Columbia University
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AROUND THE WORLD
by Private Jet

An Exploration of the World’s Greatest Treasures & Legendary Places

with Columbia Professor Joel Cohen

Cusco & Machu Picchu • Easter Island • Samoa • Great Barrier Reef • Angkor Wat
Lhasa, Tibet • Taj Mahal • Serengeti Plain • Luxor, the Pyramids & the Sphinx • Fez or Marrakech

February 13 – March 8, 2007
Dear Columbian:

We invite you to join us on a very special private jet journey around the world to explore thirteen of the world’s most treasured and legendary places, where natural splendor merges with the majesty of human achievement.

An extraordinary team of experts has been assembled to lead this remarkable journey, including Columbia Professor of Populations Joel Cohen and Columbia alumnus and geologist Ed Spencer. Historian Jeff Cole, art historian Jack Daulton, and ornithologist Steve Kress will also share their knowledge, perspectives, and enthusiasm for these legendary destinations.

Travel to these remarkable wonders comfortably and safely aboard our specially outfitted private Boeing 757 jet. An experienced crew and an American physician travel with you, along with a talented expedition team who will attend to every logistical detail.

To learn more about this extraordinary expedition, or to make a reservation, please call us toll-free at 1-866-3ALUMNI (866-325-8664) or for New York residents 212-472-4365. I hope you will join our outstanding team of experts and other travelers on what promises to be the experience of a lifetime.

Sincerely,

Eric J. Furda
Vice President for Alumni Relations
Columbia University

p.s. In addition to the “must see” sites at each destination, there is also time to follow your own interests and passions. You may choose from several activities—from cooking lessons to exploring a special museum, and more.
Climb the terraced steps and touch the seamless walls of the ancient Inca citadel, Machu Picchu. Feel the protective gaze of the Easter Island moai. Bask in the radiant beauty of lush tropical Samoa. Immerse yourself in the underwater splendor of the Great Barrier Reef. Welcome the sun among Angkor Wat’s astoundingly beautiful temples and watch it set on the Serengeti Plain amid Africa’s greatest concentration of wildlife. Take in awe-inspiring views of the Himalaya from Tibet’s Potala Palace. Stand enthralled before the majesty of the Taj Mahal. Come face-to-face with the mysterious Sphinx in the company of the ancient Pyramids. Savor the exotic scents of spices and foods in the souks of Fez. And everywhere be amazed by the natural and cultural wonders that have for ages inspired and captured the imagination of the world.
Explore the World’s Infinite & Astonishing Diversity

**The Taj Mahal, Agra, India**
History’s great builders, the Moguls, left the Taj Mahal as their lasting masterpiece. Inspired by love, it counts among the greatest man-made structures of all time.

**Serengeti Plain, Tanzania**
A photographer’s dream, the Serengeti Plain is the site of a breathtaking concentration of wildlife, including lions, cheetahs, and vast herds of plains animals.

**Luxor & the Pyramids, Egypt**
Luxor is home to one of the largest concentrations of antiquities on Earth. At Giza, admire the ancient pyramids and the mysterious Sphinx.

**Lhasa, Tibet**
Former home of the Dalai Lamas, this magical and majestic holy city has drawn countless Tibetan Buddhists on pilgrimages to its monasteries and sacred temples.

**Angkor Wat, Cambodia**
Explore the astoundingly beautiful Angkor temple complex, one of the greatest architectural structures in the world. And discover the hidden treasures beyond it.

**Great Barrier Reef, Australia**
One of the world’s greatest natural wonders, the 1,250-mile-long system of reefs is home to a rainbow-variety of exotic marine and bird life.
**Fez or Marrakech, Morocco**
Delve into the medieval treasures of Saharan kings in Fez, or visit the colorful souks of Marrakech.

**Washington, D.C.**

**Cusco & Machu Picchu, Peru**
Marvel at the cultural legacies of Incas and Spaniards in Cusco, and climb the terraced steps untouched by the boots of conquistadores at Machu Picchu.

**Easter Island, Chile**
One of the most isolated places on Earth, Easter Island is home to the enormous and mysterious moai statues, somber clues to the island's lost culture.

**Apia, Samoa, Polynesia**
Enjoy the hospitality and unspoiled beauty of tropical Samoa, considered the cradle of Polynesian culture.

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If you have previously experienced any excursions on this itinerary, a different program may be developed, usually at no additional cost. Throughout the following pages, we make suggestions for sightseeing options, and, if you prefer to visit a different stop entirely, suggestions for alternative destinations. These are a mere sampling of what is possible. For more information and to discuss your ideal itinerary, please call us.
Learn While We Fly

Enrichment is the key to rewarding exploration. A team of world-class scholars travels with us, hand-picked for their ability to illuminate the history of empires, the varied cultures we encounter, and the outstanding examples of art and architecture we visit. With a special in-flight lecture system installed in our jet, they make use of our flying time to offer informative and stimulating lectures and discussions about each destination. In addition, videos, books, and publications relating to each destination are available in the jet’s library for your reference.

Joel E. Cohen is a renowned expert on the nature and effects of populations on the environment, having studied the demography, ecology, epidemiology, and social organization of humans and animals all over the world for more than 30 years. A former MacArthur Fellow, he has written several books, including How Many People Can The Earth Support?, Food Webs and Niche Space, and Absolute Zero Gravity, a volume of scientific and mathematical humor. He is Professor of Populations at both Rockefeller University and Columbia University.

Jeffrey A. Cole is a Latin American historian who has led more than thirty journeys to Central and South America for the Smithsonian since 1980. He has been to Peru more than a dozen times and is a specialist in its colonial history during the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. He earned his B.A. and M.A. degrees at the University of Connecticut, won a Fulbright grant to conduct his dissertation research throughout South America, and then received his Ph.D. at the University of Massachusetts.

Jack Daulton is an acclaimed lecturer on the art and architecture of non-Western civilizations and has been a study leader on many trips to more than 50 countries throughout the world. His academic work has included extensive study of the art and architecture of Asia and Africa, as well as the study of Buddhism, Hinduism, and Islam. Jack also is a practicing attorney with a particular interest in international law relating to the preservation and conversation of the world’s cultural heritage. In a widely reported 1995 federal case, he recovered a 1,000-year-old sculpture that had been stolen from a temple in Southeast Asia.

Steve Kress is The National Audubon Society’s Vice-President for Bird Conservation and Director of its acclaimed Seabird Restoration Program. He has authored many books and papers, including The Audubon Society Guide to Attracting Birds, The Audubon Society Handbook for Birders and The Audubon Society Bird Garden. Steve teaches ornithology courses at the Audubon Camp in Maine and at the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology. He has led many expeditions over the years and enjoys sharing his wildlife expertise with fellow travelers.

Ed Spencer is the Ruth Parmly Professor of Geology emeritus at Washington and Lee University. A popular study leader, Ed has led W&L Traveller programs in Nepal, Patagonia, Norway and Sweden, Australia and New Zealand, Switzerland, the Pyrenees and the Grand Canyon. Ed is the author of several college textbooks about physical geology, historical geology, earth science, environmental systems, structural geology, and map interpretation. Educated at Washington and Lee, with a Ph.D. from Columbia, Ed has been honored for his superior teaching by the Virginia Department of Higher Education. He is fondly known by his students as “Dr. Rock.”
Follow Your Passion

Enjoy the advantages of traveling on your own, while reaping the benefits of traveling with a group. We offer you an innovative itinerary that includes the best each destination has to offer and allows for travel in small groups (15 to 20 travelers on average), ensuring an intimate and truly enriching experience.

But this is only the beginning, because we believe travel should be full of surprise and personal discovery. In addition to in-depth sightseeing programs at each destination, we offer personalized excursions and independent options. Whether you want to take a cooking class, meet local artists, or hike off the beaten path, we will ensure that your experience is memorable and tailored for you.

Travel by Private Jet

Our specially outfitted Boeing 757 is ideally suited for this extraordinary expedition. Its long-range capabilities and ability to land in smaller airports afford us unmatched flexibility. We set our own schedules, flying direct and avoiding layovers, allowing us the freedom to make the most of our adventures on land. The interior has been customized and refitted to our specifications to provide the ultimate in comfort and convenience, accommodating only 88 passengers in two-by-two VIP seats, instead of the standard 189 seats.

Expedition Staff and Crew

Our talented expedition staff is a team of experienced travel experts who attend to the expedition’s every logistical detail. These highly skilled and forward-thinking professionals travel with you to ensure that your experience is worry-free and thoroughly positive. Also, a dedicated flight crew is specially selected for this expedition, handpicked for their attention to detail, dedication to safety and security, and top-notch hospitality.

Expedition Physician

For your comfort and well being, an expedition physician accompanies us throughout the journey. Well-traveled and especially knowledgeable in travel medicine, the physician will be ready to provide healthcare services whenever and wherever they may be needed.

Expedition Chef

We travel with our own expedition chef to ensure that in-flight meals are prepared using only the freshest ingredients and with a special emphasis on food safety. Each menu is carefully developed to accommodate a range of tastes, and each dish is beautifully presented and served with a selection of wines.

Luxurious Accommodations and Fine Food

From the splendid Oberoi Amarvilas to the colorful Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel we have chosen some of the world’s finest and most interesting accommodations. Each one is carefully selected for its fine amenities and prime location. In remote areas where choices are limited, we stay at the very best available accommodations, to ensure your comfort. We have also arranged many festive banquets in unique settings accompanied by traditional entertainment. When conditions permit, we encourage you to dine on your own—on us—at your choice of restaurants.
Choose from among many excursions along the way.

While at Machu Picchu, you may go on a sunrise outing to the sacred citadel or hike a part of the Inca Trail.

As an alternative to Cusco and Machu Picchu, you may take an overnight excursion to the temples of Trujillo and Chiclayo, where the richest burial chambers ever found in the Americas were discovered.

During your time at leisure in Easter Island, go horseback riding, hike the grassy hills, or explore additional archaeological sites with our guides.

Washington, D.C.

Tuesday, February 13, 2007. Meet experts, staff, and fellow travelers for a reception at the headquarters of the National Geographic Society, followed by dinner at the hotel. Mandarin Oriental, Washington, D.C.

Lima, Peru

Peru's City of Kings

Wednesday, February 14. Fly to Lima, once the wealthy capital of Spain's New World Empire, aboard our private Boeing 757. Enjoy a special dinner at the Rafael Larco Herrera Archaeological Museum, including a private curator-led tour of its extensive collection. Swissotel, Lima

Cusco and Machu Picchu, Peru

Sacred Inca Citadel

Thursday & Friday, February 15 & 16. We fly to Cusco by local flight, then travel by train to Machu Picchu through the wildly scenic Urubamba Valley, the sacred valley of the Inca. Abandoned by the Inca and only rediscovered in 1911, Machu Picchu is one of the world’s greatest archaeological sites and natural wonders. Situated on the eastern slopes of the Andes, high among the clouds and surrounded by tropical mountain forests, this remote site managed to stay far beyond the destructive path of the Spanish conquistadors and remain well preserved. Examine the ingenious stone masonry used to construct Machu Picchu's maze of squares, aqueducts, watchtowers, giant walls, terraces, bridges, observatories, and its mystical sun clock.

Return by train to Cusco, a legendary city that was the center of the Andean world for centuries, and is now where Inca and Spanish history are inextricably intertwined. The original layout of Cusco remains preserved, while many of its remarkable buildings are marvelous Spanish Baroque palaces and churches that were built directly on foundations laid by early Inca inhabitants. The result is a complex urban center that is a breathtaking manifestation of its fascinating history. We explore the stately Plaza de Armas in the heart of this historic city, and wander the arcades, colonial mansions, and the great Spanish colonial cathedral. We also visit Cusco’s colorful markets, where local artisans and craftspeople showcase their talents. Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel; Monasterio Hotel, Cusco

Easter Island, Chile

Somber Sentinels of a Vanished Culture

Saturday & Sunday, February 17 & 18. Fly 2,300 miles off the coast of Chile to Easter Island, the most remote inhabited island in the world and an open-air museum of ancient stone villages, sanctuaries, and giant statues called moai. Since it was discovered by a Dutch admiral on Easter Sunday 1722, it has been the subject of debate. How did its native people first arrive? What transpired over the centuries? What do the tall, brooding statues mean? Among the ancient ceremonial centers, volcanic craters, petroglyphs, lava formations, and gorgeous beaches, resident archaeologist Edmundo Edwards explores the island’s treasures with you and reveals their hidden stories. Hanga Roa Hotel and Taha Tai Hotel, Easter Island
Extraordinary Places

During the expedition, we take you to twelve UNESCO World Heritage sites—places designated to be of extraordinary and universal cultural or natural value.

Sunrise at Easter Island, Chile

Ruins at Machu Picchu

Quechua family, Urubamba Valley
Pursue your special interests at each stop

For those who have already been to the Great Barrier Reef, take an alternative nature excursion to the Daintree River with its lush flowers, plants, and bird and marine life. Alternatively, take a Dreamtime walk with an Aboriginal guide of the Kuku Yalanji tribe through the Botanical Ark—a sanctuary of rare, exotic fruit trees and rainforest wildlife. Lunch is served using produce from the garden. Or enjoy golf or beach activities at our luxury resort.

At Angkor Wat, you may choose to visit the temple complex at Preah Khan to view ongoing restoration work by the World Monuments Fund, or visit various local art galleries with Jack Daulton. For those who have already visited Angkor, we can arrange an alternate visit to the rarely visited Citadel of Women (“Banteay Srei”), or travel by air on a day excursion to Cambodia’s bustling capital, Phnom Penh, where visits include the National Museum, School of Fine Arts, Royal Palace, and Tuol Sleng Museum.

Apia, Samoa, Polynesia
Unspoiled Heart of the South Pacific

Monday, February 19. Samoa has changed little from ancient times, making it one of the most traditional of Polynesian cultures. This beautiful island world is well known for its hospitality, traditional ceremonies and distinct communal customs, known as fa’a Samoa, or “the Samoan way.” We visit Vailima, Robert Louis Stevenson’s home during the last four years of his life, from 1890-1894, where we are welcomed with a traditional kava ceremony. We also visit the lovely seaside villages, where, later in the evening, we enjoy a fia fia, a colorful performance of traditional Samoan dance and song. AggieGrey’sLagoonHotelorAggieGrey’sHotel&Bungalows

Tuesday, February 20. From Polynesia we continue our voyage across the Pacific, crossing the International Date Line. We lose a day and arrive in Australia the following afternoon.

The Great Barrier Reef, Australia
Resplendent Sanctuary of Undersea Wildlife

Wednesday & Thursday, February 21 & 22. The resplendent Great Barrier Reef is home to an exceptionally rich variety of marine life, unparalleled in the world. Stretching over 1,250 miles from the Tropic of Capricorn to Papua New Guinea, this UNESCO World Heritage site is the largest known coral deposit in the world, and is the habitat for 1,300 species of fish, 300 types of coral, and more than 200 species of birds. We will make an excursion out to the reef and have the opportunity for relaxation, bird watching, snorkeling, and other activities in this incredible marine sanctuary. Sheraton Mirage Resort or Sea Temple Resort & Spa, Port Douglas

Angkor, Cambodia
Ancient Kingdom of the Khmer

Friday & Saturday, February 23 & 24. Fly to Siem Reap to explore the astoundingly beautiful monuments at nearby Angkor. Built between the 9th and 13th centuries, Angkor Wat is the ancient capital of the Khmer Empire, one of the world’s great architectural triumphs. Survey the massive temple complex of towers, carved murals, colonnades, and courtyards that ushered in the classic age of Khmer art and architecture. We also visit the royal city of Angkor Thom and the extraordinary Bayon Temple. Grand Hotel d’Angkor, Siem Reap

Sunday, February 25. Today we reboard our private jet and depart for Chengdu, China for dinner and overnight before departing to Tibet. Kempinski Hotel Chengdu
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Angkor Wat, Cambodia

Bayon Temple, Angkor Thom, Cambodia

Green turtle, Great Barrier Reef

Dancing the Siva during a Fia Fia, Samoa
Customize your travels with alternate activities.

For those who wish an alternative to visiting Lhasa, you may choose a two-day visit to Xian, China to view the famous life-sized terra cotta warriors, the Ming Dynasty wall, the Big Goose Pagoda, and the Shanxi Museum. Or go to Kunming in the Yunnan province to see the spectacular Stone Forest. You may also choose to relax at our luxurious hotel in Chengdu and go on local excursions in the Sichuan province.

As an alternative to visiting the Taj Mahal, travel to the former Mogul capital city of Fatehpur Sikri. Or you may visit nearby Sikandara, to visit the magnificent tomb of Emperor Akbar. In the afternoon, an excursion to the Agra Fort is offered for those who wish, or you may use the time to enjoy our very luxurious hotel and its facilities.

Lhasa, Tibet

Sacred Place of Buddhas

Monday & Tuesday, February 26 & 27. In the morning we depart by local flight to Lhasa, Tibet’s capital located on one of the world’s highest plateaus. Once a “forbidden city,” this Himalayan outpost—with the spectacular Potala Palace dominating its skyline—still maintains its mystical atmosphere. During our visit in this Himalayan Buddhist center, we visit the Jokhang Temple, the country’s oldest and most revered, and have time to explore the colorful Tibetan markets known for their finely crafted ornaments, rugs, and religious paintings and carvings. We then visit the Potala Palace, with its hundreds of rooms, lavish décor, and labyrinthine corridors. It was once the winter residence of the Dalai Lama, and the center of the Tibetan government for more than 300 years. This exploration will be a highlight of our Tibetan visit. We also visit the nearly 600-year-old Sera Monastery, and may see monks still practicing in the Debating Courtyard. Lectures and some leisure time are scheduled to help us to adjust to the altitude of approximately 12,000 feet. Lhasa Hotel

Taj Mahal, Agra, India

Designed by Giants, Finished by Jewelers

Wednesday & Thursday, February 28 & March 1. We return to Chengdu by local flight and board our private jet for Agra. Visit the Taj Mahal, one of the world’s most famous monuments, built in the 17th century by Shah Jahan as a tribute to his wife. A masterpiece of the Mogul empire, the Taj soars majestically above the banks of the River Yamuna. Wander the site, admire its form among the reflecting pools and gardens that surround it, and observe the intricate ornamentation of inlaid precious stones. Oberoi Amarvilas

Serengeti Plain, Tanzania

The Greatest Concentration of Wildlife in Africa

Friday & Saturday, March 2 & 3. Departing Agra in the morning, we fly to Kilimanjaro Airport, and transfer to small aircraft, which whisk us over to the Serengeti Plain. In the local Masai language, ‘Serengeti’ means ‘extended place,’ an appropriate name for this vast wildlife sanctuary, the most complex and least disturbed ecosystem on Earth. We will make several game drives to seek the great abundance of zebras, wildebeest, and vast herds of other animals that graze here, stalked by lions, leopards, and cheetahs in the process—a truly unforgettable experience. Luxury tented camps or lodges
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Plains herds, Serengeti, Tanzania

The Taj Mahal, Agra, India

At prayer, Lhasa, Tibet

Texile, Potala Palace
Luxor & the Pyramids, Egypt  
*Legacies of the Divine Pharaohs*

**Sunday & Monday, March 4 & 5.** Luxor is a treasure-trove of ancient Egyptian achievements admired the world over for centuries. We explore its wondrous Temple of Karnak, described by the ancient Egyptians as “the most perfect of places.” We also see Tutankhamun’s tomb in the Valley of the Kings, make a private visit to the tomb of Queen Nefertari, and wander the Luxor Temple, where we walk through the breathtaking hypostyle hall. We then fly on our private jet from Luxor to Cairo, to visit still another Wonder of the World, the Great Pyramids and the Sphinx. After our visit, we reboard our private jet and continue on to Fez.  

Sonesta St. George Hotel Luxor

Fez, Morocco  
*Medieval Treasures of Saharan Kings*

**Tuesday & Wednesday, March 6 & 7.** In the evening, after our visit to the pyramids, we arrive in Fez. Explore this fabled town—which was founded in the 9th century and flourished in the 13th and 14th centuries under the Merinid Dynasty—and discover why it continues to be considered the spiritual, cultural, and intellectual capital of Morocco. Visit the colorful medina, a UNESCO World Heritage site and a treasury of lovingly-restored medieval-period madrassas, mosques, palaces, and fountains, including the exquisite Kairouyine Mosque. Wander the bustling souks and hidden fondouks where Morocco’s traditional arts and crafts are flourishing, and take an excursion to the nearby hills to visit the tombs of the Merinid sultans and for the unforgettable panorama of Fez below. Enjoy a farewell gala featuring a lavish spread of Moroccan delicacies.  

Palais Jamai Fes

Washington, D.C.

**Thursday, March 8.** Depart for Washington, D.C. Following breakfast, our jet carries us back to Washington, D.C., to connect with your regularly scheduled commercial flight home.

**Cost Per Person**

Double Occupancy: $49,950  •  Single supplement $6,270

*For your protection, all payments are secured in a bank escrow account.*


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**As an alternative to exploring Luxor, you may opt to visit Petra, the Lost City of the Nabataeans.** Hidden in Jordan’s deep canyons south of the Dead Sea, this remarkable site was founded more than 2,000 years ago, and consists of elaborate buildings and tombs carved from sheer rock walls.

**Instead of exploring Fez, you may go on a day trip to the fabled gateway to the Sahara, Marrakech.** Visit the Koutoubia Mosque and the Palace of Dar Si Said, now the Museum of Moroccan Arts. Enjoy lunch at the enchanting La Mamounia hotel, and wend your way through the bustling medina and colorful souks.
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The Sphinx at Giza, Egypt

The Temple of Karnak, Luxor, Egypt

The Royal Palace, Fez, Morocco

Handwoven rugs, Morocco

Shoes, Morocco
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Reservations and Payment: To reserve your place on the Around the World by Private Jet expedition, complete the reservation form and return it with your deposit. Checks or money orders should be payable to “The Commerce Bank of Washington” – ATW-0213-07” or charge your deposit to VISA, MasterCard, or American Express. If you pay your initial deposit by credit card, it is fully refundable until you sign this Operator-Participant Contract. Mail to Columbia University Alumni Travel Study Program, P.O. Box 169, New York, NY 10028. A deposit of $2,500 per person is due at the time of reservation, non-refundable, and is held for security purposes. A second deposit must be received by December 13, 2006, or your reservation will be released from liability under the security agreement. Every reasonable effort will be made to operate the program as scheduled. Columbia University Alumni Travel Study Program, TSS, and Starquest Expeditions reserve the right to cancel any trip because of inadequate enrollment that makes the trip economically infeasible after the departure of the flight, which you are unwilling to accept, we will refund, within 14 days after cancellation. The rights and remedies made available under this contract are in addition to any other rights or remedies available under applicable law. However, we offer refunds under this contract with the express understanding that the receipt of that refund by a passenger waives the additional remedies.

Charter Tour Price: The charter tour price of $49,950 per person (double occupancy) with a $6,270 single supplement includes a privately chartered Boeing 757 that departs from Washington, D.C., USA and returns to Washington, D.C., USA. The Around the World by Private Jet tour price includes all charges and or best available accommodations and all applicable taxes in the destinations and options as indicated in the brochure. All meals beginning with dinner on February 13, 2007 and ending with breakfast on March 8, 2007 are included. All taxes, transportation, excursions, services of professional staff, and lecturers; amenities; $50,000 medical insurance for covered reasons; bottled water at meals and all excursions; and gratuities are included. Any tips or gratuities not specifically mentioned as included in the total charter tour price will be at your discretion. Not included in the price are airfare from your home city to Washington, D.C., USA and from Washington, D.C., USA to your home city; individual airport transfers at beginning and end of trip; optional accident/baggage/cancellation insurance; passport and visa fees; personal expenses such as laundry, telephone, fax, and Internet charges; liquor except aboard the private jet and special events; and medical expenses of any kind. Except for “major changes” as described below, no refund will be made for any accommodations or services included in the charter tour price which you voluntarily do not use.

Insurance: Trip cancellation, health, and accident insurance are available; we will send you more information. We strongly recommend this important protection, which can save you money if you are forced to cancel or alter your trip. Insurance premium payments and refunds are subject to policies of the insurance carrier.

Baggage: Our charter flight allows each passenger to bring on the flight not more than 100 pounds of baggage in 2 bags each weighing 50 pounds or less. For INTERNATIONAL flights, the air carrier’s liability is limited to the actual value of the baggage but not more than 1,000 Special Drawing Rights or $125 per pound, whichever is greater. In addition to the higher value declared at the time of check-in, and an appropriate excess valuation charge is paid. Baggage and personal effects are at all times the sole responsibility of the participant.

Aircraft: This flight will be performed using a Boeing 757 with 92 executive class seats operated by Monarch Airlines, London Luton Airport, Luton, Bedfordshire, UK, EU, 9NL, EU. The operator and air carrier reserve the right to substitute equivalent aircraft if necessary.

Cancellations and Refunds: If you cancel your reservation, your right to receive a refund is limited, as set forth in the following schedule. All requests for refunds must be sent to Columbia University Alumni Travel Study Program in writing via mail, fax or e-mail.

If your notice is received:

- On or before June 13, 2006
- From June 14 to August 14, 2006
- From August 15 to November 15, 2006
- After November 15, 2006

You will receive a refund of all deposits less a:

- $500 per person cancellation fee
- $2,500 per person cancellation fee
- $15,000 per person cancellation fee
- No refund.

Refunds will be made within 14 days of receipt of your notice of cancellation.

If you cancel and provide a substitute participant for this trip, you will receive a full refund of money paid toward the charter price less an administrative charge of $25 for effecting the substitution once the substitute participant has paid in full. Please note that the costs for visas, commercial air tickets, insurance, and pre- and post-tour independent arrangements may not be refundable.

If we make major changes prior to departure, you have the right to cancel and receive a full refund. The following are major changes: (1) a change in the departure or return date, unless you change your ticket from a flexibility fare to an all-inclusive fare; and (2) a change in the destination city for any flight leg, unless the change affects only the order in which cities named in a previous visit. Participation in any or all excursions may be prerequisite to the passage of this chart.

If we cancel the charter tour, we will notify you within 7 days after first learning of the cancellation, or prior to or during the trip, whichever occurs first. If less than 10 days before scheduled departure, we become aware that a major change must be made, we will notify you as soon as possible.

Within 7 days after receiving notification of a major change, but in no event later than departure, you may cancel your reservation and you will receive a full refund within 14 days after canceling. If a major change occurs after the departure of the flight, which you are unwilling to accept, we will refund, within 14 days after your scheduled return date, that portion of your payment, which applies to the services not accepted. If you must cancel the charter tour, we will notify you in writing within 7 days of the cancellation, but in no event later than 10 days before the scheduled departure date. We have no right to cancel the charter tour less than 10 days before departure, except for circumstances that make it physically impossible to perform the charter tour. If that occurs, we will notify you as soon as possible, but not later than 7 days before scheduled departure. Security reasons may be involved granting landing rights for the flight. If the air carrier cannot obtain these rights, we will refund, within 14 days after your scheduled return date, that portion of your payment, which applies to the services not accepted.

Itinerary Changes: The itineraries and staff presented in this brochure are subject to modification and change by Columbia University Alumni Travel Study Program, TSS, or its designated tour operator. Every reasonable effort will be made to operate the program as planned; however, unforeseen world events and conditions require our itinerary to be altered, we reserve the right to do so for the safety and best interest of the group. Columbia University Alumni Travel Study Program, TSS, and Starquest Expeditions reserve the right to cancel any trip because of inadequate enrollment that makes the trip economically infeasible to operate. In such a case, a full refund of the expedition cost will be made.

International Flights: The operation of these flights is subject to the foreign governments granting landing rights for the flight. If the air carrier cannot obtain these rights for any particular flight leg of the expedition, that flight leg will be canceled and alternative arrangements may be made, at the discretion of Columbia University Alumni Travel Study Program, TSS, or Starquest Expeditions.

Health Requirements: This is an active program, which requires you to make a realistic health evaluation prior to traveling. Prior to traveling, you should visit your physician for a check-up and to discuss your ability to participate in this program, as described in the brochure. You are expected to be in active good health, enjoy traveling as part of a group, and be ready to experience cultural differences with grace. Walking and climbing stairs are required in many hotels and airports, to board the aircraft, and are part of many excursions. Because Cusco, Machu Picchu, and Lhasa are located at altitudes of more than 7,500 feet, a doctor's approval for travel to these destinations is required: alternate excursions are available. Any condition requiring special attention, diet, or treatment should be reported in writing when the reservation is made. Malaria, Yellow Fever, and other diseases are present in some countries on this itinerary, and some countries require proof of Yellow Fever inoculation upon entry. For the latest recommendations on specific health precautions, consult your physician and the Centers for Disease Control.

Single/Shared Accommodations: Some single rooms are available at extra cost on a first-come, first-served basis. We will assist persons requesting a roommate. Participants will be notified if a suitable roommate is not available. In this case, the single rate will be charged.

Basis of Rates: All prices are based on two persons sharing a room. All prices and fares are quoted in U.S. dollars. The rates are based on current tariffs and are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances. While we do everything possible to maintain the listed prices, it is necessary to levy a surcharge, including a fuel surcharge, we reserve the right to do so and will notify you at the time of final invoicing.

By registering for this Around the World by Private Jet Expedition, the participant agrees to the Operator-Participant Contract, Responsibility Statement, and Terms & Conditions herein.
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- American Express

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Please arrange a share for me. I am a

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- smoker

If a share cannot be arranged, I agree to pay the single supplement.

I am interested in suite upgrades at an additional cost. Please note: We will provide you with details on suite upgrade options for this itinerary four months before departure.

Please send me information about trip cancellation, health, and accident insurance.

I/We have read and agree to the Terms and Conditions and Operator-Participant Contract for the trip as described in the brochure (each traveler must sign).

Signature | Date
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