

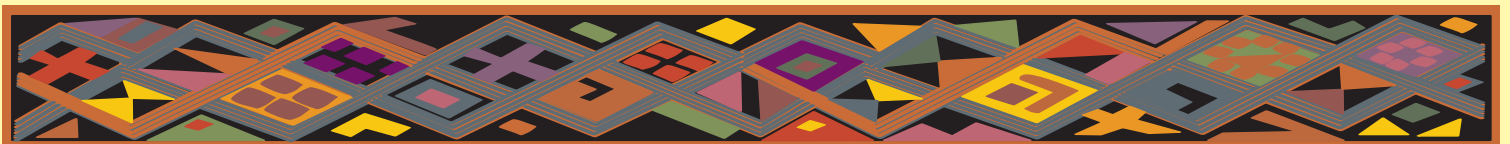
JOURNEYS WORLDWIDE

TOTAL ECLIPSE TOUR

SOUTH AMERICA & EASTER ISLAND

A Unique Fully Escorted Tour

JUNE 2010



UNIQUE ITINERARY



TOUR DATES

| | <u>DEPART</u> | <u>RETURN</u> |
|-------|---------------|---------------|
| SE 11 | Sun 27 June | Wed 14th July |
| EI 11 | Wed 07 July | Mon 12th July |

TOUR COSTS

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| SE 11 | |
| Twin Share | \$ 13,975.00 |
| Single Supplement | \$ 1,975.00* |
| Land Only | \$ 11,975.00** |

* Single rooms on Easter Island are not available.

** The Land Only price includes all regional and domestic flights in South America.

TOUR COSTS

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| EI 11 | |
| Twin Share | \$ 6,975.00 |
| Single Supplement | \$ 200.00* |

* Santiago only

OTHER CURRENCIES

Tour costs are also available in **US Dollars, Sterling** and **Euros**. Prices upon application.



Your Tour Operator

Journeys Worldwide has been operating tours for more than 18 years, and our current tour program includes Libya, Egypt, Southern Africa, India & Borneo. Ten years ago we were approached by the Astronomical Association of Queensland to arrange special Eclipse Tours. Since then we have successfully operated Total Eclipse Tours to **Zimbabwe, Australia, Libya & China**. We also have arranged a special Eclipse Tour to coincide with the total eclipse in Cairns, Australia in 2012.

Your Tour Leaders

All previous eclipse tours have been escorted by Managing Director, **Dick Cijffers**, a respected and well-known Queensland travel identity who has travelled to South America on several occasions, and he will be escorting our South America & Easter Island Eclipse Tour.

Your Fellow Tour Members

The tour itinerary has been planned to accommodate the amateur astronomer, eclipse enthusiasts and travellers who are interested in visiting the South American continent. As some tour members will be carrying astronomical instruments, this will enhance the viewing experience on the day of the eclipse.

Your Flights & Accommodation

Accommodation on the South American mainland is of a good 3-star standard, and some 4-star hotels are included. Accommodation on Easter Island is very limited, but we have secured 50 beds for tour members as well as confirmed return flights from Santiago. Our hotel on Easter Island is comfortable but not sophisticated, and all rooms have private facilities. Due to the shortage of accommodation, we are unable to provide Single Rooms on the island.

Choice of Itineraries

Journeys Worldwide is offering a choice of two itineraries. **Tour SE 11** includes Peru, Bolivia & Easter Island, whereas **Tour EI 11** is a **shorter itinerary including two nights in Santiago and three nights on Easter Island**. An Argentina, Uruguay, Brazil, Chile & Easter Island itinerary is available upon request.

Eclipse Facts

The Easter Island Eclipse will take place on **Sunday 11 July 2010** with a duration of 4 minutes 50 seconds. Located approximately 20°S and 109°W, the island is situated almost exactly on the centre line of the eclipse path.

EASTER ISLAND A brief outline

Easter Island, also known as Rapa Nui, is situated 3,200 kms off the Chilean coast and 1,760 kms from Pitcairn Island to the west. This volcanic island, which is 17.6 kms long and 24 kms wide, is administered from Valparaiso in Chile.

Dutch Admiral **Jacob Roggeveen** discovered the island on Easter Sunday in 1722 and named it accordingly. The original inhabitants were of Polynesian origin, and according to local legend they arrived in two canoes from the west. It is estimated that their numbers were never more than 4,000; and due to disease, the slave trade and internecine warfare, the population was reduced to 175 souls in 1872.



The island is famous for its "**Ahus**" (burial platforms) of which 260 have thus far been discovered. A typical Ahu was a wall of 100 metres running parallel to the sea and 4.5 metres in height. Each Ahu contains between one and 15 **statues** which are between 3 and 6 metres in height, with the heaviest statue weighing more than 50 tonnes.

The **Thor Heyerdahl Contiki** expedition undertook a great deal of archaeological work on the island, and wooden tablets inscribed with a hieroglyphic script were discovered during the 19th century.



ECLIPSE SPECIALISTS

YOUR TOUR ITINERARY

SUN 27 JUNE

AUSTRALIA/SANTIAGO/LIMA

Australian tour members depart from their respective capital cities to join their Lan Chile flight to Santiago, and New Zealand tour members will join the flight in Auckland. Upon arrival in Santiago you can join a short City Tour before departing for Lima, where you will arrive late evening. Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel for a 2-night stay. Peru is said to be a country of contrasts, and Lima illustrates many of these. Called the "City of the Kings" by the Spanish conquistadors in 1535, Lima was the main city of the Spanish Empire in South America.

FARAONA GRAND HOTEL

MON 28 JUNE LIMA

After lunch at "Rustica", a typical local restaurant, you will be taken on a City Tour including the Plaza de Armas and Presidential Palace. Return to your hotel late afternoon.

FARAONA GRAND HOTEL

(Breakfast & Lunch)

TUE 29 JUNE LIMA/CUZCO

After breakfast you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Cuzco, the "Archaeological Capital of the Americas". This ancient city is built over the site of the former Inca capital, and many streets are lined with perfect Inca stonework. Upon arrival you will be transferred to your hotel, where you will have free time to acclimatise to the altitude of 3400m, before being taken on a City Tour including the Main Square, Cathedral and the Sacsayhuaman Fortress.

HOTEL RUINAS (Breakfast)

WED 30 JUNE MACHU PICCHU

This morning you will be transferred to the railway station for a scenic 3-hour rail trip to

Machu Picchu Station. Upon arrival you will travel by mini bus to the entrance of the "Lost City", which was rediscovered in 1911. Lunch is at a local café prior to returning to Cuzco, where you will arrive late evening.

HOTEL RUINAS (Breakfast & Lunch)

THU 1 JULY PISAQ

After breakfast depart by coach for a full-day tour to PISAQ in the Sacred Valley of the Incas which was founded during colonial times. The town is famous for its markets, and lunch is at a local restaurant. Return by road to Cuzco via the Inca fortress of Ollantaytambo.

HOTEL RUINAS (Breakfast & Lunch)



FRI 2 JULY CUZCO

Free day in Cuzco to explore this fascinating town, with opportunities to purchase local handicrafts and visit an alpaca wool factory.

HOTEL RUINAS (Breakfast)

SAT 3 JULY CUZCO/PUNO

After breakfast depart by coach and, travelling at a height of over 4300m, cross the Altiplano to Juliaca before continuing to Puno

on the shores of Lake Titicaca, the world's highest navigable lake. Lunch is provided en route, and attractive local handicrafts such as rugs and ponchos are available for purchase.

INTIQA HOTEL

(Breakfast & Lunch)

SUN 4 JULY PUNO/COPACABANA

Early morning departure for the famous floating reed islands of Lake Titicaca, inhabited by the Uros Indians. Continue by coach to Copacabana, a small attractive town on the shores of the lake. After lunch board a cruiser and sail to Sun Island, the legendary birthplace of the Incas, before returning to Copacabana. Dinner is at your hotel.

ROSARIO DEL LAGO

(Full Board)

MON 5 JULY COPACABANA/LAPAZ

Morning free before departing by coach for a scenic journey to La Paz, the highest capital city in the world, where we arrive late afternoon.

PRESIDENTE HOTEL

(Breakfast)

TUE 6 JULY LAPAZ

Morning City Tour, including the colonial city centre and the **witchcraft market**. Many of the women stall holders still wear bowler hats which were introduced by the British. From here we continue to the spectacular landscape of Moon Valley before returning to our hotel. Afternoon free.

PRESIDENTE HOTEL

(Breakfast)



WED 7 JULY LAPAZ/SANTIAGO

After breakfast you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Santiago. Upon arrival you will be transferred to a local restaurant for dinner and entertainment before returning to the airport for your flight to Easter Island.

(Breakfast & Dinner)

THU 8 JULY

SANTIAGO/EASTER ISLAND

Early morning departure for Easter Island. Upon arrival you will be transferred to your hotel for a 3-night stay. Easter Island, or "Rapa Nui", is situated some 3,800 kms west of Chile, making it one of the most distant and remote inhabited islands on Earth. After lunch you will be taken on a sightseeing tour to establish our viewing site for the eclipse.

HOTEL CHEZ JOSEPH RAPA NUI

(Breakfast)



21 YEARS EXPERIENCE

FRI 9 JULY EASTER ISLAND

Full-day excursion visiting the archaeological centre of Akahanga and Rano Raraku Quarry, where all the existing Moais were sculpted. There are over 300 Moais in different stages of their completion. You will also visit Ahu Tongariki, with its archaeological ruins of what was once the largest platform until it was washed away by a tidal wave in 1969; Te Pito Kura; and Ahu Ngau Ngau, including a picnic luncheon on Anakena Beach with its crystalline emerald-green waters.

HOTEL CHEZ JOSEPH RAPANUI
(Full Board)



SAT 10 JULY EASTER ISLAND

Today you will be taken on a Sightseeing Tour of Ahu Akivi, the site of the seven Moais overlooking the sea, as well as the Caves of Ana Tepahu, which are among the largest on the island, and Pun-a-Pau quarries on the slopes of a volcano where the reddish topknots were sculpted.

HOTEL CHEZ JOSEPH RAPANUI
(Full Board)

SUN 11 JULY ECLIPSE DAY / SANTIAGO

After **breakfast** at your hotel you will be transferred to the eclipse viewing site, where there will be ample opportunity to set up astronomical equipment. The eclipse will be at 1933 Universal Time, which is 1333 local time, for a duration of 4 minutes and 50 seconds. Later this afternoon you will be returned to your hotel before being transferred to the airport for your evening flight to Santiago.

MON 12 JULY SANTIAGO/AUCKLAND

Upon arrival in Santiago you will be transferred to your hotel for check-in and **breakfast**. This afternoon you will visit a local winery, and this evening you will be taken to a local restaurant for **dinner** before being transferred to the airport for your late evening flight to Auckland.

TUE 13 JULY IN FLIGHT

Today you will cross the International Date Line.

WED 14 JULY AUCKLAND/SYDNEY

Upon arrival in Auckland our New Zealand friends will leave us and other tour members will continue to Sydney, arriving early morning. After clearing Customs & Immigration, Australian tour members will connect to their respective capital cities.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



SE 11 TOUR COST INCLUDES

- All international, regional & domestic flights
- All excursions, entrance fees to monuments, museums & nature reserves as specified in the itinerary.
- Porterage of one suitcase throughout the tour.
- Meals as per itinerary.
- Services of local guides & Tour Leader.

EI 11 TOUR COST INCLUDES

- 5 nights accommodation.
- Return flights Santiago / Easter Island/ Santiago.
- Fuel surcharges & airport taxes.
- Entrance fees on Easter Island.
- Meals as per itinerary.
- Services of local guides & Tour Leader.

SE 11 TOUR COST EXCLUDES

- Airport taxes & fuel surcharges (approx. \$845.00)
- Cost of meals not specified in the itinerary.
- Travel Insurance.
- Tips & gratuities. A tips kitty of US\$120.00 per person will be collected by your Tour Leader upon arrival in Lima.
- Cost of visas.

EI 11 TOUR COST EXCLUDES

- Cost of meals not specified in the itinerary.
- Travel Insurance.
- Tips & gratuities. A tips kitty of US\$50.00 per person will be collected by your Tour Leader upon arrival in Santiago.
- Cost of visas.
- Cost of Chile Landing Card (US\$61.00)

HOW TO BOOK & TRAVEL INSURANCE

A completed Booking Form together with a non-refundable deposit of \$2,000.00 per person is required upon booking. Deposits may be paid by credit card but the balance of the arrangements must be paid by cheque or direct bank transfer. Payment of the balance by Visa or MasterCard will attract a surcharge of 1.5%. An interim payment of a further \$2,000.00 is required no later than 31 January, and the balance is due no later than 31 March.

It is essential that tour members take out travel insurance, and Australian tour members can obtain special rates upon application.

PRICES, CURRENCY & EXCHANGE RATES

All prices quoted in this brochure are in Australian dollars and are based upon prevailing exchange rates as at 01 November 2009 and may be subject to change in the event of currency devaluation or increase in airfares.

STOPOVERS SOUTH AMERICA TOUR

A stopover can be arranged in Auckland on the outbound journey for an additional cost of \$150.00 per person, and suitable accommodation and car hire can also be arranged. After the eclipse, instead of returning to Santiago, we can arrange for you to fly directly to Tahiti that evening. Because of the frequency of flights the Tahiti stopover must be for a minimum of 3 nights and your airfare will increase accordingly.

ROOM SHARING POLICY

Single travellers who do not wish to pay the Single Supplement can be registered on the tour and we will endeavour to find a suitable twin share with a person of the same sex and approximate age group. However, this cannot be guaranteed.



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