

RAINBOW TOURS

Top 20 Trips









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At Rainbow Tours we specialise in tailor-made trips to Africa, Madagascar and Latin America, creating trips for those looking for not just a holiday but the experience of a lifetime.

Whether it is a classic safari across Zambia's South Luangwa National Park, searching for lemurs in the rainforests of Madagascar or trekking through the Andean highlands to arrive at Machu Picchu, these top 20 trips are all spectacular. Our Africa and Latin America Travel Specialists are on hand to organise your dream holiday.

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## Madagascar Reef & Rainforest

#### Perfect for unique endemic wildlife

Combine lemur-rich rainforests in eastern Madagascar with a reef-protected beach on the tropical island of Ile Ste Marie. You'll explore the wonders of Andasibe-Mantadia National Park, a 155 sq km protected area located 90 miles from the country's capital, Antanarivo. Home to 11 species of lemur and a host of birds, the park is also the place to find reptiles like the enormous Parson's chameleon. From here, journey to the north east coast for a 7-night stay at Princesse Bora Lodge, a sunsoaked Indian Ocean hideaway where private villas are set amid stunning tropical gardens. From June to September you'll be able to spot humpback whales making their annual migration from the Antarctic to the sheltered waters around the island.

14 days from £2730pp



## **Ultimate Stargazing Adventure**

#### Perfect for astronomy lovers

With a dry climate, high altitude and no light pollution, the skies of northern Chile and southern Bolivia are some of the world's clearest. Study the dazzling constellations of the Southern Hemisphere from the comfort of Alto Atacama Desert Lodge & Spa, the silence and tranquillity of the remote area creates the perfect ambience for stargazing. Settle into the outdoor lounge areas of the lodge to take in the views of the spectacular Salt Mountain Range. Once the sun has set and the sky has come alive with the light of a billion stars, visit the hotel's observatory to search for three of the brightest – Sirius, Canopus and Alpha Centauri. As day breaks, cross the border into Bolivia where the waters of Laguna Verde dazzle in the bright sunlight, and more stargazing adventures await.

14 days from £4930pp





#### **Brazil Trio**

#### Perfect for first-time visitors

Combine the big city buzz of Rio de Janeiro – Brazil's most captivating city – with spectacular natural wonders and relaxing beach time. On arrival in Rio, you'll check in at the iconic Belmond Copacabana Palace. This exclusive hotel, located just steps away from the legendary Copacabana Beach, has been welcoming the rich and famous for decades. A trip to the base of Christ the Redeemer is an absolute must before you travel west to witness the astounding power of Iguazu Falls and stay in the Belmond Hotel das Cataratas, where you will have exclusive access to the falls after hours. Complete your journey on a remote peninsula in the south of Brazil, relaxing on a private beach or swinging in a hammock admiring the sparkling waters of the Emerald Sea.

12 days from £4330pp







### Botswana Made Easy

# Perfect for an exhilarating water-based safari

Botswana has some of Africa's last great wilderness areas. The national parks and private game reserves cover nearly half of the country and form a unique range of eco-systems that support a rich diversity of plant, bird and animal life. Discover three of Botswana's essential safari areas including the Moremi Game Reserve and the extraordinary landlocked Okavango Delta. You'll enjoy overnight stays in exclusive riverfront lodges with your own private viewing decks and at authentic luxury bush safari camps. Embark on game viewing drives in an open-top 4x4 or take to the water to track the big game in traditional mokoros and powerboats.

9 days from £3150pp







#### Zambia & Victoria Falls

#### Perfect for walking safaris

Renowned for its large populations of lions, leopards and elusive African wild dogs, South Luangwa National Park is home to 60 different species of animals and over 400 species of colourful birds – making it one of the most intensely populated parks in Africa. Whether you visit in the dry winter months, or the lush green of summer, the area is famous for its walking safari experiences which give a view of the park not able to be experienced on a game drive. With six luxury camps throughout the park, Norman Carr Safaris offers bespoke itineraries where you walk alongside big game in the company of knowledgeable and experienced guides. After your safari adventure visit the colossal Victoria Falls, the thundering sound of which can be heard 40km away as the Zambezi River plummets 355 feet over the ravine.

12 days from £4399pp



## Discover Ecuador Rainforest & Galapagos Wildlife

#### Perfect for wildlife photography

From treetops to the ocean floor, Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands are home to some fascinating creatures – some found nowhere else in the world. Start your wildlife adventure in the Mashpi Rainforest Biodiversity Reserve, not far from Latitude 0. Perched 900m above sea level, the rainforest is alive with over 400 species of birds – including 36 endemics, as well as monkeys, peccaries and puma. Meander along the pathways in the early morning, watching and listening as the birds and mammals come alive with the rising sun. Next, sail through the iconic Galapagos archipelago on Santa Cruz II and visit the sea lions lazing along the beaches of Santa Fe, the grand giant tortoises of Santa Cruz, the magnificent albatross of Española and the soaring frigatebirds and flapping blue-footed boobies of San Cristobal.

11 days from £5460pp



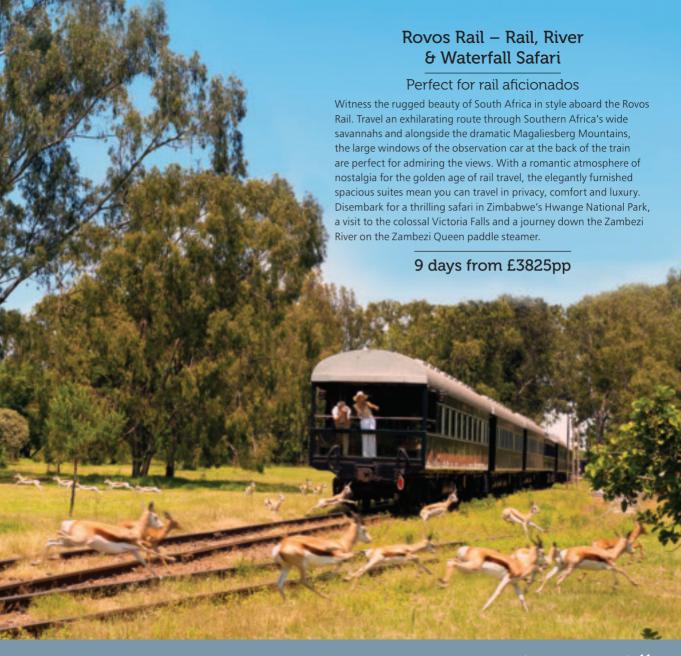
# Volcano & Cloud Forest of Costa Rica

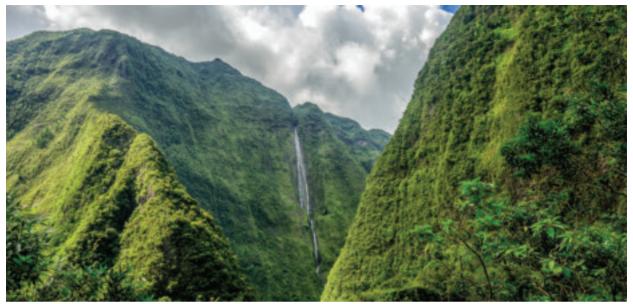
#### Perfect for jungle escapades

Diminutive in size yet rich in biodiversity, the gorgeous landscapes of the national parks, wildlife reserves and beaches of Costa Rica have a dazzling array of animals and birdlife – from the comically slow sloths to the resplendent quetzal. Hidden within 500 acres of a tropical cloud forest in the highlands of the Central Valley, El Silencio Lodge and Spa is the perfect place to enjoy the wilderness, the 16 suites dotted along the jungle hillside with sweeping views of the forest. Travel west to the Nicoya Peninsula and stay in Hotel Punta Islita, where you can combine explorations of the tropical dry forest with idyllic relaxation on your own private terrace, gazing out over the Pacific Ocean.

13 days from £3195pp







#### Reunion Island - Self Drive

#### Perfect for intrepid motorists

Less well known than neighbouring Madagascar, Reunion Island has plenty to offer the intrepid adventurer, from gorgeous beaches and coral reefs, to cascading waterfalls and the ominous black peak of an active volcano. A self-drive tour of this remarkable island will take you exploring through picturesque mountain towns to the edge of Piton de la Fournaise, where the lava slowly creeps down the mountain. In your own time, continue along the coastal highway past charming fishing villages, over high mountain passes, and through deep gorges before relaxing on the white-sand beaches.

16 days from £2450pp



#### Lares Adventure to Machu Picchu

#### Perfect for trekkers looking for a cultural adventure

Discover one of the world's most magical regions on a journey through the less-visited Lares region. As you pass secluded communities and meet the friendly Peruvian people, get a glimpse into Andean culture and a way of life which has remained unchanged for centuries. For those who choose to spend a day trekking, you will see majestic snowcapped peaks and graceful turquoise lakes, flowing waterfalls and roaming herds of llamas and alpacas, the sights of this remarkable area leaving a lasting impression. Once you arrive at Machu Picchu one look at the stone ruins spread out before you will make you appreciate why the world has been captivated by this ancient citadel since its discovery in 1911.





#### Chile - North to South

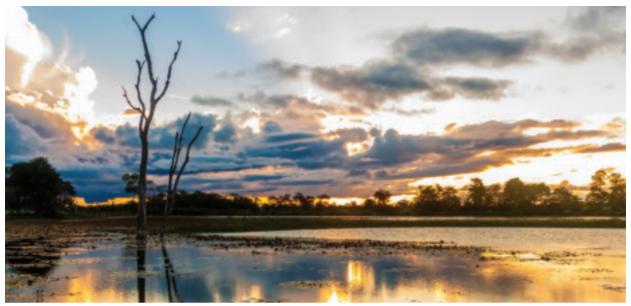
#### Perfect for landscape photography

From the harsh and striking lands of the Atacama Desert in the north, to the colossal glacial field of the mysterious Tierra del Fuego in the south, Chile stretches 4,300km along the western edge of South America, and holds some of the continent's most extreme natural wonders. In a journey of contrasts, travel from the lunar landscapes and vast salt flats of the north to the icy landscapes of the south, where the Australis Cruise will navigate through the southernmost Patagonian channels in some of the world's most remote areas. Sail through the Beagle Channel where the eerie silence is disrupted only by the sudden crash of huge ice chunks falling into the glassy waters.

14 days from £5320pp







#### Best of Brazilian Amazon & Pantanal

#### Perfect for exploring the diverse Amazon region

Home to the world's largest wetlands and most of the Amazon Rainforest, Brazil is an exceptional destination for nature lovers. Travel to the Pantanal, a patchwork of flooded grasslands, savannahs and tropical forest where wildlife like capybaras, blue-and-yellow macaws and giant anteaters are waiting to be spotted. You'll journey north to the magnificent Amazon Rainforest and check in at Cristalino Lodge. This luxury eco resort is accessible only by water, and guests arrive on a motorised canoe to a gorgeous setting among tropical trees. Surrounded by nature, neighbours include 580 species of birds, 2,000 of butterflies and local mammals like tapirs, river otters and howler monkeys.

13 days from £4270pp



#### Essential Zimbabwe

#### Perfect for Big Five game viewing

Not to be overlooked, Zimbabwe holds its own among neighbouring safari destinations like South Africa and Botswana. Home to diverse and dramatic landscapes, the country is famous for its natural attractions including the spectacular Victoria Falls – one of the seven Natural Wonders of the World. It flows into the Zambezi River, where you can drift downstream on a canoe safari and be greeted at your camp at the end of the day with a refreshing drink and a hot bush shower before enjoying dinner under the stars. Get your first glimpse of Africa's Big Five from the air as you descend by light aircraft into Hwange National Park. Home to one of the largest elephant populations in the world, the park is also a sanctuary for lions, hippos, hyenas and African wild dogs.

#### 11 days from £4950pp





### South Africa's Cape Town, Garden Route & Safari

# Perfect for experiencing everything South Africa has to offer

From the picturesque coastline to the wildlife-rich game reserves, the Garden Route stretches from Cape Town to Port Elizabeth creating the ultimate South African road trip. After exploring the metropolitan capital city, beautifully placed underneath the striking Table Mountain, travel to one of the gorgeous estates of the famous Stellenbosch wine region, and then head to Plettenberg Bay where from June to November graceful humpback whales can be spotted breaching in the water. Complete this incredible trip with a safari across the vast Kariega Game Reserve to watch a pride of lions lazing in the sun, a herd of elephants stopping for a drink and leopards hiding in the branches of the trees.

14 days from £1785pp







## Argentina's Buenos Aires & Patagonia

# Perfect for those who love culture and nature

Combine the sophisticated eclectic culture of Buenos Aires with the unique frozen beauty of Patagonia for an unforgettable taste of Argentina. In Buenos Aires, one of South America's most exhilarating cities, the colourful streets are alive day and night with locals dancing the tango, the smell of delicious food and the sound of the city's energetic nightlife. For a change of scene, journey south to wild and desolate Patagonia, an adventurer's paradise of jagged icy peaks, crystal clear glacial lakes and miles of hiking trails. Stay in the town of El Calafate to travel into the Los Glaciares National Park, the centrepiece of the icy wonderland the spectacular Perito Moreno glacier, an 18 mile long river of ice.

12 days from £3295pp









# Win a case of South American & South African wine

Enter our competition to win a mixed dozen of South African, Argentinean and Chilean wine. From fresh and fruity South African Sauvignon Blanc to deep and rich Malbec from Argentina, this lovely case holds the tastes of three Rainbow Tours destinations. Naked Wines supports independent winemakers, helping them focus on making great wines so customers can enjoy wonderful wines at preferential prices.

Enter online at www.rainbowtours.co.uk/top-20-trips



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