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'If I said to you, have you ever seen a dawn over the Himalayas or manhandled a truck through the Congo, or paddled a reed boat on Lake Titicaca, you might think me a bit bizarre. When you consider it, how many people do you know who have experienced such places?'

"but it is not so extraordinary. You don't have to be some sort of topee-hatted freak with a line of porters behind you to go off and explore. Nevertheless, it takes quite a bit of individuality to give up a job, put the demands of a career to one side for a while, tidy up your possessions and take off into the blue. There are people who do it and I have met no one who has regretted it.

After all, what is six months in a lifetime? Frankly it is probably true to say that if you can't plan this in the foreseeable future you never will. Yet in retrospect you may hardly remember the internal struggles that precede your getting up and going.

Your place and part in the future will be affected by your knowledge and understanding of the present and the past. This planet contains millions of us, but comparatively few as fortunate as you and I. And, if we don't take an interest, who else can we expect to?

It will then seem one of the simplest and most worthwhile things you made up your mind to do.

Encounter Overland means an adventurous sense of enquiry and fun, backed by experience and thorough planning; a group of individuals traveling by a single maxim of wanting to see, to feel and to understand.

It is the practice of organizations to be proving their present prowess by speaking of past successes. EO is a remarkable story – over 13 years of experience in more than 70 countries, a story that is unique among travelers. But, that is not the point. The point is the adventures of "NOW", these years of grace, politics and challenge, of ecological warnings and change.

Encounter's got a lot to do with you if you're thinking of doing something properly; if you think that you still have a bit to learn and you're young and adventurous. Encounter keeps the essential balance between sound financial and organizational support and flexibility for the independently minded traveler. It lets the continents themselves supply the challenge, and involves each one of us. The way of life is uncomplicated, putting us in touch with nature and realities, people and each other – and it works."

Tony Jones
Encounter Overland
London

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why ENCOUNTER OVERLAND?

First and foremost because of Encounter's long and total commitment to the aspirations of overland — retaining all the early ideals of co-operation and partnership that are the lynch-pin of each and every EO expedition

Included in the land cost:

Behind each expedition is the most meticulous preparation. Encounter uses only the most suitable proven vehicles, driven and maintained by a very experienced overland team with which Encounter (and no one else) has pioneered new routes on all three continents.

En route the cost takes care of: all transport, ferry fares, tolls, border fees, etc; really good camping equipment and everything to do with living outdoors comfortably; three meals a day amounting to a good, interesting, balanced diet—these meals are even more a compliment to the group than to the management — and from time to time the leader/driver invites everyone out for a meal.

The cost of houseboats in Kashmir, East African game parks and Amazon River travel are met in the cost of each of the respective trips. So too, is any medical requirement from a comprehensive medical supply that can deal with any likely situation.

All campsite costs are covered, so is modest accommodation throughout South America and through Europe in wintry conditions.

Encounter Overland makes sure you know what is involved, what to expect and how much it will cost. The undertaking is backed by our bank bonded membership of

ACTO, the official association of the camping tour industry.

The only things not included in the Cost

Your visas are not included in the cost. But we take on the organizing of this. You must effect personal travel insurance; there is a laid down minimum which is reasonably priced and is no problem to arrange.

Bring your own sleeping bag; don't overdo the "specialist" equipment but good shoes/boots, waterproofs, photo equipment can be blended to pocket and preference.

Allow some personal spending money; recommended minimum for someone who likes to have a drink, a few nights living it up and always a little appropriate currency on hand for postage, and so on — \$3 or \$4 per day should cover it.

Three or four months of expedition travel exploring one of three really diverse and fascinating continents. It's the best value there is. But a really worthwhile experience won't be cheap and won't look cheap.

Our journeys, like our lifestyle and vehicles, inspire copies but we remain the only organization with a really solid record. That 'something special' that succeeds in Asia, Africa and South America.

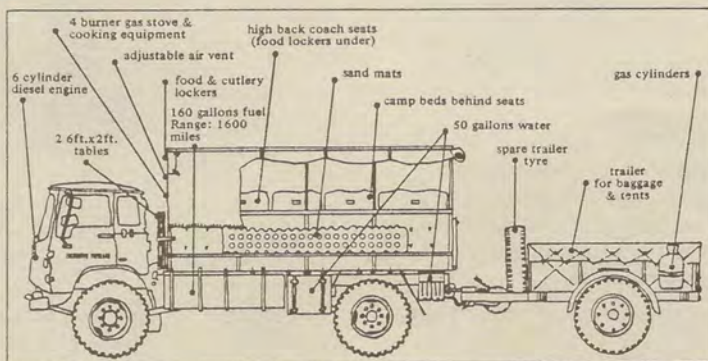
Here then is a lot of what you should know about Encounter Overland, its concepts and its content. And this is what makes the world of difference to the world of difference.

a way of life

Encounter's vehicles are various special types of four wheel drive trucks, built, maintained and equipped at our own specialized workshops to meet the very exacting conditions. The Encounter trucks are designed from the outset for convenience, comfort, ruggedness and reliability.

They are diesel powered through eight or ten forward gears. They are usually open, but have a convertible roof that gives complete protection when required. There is uninterrupted vision and plenty of air and sunshine, but dust is kept to a minimum. The roof can either be completely rolled back or kept as a sun canopy when really hot. Ergonomically designed high back seats ensure the maximum degree of comfort and the EO truck/trailer unit provides more space per person than any other vehicle used.

People eat well — three meals a day using the stores on board and fresh provisions bought locally. Meals are easily



arranged in or outside the vehicle — cooking on 4-ringed gas stoves. Enough water is carried for all group needs. Expeditions are equipped with specially made two person tents each with a flysheet, two camp beds and room for luggage—although especially in the deserts and tropics, people will want to sleep out under the stars. The truck is equipped for the evening's dark

to give plenty of lighting to read and write, to learn chess or strum a guitar. Wherever there is wood enough and wine, a camp fire crackles.

People of many different nationalities join in ones and twos from all walks of life. Men and women join in fairly equal numbers and people soon find themselves playing a full part, though some have little previous camping experience.

The happy informal atmosphere depends on people realizing that an Encounter Overland expedition does not suit those who prefer to be pampered or amused with minimum effort from themselves.

ENCOUNTER asia

LONDON / KATHMANDU — 11 WEEKS
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England, Belgium, Germany, Austria, Yugoslavia, Greece, Turkey, Iran, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Kashmir, India, Nepal

By sticking to the well used tourist routes you can cross Asia and reach a familiar lifestyle on the other side. But you will have sensed little of the essence of the East, by-passing its mysteries and its strange truths. You will have missed something. Something alien but beautiful that lies in Asia's wastes and its obscure villages, something that can be felt and experienced as well as seen, something that should be lived if one is to begin to understand.

Encounter's journey through central Asia keeps well off the beaten track and for this reason expeditions only take place at times of the year when the weather is right (no trips before March for example).



To arrive in Kathmandu — whether to begin or end the overland journey across Asia — is to be high in the sunny clear air of the Himalayan foothills. Here friends of many weeks part and new friends meet, perhaps to take part in a Himalayan trek with us or to continue eastwards into Southeast Asia, or to begin the 12,000 mile overland journey to London.

This is an expedition of nature's wonders; the Khyber Pass and across the wild Hindu Kush of Afghanistan, sometimes over worse tracks than almost any found in Africa, and deep into the heart of Afghanistan to the great quarried Buddhas of Bamiyan and the desolate turquoise lakes of Band-i-Amir, across the mostly uncharted Dasht-e-Lut, the great salt and sand deserts of Iran, miles from modern roads, past crumbling caravanserais, dust blown and decaying since the days of the silk and spice trade.

This is a journey into history from the summer palace of Darius at Persepolis, back down the invasion routes of Alexander to the Greek cities lying in splendid ruins along the magnificent seascapes of Asia Minor. Along this coast there are fine Crusader castles, rocky coves and unspoiled beaches.

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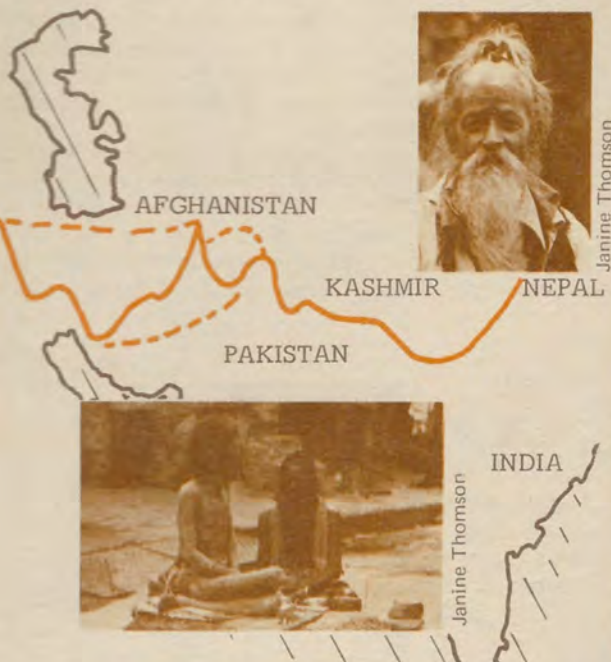
There is Esphahan, surely the loveliest of all the old Persian cities, of domes and minarets and exquisite art. There are nomad tribes of Kurdistan and the hospitable chaikanas.

There is world enough and time. A journey blending travel and halts of long afternoons, stays of a day or two, and in Kashmir, a rest for a while aboard houseboats moored on lotus lakes in this misty Shangri-La.

There are sights and sounds and perfumes of India, the temples and shrines of Hindu and Muslim and Buddhist, the great Ganges river with Varanasi (Benares) on its banks and people and the Taj.

Reaching the city of Varanasi (Benares) on the Ganges, we experience the narrow alleys between the temples, ash-smearing pilgrims and gurus mixing with the sauntering holy cows in unashamed color.

In central India we see the erotic carvings of Kama Sutra at Kajuraho, the empty Moghul city of Fatehpur Sikri and at Agra the breath-taking Taj Mahal.



Along the byways of rural India, monkeys chatter in the trees, a girl draws water from a village well, a bullock cart creaks slowly to the roadside, and an elephant stops to watch with a kindly eye. There is everywhere a closeness to the rhythm of time, an almost apathetic gentleness and a sense of mystery and awe of life which pervades the sights and sounds of India like the ubiquitous sunlight.

And to the north the great knife-edge wall of the Himalayas.

The Encounter Overland journey across Asia is rightly considered one of the richest and most rewarding experiences within reach of the adventurous traveler. It is a journey of quest and enquiry, of interest and purpose, of movement and repose, of friendship and laughter. It explores; and to do so it goes where few others go.

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ENCOUNTER **africa**

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LONDON / JOHANNESBURG — 15 WEEKS
JOHANNESBURG / LONDON — 17 WEEKS

LONDON / NAIROBI — 12 WEEKS
NAIROBI / LONDON — 12 WEEKS

Africa is huge — a vast land mass that time has barely changed. Africa — the cradle of man where he still conforms to nature's scheme of things. Africa — a land of extremes that is quite indifferent to the attraction that it has for us.

England, France, Spain, Morocco, Algeria, Niger, Nigeria, (Tchad), Cameroun, Central African Republic, Zaire, Rwanda, Kenya, Tanzania, Zambia, Botswana, South Africa

PHASE ONE — THE SAHARA

Our first week will take us from London, through France and Spain and across the straits of Gibraltar at Algeciras. Once reaching Ceuta and truly into Africa, the pace of the expedition slows as we explore the fascinating markets and medinas in Fez, Meknes and other major towns in Morocco. We then cross the fertile valleys and leave by the mountain road through the High Atlas and into Algeria.

Seemingly unattainable horizons stretch ahead; all eyes strain for the occasional marker. The sky may darken, the wind blasting the sand in our faces. Digging, pushing and sandmatting are needed across this soft sand sea. Here one should sleep out in the cool night, the desert proportioned only by the galaxies above. At the desert's center are the moon-like Hoggar Massif and the Touareg — mysterious "people of the veil".

At last there are vestiges of plant life, first traces that suggest the southern extremities of the Sahara. We arrive at the mud and scaffold mosque tower in Agadez which lies south of the Air mountains, an area of great natural beauty where monkeys and gazelle are common. The people are black-skinned, though with Arab features, and there is no doubt we are approaching central Africa. There is a gradual increase in the vegetation, coarse savannah country, land of the Fulani cattle-men — primitive and, like the Touareg, proud and independent and dying out rapidly.

PHASE TWO — THE EQUATORIAL FORESTS

The expedition will move on through Cameroun and into the Central African Republic where the change from open savannah to thick bush and finally dense tropical forest takes place rapidly.

Many tributaries of great rivers are to be crossed on rickety bridges or archaic ferries and axle-deep mud can keep progress to less than 60 miles a day. Tiny jungle paths tunnel through the undergrowth of the Ituri forests in eastern Zaire to Pygmy villages and to Station D'Epulu, home of the Okapi.

PHASE THREE — THE AFRICAN PLAINS

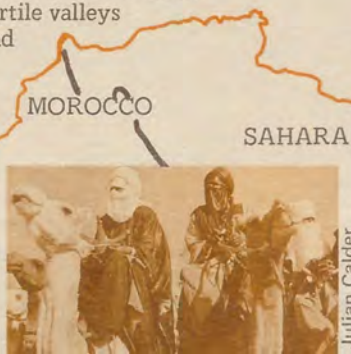
The plains of East Africa are the greatest preserve of animal wild-life. The truck allows us a completely uninterrupted view. It isn't all laid on — no guarantees — but the chances are excellent of seeing lion, cheetah, leopard as well as types of gazelle, buck, giraffe, elephant, rhino, hippo, buffalo, crocodile, flamingo, stork and crane. Indelible is the raw beauty of Africa's wildlife and its blazing sunsets.

Passing through the elegance of Nairobi, we shall make our way to the coast — the bustle of Mombasa's busy seaport and the snows of Kilimanjaro — a crack at climbing it if you wish with a fair chance of success! Winding our way down the coast, we shall arrive at the near-deserted Arab slave port of Bagamoyo adjacent to Zanzibar and down to Dar es Salaam with its terrific beaches and bathing in the Indian Ocean. Our journey then takes us down the "Hell Run" to Lusaka and to the continuous deafening roar of Victoria Falls before passing through Botswana and into Johannesburg where our expedition ends.

The great African journey from one end of the continent to the other is no small achievement — 13,000 miles overland (over 6,000 of which from the northern Sahara to Nairobi is not road but track). It is alive with excitement and adventure, problems and challenge. Even now, no one crosses Africa easily, but who would want to?

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RIO de JANEIRO / BARRANQUILLA – 15 WEEKS
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Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, Chile, Argentina, Paraguay, Brazil.

South America is a living collage of fascinating images. Gauchos and condors, llamas and reed boats, soaring mountains and steaming jungles, cocaine eaters, poison darts and lost sun kingdoms, gay Latin rhythms, capybaras and haunting Indian folk tunes, jet-set wealth amidst abject poverty, clashing ideologies and revolution.

South America is all these things and more. The face South America presents to the casual visitor is the garishly displayed benefits and ills of a rapid growth industrial society and a cultural identity descended directly from its European heritage. But the traveler who sees only this, perhaps with a quaintly staged folklore show thrown in, will have missed the magic and mystery that is there to be discovered.

For beyond the fringes of the big cities, where the tourist, politician and industrialist seldom go, the vital pulse of an older way of life still beats strong. A life which is tied to a majestic untamed land, to the seasonal cycle of weather and crops and to spiritual beliefs lingering on from the great Indian civilizations that Pizarro and his men came to destroy.

Expeditions depart from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil to Barranquilla, Colombia or vice versa. In the course of our 15 week journey, we encompass much of the great diversity of this ambiguous continent. We spend a large part of our journey winding among the ever-changing scenery of the Andes, through colorful Indian market villages, among grazing alpacas, through deep rocky gorges and over bleak icy passes at 16,000 feet.

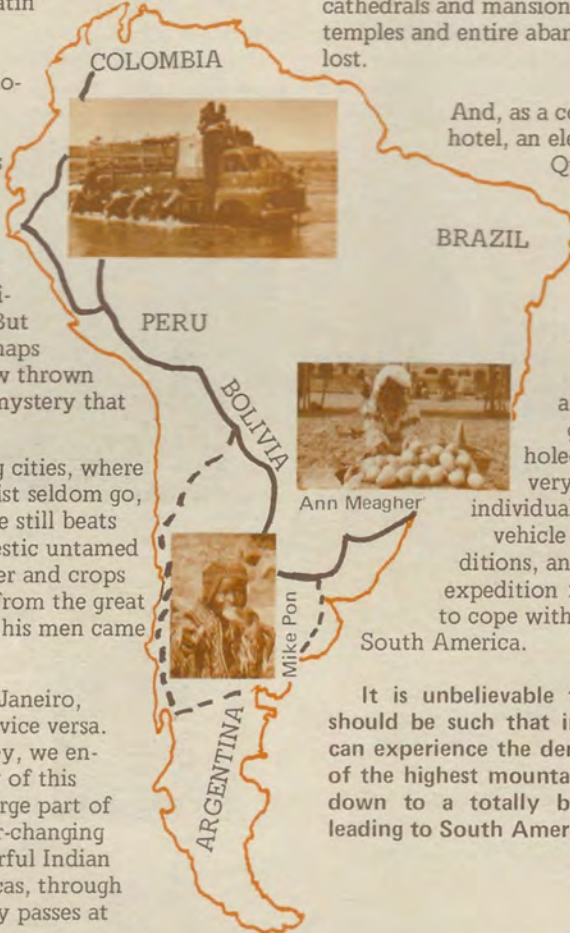
We traverse the barren sand-blown deserts where no rain ever falls and penetrate the washed-out trails of tropical rain forests. We barbecue steaks around the campfire in the cattle ranching lands of the Chaco and the Pampas, and stand in awe at the

thundering might of the beautiful Iguassu Falls. We blaze a trail of dust across the Altiplano amid salt pans and volcanoes. We take to boats to explore the Amazon tributaries and trade with the river dwelling Indians. We go to forts, cathedrals and mansions of colonial Spain and tombs, temples and entire abandoned cities of civilizations long lost.

And, as a counterpoint, we stay in the big cities; a hotel, an elegant meal and a night-spot – Bogota, Quito, Cartagena, Lima, La Paz, Cuzco, Santiago and Rio de Janeiro – where the great Christ of Corcovado prevails not only over the city, but over Brazil itself and the whole new world of South America.

The extremes of climate and road conditions, heat and humidity, mud and dust, and hours on end of slogging gradients up and down, appalling potholed tracks and fast open roads call for a very versatile vehicle and a special type of individual. Our vehicles are tough, although no vehicle is quite perfect in all the various conditions, and we feel that we cope very well. Our expedition members must also be tough and able to cope with the intangibles that seem to describe South America.

It is unbelievable that the contrast of South America should be such that in the space of three short days, one can experience the dense jungle of the Amazon, climb one of the highest mountain passes in the world, and then drop down to a totally barren desert with a super highway leading to South America's most sophisticated city.



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morocco

THREE WEEKS

As expedition members alight in Morocco, be it duty-free Ceuta or cosmopolitan Tangier, they'll know immediately that they've set foot on a different continent. Berber and Arab influences prevail and entice while the High Atlas, the silent Sahara, and coastal resorts beckon. Souk-lined markets, known as medinas, burrow through the native quarters of every town. Locals hawk their wares, almost in competition with the mosques, whose calls to daily worship seem endless! And temptations are everywhere — carpets and leather goods; cous cous and tajine; kaftans and djellabas.

Equally tempting is what we find as our trusty Bedford weaves its way through the country. The Roman ruins at Volubilis; leather dyepits in Fez; impressive buildings of Meknes; beautiful forests and hidden lakes in the Atlas; vast emptiness of the Sahara and the relief of oases villages like Meske, Ksar-es-Souk and Zagora can't fail to absorb.

INCLUDED IN COST: Return air fare London/Morocco/London, land transportation, accommodation, services of expedition leader and vehicle, 3 meals a day, 2 person tents and camp stretchers. NOT INCLUDED: Air fares to London, visa fees, insurance, sleeping bag, personal spending money. THE DEPOSIT FOR THIS TRIP IS \$150.00. This deposit is non-refundable.



There's romantic Marrakech, reached by going through the Atlas again and an incredible pass known as Tizi-n-Tichka. And, of course, there's historical Telouet. Agadir, on the coast to the south, is lovely as are Essaouira and El Jadida. Casablanca, and the capital of Rabat also vie for our attention as we journey northward but coastal Asilah bids us the final farewell.

central america

SAN FRANCISCO / SAN FRANCISCO — 70 DAYS

In the past, EO's contact with Mexico and Central America has been in terms of a transit route to South America expeditions. 1977 is the year for an in-depth look! Our main objective will be to explore the diverse aspects of the geography; to experience the highlights of colonial and pre-Colombian civilizations; and, of course, to encounter the native peoples of the present. There are few, if any, physical challenges or primitive cultures luring us there, not even a scarcity of tourists, but there is something strangely unique and exciting about this much neglected land link between the American giants.

We will be traveling in a sturdy vehicle, quite distinct from our famous fleet of Bedfords, yet allowing for the same flexibility and self-sufficiency. The itinerary is by no means fixed and encourages us to sample the lesser known spots as well as those indelibly etched in our minds. There's the Yucatan, rich in historic ruins; Chichicastenango, boasting a tempting Sunday market; colonial Granada, just

miles from earthquake stricken Managua and sitting beside a huge shark infested lake; and the Panama Canal, where the mechanics of operation will fascinate for hours. But few have viewed fiery Santiago Volcano at night; snorkled near the world's second largest barrier reef, just off "disputed" Belize; trudged through El Petén to tackle Tikal's many temples; or ventured onto the rivers and into the jungles of Costa Rica and Nicaragua. We do all this and more...

THE PANAMA CONNECTION

SAN FRANCISCO / PANAMA — 40 DAYS

PANAMA / SAN FRANCISCO — 40 DAYS

A varied route to the Southward Central America trip will be followed for the link-ups to our South America expeditions. The nature of the timings implies little more than land connections including major points of interest en route. It would be possible to undertake two of these connections, however, thus making a round trip similar to the Central America journey with the added advantage of 10 extra days.

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east africa safari

FOUR WEEKS

"The first mists of dawn and an orange sun create the mood of the day. This is when the animal life of Africa stirs, when the spindly thorn-trees cast their shadows across the plains and native herdsmen rouse their cattle in a cloud of translucent dust."

Encounter Overland's four week East Africa safari will utilize the same vehicles as used on our long-range expeditions and will be operated on the same basis. In other words, this will not be a luxury guided tour where people are pampered into missing the essential character of the country by moving rapidly from hotel to hotel. We prefer to camp, occasionally in organized campsites, but more often exploring the more peaceful unspoiled regions, and camping wherever we choose. Following a flexible itinerary, we plan to visit such major game reserves as Amboseli, Ngorongoro Crater, the Serengeti, Masai Mara, Nakuru and Samburu. The beautiful East African coastline must also be tasted and stops at Lamu, Malindi and Mombasa will ensure some sun, fun and relaxation.

What would a visit to this part of the world be without attempting to climb Mount Kilimanjaro? Just 3" from the Equator and snow-capped year round – surely worth a try.

All expeditions depart and terminate in Nairobi.



Petra Mengel

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india/nepal

Encounter Overland will operate two very special short term projects in India and Nepal. These projects are intended as extensions to our trans-Asia expeditions and co-ordinate with those dates but may be booked independently. Since trans-Asia expeditions end in Kathmandu, a few days from the India/Nepal border; and since India deserves all the additional time one can afford; these short trips provide an excellent opportunity to explore areas of India, as well as Nepal, not previously visited.

India & Nepal: Those with a little extra time and wishing to concentrate on India will find this 4 week trip a must. Our route will take us from Delhi to Calcutta by way of Jaipur, Shah Jahan's Agra, the erotic temples of Kajoraho, the Ganges civilizations, exotic Gaida Wildlife Camp, Siliguri and Darjeeling. The highlights will be our six days of trekking in the foothills of the Himalayas and Bengal.

Nepal & Darjeeling: This 15 day expedition will take us from Kathmandu to Calcutta by way of Darjeeling and Siliguri and will include six days trekking in one of the many extensions of the Himalayan Range.



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VALID JANUARY 1, 1977 TO DECEMBER 31, 1977.

AFRICA

London/Johannesburg IT7TW15925

depart	arrive	land cost
12 Feb - 27 May		\$1490
14 May - 26 Aug		\$1490
20 Aug - 2 Dec		\$1570
1 Oct - 13 Jan		\$1570
5 Nov - 1 Feb		\$1570

London/Nairobi IT7TW15926

depart	arrive	land cost
16 Apr - 8 Jul		\$1350
20 Aug - 11 Nov		\$1410

Johannesburg/London IT7TW15927

depart	arrive	land cost
8 Feb - 6 Jun		\$1840
1 Mar - 27 Jun		\$1840
22 Mar - 18 Jul		\$1840
26 Apr - 23 Aug		\$1840
17 May - 13 Sep		\$1840
26 Jul - 21 Nov		\$1880
13 Sep - 9 Jan		\$1880

Nairobi/London IT7TW15928

depart	arrive	land cost
19 Feb - 13 May		\$1410
12 Mar - 6 Jun		\$1410
9 Apr - 1 Jul		\$1410
24 Sep - 16 Dec		\$1450

East Africa IT7TW15923

depart	arrive	land cost
23 Jul - 19 Aug		\$ 460
21 Aug - 17 Sep		\$ 460
11 Dec - 7 Jan		\$ 490

Return fare London/Nairobi/
London approx. \$450 through EO.

Morocco IT7TW15922

depart	arrive	cost*
19 Jun - 9 Jul		\$ 450
10 Jul - 30 Jul		\$ 450
31 Jul - 20 Aug		\$ 450
21 Aug - 10 Sep		\$ 450
11 Sep - 1 Oct		\$ 450
2 Oct - 22 Oct		\$ 450

*Cost includes airfare London/Morocco/
London

ASIA

London/Kathmandu IT7TW15929

depart	arrive	land cost
14 Apr - 29 Jun		\$ 980
28 Apr - 13 Jul		\$ 980
26 May - 10 Aug		\$ 980
16 Jun - 31 Aug		\$ 980
11 Aug - 26 Oct		\$1020
18 Aug - 2 Nov		\$1020
1 Sep - 16 Nov		\$1020
8 Sep - 23 Nov		\$1020
15 Sep - 30 Nov		\$1020
22 Sep - 7 Dec		\$1020
29 Sep - 14 Dec		\$1020

Kathmandu/London IT7TW15930

depart	arrive	land cost
1 Mar - 16 May		\$1030
15 Mar - 30 May		\$1030
22 Mar - 6 Jun		\$1030
12 Apr - 27 Jun		\$1030
19 Apr - 4 Jul		\$1030
3 May - 18 Jul		\$1030
12 Jul - 26 Sep		\$1050
26 Jul - 10 Oct		\$1050
23 Aug - 7 Nov		\$1050
13 Sep - 28 Nov		\$1050

India & Nepal IT7TW15924

depart	arrive	land cost
23 Oct - 19 Nov		\$ 430
6 Nov - 3 Dec		\$ 430
11 Dec - 7 Jan		\$ 430

Nepal & Darjeeling IT7TW15935

depart	arrive	land cost
4 Nov - 19 Nov		\$ 210
18 Nov - 3 Dec		\$ 210
2 Dec - 17 Dec		\$ 210

SAMPLE AIR FARES BETWEEN SAN
FRANCISCO AND LONDON
EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 1977.
(subject to change)

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\$940	\$496	\$560	\$751/\$841	\$647/\$812	\$500/\$620

YL = LOW SEASON — EASTBOUND SEP 15 - MAY 14 — WESTBOUND OCT 15 - JUNE 14
YH = HIGH SEASON — EASTBOUND MAY 15 - SEP 14 — WESTBOUND JUNE 15 - OCT 14

THE AMERICAS

Barranquilla/Rio de Janeiro IT7TW15931

depart	arrive	land cost
9 Apr - 22 Jul		\$1950
18 Jun - 30 Sep		\$1950
19 Nov - 3 Mar		\$2100

Rio de Janeiro/Barranquilla IT7TW15932

depart	arrive	land cost
24 Feb - 8 Jun*		\$1950
30 Jul - 11 Nov		\$1950
15 Oct - 27 Jan		\$2100

*Co-ordinates with Rio Carnival February 19-22

San Francisco/Panama IT7TW15933

depart	arrive	land cost
1 Oct - 9 Nov		\$ 575

Date co-ordinates with South America expedition.

Panama/San Francisco IT7TW15934

depart	arrive	land cost
13 Nov - 22 Dec		\$ 575

Date co-ordinates with South American expedition.

San Francisco/San Francisco

depart	arrive	land cost
18 Jun - 26 Aug		\$ 890 + \$140 City Acc't

For terms and conditions on special fares
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may be used in conjunction with
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booking form

BOOKING CONDITIONS
ENCOUNTER OVERLAND LTD OF LONDON

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REG. NO. 1021150 ENGLAND

I, the undersigned, wish to join an Encounter Overland expedition under the following conditions:

1. The deposit is made at the time of booking. The booking fee is accepted as the first installment of the inclusive cost and will not be refunded unless the applicant cannot be offered a place.
2. An interim payment of US\$400 is to be paid not less than 60 days before departure as confirmation of the place.
3. The accepted applicant will pay the balance of the inclusive cost not later than 30 days before the departure of the expedition.
4. If the applicant cancels his/her booking less than 60 days before departure the balance payment can only be refunded if the cancelled place is subsequently filled.
5. The organizers reserve the right to cancel any expedition or places on an expedition without prior notice. In this case all monies paid will be refunded in full.
6. Land prices and itineraries are subject to alteration without previous notice due to influences beyond the control of the organizers, e.g. exchange rates, epidemics and political disputes and clients should note that the organizers cannot ensure against price differentials of the various currencies acceptable in payment.
7. Charges quoted include: meals, living and travel by the means and route indicated or as may necessarily be altered by the organizers. Unless otherwise stated in the expedition details, the price of visas, personal insurance, laundry, admission fees and purely spending money is not included.
8. Clients will comply with all legislation, immigration and customs and foreign exchange regulations of the countries visited. Should there be any contravention the client may be asked to leave the vehicle.
9. Clients will effect their own travel insurance and are advised that a comprehensive vehicle insurance is not necessarily obtainable for all countries visited.
10. Transport between London and Dover is provided free.
11. Clients, their baggage and personal property will travel entirely at their own risk and subject to the terms and conditions above. Neither the organizers nor the organizers' staff nor their agents nor any organization nor any carrier with which they are cooperating will be under any liability whatsoever in respect to any illness, accident or loss.

THIS CONTRACT IS SUBJECT TO ENGLISH LAW AND IS TO BE INTERPRETED UNDER IT IN AN ENGLISH COURT OF LAW.

N.B. If you are married and especially if you have children or elderly dependents you are strongly recommended to have arranged extra insurance to cover these responsibilities.

RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY

Encounter Overland of California Inc. acts solely as an agent for Encounter Overland Ltd. of London, the operator of this expedition, and the undersigned agrees that Encounter Overland of California Inc. shall not be held liable or responsible for any loss, injury or damage resulting from the fault or negligence of the operator or of any other person or company providing services, or from any other carrier in connection with the expedition. The airlines concerned, or any other carrier, are not to be held responsible for any act, omission, or event during the time passengers are not on board their plane or conveyance.

Enclosed herewith the booking fee of US \$150.00.

I undertake to accept the terms and conditions printed here which I have read, and also the authority and decisions of the organizers.

Signature..... Date.....

I wish to join the expedition leaving _____ on the _____ day of _____ 1977

Surname: (Mr. / Mrs. / Ms.) _____ First Names: _____

Present Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Permanent address (in normal country of residency): _____

Age (at start of expedition) _____ Date of Birth _____

Occupation _____ Nationality _____

Passport No. _____ Place & date of issue _____ Expires _____

Interests and/or aptitudes _____

Name any friend or relative accompanying you _____

State if you have any dependent children or dependent relatives _____

Summarize (approximately) any air travel required _____

Please give details of any illness and / or hospitalization that could be relevant _____

Please state precisely how you first heard of Encounter Overland _____

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Passports

Passports must be valid for the duration of the expedition and have sufficient pages for visas and border stamps. After confirming your place, we will send you details of visas, requirements for which vary depending on nationality. Obtaining them is generally not a problem, but to lessen the chance of difficulties we usually obtain them 'en-group'.

Insurance

All members of our expeditions are required to have personal travel insurance. Details of a policy specially written for Encounter Overland, Ltd. are available. Alternatively, you may make your own insurance arrangements but cover must be at least equivalent to that on our suggested policy. Those with family responsibilities should seek advice on increased coverage.

Medical

Because International Health Certificates must be shown at several embassies and borders, details of specific injections needed will be forwarded with appropriate pre-departure information.

Each vehicle carries a comprehensive medical kit. These are well stocked with basics, such as anti-Malaria and water purifying tablets, as well as penicillin and other more sophisticated antibiotics. Our leaders are familiar with the various medical supplies, knowing when and how to use them, and also know qualified doctors en route. In addition, there is nearly always at least one expedition member with medical training on board (there were six doctors on one recent trip!).

Climate

The departure dates of EO trips and the various routes we take are based on our many years of experience and are related to the prevailing climatic conditions. We plan it so that no groups experience the really extreme conditions, such as severe winter in the higher altitudes of Turkey, Iran and the Andes, or the extreme heat of the Sahara in summer. Some spring and summer departures may meet part of the rains which come as a relief to India after the oppressive pre-monsoon period. But this is only for a brief period, and hopefully, the vast majority of all expeditions will be made in pleasant weather. Although we believe in challenging, adventurous trips, we also feel there's no point in being unnecessarily uncomfortable!

Luggage

Without a doubt, the easiest and best way to travel is as lightly as possible, taking only what is really needed. This can, and must, be contained in three pieces of luggage weighing no more than 44 lbs.

1. a modest sized suitcase, canvas bag or rucksack.
2. a small airline type hold-all
3. a sleeping bag roll

If a rucksack is used, the frame must be removable to avoid wear and tear on other peoples' bags. Photo equipment is considered over and above this weight limit.

Musical Instruments

If you play a musical instrument, do think about bringing it along. It adds a lot to the fun – particularly around a campfire in the evening. But if it's especially large, delicate or expensive, please contact us first.

Itinerary

Because of the nature of our expeditions, we do not have an exact day to day itinerary. Over the years we have learned which places are generally of most interest, but no two trips are exactly the same. Naturally, there are many places we always go, but there's also room for opinion and flexibility on some segments of the route. Of course, a lot depends on local conditions too, which is the reason our scheduled dates of arrival have to be approximated.

Joining

Those interested and eligible to join EO should carefully complete the enclosed application and return it together with the required deposit. We will promptly acknowledge your application and advise you whether or not a place is available. All payments will be receipted. In the event your application is not accepted, your deposit will be returned immediately.

Film Shows

Frequently throughout the year we have informal meetings to tell people more about our various expeditions. We show some interesting slides and films about our journeys through each of three continents – Asia, Africa and South America. Please get in touch with us for further details of such evenings, and, if at all possible, do try to come along. This is really the very best way to learn more about Encounter Overland and just what traveling with us involves.



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BOOK THROUGH:

THIS BROCHURE CONTAINS RECYCLED MATERIALS
CONSUMER PROTECTION: Expedition monies held in depository trust account.

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