Meals: Breakfast

DAY 14 Visit Ambohimanga, oldest palace in country; visit to Lemur park

This morning we head to the oldest palace in Madagascar situated on Ambohimanga, a forested hill, north of Antananarivo. It was from this fortress that the Merina, a highland tribe, first established an effective administration and military command under the King Andrianampoinamerina. The fort includes the original king's hut and later European buildings. From here we have magnificent views over the fertile rice fields below. We will then continue on to the Lemur Park which is located approximately 25km outside Tana. Nine species of lemurs coming from different regions of Madagascar wander freely in this botanical garden covering an area of five hectares of small forest situated by the Katsoaka River. The park also contains many species of the flora of Madagascar. In the afternoon you may have a chance for some last minute sightseeing or shopping in Tana before our final night of the tour.

Overnight: **Standard Hotel**
Single Room Available

Included Meals: Lunch

DAY 15 Tour ends Tana

This morning our tour ends in Tana after breakfast.

Included Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation and Meals

Food & Drink

Included meals: 13 breakfasts, 4 lunches,7 dinners included in the price of this tour. Please be prepared to pay for non-included meals. Please note that costs for drinks and meals can vary depending on location.

Budgeting for your Tour

You will need some extra money to cover meals and drinks not included in the tour price, any optional sightseeing, souvenirs and items of a personal nature such as laundry.

Food

The costs for meals may vary depending upon location, type of restaurant and number of courses eaten and so the prices given are an average guide.Local restaurants located off the beaten track may be less expensive, whereas an upmarket restaurant located in the centre of a major city may charge more.

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Lunch £: 7.00

Dinner £: 12.00

Drink

The prices for drinks can vary greatly depending upon location and the prices detailed below are an average guide. In general you would expect that drinks purchased in a supermarket or local bar to be less expensive, whilst drinks in an upmarket bar or restaurant may be more expensive.

Madagascar

Bottle of Beer £: 1.50

Water £: 0.50

International Departure Taxes

There is an international departure tax of US$ 15 applicable to all international flights departing from Antananarivo Airport. This fee must be paid in cash, but can be paid in local currency or US dollars.

Other Sightseeing & Activities

The following excursions and/or activities are usually available and may be arranged locally. Estimated costs are provided below for guidance only, are on a per person basis unless shown otherwise, and may depend on the number of participants. Prices quoted are correct as of the date these tour notes were originally issued but may change at any time due to currency fluctuations.

Please note: These activities are booked and paid for direct with the supplier and do not form part of your Explore holiday contract.

Optional Excursions

Andasibe - Nocturnal walk £5. Dawn Birdwatching £5. Extra Park or village walk £3. Private Reserve £5
Ranomafana - Bird walk approx £3-5 depending on numbers. Optional Forest walk £3
Anakao - Snorkelling £15, piroque to Nosy Ve £15
Toliara - Arboreteum £10, Spiney Forest Walk £15 (depending on numbers).

Tipping - Tour Leader

Tour Leader: At your discretion you might also consider tipping your Tour Leader in appreciation of the efficiency and service you receive.

Tipping - Local Crew

Local Crew: Although entirely voluntary, tipping is a recognised part of life in this region of the world. Some local staff will look to members of the group for personal recognition of particular services provided. Accordingly, you should allow approx. £35 for tipping.

In order to make things easier for you, the Tour Leaders may organise a group's tips kitty and if this is the case, they will account for it throughout the tour.

Foreign Exchange

Madagascar

ATM Availability: Antananarivo only, but ATMs cannot be relied upon.

Credit Card Acceptance: Very limited in Antananarivo and not to be relied upon.

Travellers Cheques: Take some travellers cheques in case of emergencies, though note that they are extremely difficult to exchange. Up-to-date information re: global exchange rates can be obtained at https://www.currencyexpress.com/explore/

Local Currency: Malagasy Ariary.

Recommended Currency for Exchange: We recommend taking most of your money in GBP, US Dollars or Euro cash. GBP can be changed at Tana airport and then after that Euro or US$ will be the preferred cash for exchange outside the capital. Please note that US$100 bills are not accepted and credit cards are rarely accepted.

Where to Exchange: Limited to Antananarivo, Antsirabe and Fianarantsoa. Your tour leader will advise on arrival.

Joining your Tour

Flight Information

You are able to book this tour on a 'land only' basis or as a ‘flight inclusive’ package. Your flight inclusive package will be fully protected by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) ATOL protection scheme.

Booking a land only package with Explore

Customers who have chosen to book on the ‘Land Only’ arrangements of our tour, please ensure that you have checked your tour specific ‘Joining Instructions’ prior to booking your own travel arrangements. Your joining instructions can be found on our website at www.explore.co.uk, in the tour specific dates and prices section.

You may also be eligible for the Free Explore Transfer. For more information please refer to https://www.explore.co.uk/transfers.

Joining Tour Abroad

Customers booked on the ‘Land Only’ arrangements will now receive a Free Transfer, provided you arrive and depart on the tour only itinerary start and end dates. The transfers will be from the Explore designated airport or train station to the joining point of your tour, and then back from the ending point to the designated airport or train station. The exception to this rule is customers who are booked on a tour where the joining and ending point is at the designated airport or train station.

If you are not eligible for the Free Transfer then you will need to make your own way through to the joining and ending point. On a majority of our tours Explore will be able to provide a private transfer at an additional cost. Please ask for a quote at the time of booking.

For more information regarding the Explore Free Transfer please refer to https://www.explore.co.uk/transfers.

Free transfers are not available for Self-Guided, Tailormade or Tours for Churches customers.

Booking a flight inclusive package with Explore

We have a good selection of flights not only from London but from many regional airports around the UK allowing us to compare fares between scheduled carriers as well as low cost and charter airlines. Our dedicated flights team will match the best flight options to your arrival and departure airport.

On our website we display a UK flight inclusive package guide price which is generally based on a London departure. To avoid paying supplements or to secure your preferred flight option, we recommend booking as early as possible, especially for peak travel dates.

Important Information

Travel Insurance

It is a condition of joining any of our tours that you must have valid travel insurance. It must indicate that you have cover for (at least) medical expenses and emergency repatriation in the event of illness or injury. Medical and repatriation insurance cover is not mandatory for UK residents who are travelling in England and Scotland. We also strongly recommend your policy includes curtailment, personal effects and cancellation protection as all deposits paid are non-refundable. You will also need to ensure your travel policy covers you for all activities you intend to do whilst on tour.

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Visa Information

Madagascar: : An entry visa is required by UK, New Zealand, Australian, US & Canadian citizens and can be obtained on arrival. The visa is free and issued for 30days. Other nationalities should consult the relevant consulate.

Travel via South Africa (including transits):
From 1st June 2015 South Africa will enforce new immigration regulations effecting all children aged under 18 years that are travelling to, from or via the country. The new laws state that parents and/or guardian maybe requested by the airline and/or South Africa immigration officers to provide additional documentation for each child they are travelling with. Please refer to the FOC website (for UK passport holders) and/or your local South African High Commission or Embassy for full requirements. The following link, is a leaflet produced by the South African government explaining the requirements: http://www.dha.gov.za/files/Brochures/Immigrationleaflet.pdf

All visa information is subject to change. You should confirm all visa related issues with the relevant Embassy prior to departure

Vaccinations & Protection

Madagascar

Nothing compulsory, but we recommend protection against malaria, tetanus, typhoid, hepatitis A plus Polio and diptheria. Consult your travel clinic for latest advice on different prophylaxis available against malaria. Following the advice given by the Government's Foreign and Commonwealth Office, we strongly recommend the wearing long sleeved shirts and the liberal application of insect repellent as a precautionary measure to avoid being bitten by mosquitoes. These precautions should be taken at all times as the mosquitoes are also active during daylight hours. The above is not an exhaustive list. Further information regarding vaccinations and travel health advice can be found by following the NHS and NaTHNaC links at http://www.explore.co.uk/Travelhealth/ and from your local healthcare provider. Visa and vaccination requirements are subject to change and should be confirmed before departure.

Preparing for your Tour

Climate

Madagascar

The climate is tropical, but cooler in the highlands (dropping as low as 5°C at night in July/August in Antananarivo and Andasibe). The dry season is March to October continuing into November in most areas. The east coast is best March-May and September-November, January-March is cyclone season. The south west area is hot, dry and semi-arid. March-April is the best time for flowers and reptiles. November (spring) is generally the best time for wildlife and birds, but lemurs can be viewed all year round. Additional information and climate charts can be accessed at http://www.explore.co.uk/weather. Seasonal weather patterns can be unpredictable. Up-to-date information on the weather worldwide can be found by following the BBC weather link on this page.

Clothing

Clothing should be lightweight, but a warm sweater or jacket is advisable as nights at altitude and under desert conditions can be very cold (>10°C), even in summer and especially in July to September. Rainwear is highly recommended on all tours for the occasional shower. Warmer layers will be required during the winter months. Don't forget your swimwear.

Equipment

Take a strong torch for nocturnal wildlife walks, a water bottle, camera film (and spare batteries), binoculars and a beach towel and swimming costume. Rain proof pants are very handy for walks in the rainforest. Walking poles maybe useful in Ranomafana NP and Andasibe.

Footwear

Lightweight walking boots/shoes and trainers or sandals.

Luggage: On Tour

One kitbag/rucksack or old but sturdy suitcase (luggage travels on the roof rack during the day) and a daysac. You will also need a smaller overnight bag for Anakao.

Luggage allowance on tour: 15Kg

General Information

Country details

Madagascar

Population: 21,926,221

Size of Country: 587,041 sq km

Major Language: Malagasy, French

Religion: Christian

Time Difference to GMT: +3

Electric Supply & Plugs

Madagascar

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Why Choose Explore

We've been creating award-winning pioneering adventure holidays for over 30 years, earning the trust of thousands of delighted customers, who feel safe in our hands. Our tour leaders have expert local knowledge and our tours are designed to take you off the beaten track to see the most exotic, inspiring and dramatic places in the world.

- With over 30 years' experience, we are passionate about what we do.
- Pioneering small group adventures, self-guided, private journeys & tailormade holidays.
- Award winning tour leaders who you can trust.
- Responsible travel is and always has been one the driving principles of Explore.

Our adventure holidays are full of exciting things to see and do, exploring in small groups travelling by bus, boat, plane, rickshaw, camel, elephant, or any number of unusual forms of transport . Often you will stay in family run hotels and village houses and enjoy authentic local cuisine. In this way, it's easy to discover the true heart of the people and the place you travel to – and make some new friends along the way. Each tour is uniquely different, so please feel free to browse through our tours to see what may whet your appetite.

Our commitment to the environment

We are passionate about sustainable travel and work hard to create tours where your holiday delivers real benefits to the local communities. We minimise our impact by travelling in small groups, respecting local cultures and traditional, reducing waste and offsetting 100% of the CO2 from our flights.

When you travel with Explore, you are directly contributing to local economies and helping empower the people you meet. We currently support a range of charities and good causes, including: Toilet Twinning (helping to flush away poverty), Lone Buffalo Foundation (a community project based in Laos providing creative skills for young people), Dekamer (a turtle rescue centre in Turkey) and Kids Saving the Rainforest (a wildlife rescue centre in Costa Rica supported through the LATA foundation). We also care passionately about the world's wildlife. We are patrons of the Born Free Organisation and Friends of Conservation.

Cool Earth

Explore are proud to support Cool Earth in their effort to reduce global carbon dioxide levels through the prevention of deforestation in the South America rainforest. Cool Earth focus on areas in immediate danger of deforestation, supporting local communities to be forest guardians. To date 350,000 acres of rainforest has been protected. Saving rainforest also protects rare animals and plants, allows local forest communities to maintain their way of life, and protects a major source of oxygen and fresh water. When you travel on an Explore holiday we make a donation to Cool Earth that exceeds the impact of our customers flights each year.

Earth Matters

- The Travel Foundation

  Explore are active members and supporters of the Travel Foundation which has established a variety of sustainable tourism projects in destinations and works with industry to improve practice. Visit their website www.thetravelfoundation.org.uk
- Tourism Concern

  Explore support the work of Tourism Concern who campaign for fairly and ethically traded tourism, and are part of its Ethical Tour Operator Group www.tourismconcern.org.uk
- For further information on responsible travel go to http://www.explore.co.uk/ResponsibleTourism/

Know before you go

We strongly recommend that you check your government's travel advisory for up-to-date information and advice about your destination: safety andÂ security, entry requirements, health, local laws and customs. ForÂ UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office Advice follow the link atÂ http://www.explore.co.uk/essential-travel-information/travel-resources/travel-safety

Booking Your Holiday

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Reserving your place

To reserve your place on this tour you will need to check availability on the Explore website or through our dedicated call centre based in the UK where you can. Our tours can fill up quickly so you are advised to book as early as possible. If your chosen date is ‘Available’ or ‘Guaranteed’ we will be able to provisionally hold you a space for up to 48 hours.

For Self-Guided holidays and Private Journeys simply choose your date of travel and let us know so we can confirm all ground services.

The easiest way to confirm your booking is through our website. When you are ready to book, we normally require a 10% non-refundable deposit, but for some holidays this may be more to cover such items as permit fees, internal flights or other non-refundable services. If your travel starts within 60 days of booking, full payment will be required at the time of booking

100% No Surcharge Guarantee

The price paid for our holidays is no longer subject to change. Once booked and confirmed we will guarantee the price you pay will not increase, whatever the circumstances. You will not be approached to pay fuel surcharges unlike the vast majority of other adventure tour operators. The price guarantee applies to all new bookings departing between 1st January 2014 and 31st December 2015.

Tour Itinerary Versions

Itinerary details may vary depending on departure date and alternative itineraries for this tour may exist. Please refer to the dates and prices page on our website to check which itinerary operates on each departure date.

Please ensure that you have an up-to-date copy of these tour notes immediately before you travel, as from time to time our itineraries may be amended, either for operational reasons or in response to feedback from customers. You will be informed of any major changes to your tour but small changes may just be added to these tour notes.

Please note: 2015 itinerary versions are applicable to tours departing in 2015. 2016/17 itinerary versions are applicable to tours departing from 1st January to 31st December 2016.

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