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## GUATEMALA LUXURY TOURS

A fascinating private journey through sacred lands



## JOURNEY OVERVIEW

Your Guatemala luxury tour begins in Antigua, the perfect introduction to this colorful country. Accompanied by your expert guide, learn about the fascinating colonial history of Guatemala as you wander through the town's charming and historic streets and explore the surrounding countryside. Next, venture into the highlands as your tailor-made tour of Guatemala continues at Lake Atitlan. The area's striking volcanoes serve as a memorable backdrop for outdoor adventures such as kayaking on the lake, hiking between Mayan villages, or visiting shrines to local deities. Departing directly from the property's helipad, you will be transferred to Petén by a private helicopter. En route, touch down at El Mirador, a remote, little-visited site. Nicknamed "the lost city of the Maya," at El Mirador, you will find the largest pyramid the Mayans ever built. The following day in Petén, explore the famous Mayan ruins at Tikal. This ancient site once housed an estimated 100,000 people. Your private tour of Guatemala comes to a close the following day, with a domestic flight from Flores connecting with your international departing flight from Guatemala City.

### A Taste of Blue Parallel's Insider Access

- Access to a private villa overlooking Lake Atitlan
- Private helicopter transfer and exclusive visit to El Mirador, the lost city of the Mayans
- Introduction to the unique Mayan culture from an esteemed scholar

### The Discovery

- Antigua
- Lake Atitlan
- Tikal and El Mirador

### The Adventure

- Private boating
- Kayaking
- Hiking
- Aerial sightseeing

### Duration

7 Days

### When to go?

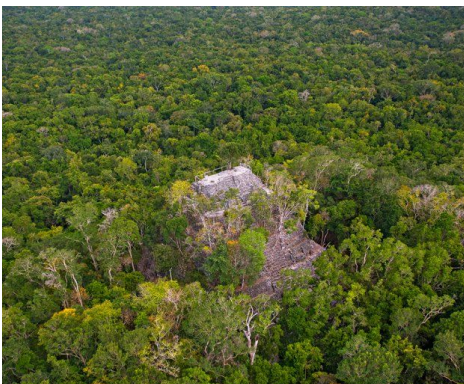
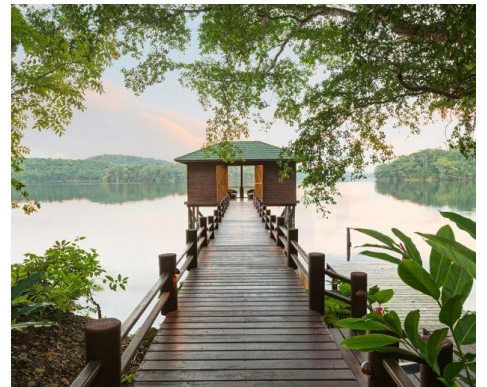
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DESTINATIONS			TRAVEL TIME
GUATEMALA CITY		ANTIGUA	45 min
ANTIGUA		LAKE ATITLAN	3 hrs
LAKE ATITLAN		FLORES	2 hrs
FLORES		GUATEMALA CITY	1 hr





## PHOTOGRAPHY





## PRIVATE TOUR GUATEMALA

*Please note: This private tour to Guatemala is an example,  
as all of our luxury journeys are custom-made.*

Please contact us to start planning your custom-made private adventure of a lifetime.

### Antigua (2 nights)

Following your arrival in Guatemala City, enjoy a private transfer to Antigua. Cobblestone streets and colorful houses characterize this charming colonial city. Your expert guide will show you the historical center with exquisite architecture, a grand Cathedral, and buildings dating back to the colonial era.

The following day, witness Guatemala's natural beauty during an active outdoor excursion of your choosing. Hike to the top of Pacaya Volcano for incredible views of the surrounding volcanoes and lagoons, or head to the hills around Antigua for a mountain biking adventure in the Almolonga Valley, passing through macadamia nut farms and coffee plantations along the way.

### Lake Atitlan (2 nights)

Drive to Casa Palopó hotel, overlooking the beautiful Lake Atitlán. Along the road of the volcanoes, you will stop by quaint Mayan villages where residents still wear typical Mayan dress, which varies from town to town. Upon your arrival, relax by the pool of your hotel, enjoying views of the lake and volcanoes. Alternatively, we can arrange for a private kayaking excursion with a local guide along Lake Atitlán. Then, in the early evening, enjoy cocktails as the sun sets while you learn about Mayan astrology from an esteemed scholar who has been living among the Mayan community for more than 20 years.

At Lake Atitlán, travel by private motorboat with your personal guide to hike and explore the local villages of Jaibalito de Santa Cruz – a route that features dazzling views of the San Pedro Volcano. While in one of the villages, meet with a master textile artist to learn about their efforts to recuperate traditional weaving techniques. Later, stop to see spiritual sights such as the shrine to the Mayan deity, Maximon.

### Tikal (2 nights)

At Casa Palopó's helipad, board your private helicopter to fly to the Petén region via Flores. Along the way, stop at the Mirador archaeological complex, known for its abundance of Mayan pyramids. Upon arrival, hike to the ancient complex with your personal guide. Later, head to Las Lagunas Boutique Hotel by helicopter.

The next day, enjoy a private tour of Tikal. Here, you'll learn about the Mayan civilization and the archaeological importance of the impressive ruins. Located in the heart of the jungle and boasting over 3,000 structures, Tikal was declared a UNESCO Cultural and Natural World Heritage Site in 1979. Listen to howler monkeys, spot toucans, and enjoy the jungle atmosphere as you explore the temples, palaces, and public squares with your personal guide.

While staying at Las Lagunas, spot wildlife as you kayak across the Quexil Lagoon. You will also meet with a scholar from the local university to learn about Mayan history. This expert background to the ancient Mayan culture brings the ruins to life. During your final morning in the country, a private transfer will take you to the nearby airport in Flores for your flight to Guatemala City. There, connect with your international departing flight back home.

## ABOUT BLUE PARALLEL

### Blue Parallel is a bespoke luxury travel boutique.



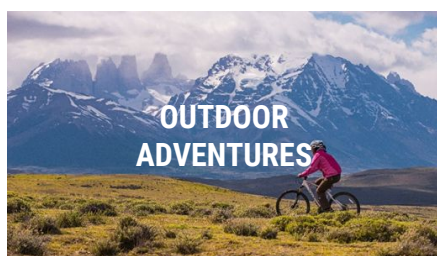
Our mission is to take discerning, time-constrained travelers to the most spectacular natural and cultural wonders of Latin America, the Mediterranean, and the Polar Regions.



We create private, tailor-made journeys that focus on UNESCO World Heritage Sites, insider access experiences, and extraordinary outdoor adventures.



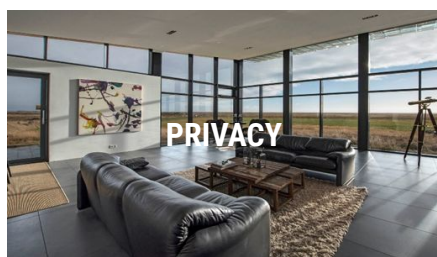
Since launching in 2003, we have become the go-to service for luxury travelers searching for top-of-the-line experiential journeys. We have been selected as an A-list Top Travel Advisor by Travel + Leisure every year since 2009, and are proudly part of the leading luxury travel network Virtuoso and their Ultraluxe Community (a by-invitation-only membership for the industry's most exclusive services and providers). We have hosted numerous eminent travelers since our inception and are frequently featured in prestigious international publications.



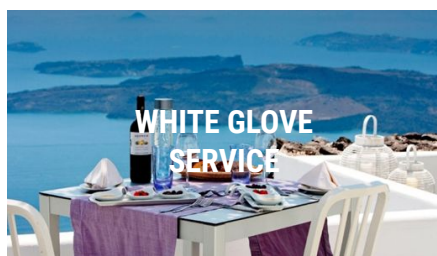
Blue Parallel journeys feature breathtaking outdoor adventures led by expert guides or accomplished athletes. Scuba diving in the Belize Reef, biking through Berber villages in the Atlas Mountains, ice-trekking on the Perito Moreno Glacier, dog sledding in Lapland, rafting on the Pacuare River in Costa Rica, and hiking the fjords of Norway are only a few examples of the extraordinary outdoor adventures we incorporate in our tailor-made itineraries. We take great satisfaction in designing custom-made adventures of a lifetime.



At Blue Parallel, we open doors to unique opportunities that match our travelers' interests. Our team travels year-round, seeking out the most intriguing insider experiences. Over the years, we have developed invaluable relationships with esteemed scholars, acclaimed artists, Olympic athletes, renowned chefs, directors of historical and natural landmarks, as well as with local leaders in politics and business, to name just a few examples.



Privacy has always been a top priority in all aspects of a Blue Parallel journey. Exclusive accommodations range from remote, fully-serviced villas in Iceland, a lighthouse on a private island in Norway, or a luxury private camp in the Sahara Desert. Examples of private custom experiences include an after-hours tour of the Alhambra in Andalusia, chartering a luxury yacht in the Galapagos Islands, or taking a private train ride to Machu Picchu. We can provide all these ultimate exclusive experiences and more so that our travelers can have the option to enjoy some of the world's most spectacular sights without the crowds.



Blue Parallel travelers are assigned a dedicated team comprised of:

- A personal travel expert
- A personal host in each destination
- Expert on-site guides and scholars
- Behind-the-scenes logistical experts to monitor every step of the journey

We are on call for our travelers 24-hours a day during their trip, ensuring a smooth and stress-free experience. Whatever happens, our team is one step ahead, and we provide the flexibility to change the program during the journey, if need be.

### CERTAINTY IN AN UNCERTAIN WORLD

Blue Parallel's expertise and our obsession with details offer certainty in an uncertain world. We have almost 2 decades of experience handling unforeseen circumstances, and the recent pandemic has only increased the significant value of having our dedicated teams offer limitless support to our travelers before, during, and after their journeys.



## OUR DESTINATIONS

LATIN AMERICA



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ARGENTINA



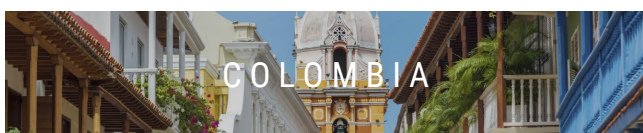
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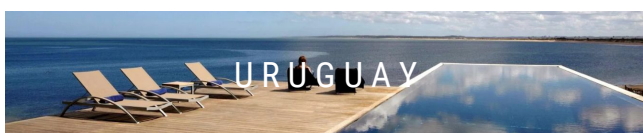
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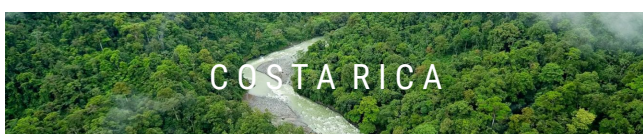
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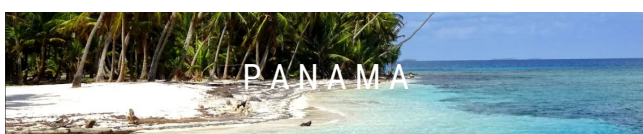
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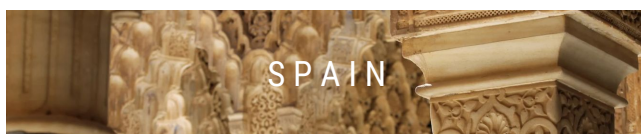
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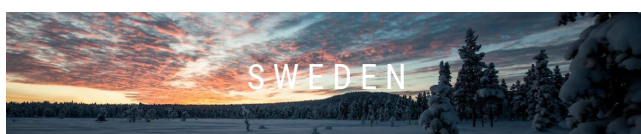
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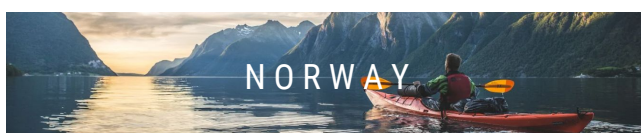
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## START PLANNING

We are experts in creating inspiring tailor-made itineraries. We will take your vision, try to enhance it, and then make your dream trip a reality. You can call us at 1-301-263-6670 Monday-Friday | 9 AM - 5PM ET, or send us an email to [info@blueparallel.com](mailto:info@blueparallel.com).

### How it all works

1

**Contact us**

Give us a call or send us an email in order to connect with one of our expert travel advisors.

2

**Initial Consultation**

We will ask you questions about your dream trip, make recommendations, and answer any questions you may have.

3

**Summary Itinerary Outline**

We will check availability for your preferred travel dates with our favorite accommodations and then provide you with a recommended summary trip outline.

4

**Detailed Itinerary Proposal**

Upon your approval of the summary outline, we will make tentative reservations and create a detailed custom-made itinerary with pricing documentation for your review.

5

**Booking Procedures**

If you would like Blue Parallel to secure your itinerary, we will email you our booking procedures and kindly request a deposit payment.

6

**Pre-Trip Support**

Closer to your travel dates, we will mail you a personalized travel package to ensure you are fully prepared for your journey.

7

**During the Trip**

While you are traveling, our team will be available to assist you with anything you may need at any time.

8

**Post-Trip Debrief**

After your journey, we would kindly ask to schedule a "debriefing call" to hear your feedback. Alternatively, you could fill in an online survey.

We will do our very best to surpass your expectations every step of the way. Most of our travelers are repeat travelers - we take great pride in forging long-term relationships with our savvy guests.