

TCS & STARQUEST EXPEDITIONS

INDIA, SRI LANKA & THE MALDIVES BY PRIVATE JET

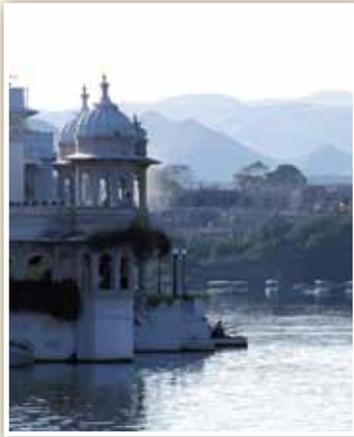
Discover the Cultural & Natural Wonders of
the Great Subcontinent & the Indian Ocean



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- The Ellora Caves
- Jodhpur & The Great Thar Desert
- The Golden Temple of Amritsar
- The Taj Mahal
- Ganges River Culture of Varanasi
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November 27–December 16, 2012

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City Palace, Lake Pichola, Udaipur, India

• HIGHLIGHTS •

Rajsthani Treasures of Udaipur

Sacred Sculptures of the Ellora Caves

The Great Thar Desert & Legendary Opulence of Jodhpur

The Golden Temple & Sikh Pilgrimage in Amritsar

The Taj Mahal

Sacred Traditions of The Ganges River & Varanasi

Hyderabad, A High Tech City & Ancient Capital

Ancient Cities of Sri Lanka

The Maldives, A Beautiful Island Paradise



Explore the treasures of the Mughal Empire; the awe-inspiring grace of Hinduism, Sikhism, and Buddhism; historic centers of commerce and culture; and breathtakingly beautiful deserts, tea hills, rivers, islands, and lakes. Travel by private jet with a team of world-class scholars and professional staff for a level of service, comfort, and convenience that makes this journey a truly unforgettable experience.

ITINERARY – 20 DAYS

London, England

November 27. Meet fellow travelers and the expedition staff at a welcome dinner in London. *The Dorchester, London*

Rajsthani Treasures of Udaipur

November 28, 29 & 30. Upon arrival in Rajasthan, retire for the night on the shores of Lake Pichola. Then explore the picturesque town of Udaipur—graced by serene gardens, ancient temples, and regal marble palaces. Admire the splendor of the Rajput era at the City Palace—adorned with miniature paintings, colored glass mosaics, and gilded designs. Step off the beaten path at the Jain temples of Ranakpur, hidden away in a peaceful

wooded valley. The temple's plain exterior conceals a richly embellished interior. *Oberoi Udaivilas, Lake Pichola*

Sacred Sculptures of the Ellora Caves

December 1. See the monumental hand-carved caves of Ellora. These Buddhist, Hindu, and Jain monuments were all built in close proximity—evidence of religious harmony in this region between the sixth and ninth centuries.

Taj Residency, Aurangabad

Jodhpur & The Great Thar Desert

December 2 & 3. In the legendary Thar Desert, ride camels along the tops of dunes into the sunset, and experience an

Jain Temples of Ranakpur, India



The Thar Desert, India

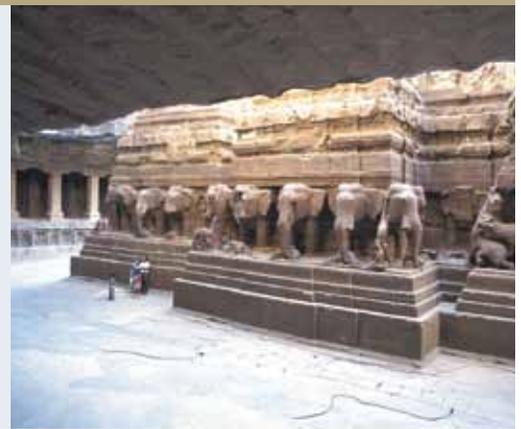




Varanasi, India

Make a Difference in the World

By joining this expedition, you support efforts to enhance the conditions of peoples and places we visit. At each destination on the itinerary, TCS & Starquest Expeditions purchases traditional handicrafts made by local artisans, provides supplies for medical centers or schools, or donates funds for essential programs.



Ellora Caves, India

exotic night under the desert stars in a well-appointed tented camp. In Jodhpur, explore the Mehrangarh Fortress that towers above the plains and holds priceless art collections. Stroll the old quarter's lively Sardar Bazaar, and dine at one of the world's grandest royal residences—still occupied by a maharaja and our home for the night.

Royal Tented Camp at Manvaar & Umaid Bhawan Palace, Jodhpur

The Golden Temple of Amritsar

December 4. In Amritsar, visit the exquisite Golden Temple of the Sikhs—a place of sublime beauty and peacefulness. Stroll the local market and observe the myriad cultures that have found a home in this ancient crossroads and sacred city.

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The Taj Mahal & Ganges River Culture of Varanasi

December 5 & 6. Onward to Agra, capital of India's Mughal empire, to marvel at one of the world's greatest architectural wonders, the Taj Mahal. Reboard the jet and continue to Varanasi, the most sacred site of Hindu

pilgrimage. Enjoy a sunset cruise of the Ganges River, and along the way, observe pilgrims gather along the river's stone steps to perform ritual ablutions. Visit Sarnath where Buddha delivered his first sermon, and join Hindu pilgrims in a ceremonial candle lighting.

The Gateway Hotel, Varanasi

Ancient & High Tech Hyderabad

December 7 & 8. Explore the glorious past and exciting future of India in cosmopolitan Hyderabad. An international technology hub, this city welcomes travelers to delve into its past at Charminar, "mosque of the four minarets," and Golconda Fort, former center of the world diamond trade. Visit the Jung Museum, housing the world's largest private collection of art, including exquisite miniature paintings, textiles and Mughal artifacts. Admire the domes and arches of Chowmahalla Palace, home of the Nizam Dynasty. If you wish, peek behind the curtains of Bollywood at Ramoji Film City. Our palace hotel is the former home of the Royal Nizams and is filled with fascinating priceless art.

Taj Falaknuma Palace, Hyderabad

Learn While You Explore

Enrichment is the key to rewarding exploration, which is why we are committed to providing a world-class educational program for this expedition. Renowned experts accompany travelers, sharing their knowledge and enthusiasm for the places and cultures we visit. They give relevant and engaging presentations during flights and on land, and join travelers in discussions during meals and special events.

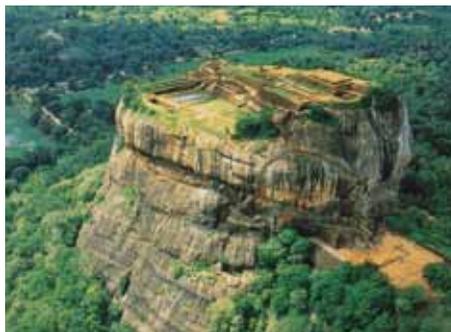


Painting, Mehrangarh Fortress, Jodhpur, India

The Golden Temple, Amritsar, India

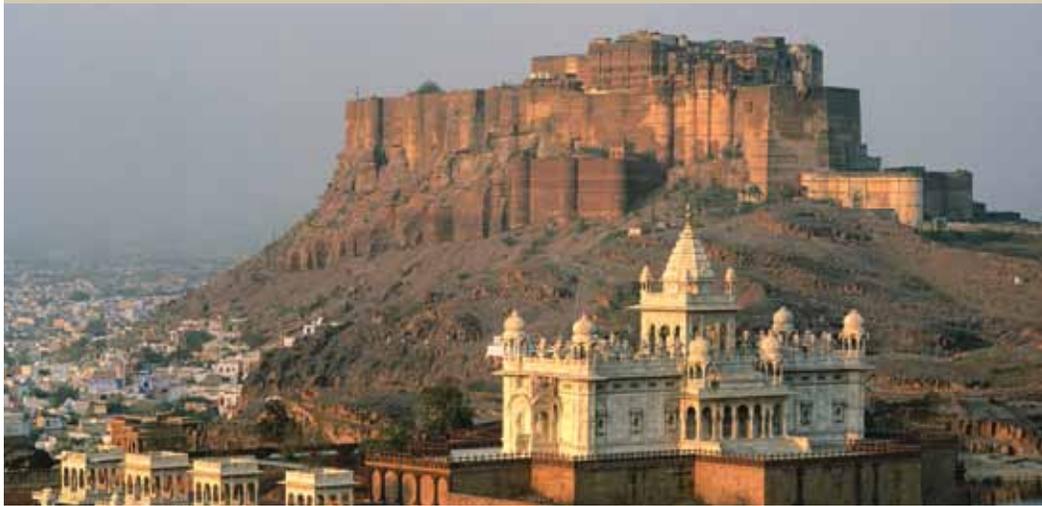


Sigiriya, Sri Lanka



Follow Your Passion with a Flexible Itinerary

Go beyond the main itinerary, with a choice of personalized excursions along the way. Whether you want to take a cooking class, visit a school, or hike off the beaten path, we will ensure that your travels are tailored for you.



Jodhpur, India

Ancient Cities of Sri Lanka

December 9, 10 & 11. Fly to Sri Lanka, the “Pearl of the Indian Ocean.” Land in Colombo, Sri Lanka’s capital city, and take a vintage steam train to Habarana. Along the way, visit the Rock Fortress of Sigiriya and the medieval capital of Polonnaruwa. Enjoy a choice of activities in the Habarana area: go on a wildlife safari in Minneriya National Park, ride elephants through the countryside, or visit a working spice farm. *Cinnamon Lodge, Habarana*

The Maldives

December 12, 13 & 14. Fly by private jet over the Indian Ocean to the Maldives and take a short boat ride to the tiny island of Villingili. Relax in your own private paradise—an over-water villa amid swaying palms and turquoise lagoons. Swim or snorkel among delicate corals and huge manta rays, and go wave-surfing, scuba-diving, and deep sea fishing. *Shangri-La Villingili Resort & Spa*

Lighting candles at the Golden Temple, Amritsar, India



London, England

December 15. Our private jet returns to London, where we will enjoy a fine meal and bid farewell to fellow travelers. *The Dorchester, London*

London / Homeward

December 16. Following breakfast, connect with your regularly scheduled commercial flight home.

Cost Per Person:

Double Occupancy: \$59,950

Single Supplement: \$7,950

Price includes all private jet transportation. For your protection and peace of mind, all payments are secured in a bank escrow account that is fully insured by the U.S. Federal Government

For more information, please contact:

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The Maldives



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 custom interior accommodates only 78 travelers in two-by-two VIP-style leather seats, instead of the standard 233 seats.



Accommodations

From a lavish private over-water villa in the Maldives, to an unforgettable Royal Tented Camp in the Thar Desert, we will stay in some of the world’s finest and most interesting accommodations. Each one has been chosen for its fine amenities and prime location. In remote areas where choices are limited, we have selected the very best available accommodation to ensure your comfort.

RESERVATION FORM

INDIA, SRI LANKA & THE MALDIVES BY PRIVATE JET

November 27–December 16, 2012



Please reserve _____ place(s) on **India, Sri Lanka & The Maldives by Private Jet** priced at \$59,950 per person, double occupancy.

Name Date and Year of Birth

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Address (Please do not list a P.O. box.)

City, State, Zip

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Home phone Work phone Cell phone

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E-mail Fax

ACCOMMODATIONS:

I prefer single accommodations where available for an additional \$7,950.

I plan to share accommodations with:

Please arrange a share for me. I am a non-smoker smoker. If a share cannot be arranged, I agree to pay the single supplement of \$7,950.

Information about all suite upgrades and optional programs will be sent to you in the months before departure.

PAYMENT:

Enclosed is my deposit check for \$ _____ (\$2,500 per person). Please make checks payable to "ISM-12 Escrow."

OR

Please charge my deposit of \$ _____ (\$2,500 per person) to: _____ / _____ / _____ / _____
Account Number Expiration Date

(Charges can be made to most major credit cards, including Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover Card.)

My credit card billing address, if different from above.

INSURANCE:

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

I understand that pre-existing health conditions require prompt enrollment in the trip insurance package.

I/We have read and agree to the Terms and Conditions for the trip (each traveler must sign).

Signature Date

Signature Date

Please fax or mail the completed Reservation Form to:
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Expedition Prices: \$59,950 per person, based on double occupancy (\$7,950 single supplement)

What Is Included: All taxes, hotel accommodations, group transportation, excursions, and other group activities as detailed in the itinerary, beginning with arrival in London, England, on November 27, 2012, through departure in the morning from London, England, on December 16, 2012 • Transportation on a private Boeing 757 according to the itinerary • All meals, beginning with the welcome dinner on November 27, 2012, and ending with breakfast on December 16, 2012 • Complete program of special events and activities, including an extensive program of customized options at most destinations • Enrichment program including lectures by a team of experts • Services of professional staff, including an expedition physician, to assist you throughout the trip • Cost of philanthropic efforts • Bottled water throughout the program (during sightseeing, at scheduled meals, and in your room) • All beverages, including liquor, aboard the private jet • Liquor during special events and cocktail parties on land • House wine and/or beer at lunch and dinner, and coffee, tea, milk, and soft drinks at all scheduled meals on land • Baggage handling during the expedition • Tips or gratuities to local guides, drivers, porters, and waitstaff • Amenities package • \$100,000 emergency medical evacuation insurance for covered reasons • Minimal accident/sickness/baggage insurance (details about optional and additional insurance for purchase, including trip cancellation insurance, will be mailed to you after registration) • Airport transfers in London, England.

What Is Not Included: Commercial airfare from your home city to London, England, and from London, England to your home city • Optional and additional accident/baggage/cancellation insurance • Passport and visa fees • Personal expenses such as laundry, telephone, fax, and Internet charges • All beverages not mentioned above as included • Hotel minibar charges • Meals not scheduled by TCS & Starquest Expeditions, Inc. • Inoculation and medication costs of any kind • Any tips or gratuities not specifically mentioned as included in the total expedition price will be at your discretion.

Airfare: We are happy to assist you in reserving commercial flights from your home city to London, England and from London, England to your home city, in the class of service that you prefer. We can also arrange pre- or post-trip hotel accommodations. Please ask for details.

Reservations & Payments: To reserve your place on the India, Sri Lanka & the Maldives by Private Jet expedition, complete the Reservation Form and return it with your deposit of \$2,500 per person. The deposit can be made by check; wire transfer; or by a major credit card such as Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover Card. **Make checks payable to "ISM-12 Escrow."** Fax or mail to TCS & Starquest Expeditions, 1000 Second Avenue, Suite 1400, Seattle, WA 98104. Or call 800-454-4149 or 206-254-0228 or fax to 206-447-7717. **The second payment of \$15,000 per person is due April 27, 2012. Final payment is due August 27, 2012.** The second and final payments are payable by check or wire transfer only.

Cancellation & Refunds: All requests for refunds must be sent to us in writing via mail, fax, or e-mail. Cancellations will become effective as of the date of the postmark or e-mail receipt. Deposits and any payments are fully refundable, less a cancellation fee, as set forth in the following schedule:

If your notice is received... You will receive a refund of all deposits less a...	
On or before April 27, 2012	\$1,000 per-person cancellation fee.
From April 28 to June 27, 2012	\$5,000 per-person cancellation fee.
From June 28 to August 27, 2012	\$15,000 per-person cancellation fee.
After August 27, 2012	No refund.

Leaving an expedition in progress, for any reason whatsoever, will not result in a refund, and no refunds will be made for any unused portions of an expedition. TCS & Starquest Expeditions, Inc. reserves the right to cancel any expedition because of inadequate enrollment that makes the expedition economically unfeasible to operate. If TCS & Starquest Expeditions, Inc. cancels an expedition prior to departure, you will receive a full refund of monies paid. Please note that costs for visas, commercial air tickets, insurance, suite upgrades, and pre- or post-tour independent arrangements may not be refundable. **We strongly recommend trip cancellation insurance; applications will be sent to you upon registration.**

Insurance: Trip cancellation, health, and accident insurance are available for purchase; we will send you more information upon registration. These important protections can save you money if you are forced to cancel or alter your trip. Insurance premium payments are subject to the policies of the insurance carrier.

Baggage: On the private jet, each passenger is limited to 90 pounds of checked baggage in 2 bags (one bag of your choice limited to 50 pounds, and one wheeled bag that TCS & Starquest Expeditions, Inc. will send ahead of time to you specifically for use on the expedition, limited to 40 pounds); plus a few smaller carry-on items such as a backpack, purse, camera, and/or laptop. 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, approximately \$1,250 per person, unless a higher value is declared at the time of check-in and an appropriate excess valuation charge is paid. Baggage, when not handled by TCS & Starquest Expeditions, and personal effects are at all times the sole responsibility of the participant.

Single/Shared Accommodations & Suite Upgrades: A limited number of single rooms are available at an extra cost on a first-come, first-served basis. We will do everything possible to assist persons requesting a roommate. If one is not confirmed, the single rate will be charged. Suite rooms are available in some destinations; more information about them, including their extra costs, will be sent to you in the months before departure.

Itinerary Changes: The itineraries and staff are subject to modification and change by TCS & Starquest Expeditions, Inc. Every reasonable effort will be made to operate the expeditions as planned; however, should 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.

International Flights: The operation of these flights is subject to the foreign governments involved granting landing rights for the flight. If the air carrier cannot obtain these rights for any particular flight leg of an expedition, that flight leg will be canceled and alternative arrangements may be made, at the discretion of TCS & Starquest Expeditions, Inc.

Health Requirements: This is an active program, which requires you to make a realistic assessment of your health. All participants are expected to be in active good health, to enjoy traveling as part of a group, and to 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. *Prior to traveling, we highly recommend visiting your personal physician for a check-up, so that you may discuss your ability to participate in this type of journey.* To go to certain destinations or participate in certain activities, you may need to obtain your physician's approval. In this case, a form will be sent to you for your physician to sign. An alternate destination or activity can be arranged, if your physician recommends it. Malaria and other diseases are present in some of the countries featured in this itinerary; proof of yellow fever inoculation is recommended. For the latest recommendations on specific health precautions for the areas you will visit, consult your physician and the Centers for Disease Control. Any physical condition requiring special attention, diet, or treatment should be reported in writing when the reservation is made. We will make reasonable efforts to accommodate travelers with special needs; however, we regret that we cannot accommodate wheelchairs. If you require a slower pace, extra assistance, or the use of a cane or walking stick, arrangements will be made for private touring at each destination, if necessary, at the discretion of our tour staff. Any extra cost for such arrangements will be the responsibility of the traveler. If you would like to forego some of the scheduled sightseeing to rejuvenate and relax, please feel free to do so at any time.

Responsibility: TCS & Starquest Expeditions, Inc. is the qualified tour operator that will organize and administer the India, Sri Lanka & the Maldives by Private Jet expedition. TCS & Starquest Expeditions, Inc. acts only as the agent for any transportation carrier, hotel, ground operator, or other suppliers of services connected with this tour ("other providers"), and the other providers are solely responsible and liable for providing their respective services. The passenger tickets in use by the carriers shall constitute the sole contract between the carriers and the passenger; the carriers are not responsible for any act, omission, or event during the time tour participants are not aboard their conveyance. TCS & Starquest Expeditions, Inc. shall not be held liable for (A) any damage to, or loss of, property or injury to, or death of, persons occasioned directly or indirectly by an act or omission of any other provider, including but not limited to any defect in any aircraft, watercraft, or vehicle operated or provided by such other provider, and (B) any loss or damage due to delay, cancellation, or disruption in any manner caused by the laws, regulations, acts or failures to act, demands, orders, or interpositions of any government or any subdivision or agent thereof, or by acts of God, strikes, fire, flood, war, rebellion, terrorism, insurrection, sickness, quarantine, epidemics, theft, or any other cause(s) beyond their control. The participant waives any claim against TCS & Starquest Expeditions, Inc. for any such loss, damage, injury, or death. By registering for the India, Sri Lanka & the Maldives by Private Jet expedition, the participant certifies that he/she does not have any mental, physical, or other condition or disability that would create a hazard for him/herself or other participants. TCS & Starquest Expeditions, Inc. reserves the right in their sole discretion to accept, decline to accept, or remove any participant on an expedition and reserves the right without notice to withdraw any part or all of the trip and to make such changes as may be necessary. TCS & Starquest Expeditions, Inc. shall not be liable for any air carrier's cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a nonrefundable ticket to or from the first or last destination of the India, Sri Lanka & the Maldives by Private Jet expedition.

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