

November 29

Kona, Hawaii

Begin your journey in the lush tropical paradise of Hawaii

Arrive on the island of Kona, where you will meet fellow guests, your expert trip leaders and dedicated guest services staff. Kick off your trip with a festive welcome dinner.

December 1

Hagatna, Guam

Experience the Chamorro culture and pristine oceanfront of Guam

Lose a day crossing the international date line to spend a quick stop on the remote island of Guam. Whether exploring the interesting local culture or diving into the island's crystal-clear waters, you will leave this tropical paradise with an appreciation for its richness and beauty.

December 2 – 4

Chiang Mai, Thailand

Chiang Mai's laid-back attitude and majestic temples will charm you

Once the center of the ancient Lanna Kingdom, Chiang Mai is an indisputable cultural capital of Thailand. Enjoy the bustle of this fascinating city while witnessing how people have preserved traditional handicrafts and also immersing in the lush natural beauty of the region.

December 5 – 6

Paro, Bhutan

Bhutan is a remote Himalayan kingdom known as the "last Shangri-La"

With snow-capped peaks, dramatic valleys and well-preserved culture, Bhutan has been wowing foreign visitors since it opened up to mass tourism in the 1970s. Get an authentic glimpse of daily life as you travel through scenic panoramas and experience Bhutanese traditions that have largely been preserved through years of isolation.

December 7

Kathmandu, Nepal

Nepal has long served as a crossroads for cultures and religions

Buddhism and Hinduism peacefully coexist in Nepal, as evidenced in Kathmandu's diverse array of stupas and temples. Immerse in Kathmandu, a city rich with four UNESCO World Heritage sites that range from colorful spectacles to places of reverent devotion, from the Boudhanath Stupa and Pashupatinath temple to Durbar Square and Bhaktapur Palace.

December 8 – 10

Zighy Bay, Oman

Oman is widely considered the hidden jewel of the Arabian Peninsula

Oman's Musandam Peninsula is where the rugged Al Hajar Mountains meet the sky-blue Strait of Hormuz. Discover why many travel experts consider Oman one of the newest must-see destinations, thanks to its stunning natural beauty and fascinating culture.

December 11 – 12

Tunis, Tunisia

Tunisia was a crossroads for prolific civilizations

Inhabited by a series of empires from the Phoenicians and Romans to the Ottomans, the history of modern-day Tunisia spans thousands of years. While exploring some of North Africa's finest museums and impeccably preserved city centers, discover how this small country has been shaped by the intersection of different cultures over the centuries.

December 13 – 14

Sal, Cape Verde

Sal is the gateway between Europe, Africa and the Americas

Settled by Portuguese explorers in 1462, Cape Verde is a beautiful archipelago off the coast of West Africa. Each island contains unique landscapes, ranging from volcanoes to lush mountains to pristine beaches, as well as an intriguing blend of African, Brazilian and Portuguese cultures.

December 15 – 17

Panama City, Panama

Experience an engineering marvel at the Panama Canal

Continue your cultural immersion in Panama City and cap off your visit to Panama with a private dinner in the UNESCO-listed Old Town.

December 18 – 19

Austin, Texas

Celebrate your journey's end in the capital of the Lone Star state

Arrive to Austin on the evening of December 18 for a farewell dinner with your fellow travelers. Following a night of rest, return home on your independent flight the next day.