

# ANCIENT CROSSROADS *of ASIA and the* MIDDLE EAST

A LUXURY TOUR BY PRIVATE JET

  
January 26 – February 17, 2022

ENGLAND • EGYPT • ISRAEL • UZBEKISTAN • THAILAND • VIETNAM • INDIA • NEPAL • BHUTAN • OMAN

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JANUARY 26 – FEBRUARY 17, 2022

Explore ancient civilizations and enduring cultures on a journey to some of the world's most historic and treasured locales aboard our private jet.

For more information, please contact Tour Operator, TCS World Travel at **877.805.0761** or visit **GoByPrivateJet.com/Texas-Exes**

AN ALL-INCLUSIVE EXPEDITION BY PRIVATE JET

- ▶ *\$135,950 per person, double occupancy*
- ▶ *\$13,595 solo supplement*

23

DAYS

9

DESTINATIONS

48

GUESTS



BOEING 757



FLATBED SEATS

24/7

DEDICATED STAFF

**CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE** Guests have several ways to experience this expedition: Join us for the entire itinerary, opt for the first half only (London to Bangkok), or choose to join us halfway through (Bangkok to London). Call for details.

\*Prices are subject to change. Check website for most current pricing.

LONDON, ENGLAND

*Begin and End*

SAMARKAND, UZBEKISTAN

JERUSALEM,  
ISRAEL

LUXOR AND THE  
PYRAMIDS, EGYPT

MUSCAT, OMAN

JAIPUR,  
INDIA

KATHMANDU,  
NEPAL

PARO, BHUTAN

HOI AN,  
VIETNAM

BANGKOK, THAILAND  
*(Last stop of first half trip and  
beginning of second half trip)*

Safe  
travels





## London, England

JANUARY 26

Arrive in London where you will meet fellow guests, your expert trip leaders and dedicated guest services staff for a welcome dinner at the hotel. As your exciting journey begins, enjoy views overlooking Hyde Park and the bustling cosmopolitan paradise. We depart for Luxor the following day.

 ACCOMMODATIONS: MANDARIN ORIENTAL HYDE PARK, LONDON

 FLIGHT TO EGYPT: 5H 20M



## Luxor and the Pyramids, Egypt

JANUARY 27 – 28

Witness the astonishing archaeological wonders of Egypt, which have captured the world's imagination for centuries. Alongside your expert Egyptologist, delve into the fascinating and enigmatic history of Luxor, including the dramatic Temple of Karnak and legendary Valley of the Kings. Float along the Nile River on a private *dahabiyah* boat cruise and imagine yourself traveling to a time long past. On a special day trip, fly by private jet to Cairo, where you'll stand in awe before the colossal Pyramids of Giza and mythical Great Sphinx.

 ACCOMMODATIONS: HILTON LUXOR RESORT & SPA

 FLIGHT TO ISRAEL: 2H 55M (INCLUDES DAY STOP IN CAIRO)



## Jerusalem, Israel

JANUARY 29 – 31

Journey to Jerusalem, a holy city set atop limestone hills between the Mediterranean and Dead Sea. Meaning “city of peace,” Jerusalem is home to numerous spiritual pilgrimage sites for many of the world’s major religions. In the company of Israeli and Palestinian guides, immerse yourself in the religious, cultural and historic significance of sacred sites within the Old City, including the Temple Mount, Western Wall, Church of the Holy Sepulchre and the Garden of Gethsemane. Delve into ancient artifacts at the Israeli Museum, reflect at Yad Vashem, look out over the Masada fortress and tour the Church of the Nativity.

 ACCOMMODATIONS: KING DAVID JERUSALEM HOTEL

 FLIGHT TO UZBEKISTAN: 4H 45M



## Samarkand, Uzbekistan

FEBRUARY 1 – 2

Experience Samarkand, one of the most influential posts on the legendary Silk Road, an ancient trade route that stretched over 4,000 miles linking China and the Mediterranean Sea. Due to its location along the route, Samarkand rose to become a cultural, scholastic and economic epicenter. See for yourself how the city’s dimensional history persists in the impressive domes and tilework in Registan Square, the ornate tomb of Gur-e-Amir and the rich carpet-weaving traditions passed down for generations.

 ACCOMMODATIONS: DILIMAH PREMIUM LUXURY HOTEL

 FLIGHT TO THAILAND: 6H 10M



## Bangkok, Thailand

FEBRUARY 3 – 4

Delve into Thailand's capital city, known for its ornate temples, dynamic food scene and vibrant neighborhoods. Visit stunning shrines and monuments including the Royal Grand Palace, home of the revered Emerald Buddha. Savor Bangkok's many culinary flavors, from street food to Michelin-starred cuisine. Revel in Bangkok's lesser-known gems—float along the Chao Phraya's back-water canals or take in the gritty charm and contemporary art of the Creative District. Guests who have opted for a partial trip will meet or leave our group in Bangkok.

 **ACCOMMODATIONS:** FOUR SEASONS HOTEL BANGKOK AT CHAO PHRAYA RIVER

 **FLIGHT TO VIETNAM:** 1H 45M



## Hoi An, Vietnam

FEBRUARY 5 – 7

Enjoy the wonders of Hoi An, from ancient temples and colonial architecture to verdant rice paddies and pristine beaches. The historic port of Hoi An is a melting pot of Japanese, Chinese, Vietnamese and European cultures—a fusion reflected in its well-preserved, 15th-century UNESCO World Heritage Old Town. Stroll its winding streets lined with traditional wooden shops; enjoy a scenic bike ride through the lush countryside and watch daily life unfold in picturesque villages; discover Cam Kim island by guided Vespa; or explore one of Southeast Asia's foremost Hindu temple complexes, the My Son Sanctuary.

 **ACCOMMODATIONS:** FOUR SEASONS RESORT THE NAM HAI, HOI AN

 **FLIGHT TO INDIA:** 5H 35M



## Jaipur, India

FEBRUARY 8 – 10

Immerse yourself in the vibrant culture, architecture and history of Jaipur, considered the crown jewel of Rajasthan. This land was once the royal capital of the Rajput kings, who ruled northwest India for hundreds of years. Explore echoes of their reign amid opulent palaces, massive fortresses and the famous rose-colored buildings that give Jaipur its nickname: the “Pink City.” Delve into the city’s artistic, intellectual and cultural treasures, from the historic city center to its famous open-air observatory—both UNESCO World Heritage sites.

 ACCOMMODATIONS: RAMBAGH PALACE

 FLIGHT TO NEPAL: 2H



## Kathmandu, Nepal

FEBRUARY 11

Known as the “city of temples,” Kathmandu’s landscape is adorned with diverse temples, stupas and monasteries reflecting the country’s Hindu and Buddhist presence. Delve into this religious and cultural crossroads as you venture into the Kathmandu Valley to admire the distinctive architecture of Patan and Bhaktapur, including the beautifully intricate and ornate Palace of Fifty-Five Windows. Witness rituals at Pashupatinath, an impressive Hindu temple and beloved UNESCO World Heritage site.

 ACCOMMODATIONS: THE DWARIKA’S HOTEL

 FLIGHT TO BHUTAN: 1H 10M (CHARTER FLIGHT)



## Paro, Bhutan

FEBRUARY 12 – 13

Board a charter flight to Paro, a remote Himalayan kingdom surrounded by snow-capped mountains and emerald-green valleys. As you travel across the region's incredible geography, take in daily life and traditions that have endured due to the country's years of isolation. Embark on a spectacular (and strenuous) hike to the captivating Tiger's Nest, a beloved monastery nestled high in a cliffside. Explore ancient fortresses known as *dzongs*, including the "Fortress on the Heap of Jewels" whose buttressed walls are visible throughout the valley.

 ACCOMMODATIONS: ZHIWA LING HOTEL

 FLIGHT TO OMAN: 6H 10M (INCLUDES CHARTER FLIGHT AND TECH STOP)



## Muscat, Oman

FEBRUARY 14 – 15

Journey to Muscat, Oman's ancient port capital nestled on the coast of the Gulf of Oman between high mountains and sweeping desert. Take in the surprising skyline from the sea on a relaxing cruise on a traditional Omani *dhow*. Soak up Oman's vibrant heritage as you wander Muscat's vibrant local souks, explore impressive forts, and visit wondrous and intricately designed mosques.

Celebrate your journey's conclusion in London on February 16 and enjoy a festive farewell dinner before returning home on your independent flight the next day.

 ACCOMMODATIONS: AL BUSTAN PALACE, A RITZ-CARLTON HOTEL

 FLIGHT TO ENGLAND: 8H 35M

 ACCOMMODATIONS: MANDARIN ORIENTAL HYDE PARK, LONDON



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