



















# Apex Expeditions 2024 Sneak Peek

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	<p><b>Socotra Island &amp; the United Arab Emirates</b> <i>(may be combined with Oman &amp; Jordan)</i></p>	<p>February Led by Jonathan &amp; Kevin</p>	<p>Explore wildlife sanctuaries of the UAE for Arabian Oryx and Tahr, and experience the legendary Dragon Blood trees, endemic birds, and dramatic landscapes of Socotra.</p>
	<p><b>Oman &amp; Jordan</b> <i>(may be combined with Socotra &amp; the UAE)</i></p>	<p>February/March Led by Kevin &amp; Gerald</p>	<p>Visit Oman's stunning World Heritage Sites, explore wetlands and coastal desert for migrating birds, and witness Jordan's ancient, rock-carved Petra.</p>
	<p><b>Cape to Cape onboard Silver Cloud</b></p>	<p>March 1 – 24 Led by Jonathan, Peter, Shirley, Liam, Ingrid &amp; Dan</p>	<p>Visiting the Falkland Islands, South Georgia, Tristan da Cunha, Nightingale, and Gough Islands, as well as Namibia, this is the ultimate South Atlantic adventure.</p>
	<p><b>India</b></p>	<p>March 7 – 21 Led by Marco</p>	<p>India's cultural and scenic diversity forms the backdrop to Asia's finest wildlife watching, highlighted by Bengal Tiger, Sloth Bear and Great Indian Rhinoceros.</p>
	<p><b>Iceland in Spring</b></p>	<p>April Led by Kevin &amp; John</p>	<p>Iceland is beautiful any time, but in early spring it's an uncrowded place of frozen waterfalls, steaming geysers, ice caves, and, with luck, the ethereal northern lights.</p>
	<p><b>Green Botswana</b></p>	<p>April Led by Marco</p>	<p>Experience Botswana's pristine wilderness at its most luxuriant, from the Kalahari Desert to the prolific wildlife of the legendary Okavango Delta.</p>
	<p><b>Borneo</b></p>	<p>April Led by Gerald</p>	<p>From Orangutans and Proboscis Monkeys, to Leopard Cats and Rhinoceros Hornbills, discover Asia's richest forest fauna on an in-depth transect of this great island.</p>
	<p><b>Bitung to Manila onboard Minerva</b> <i>(may be combined with Manila to Kobe)</i></p>	<p>April/May Led by Jonathan &amp; Liam</p>	<p>Snorkel the world's second largest coral reef, swim with graceful Whale Sharks, and witness stunning natural beauty as you island-hop through the Philippines.</p>
	<p><b>Manila to Kobe onboard Minerva</b> <i>(may be combined with Bitung to Manila)</i></p>	<p>May Led by Jonathan &amp; Liam</p>	<p>Discover a fascinating mix of island cultures, colorful marine life, and WWII history, along with ancient temples and exquisite gardens in Japan.</p>









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 <p><b>Tanzania's Serengeti</b> <i>(may be combined with Uganda)</i></p>	<p>May 6 – 18 Led by Marco &amp; Richard</p>	<p>Savor the “Out of Africa” experience of the Serengeti at its most exquisite, with the legendary migration in full swing across wildflower-studded plains.</p>
 <p><b>Uganda</b> <i>(may be combined with Tanzania)</i></p>	<p>May 21 – June 2 Led by Marco &amp; Liam</p>	<p>Chimp tracking and Nile wildlife watching are combined with Bwindi Impenetrable Forest's endangered Mountain Gorillas on this comprehensive exploration.</p>
 <p><b>Amazonian Brazil onboard Iracema</b></p>	<p>June 1 – 17 Led by Jonathan, Diogo &amp; Gerald</p>	<p>An extraordinary primate extravaganza aboard a classic riverboat, deep into the watery wilderness of the Amazon basin at the height of its annual flood.</p>
 <p><b>Galápagos Islands &amp; Masphi onboard Silver Origin</b></p>	<p>June 17 – 29 Led by Peter &amp; Shirley</p>	<p>Witness the seabird spectacle, swim with curious sea lions, and photograph the bizarre reptiles and fascinating flora of the legendary Galápagos.</p>
 <p><b>Secret South Africa</b></p>	<p>August 10 – 23 Led by Marco &amp; Liam</p>	<p>An insider's guide to the best South Africa has to offer: dramatic scenery, outstanding wildlife, endemic flora, and fascinating cultural history.</p>
 <p><b>Alaska</b></p>	<p>August/September Led by Duke</p>	<p>Discover the magnificent wild Alaska that few tourists ever see, via glacier hikes, flightseeing, and nature walks. Search for Moose, bears, Caribou, puffins, and whales.</p>
 <p><b>Namibia</b></p>	<p>September 1 – 15 Led by Marco</p>	<p>A land of striking scenery and abundant wildlife, from towering red sand dunes and the isolated Skeleton Coast to the wildlife-packed waterholes of Etosha.</p>
 <p><b>Brazil</b></p>	<p>September Led by Diogo</p>	<p>Seek the incomparable wildlife treasures of the Amazon rainforest and Pantanal wetlands—Jaguar, Capybara, caiman, Hyacinth Macaw, and Giant Anteater.</p>



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	<b>Bali to Madang onboard <i>Heritage Adventurer</i></b>	October Led by Jonathan & Liam	Experience Komodo Dragons, Whale Sharks, Birds of Paradise, and the richest coral reefs on Earth, on an epic traverse across Indonesia's remote eastern provinces.
	<b>Madagascar</b>	October Led by Marco	Arguably the best wildlife destination on Earth, see a remarkable diversity of habitats—home to lemurs, chameleons, endemic birds, and fascinating flora.
	<b>Northern Argentina &amp; Chile</b>	October 12 - 27 Led by Kevin	Traverse a little-known swath of South America on this journey through the wildlife-rich Ibera Marsh, the spectacular Salta region, the Andes, and the Atacama.
	<b>Costa Rica to Chile onboard <i>Silver Wind</i></b>	October 30 - November 18 Led by Peter, Shirley, Gerald, Ingrid & Liam	Costa Rica, Ecuador, Peru, and Chile—encounter staggering wildlife and cultural riches in national parks, and World Heritage sites along the West Coast of South America.
	<b>Colombia</b>	November Led by Jonathan & Duke	Discover Colombia's mix of natural history and rich culture from bustling Bogotá to charming Cartagena, along with the Sierra Nevadas and rainbow-hued Caño Cristales.

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*Adjustments to this expedition schedule may occur as dates and itineraries are finalized.*



# Meet Our Leaders



**Jonathan Rossouw**

Jonathan is one of the world's most experienced expedition leaders, having guided wildlife expeditions in over 150 countries on all seven continents. He combines a legendary enthusiasm with an impressive knowledge of all aspects of natural history.



**Kevin Clement**

Not many people can say they have lived within Alaska's Denali and Glacier Bay National Parks, but Kevin is one. Nowadays, he spends most of his time leading adventures on all seven continents. As an artist, Kevin never travels without his sketchbook, or his sense of humor.



**Peter Harrison**

Peter has led expeditions throughout the world, from the Arctic to the Antarctic and everywhere in between. He has written and illustrated over a dozen books, of which his latest, *SEABIRDS: The New Identification Guide*, published May 2021, has been described by one reviewer as "a masterpiece of science and art."



**Shirley Metz**

Shirley's careers and accomplishments have spanned the globe. She co-founded Hobie Sports, developed active clothing lines, and consulted with major clothing manufacturers before becoming the first woman to ski overland to the South Pole to raise awareness for Antarctic conservation.



**Marco Tonoli**

Marco's love of the world's wilderness areas and the people within them led him to pursue what has turned into an adventurous career as a naturalist, guiding trips throughout Africa and India. Not only is Marco a talented photographer and videographer, he's also a skilled wildlife tracker.



**Gerald Broddez**

Gerald has been leading wildlife-focused expeditions to some of the planet's most rewarding destinations for over 30 years. As a veteran expedition leader and lecturer on expedition ships, Gerald has traveled on all the world's oceans. His life list of mammals and birds is equally impressive.



**Liam Rainier**

Liam's love for the wilderness was instilled in him at an early age—his father's own adoration of nature fueled a steady exposure to new landscapes and fascinating wildlife. He has spent the last decade as a naturalist guide. His excitement and pure joy of experiencing wildlife sightings, big or small, is contagious.



**Duke Brady**

From tropical research expeditions to guiding backcountry hikes, Duke's background is rooted in science and adventure. With degrees in both ecology and media, and a passion for nature and land stewardship, he worked as a botanist for the U.S. National Park Service and on film projects for the Discovery Channel.



**John Buchanan**

John is a recently-retired professor of geology and an expert on seismology and volcanology related to the Ring of Fire. As an expedition guide since 2008, he has worked on all seven continents and enjoys sharing his life-long passion for geology—as well as astronomy and photography—with fellow travelers.



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**Diogo Lucatelli**

Diogo's passion for the natural world led him to study biology, ecology and natural resources in Salvador da Bahia, Brazil. After graduating, he immersed himself in understanding the wetlands of the Pantanal, honing his guiding and tracking skills. His love for Brazil is evident in the way he shares his knowledge with others.



**Ingrid Nixon**

Ingrid is a professional storyteller and former National Park Service ranger. She has worked in expedition tourism for over three decades, sharing stories of exploration, folklore, and natural history, while leading groups and driving Zodiacs. Ingrid also performs at storytelling festivals and events across the U.S.



**Dan Olsen**

Dan has called Seward, Alaska, his home for nearly 20 years, working as a whale researcher, tour captain, and mountain and kayak guide. Dan became entranced with the variety of calls of killer whales and returned to graduate school where he dove deep into behavior, movement, diet, and family-specific call dialects.



**Richard Visser**

Born and raised in Cape Town, Richard always had a passion for the bush, and exploring and discovering new places, in general. He turned this passion and love into a career as a professional safari guide, spending ten years at various lodges and game reserves around South Africa and Tanzania before joining Apex.

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