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Dear Traveler,

When you ratchet up a voyage to epic size, tackling not just a country or a region but several thousand miles of a continent, you’re asking for something much bigger than your typical travel experience. You’re inviting sweeping discoveries of the breadth of the human experience and the planet’s natural diversity, not to mention firsthand lessons on the geopolitics of today’s world.

This is what makes a voyage like *Epic South America* such a unique and exciting opportunity—even for a nomad like me. It’s not often that in a single trip, you can listen to a steel drum band, examine medicinal plants in the world’s largest rain forest, snorkel coral reefs, get to know gauchos in the Pampas, and explore two of the most culturally stimulating cities in the world: Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires. But we will.

We will celebrate a vibrant undercurrent of Afro-Caribbean and Afro-Brazilian culture from Trinidad to Rio. We’ll learn the stories of the Amazon, from its endemic species and its indigenous peoples to the infamous rubber trade that it once hosted. And as we trace literally thousands of miles along the coast of Brazil, we’ll delve into that country’s phenomenal ascendance—arguably the most remarkable story of economic growth today.

Joining me on our team of experts will be some truly exceptional people. Tom Lovejoy pioneered the conservation movement from the depths of the Amazon rain forest in the 1960’s and has worked to preserve biodiversity ever since. And some of National Geographic’s top photographers and filmmakers will accompany us as well.

This is bound to be an extraordinary experience—a feast of history, architecture, music, wildlife, and culture filled with the riveting stories that make exploration unforgettable. I hope you’ll join me on board.

All the best,

Wade Davis  
National Geographic Explorer-in-Residence

*One of the remarkable people joining this expedition, my friend Wade Davis, makes a good case for focusing your time and curiosity on South America.*
Celebrate 125 years of National Geographic with two iconic National Geographic Explorers

WADE DAVIS. National Geographic Explorer-in-Residence Wade Davis has been described as “a rare combination of scientist, scholar, poet and passionate defender of all of life’s diversity.” An ethnographer, writer, photographer and filmmaker, he holds degrees in anthropology and biology and received his Ph.D. in ethnobotany, all from Harvard University. He spent more than three years in the Amazon and Andes as a plant explorer, living among fifteen indigenous groups in eight Latin American nations while making some 6,000 botanical collections. In Haiti, he investigated folk preparations implicated in the creation of zombies, an assignment that led to his writing The Serpent and the Rainbow (1986), an international best seller later released as a motion picture. Wade is the author of more than a dozen books including One River (1996), The Wayfinders (2009), The Sacred Headwaters (2011), and Into the Silence (2011). His many film credits include Light at the Edge of the World, written and produced for National Geographic. He is the 2011 recipient of the Explorers’ Medal, the highest award of The Explorers Club, and the 2012 David Fairchild Medal for Plant Exploration, the most prestigious prize for botanical exploration. Wade will join us from Trinidad to Rio.
THOMAS LOVEJOY. Tropical and conservation biologist Thomas Lovejoy has worked in the Brazilian Amazon since 1965. He is credited with being the first to use the term “biological diversity” in 1980 during his tenure as director of the World Wildlife Fund-U.S. For his many conservation initiatives in Brazil, he was decorated by the Brazilian government in 1988, becoming the first environmentalist to receive the Order of Rio Branco. In 1998, Brazil also awarded him the Grand Cross of the Order of Scientific Merit. His ongoing work as both a scholar and a policy advocate has made him one of the leading protagonists for the science and conservation of the world’s biodiversity, and particularly that of tropical forest ecosystems. He cofounded the public television series Nature, and for many years he served as principal advisor to the series. A National Geographic Fellow, he currently chairs the advisory boards for the Society’s Big Cats and Energy Initiatives. Tom will join us from Paramaribo to Fernando de Noronha.

Join our commemorative voyage, and receive this collectible book, with our compliments!

With text by Mark Collins Jenkins, author of many books including On Assignment With National Geographic: The Inside Story of the National Geographic Society, the new commemorative National Geographic 125 Years contains an extraordinary mix:

- 600 images—iconic photos and never-before-published images from the magazine’s legendary archive
- An 8-page gatefold detailing “125 Unforgettable Moments”
- Vivid accounts of history-making expeditions, discoveries and colorful characters
- Behind-the-scenes tales
- Current maps, and fact boxes

A rewarding look at the past, sure to strike a personal as well as historic chord, this rich record also celebrates the forward-looking Geographic of today—forever on the lookout for “Where’s next?”
Explore the beautiful beaches of this exclusive site, where strict visitor limits and a ban on ship traffic have successfully preserved the archipelago’s pristine nature, making the opportunity to visit here a rare privilege. A UNESCO World Heritage site, Noronha represents a large portion of the island surface of the South Atlantic, with rich waters that are an important breeding ground for tuna, turtles, sharks and marine mammals—and the largest concentration of tropical seabirds in the western Atlantic. We’ll also visit the marine mammal-rich Abrolhos Archipelago, where Charles Darwin carried out studies during his Beagle voyage in 1830.
A rare chance to access Brazil's marine UNESCO site, Fernando de Noronha.

Clockwise from top left: View of Fernando de Noronha, with Morro do Pico in the background; spinner dolphins; green sea turtle; our undersea specialist will dive and present vivid video of this lush marine world; we hope to observe wonderful humpback whale behavior: tail lobbing, breaching, and remaining motionless with their tails extended out of the water; brown booby.
Meet a transformational leader for insights on South America and a key global issue

We created our Global Perspectives Guest Speaker Program to provide National Geographic Explorer guests the benefit of relevant insight from individuals uniquely equipped to provide it.

On this expedition, you'll have an exclusive opportunity to meet a world leader, César Gaviria, who is not only emblematic of South American dynamism but was also instrumental in its surge. He is a man of impressive intellect, courage, vision and commitment; and I think you will conclude that time in his company is time well spent. His bio (at right) notes the facts of his career in an essentially modest way. I'd like to underscore some of his achievements, so you understand why we believe his participation will enhance your expedition experience.

I read that a previous Colombian president once referred to his country as “the American Tibet” for the high tariff walls and inward-looking policies that kept it isolated from the world's economy. When César Gaviria was President, those walls tumbled. He introduced economic policies that made Colombia in the mid 90s the fastest growing market in the world for U.S. goods. One financial writer estimated that resulted in 45,000 U.S. jobs. He also quite famously took on Pablo Escobar's drug cartel, ending its reign in 1993. And he has widely shared his administration's strategies with other countries, contributing to policy recommendations that could become cornerstones of more effective drug laws around the world.

In 2008 he was awarded the Notre Dame Prize for Distinguished Public Service in Latin America for having provided vital leadership to the nourishment of democratic institutions in the Americas throughout his long and illustrious career.

He is a member of the Club of Madrid, an independent non-profit organization composed of 88 democratic former Presidents and Prime Ministers from 58 different countries dedicated to democratic leadership and governance, and resolving political conflict. And significantly, given the Lindblad-National Geographic commitment to the ocean, he is a board member of the international ocean conservation group Oceana and will be talking to us about global ocean initiatives.

I look forward to joining the expedition for the 125th Anniversary festivities in Rio, and to the privilege of meeting President Gaviria, and sharing his company with you.

Sven-Olof Lindblad
CÉSAR GAVIRIA. Former Colombian President César Gaviria—known in Latin America as an advocate of democracy, staunch supporter of regional integration, and defender of human rights—was elected President of Colombia in 1990 for a four-year term. He was first elected Secretary General of the OAS (Organization of American States) in 1994 and re-elected in 1999. During his tenure, the OAS fostered profound changes and intensified efforts to combat terrorism, drugs, and corruption. President Gaviria also serves on the Board of Directors of Oceana, the global organization that creates policy to reduce pollution and prevent the collapse of fish populations, marine mammals, and other sea life. An engaging and insightful speaker, President Gaviria will join us from Rio de Janeiro to Buenos Aires, introducing Lindblad-National Geographic guests to the economic and political climate of Latin America, as well as his work in protecting the world’s oceans.

Above and right: A glimpse of the stunning photos by the leading undersea photographers of the world aboard Explorer—part of an exclusive National Geographic-curated Ocean exhibit, focused on illuminating ocean issues through photos, interactive displays and videos.
What better way to explore three of the world’s most important rivers: the Amazon, the Orinoco and the Essequibo, locus of majestic Kaieteur Falls, than this voyage? The Amazon is the largest river in the world by volume. We’ll explore its rich delta region, looking for brilliant tropical birds, and the pink river dolphins known as *botos*. Columbus, sighting the Orinoco delta in 1498, guessed its source lay in the Garden of Eden. In the wet season (May-November) the undammed river rises more than 40 feet, attracting water birds. The Essequibo, the largest river between the Orinoco and the Amazon, is the largest in Guyana, a country known for the planet’s most pristine rain forest and tropical nature.
DIVERSITY FIRSTHAND

Clockwise from top left: Scarlet ibises return to roost, Caroni Swamp, Trinidad; blue and yellow macaw; morpho butterfly; Kaieteur Falls; pink river dolphins by Kevin Schafer from the article “River Spirits,” published in National Geographic magazine, June 2009.
Explore an extraordinary geography with an exclusive expedition team

“When you add up the assembled expertise—the custom-tailored expedition team, the National Geographic experts, and the Global Perspectives guest speaker—this voyage is a virtual university course on a continent that is rapidly changing, allowing us to fill in the gaps left by our respective school curricula, including human history, natural history, and cultural heritage.” —Bud Lehnhausen, Expedition leader

Here is a partial list of staff for our Epic South America voyage, clockwise from top: expedition leader Bud Lehnhausen, naturalists Tom Ritchie and Richard Cahill, historian David Barnes, ornithologist Richard White, undersea specialist Dennis Cornejo, naturalist/certified photo instructors David Cothran and Douglas Gualtieri.

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REGIONAL EXPERTS ON THE TEAM

SUZANA MACHADO D’OLIVEIRA Born and raised in Brazil, cultural specialist Suzana Machado D’Oliveira is a pioneer of expedition travel. She has circumnavigated the continent several times, hiked extensively in Brazil, Argentina, Chile and Peru, navigated the Amazon River on both local boats and expedition ships, and rafted rivers in Patagonia. Suzana will introduce us to her country as she shares insights and illuminates its hidden facets.

MARK CURRAN is Professor Emeritus at Arizona State University, where he taught the cultures of Portuguese and Spanish-speaking regions, and the Portuguese and Spanish languages, for 34 years. He has undertaken some twenty research trips to Brazil, focusing on its erudite literature, history and folk-popular culture of the “cordel,” which includes folk novels, poems and songs. His work included extended time in Salvador and Rio de Janeiro among other places. He has studied and written about Brazilian and other South American history, politics and carnival celebrations. Mark has published eleven books on these topics in Brazil, Spain and the United States. As a lighthearted counterpoint, his latest book is Adventures of a “Gringo” Researcher in Brazil in the 1960s. Mark is thoroughly knowledgeable about the regions we’ll be exploring, and has many stories to share.
History and culture are as vital to this expedition’s interests as tropical nature. And of all the historic-cultural elements endemic to Brazil’s east coast, none is more richly faceted and rewarding than the music. Our appetite for sounds will be ably whetted and abetted by our expedition ethnomusicologist, Jacob Edgar (see page 14). Jacob is an authority on world music, a director of his own label, a consultant to Putumayo and a TV-radio presenter. He has traveled the continent, spent considerable time in Brazil, and is thoroughly knowledgeable and passionate about South American music and its many forms. Familiar with the contemporary performers of this vast region, he has arranged an exciting roster of listening opportunities for us—in local venues along our expedition route, and in shipboard presentations.
OF SAMBA

Clockwise from top left: Musicians, Salvador de Bahia; accordion player, Buenos Aires; a traditional Capoeira instrument called a Berimbau; traditional Spanish guitar in Rio de Janeiro; Quilombo residents celebrate with a tambor de crioula, a creole drum festival. Photo by National Geographic photographer Tyrone Turner, who will be accompanying the voyage.
Lively entrée to the heart of the culture

Music, one of the best gateways for connecting with and understanding a culture, will be our doorway into a deeper interaction with each country’s history, traditions and community. Through live shows on and off ship and onboard presentations, you’ll get a taste of the unique sounds of many of the countries we’ll visit. You will be exposed to the dynamic steel band and calypso music that enlivens the Carnival celebrations of Trinidad. Shanto, related to calypso, in Guyana. Kaseko in Suriname, with its lush vocals and unique blend of Dutch and African influences. And in Brazil, one of the most musical countries in the world, we’ll hear samba, bossa nova, forró and countless other styles that have influenced the soundscape of the planet (imagine an elevator ride or a visit to the dentist office without the lilting melody of “The Girl from Ipanema” floating in the air). Finally, in Buenos Aires, we’ll be moved by the romantic and sensual sound of tango. An expedition is an adventure for all your senses, and sound will be a life-enhancing part of this one.

My presentations during the expedition will use music as a prism through which we can learn more about the cultural history and deeper essence of the places we will visit. The music of South America reflects the coming together of three worlds: indigenous America, Europe, and Africa. It is a tale filled with suffering and sorrow...yet out of the sordid soil of colonialism, slavery and the struggle for equality the beautiful flower that is Latin American music burst forth. I’m sure you will be as inspired by the music of this region as I have been. See you in Trinidad!

—Jacob Edgar

JACOB EDGAR is an ethnomusicologist, world music tastemaker, and global explorer, whose adventures have taken him to dozens of countries including Brazil. Since 1998, Jacob has been the main music researcher for the acclaimed music label Putumayo World Music, and in 2006 he founded the record label Cumbancha.
A New York Times bestseller, PRISCILLA GOSLIN’S book How to Be A Carioca was hailed by TIME—“A compendium of tongue-in-cheek observations. A handbook for the newcomer”—and by other magazines for its wit, wisdom, and laugh-out-loud descriptions. The comic illustrations and humor notwithstanding, the book is also a canny guide to the singularity of Rio’s culture—a city that has captured the popular imagination and ascended to the top of every traveler’s wish list, even before it was designated the site of the 2014 World Cup and the 2016 Summer Olympics. Priscilla will give us an insider’s view into the unique daily rituals of the charming natives who populate this unique and marvelous city.

Clockwise from top, some of the musicians who are scheduled to perform for us and bring us their unique sounds and beats: Drew Gonsalves, leader of Trinidad’s band Kobo Town; French Guiana’s renowned Chris Combette; and Luísa Maita, a remarkable Brazilian singer.
Our V.P. of Expedition Development, Ralph Hammelbacher, shares field notes from his expedition-planning journey, giving a taste of the wealth of architectural wonder and historicity in store. Of the friendly little South American outpost of Suriname, he says: “The capital, Paramaribo, is a UNESCO World Heritage Site for good reason: the colonial buildings transported me back to a time when the Old World imposed itself on places thousands of miles away.” And about the infamous Devil’s Island off the coast of French Guiana, he writes: “…it’s an odd combination of decayed penal colony, with all its attendant sorrows, and tropical paradise lined with beaches and palm trees.”
Clockwise from top left: View of Pelourinho Square and its iconic church, Salvador; Dutch colonial buildings in Paramaribo, the capital of Suriname; Parati street scene; gold leaf covers the interior of the Church of São Francisco in historic Salvador; Baiana girl.
Take advantage of an exclusive documentary video workshop

Award-winning National Geographic photographers and filmmakers COTTON COULSON and DAVID WRIGHT will offer a shipboard hands-on video workshop, Video the Adventure: Digital Storytelling.

This hands-on, in-depth workshop will help you develop the skills necessary to convey your adventure in moving terms, through the medium of digital storytelling. The filmmakers’ goal is to enable you to capture your expedition experience on video, learn to edit it, and ultimately, to create your own highly personal documentary to share with friends and family.

Book the September 18, 2013 departure and your in-depth filmmaking experience will begin before you embark. You’ll receive access to a multi-video online series detailing what you can expect, and initiating the learning before you begin the onboard, hands-on instruction. An unprecedented professional filmmaking workshop—conducted on a cinematic sweep of South America’s eastern coast. Don’t miss your chance to participate.

Talks and tips from the filmmakers—as well as the online video tutorials—are available to all guests. However, the in-depth, hands-on workshop is limited to 25 participants.

Reservations are on a first-come, first-reserved basis and there will be a fee of $500 per person. To avoid disappointment, please be sure to sign up for the workshop when you make your booking. Limited to 25 participants.
Photojournalist TYRONE TURNER’S photographic assignments have taken him from Brazil to Baghdad. A veteran National Geographic photographer and workshop leader, Tyrone lived in Brazil on a fellowship and documented the country for more than two years. A native of New Orleans, Tyrone shot images of New Orleans and the Louisiana Bayou for several National Geographic articles. Shooting with him on this voyage will resemble being “on assignment” for National Geographic magazine, as he inspires you to convey an authentic sense of place.

Cotton Coulson (top) is a National Geographic photographer who also produces international HD video films for his media company. Filmmaker David Wright (left) won an Emmy for his National Geographic video Realm of the White Bear.

Most recently, Tyrone’s photos of Brazil’s Maroon people, the Quilombolas, were featured in the April 2012 issue of National Geographic magazine. He will be on hand to inspire with photo tips in the field and to share his fascination with the peoples and places of South America.
“In 2012, Rio de Janeiro was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site, in large part to ‘appreciate the way nature has been shaped to become a significant cultural part of the city.’ It takes just moments in Rio to understand how that’s the case. Unlike other cities, where there may be some great urban parks interspersed through the landscape, in Rio, the vast, soaring, forest-clad mountains are within the heart of the metropolitan area. An ingenious network of tunnels integrates the various parts of the city. But the mountains make Rio what it is: a place of infinite vistas and glorious treks, where nature is allowed to flourish alongside the vibrant cultures that define Carioca life in the city below.”

Ralph Hammelbacher’s planning notes indicate why we’ve chosen Rio as the site of our National Geographic 125th Anniversary fete. And why our days there will be filled with myriad exciting experiences.
BUENOS AIRES

Clockwise from top left: Rio de Janeiro; Casa Rosada, the presidential palace on Plaza de Mayo, Buenos Aires; houses in Reus neighborhood, Montevideo; Plaza Independencia, Montevideo; colorful tango sign in La Boca, Buenos Aires.
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Book by May 31, 2013 for complimentary economy airfare Miami/Port of Spain, Trinidad, and returning Buenos Aires/Miami. (See page 32 for details.)

EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS
▶ Spot tropical wildlife as we explore three legendary jungle rivers: the Orinoco, the Amazon and the Essequibo.
▶ Visit three picturesque colonial cities that have been designated World Heritage sites, from Paramaribo, Suriname to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
▶ Enjoy special access to unspoiled Fernando de Noronha (also a World Heritage Site), snorkel amid the rich marine life, and learn about its turtle research project.
▶ Soak up the spirit and culture of three of South America’s most vibrant cities: Rio de Janeiro, Montevideo, and Buenos Aires.

“A town of about 33,000 on Brazil’s Costa Verde (‘green coast’), Parati sits halfway between Rio de Janeiro and São Paulo...short-listed for UNESCO World Heritage recognition not just because of its handsome blocks of Portuguese colonial buildings but for its surroundings. Here, I’d experience the indigenous landscape of Brazil: white sand beaches, a turquoise bay sprinkled with tiny islands, walls of mountains lush with rain forest.”

–Daisann McLane, “Three Ways to Stay in Parati,” National Geographic Traveler, April 2011

Below: Cathedral of São Sebastião, Ilhéus.
SEP. 18: U.S./FLY TO PORT OF SPAIN, TRINIDAD
The sound of the steel pan and calypso tell us we’re in Trinidad. Check into the unique upside-down Hilton Trinidad, with fine views overlooking the Gulf of Paria.

SEP. 19: PORT OF SPAIN/CARONI SWAMP
We spend the morning exploring Port of Spain, seeing the remarkable Queen’s Park Savannah, a 230-acre park surrounded by ornate colonial buildings and gingerbread mansions. Later, drive to the Caroni Swamp, where scarlet ibises return by the hundreds at dusk to roost—one of the world’s great spectacles. (B,L,D)

SEP. 20: ASA WRIGHT NATURE CENTER/EMBARK SHIP
We drive through the lush Arima Valley to the Asa Wright Nature Center, a mecca for nature lovers. We’ll have a choice of trails to walk as we look for toucans, hummingbirds, tanagers, motmots, and butterflies. Or stay on the “birding veranda” and let the avifauna come to you. Embark National Geographic Explorer in Port of Spain. We’ll be joined aboard ship by one of Trinidad’s leading musicians. (B,L,D)

SEP. 21-23: ORINOCO RIVER, VENEZUELA
Explore the Orinoco River, the world’s third largest by volume, and its tropical rainforest. With a network of channels—called caños—the Orinoco is home to a dazzling variety of birds, plants and animals. Our Zodiacs reach otherwise-inaccessible places as we look for red howler and spider monkeys, electric-blue morpho butterflies, and bow-riding river dolphins. (B,L,D)

SEP. 24 AND 25: ESSEQUIBO RIVER, GUYANA/GEOGETOWN
Little-visited Guyana has some of the planet’s most pristine rainforest. On the Essequibo, spot parrots, cotingas and jacamars—a recently published checklist lists 600 species for the area. Fly by charter aircraft (weather permitting) to Guyana’s crown jewel: powerful 822-foot Kaieteur Falls. Explore the rain forest and look for colorful birdlife including rare parrots and toucans. Or choose to visit Georgetown, Guyana’s capital, to discover rich colonial architecture, historic markets, and to listen to some of the spirited local music. (B,L,D)

SEP. 26: AT SEA
We spend a day at sea en route to Suriname, with presentations by our staff and a chance to learn more about the region. (B,L,D)

SEP. 27: PARAMARIBO, SURINAME
Paramaribo’s well-preserved Dutch colonial architecture has earned it a UNESCO designation. Explore the waterfront with its wooden colonial buildings, and Fort Zeelandia, home to the fine Suriname Museum. The side-by-side synagogue and mosque, which we’ll see, are symbols of tolerance. Birdwatchers may go on a birding excursion, or you may explore the countryside, learning of the country’s culture and colonial history. (B,L,D)

SEP. 28 AND 29: DEVIL’S ISLAND, FRENCH GUIANA/AT SEA
The collective name for a group of small islets, Devil’s Island became notorious as a penal colony whose inmates included Alfred Dreyfus and Henri Charrière—who chronicled his escape in Papillon. Explore the remains of the prison and spot birds and monkeys in the surrounding jungle. Then relax on a day at sea as we head to Brazil. (B,L,D)

SEP. 30 AND OCT. 1: AMAZON RIVER DELTA
Enter the great delta region of the Amazon through The Narrows, and then have two days exploring the river and its tributaries by ship and by Zodiac. Spot macaws, toucans and kingfishers, along with monkeys, and the two species of river dolphin found here—the gray tucuxi and the pink boto. We’ll see some of the communities of local residents, called
caboclos, who make their living in this rich but difficult environment. (B,L,D)

OCT. 2: BELÉM
The city of Belém is the gateway to the Amazon. Founded by the Portuguese, it has a rich colonial history which will be evident on our walks in the Cidade Velha (old city). Visit the Ver-O-Peso market, with an amazing variety of rain forest medicinal remedies. After lunch, choose to visit the Goeldi Museum, a vital research center, or visit the town of Icoaraci, renowned for its ceramics craftspeople, who show us traditional techniques. Or opt to take a local boat to a community that lives by tapping trees for rubber. (B,L,D)

OCT. 3-5: AT SEA
These will be exceptionally interesting days, as we look for marine life and hear talks on a variety of subjects. (B,L,D)

OCT. 6 AND 7: FERNANDO DE NORONHA
Fernando de Noronha archipelago is a UNESCO site recognized for its rich marine life and large concentration of breeding tropical seabirds. Pending official permission, enjoy two days exploring its beaches, birdlife and rich marine life, with a special visit to the TAMAR turtle research project. Opt to hike, swim, and snorkel. Or take a visit to the remains of the 1738 Dos Remédios fortress. Or go on a boat excursion to Dolphins Bay to watch spinner dolphins—their acrobatics are renowned, and there is no better place to see them than Fernando de Noronha. (B,L,D)

OCT. 8-11: AT SEA/SALVADOR
After time at sea, arrive at Salvador, capital of the state of Bahia and cultural center of Brazil. Salvador’s music is legendary—the region is the birthplace of the samba—and we will have a private performance by some of Salvador’s leading musicians. We have two full days to explore, visiting the historic quarter of Pelourinho—another UNESCO site—and the São Francisco Church. Browse the Modelo Market, where embroidered linens and wood carvings are the draw. Opt to see the roots of the Afro-Brazilian Candomblé religion; or to visit the ruins of imposing Garcia d’Ávila castle. Hike in the Atlantic rain forest at the Sapiranga Reserve; visit a children’s outreach center; or attend a percussion workshop—the choice is yours. (B,L,D)

OCT. 12: ILHÉUS
Ilhéus once flourished as the cacao capital of Brazil. Drive to a fazenda (farm) where cacao has been grown since the 1800s, and stop in at a sanctuary for endangered three-toed sloths. Explore the town of Ilhéus; or you may wish to hike in a local reserve in search of birds and other wildlife and go by canoe up the Rio de Contas. (B,L,D)

OCT. 13 AND 14: ABROLHOS MARINE NATIONAL PARK/AT SEA
As we make our way south, we’ll pause at Abrolhos, a superb place for whale watching. Humpback whales come here to breed and give birth. In past years, we’ve been fortunate to observe them tail lob, breach and even sit motionless with their elevated tails out of the water to catch the wind. (B,L,D)

OCT. 15 AND 16: RIO DE JANEIRO
Famous for its fun-loving ways, Rio was recently declared a UNESCO World Heritage site for its dazzling scenery and monuments,
as well as for its nature that has been preserved despite human population growth. Options are many: explore Floresta da Tijuca, Rio’s largest national park. Visit the golden lion tamarin reserve. Visit a favela (poor neighborhood) for an understanding of its struggles and continuing development work. Choose to go on a walking tour of Rio’s historic downtown, have wonderful photo ops at the iconic Christ the Redeemer statue, ascend Sugarloaf, and of course, have the chance to enjoy Rio’s legendary beaches: Copacabana and Ipanema. Food and music are part of Rio’s essence, and we’ll celebrate the 125th with a special dinner along with great samba music and dance. (B,L,D)

OCT. 17: PARATI
Visit charming Parati, once prominent in the gold trade. We’ll take a walking tour of the historic center, visiting fine houses, museums, and churches, and hearing the distinctive Cirendeiros rhythms of Parati. Alternatively, go by four-wheel-drive vehicle to the Caminho do Ouro (Gold Trail), where you can enjoy the forest and waterfalls before an afternoon of swimming and kayaking. (B,L,D)

OCT. 18: ANCHIETA
The tiny island of Anchieta offers us some relaxed hours of exploring along the renowned beaches, and hearing tales of the island’s history. (B,L,D)

OCT. 19 AND 20: CURITIBA AND PARANAGUÁ/AT SEA
Board the Serra Verde train in Curitiba for Brazil’s most remarkable rail journey—a three-hour ride down steep mountains, across 30 trestle bridges and through 14 tunnels—followed by a barreado (traditional beef stew) finale. Or, explore the Atlantic rain forest at Guaraqueçaba and navigate the mangrove habitat aboard a local boat. (B,L,D)

OCT. 21: RIO GRANDE DO SUL
Rio Grande is Brazil’s southernmost port, set at the edge of the pampas, the vast lowlands that stretch to Patagonia. Spend an afternoon discovering the history, wildlife and culture of the area, with a variety of trail walks. (B,L,D)

OCT. 22 AND 23: AT SEA/MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY
A day at sea brings us to Montevideo, whose history is reflected in elegant architecture ranging from colonial to Art Deco. Discover the Old City and the residential neighborhood of El Prado. Then experience the culture of the gauchos and savor an asado (traditional barbecue) at a private estancia (ranch). (B,L,D)

OCT. 24 AND 25: BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA/DISEMBARK/U.S.
Cap off our epic voyage in Buenos Aires. Visit Beaux Arts palaces, including the famous pink palace of Eva Perón, and the bohemian quarters of La Boca and San Telmo. Transfer to the airport for your overnight flight home. (B,L on Oct. 24)

OPTIONAL EXTENSION
IGUAZÚ FALLS, POST-VOYAGE
4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS
Taller than Niagara, Iguazú Falls is also twice as wide, with 275 cascades spread in a horseshoe shape over nearly two miles. We’ll have thrilling views of the falls by boat and above by catwalk. With naturalists by our side, we’ll search for wildlife in Iguazú National Park and stay at the only hotel within the park. Call for details.

The balcony of Casa Rosada presidential palace, Buenos Aires, where Eva Perón addressed the crowd in 1945.
Expedition ship National Geographic Explorer can access hard to reach locations: we carry a fleet of Zodiacs and kayaks on board; the ship’s comfortable cabins are the perfect place to end a day of exploration.
National Geographic Explorer makes an effortless transition to the tropics

Her acres of window glass keep the endlessly unfolding visual drama of a coastal expedition always in view. Binoculars are always at hand in the observation lounge and on the bridge so you miss none of the amazing birds we’ll see. Traveling up steamy jungle riverways or returning from forays into the rain forest will be doubly enjoyable with Explorer’s welcoming climate-controlled interiors to watch from or return to.

Our undersea program complete with diver, undersea video technology and an ROV (Remotely Operated Vehicle) fosters genuine exploration, and enables you to see images of the tropical deep on high-def screens from the comfort of the lounge. And Explorer’s roster of exploration tools—Zodiacs, kayaks, complete snorkel gear for everyone, yours for the duration of the voyage—make exploring this unique region doubly active and engaging. Given the importance of music in this part of the world, and on this voyage, Explorer’s excellent sound system and her TV channels “broadcasting” facets of the experience will greatly enhance yours. And since, like an army, an expedition travels on its stomach, our executive chef and his galley will be engaged daily in opening another window onto this continent: through artfully crafted food, using local produce whenever possible, sustainably caught fish and the unique flavors of the region all along the way.

An undersea specialist, who’ll dive with a video camera or deploy our ROV (Remotely Operated Vehicle), shows us images of the deep’s denizens during recap in the lounge.

GO ON A DIVE WITH AN UNDERSEA SPECIALIST AT WWW.EXPEDITIONS.COM/USDIVER
SEE HOW THE ROV BRINGS THE UNDERSEA TO LIFE AT WWW.EXPEDITIONS.COM/ROV
Voyage in comfort aboard National Geographic Explorer

National Geographic Explorer provides a welcoming home in faraway lands. Decorated in relaxing earth tones, her 81 cabins, including 4 suites with balconies, 9 cabins with balconies, and 14 solo cabins are inviting and rewarding—with deluxe bedding, our signature feather duvets and thick terry robes. All cabins feature flat screen TVs with movie programming, as well as channels broadcasting the live feed from our remote-controlled crow’s nest camera, and our electronic chart system. And all cabins are equipped with Ethernet connections, plugs for laptops and phone or camera chargers.

To view a video tour of National Geographic Explorer, visit www.expeditions.com/ngexplorer
Top left: section of suite with balcony. Bottom left: the fitness center with panoramic views and a classic Swedish sauna make the wellness spa at the top of the ship a perfect place to end an active day. Top right: Explorer's library, brimming with definitive guides, books, novels, and gorgeously illustrated coffee table books, is a comfortable place to read or study a topic.

Left: Hotel Manager Henrik Ahlberg welcomes you. Above: the strikingly plated dishes dazzle daily, with healthy options from wholesome to indulgent.
THE WORLD’S ULTIMATE EXPEDITION SHIP

National Geographic Explorer

*National Geographic Explorer* is a state-of-the-art expedition ship and the newest addition to the Lindblad fleet. It is a fully stabilized, ice-class vessel, with an Ice-1A Class rating on the hull, enabling it to navigate remote passages while providing exceptional comfort.

Prices are per person, double occupancy unless indicated as solo.

| CATEGORY 1: | Main Deck with one or two Portholes #301-308 | $34,730 |
| CATEGORY 2: | Main Deck with Window #317-320, 335-336 | $37,430 |
| CATEGORY 3: | Main Deck with Window #313-316, 321-328, 337-340, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350 | $38,220 |
| CATEGORY 4: | Upper and Veranda Decks with Window #103-104, 107-108, 201-202, 204-207, 210, 212, 217, 226, 228 | $41,590 |
| CATEGORY 5: | Upper Deck with Balcony #209, 211, 214, 216, 218, 220-222, 224 | $48,290 |
| CATEGORY 6: | Veranda Deck-Suite #101-102; Upper Deck-Suite with Balcony #213 | $56,580 |
| CATEGORY 7: | Upper Deck–Suite with Balcony #215, 219, 230 | $64,920 |
| CATEGORY 2 SOLO: | Main Deck with Window #309-312, 329-334 | $46,790 |
| CATEGORY 3 SOLO: | Upper and Veranda Decks with Window #105-106, 203, 208 | $47,990 |
| CATEGORY 3 TRIPLE: | Main Deck with Window #341, 343 | * |

**Note:** *Third person rates are available in the designated triple occupancy cabins at one-half the double occupancy rate. Cabins #341, 343, 101, 102, 215, 219 and 230 can accommodate a third person.*

**Note:** Sole occupancy cabins available in Categories 2 and 3.

**Shared accommodations:** Available in Categories 1 and 2.

**Note:** Cabins #209, 211, 214, 216-218, 220, 222, 224, 226, 228, 303-306 — These cabins have one queen-sized bed. All other double cabins have two lower single beds; some can convert to a queen-sized bed.

**Includes:** Two hotel nights in Trinidad and charter aircraft to Kaieteur Falls. Immigration/visa fees are not included.

**Sample airfares:** New York/Port of Spain, Buenos Aires/New York; Economy from $2,100; Business from $3,900.
All cabins face outside with windows or portholes, private facilities and climate controls. Some cabins have balconies. Decorated in relaxing earth tones, with deluxe bedding, all cabins feature flat screen TVs with movie programming, as well as Ethernet connections and plugs for laptops or camera chargers.

CAPACITY: 148 guests in 81 outside cabins. REGISTRY: Bahamas

OVERALL LENGTH: 367 feet

PUBLIC AREAS: bistro bar; restaurant; chart room; global gallery; library, lounge with full service bar and state-of-the-art facilities for videos and presentations; mud room with lockers for expedition gear, observation lounge and internet café.

OPEN BRIDGE: Provides guests with an opportunity to meet our officers and captain and learn about navigation.

MEALS: Served in single seatings with unassigned tables for an informal atmosphere and easy mingling. Menu is international with local flair.

EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT: 13 Zodiac landing craft, 36 double kayaks, Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), hydrophone, SplashCam, underwater video camera, crow’s nest remote controlled camera, video microscope.

WELLNESS: The vessel is staffed by a wellness specialist and features a glass-enclosed fitness center, outdoor stretching area, two LEXspa treatment rooms and a sauna.

SPECIAL FEATURES: A full-time doctor, undersea specialist, National Geographic photographer, Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor and video chronicler. Laundry service available.

TO VIEW A VIDEO TOUR OF NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER VISIT WWW.EXPLORATIONS.COM/NGEXPLORER
Take advantage of our special offers

**SPECIAL OFFER:** Book by May 31, 2013 for complimentary economy group airfare Miami/Port of Spain, Trinidad, and returning Buenos Aires/Miami—a $2,100 value. Offer valid for new bookings only, subject to availability at the time of booking, may not be combined with other offers and must be ticketed by Lindblad Expeditions. In the case where complimentary flights are no longer available, we reserve the right to issue a credit certificate for future travel. Call for details.

**BRINGING THE KIDS:** We believe sharing an expedition with your kids or grandkids is a life-enhancing experience. So take $500 off for each child under the age of 18.

**TRAVELING AS A GROUP:** Save 5% when traveling as a group of 8 or more people. Take advantage of these great savings, while enjoying traveling with your friends and family. This savings is applicable to voyage fares only, and is not valid on extensions or airfare. Deposit, final payments, and cancellation policies for group travel vary from our regular policies.

**COMBINING OFFERS:** Certain offers may be combinable, up to two savings opportunities, except where noted otherwise. For example, travel with a group of 8 or more on back-to-back expeditions, and take advantage of both savings!

**INCLUSIVE PRICING**
We include just about everything you have the opportunity to do as part of your expedition aboard ship and ashore. The only things not included are those of a personal nature—alcohol, internet usage, tips to the crew, wellness treatments and other specialized arrangements.

**ABOARD SHIP**
- All meals and non-alcoholic beverages
- Cappuccinos, lattes & complimentary refillable water bottle
- 24-hour coffee, tea & soda on demand
- Hors d’oeuvres & snacks during lounge recap
- Sauna
- Fitness center
- Fully stocked library
- The guidance and company of our expedition staff

**ASHORE**
- Meals on land, as indicated in itinerary
- Special access permits, park fees, port taxes
- Transfers to and from group flights
- The expertise of our expedition staff

**ACTIVITIES**
- All shore activities
- Zodiac & kayak explorations
- Snorkeling, including wetsuits, masks, fins, snorkel where relevant
- Lectures & presentations in the lounge

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Reservation Information

Costs Include: All accommodations aboard ships or in hotels per itinerary or similar, all meals and nonalcoholic beverages aboard ship, meals on land as indicated, air transportation where indicated as included, shore excursions, sightseeing and entrance fees, special access permits, transfers to and from group flights, use of kayaks, tips (except to ship’s crew), taxes and service charges, services of a ship physician and services of our expedition staff.

Not Included: Air transportation (except where shown as included), extensions, passport, visa, immigration fees, meals not indicated, travel protection plan, items of a personal nature, such as alcoholic beverages, e-mail, voyage DVD, laundry, scuba diving. Gratuities to ship’s crew are at your discretion.

Airfare: For all programs, airfare is an additional cost unless otherwise indicated. Sample airfares are subject to change. We will gladly assist in making your air arrangements for a $50 per person service fee.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Reservations: To reserve your place, an advance payment in the amount of $3,500 per person is required at the time of reservation. The per person advance payment amount varies by program, and is outlined in our brochures, as well as on our website. Certain longer voyages may carry additional advance deposit requirements due to high demand for these voyages. Payment is accepted by Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, or by check.

Receipt of your initial payment indicates your acceptance of our complete Terms and Conditions. We require written notice at the time of reservation for any physical condition, diet, or treatment requiring special attention.

Once your reservation is confirmed, we urge you to use your personalized online account for important information to help you prepare for your voyage. Managing your documents online will facilitate fast and accurate communication, and allow you to provide us with pertinent details we require, in order to complete your reservation. Your online account gives you access to your Expedition Guide, which includes valuable information specific to your voyage. You can also use your online account to make easy payments, view recommended flights and reading material, packing list, and so much more.

Final Payment: Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure. Payment schedules may vary for certain longer voyages, due to high demand for these voyages. We reserve the right to cancel your reservation if payment has not been received by final payment due date.

Travel Protection Plan: We strongly recommend that you take advantage of our Travel Protection Plan. This plan offers comprehensive coverage to protect you from cancellation fees, costs incurred due to trip delays/interruption, damaged or lost baggage, medical assistance and evacuation during your travels. Our Travel Protection Plan is available for U.S. and Canadian residents only, and may be purchased any time prior to final payment due date. Travel Protection premiums are non-refundable once plan is purchased.

Smoking Policy: Smoking is allowed only in designated outdoor areas.

Responsibility and Other Terms & Conditions: Certain other provisions concerning, among other things, limitations of Lindblad Expeditions’ and the National Geographic Society’s liability for loss of property, injury, illness or death during the voyage will be provided to all guests on the ship’s ticket sent prior to departure, and are also available on our website at www.expeditions.com/terms, or upon request. By registering for a trip, the guest agrees to all such terms and conditions.

Note: Itineraries and prices listed in this brochure are valid as of publication date, and are subject to change. Under normal conditions, the total expedition cost is guaranteed at the time of booking. However, the published price is determined far in advance of initial departure on the basis of then-existing projections of fuel and other costs. In the event we determine that current costs create an unsustainable financial model, including but not limited to increases in the price of fuel, currency fluctuations, increases in government taxes or levies, or increased security costs, we reserve the right to pass on these costs to you, to cover such unexpected increases. We will always provide a transparent accounting of the reason for such an increase in costs.

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Lindblad Expeditions, as an Active Member of USTOA, is required to post $1 Million with USTOA to be used to reimburse, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the USTOA $1 Million Travelers Assistance Program, the advance payments of Lindblad Expeditions customers in the unlikely event of Lindblad Expeditions bankruptcy; insolvency or cessation of business. Further, you should understand that the $1 Million posted by Lindblad Expeditions may be sufficient to provide only a partial recovery of the advance payments received by Lindblad Expeditions. More details of the USTOA Travelers Assistance Program may be obtained by writing to USTOA at 345 Seventh Avenue, Suite 1801, New York, New York 10001 or by email to information@ustoa.com or by visiting their website at www.USTOA.com.

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CANCELLATION POLICY

For Expeditions 9 Nights or More

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*$150 will be refunded in the form of a Lindblad Expeditions Travel Certificate.

This cancellation policy applies to expeditions as well as pre- or post- extensions. The effective date of a cancellation will be the date on which your cancellation notice is received. Note: Airline cancellation policies vary by carrier, as well as the type of fare used to issue your ticket. Any revisions you make within the cancellation penalty period, such as departure date or choice of voyage, are subject to cancellation fees.

Cancellation policy for certain longer voyages and holiday departures may vary due to high demand for these voyages. Our Group cancellation policies are listed in the Terms and Conditions section of our website, or you may call us for details. We stress the importance of purchasing a travel protection plan to protect yourself from fees in the event you need to cancel your reservation.

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» Tourism for Tomorrow “Global Tourism Business Award,” 2007
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» Condé Nast Traveler “Ecotourism Award,” 2002

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