THE CINCINNATI ZOO & BOTANICAL GARDEN

Cordially Invite You On An Adventure To

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Of Huli Wig Men, Ancestral Spirits and The Sepik

Escorted by Ron Evans, Primate Curator

JULY 12 TO 25, 2018
YOUR ITINERARY

DAYS 1/2/3~THURSDAY/FRIDAY/SATURDAY~JULY 12/13/14
CINCINNATI/PORT MORESBY/MOUNT HAGEN/WAHGI VALLEY

Depart the USA and crossing the international dateline, you arrive at Jackson’s International airport in Port Moresby two days later, where you will be met and guided to your domestic flight to Mount Hagen. A picturesque drive then takes you through highlands gardens to your accommodation, Rondon Ridge Lodge.

Rondon Ridge lies 7,100 feet above sea level and boasts panoramic views of the Wahgi Valley below. This lodge is the pinnacle of luxury in a remote and rural setting. The lodge consists of 12 rooms, all of which have 180-degree views, a modern bathroom, plus electric blankets and continental quilts for the cool highland evenings. The main building houses the lounge, bar, dining room, conference center and a cozy fireplace. Rondon Ridge has 24-hour, eco-friendly electricity, provided by its own hydroelectric power plant that generates clean, natural energy from a nearby mountain steam.

The rest of your day is at leisure to just relax at your lodge or you can enjoy some birding on your own. The surrounding area is home to ten species of birds of paradise and numerous orchids; various trails start right from the lodge, so it’s easy to get out and see the area’s unique ecology.

Overnight at the RONDON RIDGE (Meals aloft; D)
http://www.pngtours.com/lodge6.html

DAY 4~SUNDAY~JULY 15
WAHGI VALLEY~MELPA PEOPLE

Wake up early and venture off on pre-breakfast birding around the Rondon Ridge Lodge. The high-altitude forest behind the property is home to Macgregor’s Bowerbird, Brown Sicklebill, Stephanie’s Astrapia and the Superb Bird of Paradise, while a little further afield you may see Black Sicklebill, Bufftail Sicklebill, King of Saxony Bird of Paradise and the Short-tailed Paradigalla. These are only some of the more than 180 species recorded here.

After breakfast, your day will be fully devoted to experiencing the unique cultural offerings of Papua. You will learn of the complex society in the Wاغhi Valley and Mount Hagen. The areas surrounding the township of Mount Hagen consist of mountain ranges covered with lush tropical rainforest, rugged limestone bluffs and small valleys dotted with subsistence farming. Mount Hagen is located at the western end of the Wahgi Valley, a huge valley, bounded by mountains whose peaks exceed 13,123 feet. The valley floor is covered in a lush green carpet of subsistence crops of sweet potato and commercial crops of coffee, tea and vegetables. In every direction that one looks, it is possible to see the homes of several cultural-linguistic groups. The main cultural group in Mount Hagen is the Melpa (or Hagen) people. To the west there are the Tambul people and the Nebilyer people. To the north are the Baiyer people and the Jimi people. To the east are the Jiwaka (or Wahgi) people.
Each of these groups, all within 31 miles of Mount Hagen Town, have their own language, customs, "bilas" (body decoration) and traditions.

Overnight at the RONDON RIDGE (B,L,D)

**DAYS 5/6/7~MONDAY/TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY~JULY 16/17/18**

**MOUNT HAGEN/KARAWARI/SEPIK RIVER**

Return to Mt. Hagen, where a short flight takes you to Karawari, where you’ll meet your luxury riverboat, the Sepik Spirit. Inspired by the local architecture of the "haus tambaran" or spirit house, the Sepik Spirit has a truly unique design with its nine cabins, accommodating a maximum of 18 guests. Cabins include personally controlled air-conditioning, en suite bathrooms and river-facing windows from which you can enjoy the gorgeous scenery.

Enjoy lunch on board the Sepik Spirit as you cast off onto the mystical Sepik River, the longest river in New Guinea, whose banks are home to many local villages. The people of the river speak more than 250 languages and are all brought together in systems of trade and cultural interaction. Life in the Sepik revolves around the river, with men paddling narrow canoes full of goods for trade, women fishing or making sago (a major staple food) and children splashing in the river. The Sepik is a gallery of tribal art with each village boasting a unique style and every villager is an artisan. For the next three days, you will explore the many villages lining the Sepik and learn of the different tribal customs. They’ll dance for you, interact with you, and you’ll be able to shop and enjoy the beauty of the Sepik along the way.

On the first full day, leave the ship in the morning for a full day tour and a picnic lunch to the remote Black Water Lakes to visit villages where the people are prolific carvers. Here you can purchase many interesting items such as masks, elaborately carved hooks, and ancestral figures, hand drums, baskets, bilums and gourds.

On the last full day, visit the village of Mumeri, where the women are well known for the ornate gourd phallicrypts. Enjoy a jet boat ride to meet with the Sepik Spirit at the Krosmeri Junction for lunch and then tour the Mindimbit villages, seat of the Iatmul people occupying the middle Sepik, known for the muted colors that are typical in the masks they produce. The art of the Iatmul people is the most well represented of all the indigenous peoples of Papua New Guinea. However, few people have much knowledge or understanding of the complex culture that produced these appealing sculptures, carvings, and masks. The Iatmul were cannibals and headhunters in the times before contact with European missionaries in the 1930s. However, when some of their men were publicly executed, these violent practices ended.

You will meet up again with the Sepik Spirit while cruising back to the Karawari area.

Overnights aboard the SEPIK SPIRIT (B,L,D Daily) [http://www.pngtours.com/lodge4.html](http://www.pngtours.com/lodge4.html)
**Day 8~Thursday~July 19**

**East Sepik Region~Karawari Lodge**

After breakfast, you will disembark the Sepik Spirit and be transferred to the Karawari Lodge. Enjoy a full day of excursions along the jungle-fringed waterways of the Karawari River, where boatmen, standing upright, paddle their slender dugout canoes with sculpted silhouettes of crocodile masks. Village life including carved totems, drums, woodcarvings, and different expressions of art will surround you today. See bountiful bird life along the rivers and nearby lakes. Excursions will enhance your understanding of traditional village culture in the Sepik region. Sail through remote jungle waterways where huge lichen and vine-festooned trees, masses of brilliant flame flowers, and a profusion of orchids thrive. The soft dawn glimmers on these waterways and the vast plain erupts with a myriad of birds – the raucous jungle music. Dug-out canoes glide close by the river banks – stilt villages suddenly spring in sight along the flowing waters. Here you will see man and the environment as it has been for thousands of years.

The rest of your day will be at your leisure to spend at the lodge or you to go on an optional afternoon birding for an opportunity to spot the elusive Twelve-wired Bird of Paradise (*Seleucidis melanoleucus*), cockatoos, parrots, hornbills, cormorants and other water birds.

The Karawari Lodge, poised on the ridge overlooking the river and jungle-clad Sepik basin, is a world entirely unique. The lodge has 10 separate cottages, each built out of local bush materials and inspired by traditional architecture. Each cottage has two private twin rooms, each with modern en-suite bathrooms, and a communal veranda. Despite its remoteness, the lodge has 220V electricity, hot and cold water, mosquito-netted beds and ceiling fans – all make for a welcome sanctuary after a day’s exploration. The dining and lounge areas, "Puk Puk" bar and a vast collection of Sepik artifacts are housed in Karawari's main lodge building, designed and built in the form of a traditional "haus tambaran" or spirit house.

Overnight at the Karawari Lodge (B,L,D)  [http://www.pngtours.com/lodge2.html](http://www.pngtours.com/lodge2.html)
**DAY 9—FRIDAY—JULY 20**  
**KARAWARI LODGE/TARI VALLEY**

Board your charter flight to Tari, where you’ll fly over some of the most rugged and impressive landscapes in the world. Ambua Lodge is an inspired mixture of local architecture, spectacular views and modest luxury off the beaten track. You will be met at the Tari airport by the Ambua staff and transferred by vehicle to the lodge.

Nestled amongst the Doma Peaks near Tari, the Ambua Lodge is an inspired mixture of local architecture, spectacular views and modest luxury off the beaten track. Located at 7,000 feet in the PNG Southern Highlands, this is the homeland of the Huli clan. Guests are accommodated in thirty round houses, set amongst landscaped gardens and built almost exclusively from natural materials. Each unit features 180-degree picture windows to soak in the view, and en-suite bathrooms. Guests can also be accommodated in the lodge’s two-story block of 18 modern hotel rooms. Electric blankets and continental quilts are available for the cool highland evenings. Ambua has 24-hour eco-friendly electricity, provided by its own hydroelectric power plant that generates clean, natural energy from a nearby mountain stream. The main lodge building houses the bar, dining and lounge areas and a cozy central fireplace.

Spend the afternoon exploring the area near the lodge with guides to lead you along forest paths, past roaring waterfalls, and over traditional bridges, as you begin to develop an appreciation of the close relationship between nature and the Huli people. Overnight at the AMBUA LODGE (B,L,D)  
http://www.pngtours.com/lodge1.htm

**DAY 10—SATURDAY—JULY 21**  
**TARI VALLEY**

The Ambua area is home to numerous orchid species as well as an incredible 13 species of birds of paradise. You will be offered the opportunity to do some pre-breakfast birding. Ambua is a world-renowned birding destination with over 217 distinct species recorded in the area. As these birds can be seen in the early morning and late afternoon, you may be lucky enough to see the King of Saxony, Stephanie’s Astrapia, Ribbontail Astrapia and the Sicklebill Birds of Paradise. Then enjoy the day of cultural and ecological touring as you visit Huli compounds and sacred places. Learn how the Huli live and how they interact with and use their environment in the magnificent Tari Valley. You’ll walk through the forest canopy, a dense mass of interlocking tree tops of all shades of green and the occasional bright splash of color, and cross traditional vine bridges, discovering secluded waterfalls. Your expert guide will point out the ways in which the Huli people utilize the abundant natural resources around them and the vast variety of plants and animals found in the area. While on your walk, you can take advantage of the birding around the lodge grounds. Overnight at the AMBUA LODGE (B,L,D)
DAY 11 ~ SUNDAY ~ JULY 22
TARI VALLEY
This morning you can participate in a pre-breakfast birding before learning more about the fascinating cultures, traditions and beliefs of the Huli people. In contrast to the Sepik people whose art is manifested in ceremonial and decorative carvings, these highland people employ as their art, body decoration, face painting and human hair wigs decorated with feathers, flowers and moss. The Huli culture is the most vibrant intact and colorful to be experienced anywhere. The great Tari Basin and surrounding mountain slopes are the home of the Huli Clans, one of the largest ethnic groups in the Southern Highlands and one of the most culturally intact in all of PNG. The Huli were only discovered in 1935 and were one of the last groups to come under government control. The men take great pride in their appearance, cultivating everlasting daises and collecting bird of paradise feathers to decorate their wigs. They were particularly skilled in warfare and merciless to the opposing clans. Huge inter-connecting trenches (dug by hand with wooden paddle-like spades) were used to delineate clan boundaries, to control the movement of pigs and as secret passageways for warriors during clan fights. You will meet these proud people and learn much of their traditions and way of life which are still governed by their belief in ancestral spirits and sorcery. Enjoy an afternoon birding around the lodge grounds. Overnights at the AMBUA LODGE (B,L,D)
DAY 12~MONDAY~JULY 23
TARI VALLEY/PORT MORESBY
Bid farewell to the highlands as you transfer to Tari airport for your short domestic flight to Port Moresby where you will be escorte to your hotel. This afternoon, time permitting, you may want to explore Port Moresby, the capital and largest city in Papua New Guinea, or just relax at your hotel. Later this evening, enjoy your farewell dinner.
Overnight at the AIRWAYS HOTEL (Bacchus Wing). (B,L,D) http://www.airways.com.pg/

DAY 13~TUESDAY~JULY 24
PORT MORESBY/BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA
This morning you are transferred to Jackson’s airport where you will connect with your flight to Brisbane, Australia’s third-largest city and state capital of tropical Queensland, with a population of over a million and a half. Located in the southeastern corner of Queensland, Brisbane is a river city, situated 15 miles upstream from the mouth of the Brisbane River. The compact city center is built along and between the looping meanders of the river, making it easy to explore on foot, and is a vibrant mix of modern skyscrapers and older buildings – some of which date back to the city’s days as a penal colony.

Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner at Pony Dining Eagle Street Pier, which offers premier waterfront dining with unrivalled views across the Brisbane River. World class restaurant designers form Woods Bagot have transformed the restaurant into a stunning dining space featuring a large open kitchen, iconic outdoor dining and garden terrace.

Your accommodation for the night is a luxury five-star property located on the Brisbane River, set in tranquil, award-winning gardens that seamlessly flow into the city’s Botanic Gardens. This charming, stylish and elegant hotel is also in the hub of Brisbane’s central business district and minutes from the best in shopping, restaurants, and nightlife. The hotel has its own jetty and every rooms enjoys views of the river. Recreational facilities include an outdoor heated pool, spa, sauna and a fully-equipped gym.
Overnight at the STAMFORD PLAZA BRISBANE. (B,D)

DAY 14~THURSDAY~JULY 25
BRISBANE/CINCINNATI
Enjoy breakfast in this beautiful city before returning to the airport and boarding your flight home. En route, you will re-cross the international dateline and arrive Los Angeles earlier than when you left Brisbane. Here, you connect with your flight home to Cincinnati, bringing with you all the wonderful memories from Papua New Guinea. (B, Meals Aloft)
OPTIONAL PRE-EXTENSION ~ LAKE MURRAY

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Overnight at the RONDON RIDGE (Meals aloft; D) http://www.pngtours.com/lodge6.html

DAYS 4/5 ~ THURSDAY/FRIDAY ~ JULY 12/13
MOUNT HAGEN/LAKE MURRAY
After breakfast, you will be transferred to Mount Hagen, Kagamuga airport for your charter flight to Lake Murray. Visit some of the remotest villages in Papua New Guinea as you embark on this pre-extension to Lake Murray. Your flight will take you over the rugged mountains of the Highlands and across the rainforest lowlands of the Western Province. As you approach the Lake Murray region, you will see the Strickland River snaking through these heavily forested areas. Lake Murray is the largest lake in Papua New Guinea. It has a population of 5,000 indigenous people scattered in small villages, both on tiny islands and coastal areas of the lake. Another inhabitant of Lake Murray is the Mythical Murray – a sea beast said to resemble a tyrannosaurus that reportedly lurks beneath the depths.
Upon arrival at Lake Murray, a boat awaits you for a 20-minute ride to Lake Murray Lodge for lunch. Lake Murray Lodge is nestled among the trees on an island spit and overlooks the lake. The lodge has found its home in this very remote area of Papua New Guinea.

The rest of your day you will explore the waterways of Lake Murray and visit local villages. With over 154 species, Lake Murray is one of the best bird watching areas in the Province. In addition to a host of migratory birds, several birds of paradise species, pelicans, hornbills, eagles, parrots and numerous other birds have been sighted. Forest birds include Sulphur crested Cockatoo, Palm Cockatoo, King Bird of Paradise, Raggiana Bird of Paradise and occasionally Southern Cassowary. Water birds include Australian Ibis, Paradise Kingfisher, White-bellied Sea-eagle, Magpie Goose, Green Pugey-goose and Australian Pelican. Lake Murray is also known for its black bass, barramundi and saratoga fish.

Your second day here will be dedicated to exploring several villages by boat. Throughout a stay at Lake Murray, there's plenty of opportunity to see traditional ways of life in this region, where the primary mode of transit is dugout canoe. You will have the chance to visit nearby markets and villages. The history and culture of Lake Murray area will be presented to you by the local villagers, who will welcome you into their homes for a picnic lunch. You may even find yourself invited to join a dance line—complete with traditional attire, some made from stunning cassowary bird feathers.

Overnights at the LAKE MURRAY LODGE (B,L,D, Daily) http://www.pngtours.com/lakemurray.html

**DAY 6~SATURDAY~JULY 14**

**LAKE MURRAY/MOUNT HAGEN**

Today you will fly by charter flight from Lake Murray to Mount Hagen. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred to Rondon Ridge Lodge. Enjoy a relaxing lunch followed by an optional nature walk and birding. Later you will meet with the rest of the group arriving early afternoon.

Overnight at the RONDON RIDGE. (B,L,D)
INCLUSIONS:

- Superior or best available accommodations throughout as indicated or similar.
- All meals in Papua New Guinea, Dinner and Breakfast in Brisbane (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner).
- All sightseeing by deluxe, air-conditioned motor coach, by boat and on foot.
- All internal flights in Papua New Guinea, on small charters.
- Accompanied by local guides in each destination.
- A Cincinnati Zoo escort will accompany the group with minimum of 10 travelers on both main and pre-extension programs.
- All entrance fees to places of interest.
- Complimentary bottled water in vehicles.
- Complimentary luggage tags and passport wallet.
- Complimentary emergency evacuation coverage.

EXCLUSIONS

- Round trip air transportation between Cincinnati and Port Moresby including taxes and fuel surcharges (quoted separately).
- Flights between Port Moresby/Mount Hagen and Tari/ Port Moresby. (quoted separately).
- Gratuities to driver/guides and other conveyance attendants.
- Passport and visa fees and service charges for obtaining visas. Visa is required for Papua New Guinea and can be obtained upon entry for stays of fewer than 60 days.
- Excess baggage charges levied by airlines.
- Meals and beverages, other than specified.
- Laundry and other items of a personal nature.
- Personal and baggage insurance.
- Cost for anything not specifically mentioned in the listing above.

Please Note That The Itinerary Sequence Is Correct At The Time Of Writing, But Is Subject To Change.

CLASSIC ESCAPES CONSERVATION FUND

In keeping with our mission to provide exciting, educational, and fun-filled experiences that nurture and directly support the diverse wildlife and cultures we visit around the world, Classic Escapes has established the Classic Escapes Conservation Fund to ensure that a percentage of all profits go to support conservation and wildlife researchers performing their critical work in the field. Project support has included wild dog, elephant, rhino and cheetah conservation in Botswana, Kenya, Tanzania and Namibia, penguins in Punta San Juan Peru, tiger preservation in India, and sponsoring school children in Kenya, among many other projects around the world. By traveling with Classic Escapes, you are supporting travel as a tool for building the mutual respect, awareness and understanding that are vital to preserving this planet for future generations.
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THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Participants
- Participants should also be able to stand and/or walk moderate distances at an easy pace for up to a few hours at a time when visiting villages, towns or other sites. Some, if not most, of this walking may be on uneven ground or uphill, often at higher elevations and altitudes that many people are not used to. There is hiking involved in the highlands and should be in good physical condition.
- Participants must be able to climb in and out of boats/canoes and small aircrafts unassisted. You need to be able to get in and out of the boats easily enough and proper footwear is essential.
- To enjoy this destination to its fullest, travelers must be in good physical health.

General
- True adventure in travel can sometimes be accompanied by unexpected changes in conditions, itineraries and occasionally your accommodations.
- Participants should travel with a spirit of adventure and flexibility. Remember to pack your patience and sense of humor! Be willing to look past self-imposed ideals of Western amenities and do not compare these new experiences with your life back home. Travel often includes visiting destinations with modest infrastructures and a bending definition of comfort.
- That being said, some locations are nestled in absolute luxury where pampering is the norm. Participants should generally be in good health and prepared to travel in locations without medical facilities.

Air Schedules
Choosing the best possible air arrangements for our travelers is always a challenge. We work with many airlines that offer the best level of service, routings and value for our programs. While there may indeed be more direct routings available with another airline, the cost of these flights may not be within the budget that allows us to give you the best value possible. If you prefer to purchase your own international air, please feel free to choose the “land only” rate for this program. The start and end city is Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea.

Upon registration, you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, you will be responsible for charges associated with reissuing the ticket.
### YOUR JOURNEY AT A GLANCE

**Including:** Port Moresby, Mount Hagen, Waghi Valley, Karawari, Sepik River & Tari Valley—Papua New Guinea, & Brisbane—Australia

**Hosted by:** Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden

**Escorted by:** An escort from The Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden

**Dates:** July 12 to 25, 2018

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* *Single supplements are valid for first two single rooms booked. If more than two single rooms, additional supplement may apply.*

**All international airfares are subject to change and based on minimum number of travelers. Taxes and fuel surcharges are subject to change until ticketed.**

**Departure City:** Cincinnati

(Other departure cities available upon request)
CONDITIONS OF TRAVEL:

REGISTRATION

HOW TO BOOK: Fill out and sign the enclosed reservation form and send it, along with the relevant deposit as shown below, to: Classic escapes Inc. 58-25 Queens Blvd., Woodside NY, 11377. Upon receipt of your signed reservation form and deposit, we will, subject to availability, reserve your spot on the tour. You may consider your booking confirmed when you receive a confirmation notice and invoice from us.

PAYMENTS

DEPOSIT: A deposit of $1,500 per person for the main trip and $500 for the extension must be submitted at the time of booking. Deposits may be paid by check or charged to American Express, MasterCard, Visa or Discover.

FINAL PAYMENT: Final payment is due 95 days before departure (April 8, 2018) - you will receive a final invoice. Final payment is payable by check or money order ONLY.

RATES: Rates are based on the minimum number of guests outlined in this document, plus airfare costs, currency exchange rates and other factors and are subject to change. Though it is rare for Classic Escapes to make a price adjustment after promotion of an itinerary, we do reserve the right to assess a surcharge if the minimum is not met, or if increases are forced upon us by airlines or other partners or because of changes in currency exchange rates.

NOT INCLUDED: Cost of passport and departure/entry taxes; excess baggage charges levied by airlines; laundry and other items of a personal nature; optional travel insurance policy; cost for anything not specifically included in listing above.

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: The quoted rate is valid for the first two single rooms booked and on a first-come, first-served basis. If more than two single rooms are needed, an additional supplement will apply. Single accommodations are not guaranteed, but will be provided at additional cost if available (see reservation form for cost.) The single room supplement pays for privacy, not better accommodations. For passengers who are traveling alone and wish to share a room with another tour member, we will do our best to provide a roommate. However, if this is not possible, you will be required to pay the single room supplement prior to your departure from the USA.

GRATUITIES AND TAXES: Gratuities for baggage handling, service charges and taxes imposed by hotels, and entrance fees to all points of interest as outlined in the itinerary are included. U.S. and foreign airport taxes are included in air costs. Tips to drivers and naturalist are NOT included.

CANCELLATIONS, DEVIATIONS & CHANGES

TRAVEL INSURANCE: We recommend travel insurance. Travel insurance can provide financial reimbursement should the unexpected occur.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Cancellations are only effective on receipt of written notification. The following per person fees are applicable on this tour:

- Up to April 8, 2018, $300 handling fee, plus $500 non-refundable deposit given to overseas suppliers.
- April 9 to April 28, 2018, deposit is forfeited.
- April 29, 2018 to May 8, 2018, less 75% of tour cost.
- After May 8, 2018, no refund is possible.

These cancellation fees are also in addition to any imposed by airlines.

WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU OBTAIN THE OPTIONAL INSURANCE POLICY. INFORMATION WILL BE SENT TO YOU UPON RECEIPT OF RESERVATION FORM.

CHANGE FEES: Once you reserve your tour, changes are possible subject to availability of air or land space at the time of request. Should there be any change fees imposed by airlines or ground operators, or additional costs incurred due to availability of any space, this cost will be invoiced to you.

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS: We would be happy to make additional travel plans for you, including specially arranged pre- or post-tour extensions different than those that may be offered in conjunction with this tour. A service charge of $150 per person (over and above the cost of the services required) will be assessed.
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**DOCUMENTS**

**PASSPORT & VISAS:** The onus is upon the guest to ensure that passports and visas are valid for the countries visited and for the applicable time period, as outlined by the U.S. Department of State (travel.state.gov) or by the passport holder’s country. Classic Escapes, their staff and their agents cannot be held liable for any visas, etc. not held by the guests, nor for the cost of obtaining visas.

**PRE-DEPARTURE INFORMATION:** Upon receipt of your registration and deposit, we will send a pre-departure packet to you. This packet contains all the information you need to prepare for your tour, including the complete itinerary, packing checklist, required documents, insurance information, etc.

**FINAL DOCUMENTS:** Final documents and tickets will be sent to you approximately two weeks prior to departure, provided all monies have been paid in full.

**TRANSPORTATION**

**OPTIONAL AIR TRANSPORTATION:** Roundtrip, economy-class flights via DELTA AIR LINES & QANTAS AIRWAYS and/or other IATAN carriers are between CINCINNATI, and the destination city noted in the itinerary. Rates are based on special promotional fares; cancellation fees apply once tickets are issued. Departures from other cities in the USA are possible at additional cost; inquire at the time of reservation. Please note that these promotional fares are subject to 10 passengers traveling together on the same airline routing and itinerary. If this minimum is not met, the special group rates are not applicable and it might become necessary to issue instant purchase tickets earlier than when final payment is due in order to take advantage of airfares that are similar to the group rates. Should this occur, you will be contacted with the details.

**AIRLINE SEATING:** For DELTA AIR LINES & QANTAS AIRWAYS, we request seats together for the group. All planes are non-smoking. We can request a seating preference on your behalf, however requested seats cannot be guaranteed. Requests should be made in writing no later than 60 days prior to departure. Bulkhead and/or emergency row seats can only be requested at airport check-in on the day of departure. Boarding passes will only be issued at the airport on the day of departure. You may inquire about seat changes during check in, based on availability and is at the sole discretion of airport staff.

**FREQUENT FLYER MILEAGE:** As mentioned, we work primarily with DELTA AIR LINES & QANTAS AIRWAYS. For a list of the airline’s partners, visit [http://www.delta.com/content/www/en_US/skymiles/earn-miles/earn-miles-with-partners/airlines.html](http://www.delta.com/content/www/en_US/skymiles/earn-miles/earn-miles-with-partners/airlines.html) as well as [https://www.qantas.com.au/fflyer/dyn/partners/usa](https://www.qantas.com.au/fflyer/dyn/partners/usa). Obtain frequent flyer mileage on any of these carriers. Present your frequent flyer card for all flight check-ins and keep the boarding passes until you receive a statement with the mileage credit.

**TRANSFERS:** Roundtrip airport transfers are included in the tour for guests arriving on group flights. If travelers make their own air arrangements, they will be subject to extra transfer fees.

**TRIP DETAILS**

**ACCOMMODATIONS:** You will marvel at the wonderful accommodations provided throughout your tour. All rooms have private bathroom facilities and air conditioning and/or fans. All rates are based on double occupancy. Most rooms are twin-bedded, but king-size beds are occasionally available and should be requested in advance. Accommodations listed in this itinerary are correct at time of writing, but on rare occasions may be substituted for a different property of comparable quality.

**MEALS:** All meals as specified in the itinerary. Please notify us if you have special dietary needs or requests, and we will do our best to accommodate.

**INOCULATIONS:** When it comes to vaccination and disease prevention, we suggest that travelers first review information provided by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ([www.cdc.gov/travel](http://www.cdc.gov/travel)) and then review those details with their personal physicians.

**WATER:** It is always advisable to drink bottled and/or filtered water when traveling overseas. Safe drinking water will be provided to travelers free of charge in the vehicles and during meals.

**BAGGAGE:** On average, international flights from the USA allow one piece of checked luggage not exceeding 50 pounds; however we always recommend that you check your airline’s policy just before departure, as luggage limitations are always subject to change. Despite this weight allowance, we always suggest guests travel light. Also, soft-sided duffel bags are ideal for this tour, as they stow best in vehicles and airplanes with limited space.
TERMS & CONDITIONS

RESPONSIBILITIES: Neither Classic Escapes (the Company) nor any person or agent acting for, through or on behalf of the Company shall be liable for any loss or damage whatsoever arising from any cause whatsoever and without restricting the generality of the aforesaid shall particularly not be responsible for loss or damage arising from any errors or omissions contained in its brochure or other literature, loss or damage caused by delays, sickness, theft, injury or death. In addition the Company shall have the right at any time at its discretion to cancel any trip or the remainder thereof or make any alteration in route, accommodation, price or other details and, in the event of any trip being rendered impossible, illegal or inadvisable by weather, strike, war, government or interference or any other cause whatsoever, the extra expenses incurred as a result thereof shall be the responsibility of the passenger. The Company may at its discretion and without liability or cost to itself at any time cancel or terminate the guest’s booking and in particular without limiting the generality of the aforesaid it shall be entitled to do so in the event of the illness or the illegal or incompatible behavior of the guest, who shall in such circumstances not be entitled to any refund.

PHOTOGRAPHY: The Company reserves the right without further notice to make use of any photograph or film taken on the tour by our photographers without payment or permission. We guarantee that no photographs of a compromising nature will be used.

CHANGES TO SCHEDULES: Although every effort is made to adhere to schedules it should be borne in mind that the Company reserves the right and in fact is obliged to occasionally change routes and hotels as dictated by changing conditions.

REFUNDS: While the Company uses its best endeavors to ensure that all anticipated accommodation is available as planned, there shall be no claim of any nature whatsoever against the Company for a refund either in the whole or part, if any accommodation or excursion is unavailable and a reasonable alternative is not found. If the guest is unable to use any service provided in the itinerary, then there are no refunds due.

AIRLINE CLAUSE: The airlines concerned are not to be held liable for any act, omission or event during the time the passengers are not on board their planes or conveyance. The passengers’ tickets in use by the airline or by other carriers concerned when issued shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and the purchaser of these tickets and/or passengers.

DELAYS: We cannot be held liable for any delays or additional costs incurred as a result of airlines not running to schedule. If one of our guides is unable to take a trip due to illness, etc. we reserve the right to substitute with another guide. This agreement is made subject to and shall be governed by and construed according to the laws of the country in which the trip takes place. Classic Escapes act merely as an agent for the operating companies. To the best of our knowledge the itinerary is correct at the time of printing. We cannot be held responsible for any inaccuracies or changes that may occur after printing.

CONSENT: The payment of the deposit OR any other partial payment for a reservation on a trip constitutes consent by all guests covered by that payment to all provisions of the conditions and general information contained in this brochure whether the guest has signed the booking form or not. The terms, under which you agree to take this trip, cannot be changed or amended except in writing signed by an authorized director of the Company.

INSURANCE: It is a condition of booking, that the sole responsibility lies with the guest to ensure that they carry the correct comprehensive travel and medical insurance to cover themselves, as well as any dependents/traveling companions for the duration of their trip. Classic Escapes, including their representatives, employees and agents will take no responsibility for any costs, losses incurred or suffered by the guest, or guest’s dependents or traveling companions.

Please visit the website to enroll – http://www.travelguard.com/classicescapes/. For any questions, you may have on insurance, contact Travel Guard at 1-866-385-4839 and refer to ARC #71298.

INCLUDED EMERGENCY EVACUATION COVERAGE: For the convenience of our travelers, Classic Escapes provides a complimentary Medical Insurance Plan during this trip through Travel Guard Group, Inc. This includes:

- Emergency evacuation insurance up to $100,000.
- Up to $25,000 medical expense and up to $500 dental expense coverage subject to the terms and limitations of the insurance policy.
- 24-hour worldwide travel and medical assistance.

Please click here to view complete coverage of details.
Dear Traveler,

In an effort to help protect our planet, Classic Escapes has begun the transition of becoming paperless. We need your help getting there!

**Did you know?**

Recycling one ton of paper saves 20 trees, 7,000 gallons of water, three cubic yards of landfill space, 60 pounds of air pollutants, and saves enough energy to power the average home for six months…

Please indicate in the chart below whether or not you prefer to receive paperless correspondence from us – all you need to do is put a check under the “green” symbol for yes or a check under the “NO” for no. Simply fax or email your responses to reservations@classicescapes.com!

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Your Name: ____________________________________________

Email Address: _________________________________________________________________________________________

Trip Tour Code: **18SPZ0712/Cincy**

Together we can make the world a better place!

Thank you for your support,
Enclosed is my deposit for $______________ ($1,500 per person plus $500 for the extension) to hold ____________ place(s) on the Exclusive Adventure to Papua New Guinea with Cincinnati Zoo departing July 12, 2018. Cost is $8,895 per person. Additional international air from Cincinnati is $3,690 including taxes and fuel surcharges (subject to change). (As of August 11, 2017 - subject to change).

Final payment due date is: April 8, 2018

Please make check payable to CLASSIC ESCAPES and mail to 58-25 Queens Blvd., Woodside, NY 11377

OR Charge deposit to: □ MasterCard □ Visa □ American Express □ Discover

Deposits can be made by credit card; however, all final payments are required to be made by check or money order only.

Please note that a copy of your passport will be required to complete your reservation, showing the page with your photograph. Passport must be valid for at least 6 months after the return of your trip.

1) NAME (As appears on passport): □ Mr. □ Mrs. □ Ms. ____________________________________________________________________________________

Passport No. __________________________ Green Card No. __________________________ Expiration Date ____________ Nationality ____________

2) NAME (As appears on passport): □ Mr. □ Mrs. □ Ms. ____________________________________________________________________________________

Passport No. __________________________ Green Card No. __________________________ Expiration Date ____________ Nationality ____________

NAME FOR NAME BADGE IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE: 1) __________________________ 2) __________________________

STREET ADDRESS: _____________________________________________________________________________________________

CITY: __________________________ STATE: ___________ ZIP: __________________________

PHONES: HOME: ( ) __________________________ OFFICE: ( ) __________________________ FAX: ( ) __________________________

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____________________________________________________________________________________________

☐ I certify that I have not recently been treated for, nor am I aware of any physical or other condition or liability that would create a hazard to myself or the other members of this tour.

☐ The two of us above are sharing a room and, where possible, would like a room with: □ ONE □ TWO beds (Make one selection only)

☐ I am sharing with __________________________ (form sent separately)

☐ I need assistance in securing a roommate. I understand if Cincinnati Zoo or Classic Escapes cannot locate one for me by final payment date, I agree to pay the additional single supplement amount. □ I prefer to share with: □ Smoker □ Non-smoker

☐ I desire single accommodations, if available, and will pay the single supplement additional cost of:
□ $1,995 for the main trip □ $595 for the Lake Murray pre-extension

☐ I/We wish to participate in the optional extension(s) at an additional per person cost of:
□ $3,295 for the Lake Murray pre-extension

☐ Please make my/our round-trip air reservations on the group flights from Cincinnati via Delta Air Lines & Qantas Airways.

☐ Please make domestic round-trip air reservations for me from my home city: __________________________ to connect with the group flights and let me know the additional cost.

☐ Please send me information on air upgrades for: □ Business/First Class (only one class – business/first – exists)

Airline Seating Preference □ Aisle □ Window □ Frequent Flier #

*We can request a seating preference on your behalf, however this is only a request and NOT guaranteed, as some seating assignments may be airport check-in only. Requests should be made in writing no later than 60 days prior to departure. Bulkhead and/or emergency row seats can only be requested at airport check-in on the day of departure. Also note that even if we do obtain your preferred seat, it is not guaranteed that the seat will be provided during check-in as there might be equipment changes that nullify our selection.

☐ I/We will make own air arrangements and will provide you with an itinerary before trip departure. I understand I will be billed $690 for the flights within Papua New Guinea.

All rates quoted are based on tariffs and value of foreign currencies in relation to the U.S. dollar in effect as of August 11, 2017, and are subject to change. Refund of deposit is made less any cancellation charges levied in accordance with the policy outlined in the accompanying Conditions of Travel. WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU OBTAIN TRAVEL INSURANCE. RESERVATIONS ARE ACCEPTED SUBJECT TO TOUR CONDITIONS AND WILL BE CONFIRMED ONLY IF ACCOMPANIED BY COMPLETED FORM SIGNED BY THE TOUR PARTICIPANT(S).

SIGNATURE: ______________________________________________________________________________________ DATE: __________________________

SIGNATURE: ______________________________________________________________________________________ DATE: __________________________

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Woodside, NY 11377

(We recommend that you keep a copy of your selections as noted above for your future reference)
CREDIT CARD PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION

Please Note: If you wish to charge your deposit to Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover, this authorization form MUST be completed and returned to us along with your reservation form before we can process your application.

I authorize (Classic Escapes Inc.) to charge my VISA/MASTERCARD/DISCOVER/AMEX listed below:

Name appearing on credit card:

Card number: Expiration date:

Card Verification Number:* Card Type:

Billing address of credit card:

Amount of transaction:

Phone number:

Signature: Date:

*How To Locate Your Card Verification Number:

(Visa, MasterCard, Discover: Locate the credit card number on the back of the card above the signature box. Enter the 3-digit number which follows the credit card number. American Express: Enter the 4-digit number found directly above and to the right of the credit card number.)

I understand that all rates quoted on this tour I’m making a payment on are based on tariffs and value of foreign currencies in relation to the U.S. dollar in effect as of August 11, 2017, and are subject to change. Cancellations are only effective on receipt of written notification. The following per person fees are applicable on this tour:

* Up to April 8, 2018, $300 handling fee, plus $500 non-refundable deposit given to overseas suppliers.
* April 9 to April 28, 2018, deposit is forfeited.
* April 29, 2018 to May 8, 2018, less 75% of tour cost.
* After May 8, 2018, no refund is possible.

These cancellation fees are also in addition to any fees imposed by airlines.

PLEASE NOTE: At times, our bank requires photocopy of credit card (both sides) and driver’s license or document showing signature of cardholder, in order to process the charge.

While it is not required at this time that you include these materials with your deposit, if our bank requests it, we will contact you for these copies.