

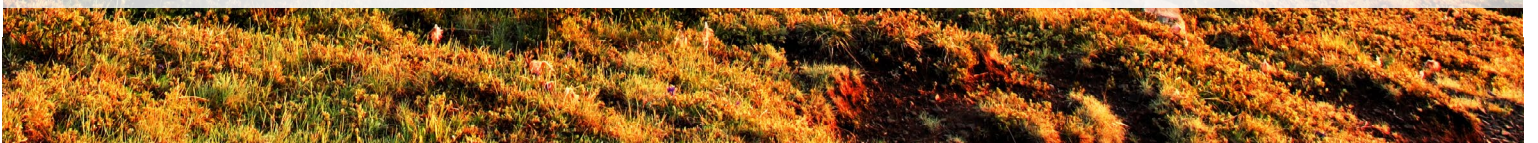
your guide to
RCGS QUESTS

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The making of adventure TRAVEL LEGENDS

Since the dawn of time humans have explored the world in search of the stories worth telling; the cultural traditions that have shaped our history, the raw and wild outdoors untouched by man, and the incredible creatures that share our planet. Isn't it time you joined them?

This year, Exodus Travels is thrilled to introduce a brand-new lineup of Exodus RCGS Quests, from the historic waters of the Nile River and long-forgotten Roman ruins in Albania to the rolling plains of the Masai Mara, each led by renowned explorers, authors, photographers, and Fellows of The Royal Canadian Geographical Society – and a thirst for adventure. A portion of every Quest is donated to the Royal Canadian Geographical Society and is used to support fellowship grants so we can continue to push the boundaries of modern exploration. With exclusive departures for 2023, it will be another big year for adventure travel legends.



↑ HIGHLIGHTS OF BOLIVIA

RCGS | *Bolivia*

Bolivia is a quintessential South American country both in terms of the immensity of its landscapes and its strong indigenous culture. Amboró National Park boasts almost unparalleled biodiversity and the charming gateway town of Samaipata gives access to the nearby Pre-Columbian UNESCO site of El Fuerte. Gaze at the incredible salt flats of Salar de Uyuni, the largest on the planet! This exciting journey includes a comprehensive three-day 4WD adventure that reveals Bolivia's eye-catching multi-colored lagoons, cacti islands, and spouting geysers. In stark contrast to the incredible nature, visit the vibrant cities of Sucre, Potosi, and La Paz whose history and culture run deep with the Incas and the Spanish Conquistadores. To finish your adventure wind down with a night in an eco-lodge on the Isla del Sol overlooking the deep, tranquil waters of Lake Titicaca - surrounded by snow-capped peaks of the Cordillera Real.

16 days from \$8,375

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George Kourounis

This special departure of Exodus' popular Highlights of Bolivia itinerary is accompanied by filmmaker, photographer, TV personality, daredevil, Chapter Chair of the Explorers Club, National Geographic Explorer, and Canadian Geographic Explorer-in-Residence George Kourounis. Whether it is swapping travel and expedition stories from across the globe, learning about Kourounis' thrilling adventures and expeditions, or gaining tips and training on photography techniques, this epic adventurer will be there every step of the journey to share his expertise.



↓ CLASSIC DOLOMITES

RCGS | *Italy*

The village of Villabassa – close to the Austrian border and sandwiched between the spectacular, jagged limestone peaks – is the perfect base for this Dolomites walking week. From here the group enjoys an excellent choice of routes with the opportunity to relax in comfort at the end of a day’s walking.

The itinerary ventures into the Fanes-Sennes and Dolomiti di Sesto National Parks for magnificent views of the Tre Cime di Lavaredo. Along the way the group will also visit numerous open-air museums, reflecting the status of these imposing mountains as the frontline of the fighting between Italy and the Austro-Hungarian Empire in WWI.

8 days from \$3,645

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Marlis Butcher

An environmental conservationist, author, and photographer. A Fellow of the Royal Canadian Geographical Society and of The Explorers Club, in 2019, Marlis accomplished her goal of visiting all 47 National Parks of Canada. Based in Ontario, Canada, Marlis is on the board of directors of the Royal Botanical Gardens and served on the board of the Bruce Trail Conservancy protecting the Niagara Escarpment, a UNESCO World Biosphere Reserve. She is a canoeist, kayaker, hiker, cyclist, Nordic skier, and world traveler.



Jill Heinerth

This special departure of Exodus’ incredibly popular Essential Peru trip is led by writer, photographer, filmmaker, cave diver, and underwater explorer, Jill Heinerth. With over 30 years of filming, photography, and exploration on projects in submerged caves around the world, Heinerth is a Fellow of the International Scuba Divers Hall of Fame and was awarded the Sir Christopher Ondaatje Medal for Exploration from the RCGS, and the William Beebe Award from the Explorers Club.

↑ ESSENTIAL PERU

RCGS | *Peru*

A spectacular journey through Peru’s varied landscape encompassing coastal desert, snow-capped Andean peaks, the high altiplano, and lush cloud forest. The most famous sites are all visited including the mysterious Nazca Lines, awe-inspiring Machu Picchu in its incredible mountaintop setting, Lake Titicaca, where the night is spent in an island homestay, and the remarkable 9,800 ft/3000 m deep Colca Canyon. On the way, the group will encounter traditional culture, condors, llamas, and a warm welcome from the Peruvian people.

15 days from \$5,145

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↑ ANNAPURNA SANCTUARY PHOTOGRAPHY TREK

RCGS | Nepal

The Annapurna Himal is a vast mountain range with several peaks above 22,000 ft/7,000 m. Part of the range forms a natural amphitheater known as the Annapurna Sanctuary, ringed by such giants as Annapurna 1, Glacier Dome, Gangapurna, Fang, and Machhapuchhare. The trek starts through forested hillsides before arriving at the Sanctuary with its panoramic views of the Annapurna. At higher altitudes, the close-up mountain views are among the finest in the world. There is a day to explore this awe-inspiring mountain arena before returning to Pokhara via a different route.

15 days from \$3,795

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Javier Frutos

This special departure of Exodus' Annapurna Sanctuary Photography Trek in Nepal is led by renowned photographer and Canadian Geographic Creative Director, Javier Frutos. Trek the Annapurna Base Camp with this incredible RCGS photographer, explorer, and adventurer.

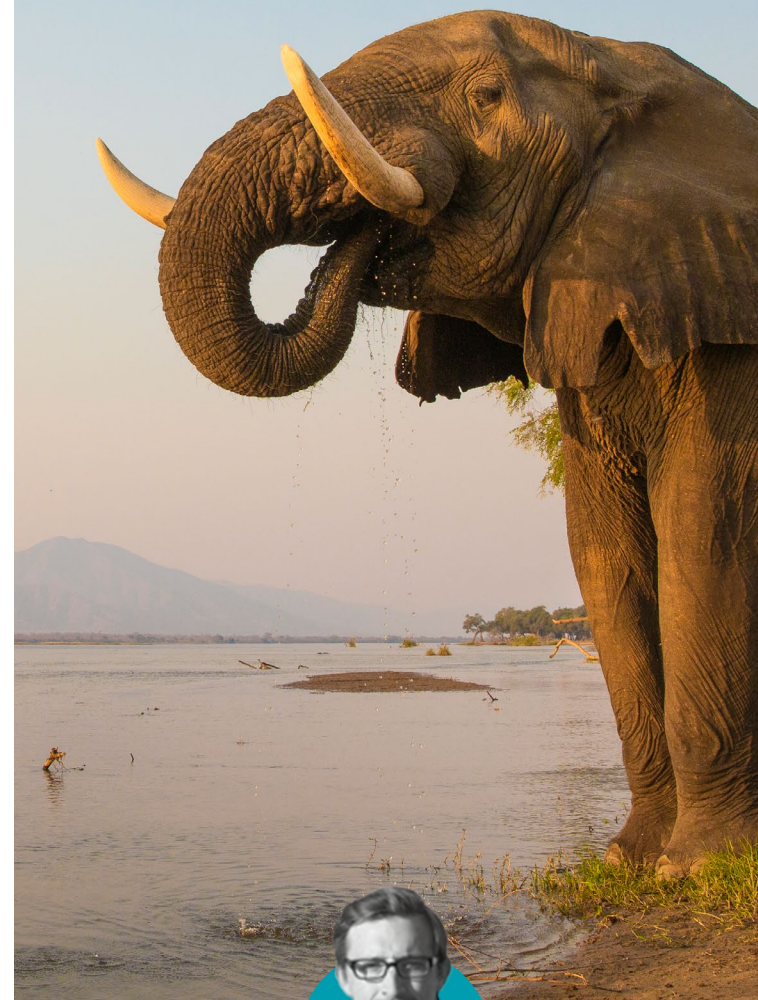
This special photographic departure includes breathtaking scenery and trekking with a helpful photographer's eye by your side. From photographing glaciers in the Alps to penguins in Antarctica, Javier has extensive experience and will be on hand to share the secrets to wildlife and nature photography surrounded by some of the most fascinating scenery in the world.

↓ THE ZAMBEZI VALLEY

RCGS | Zambia

8 days from \$3,795

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Dr. Travis Steffens

Embark on an exciting and intimate wildlife experience, canoeing and walking through the Zambezi Valley hosted by Dr. Travis Steffens, Naturalist, Primatologist, and Professor of Anthropology, and Executive Director of the charity, Planet Madagascar. A Fellow of the RCGS and Explorers Club, Travis has spent over 15 years leading wildlife expeditions, safaris, and conservation projects worldwide.

↓ EGYPT NILE CRUISE

RCGS | Egypt

9 days from \$3,045

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Joseph Frey

Discover ancient temples and tombs, traveling on the Nile by boat with Chair of The Royal Canadian Geographical Society's College of Fellows, Joseph Frey. Joseph has visited more than 80 countries and all seven continents. He is an accomplished science writer, published in TIME, The Globe and Mail, National Post, Toronto Star, Canadian Geographic, and DIVER, to name a few.

Exodus Travels' RCGS Quests are back with a new line-up of adventurer-led expeditions

"Further understanding of people, places, cultural heritage, and the natural environment is what contributes to the strength of the global travel community. As a non-profit organization dedicated to research and education, the Royal Canadian Geographical Society is very proud to be once again partnering with Exodus Travels, to have the opportunity to share our expertise, experience, and curiosity with travelers."

John Geiger, CEO of the RCGS



Operating in more than 100 countries, and offering over 500 trips, Exodus insists on low impact tourism and contributing to local communities. Exodus understands the importance of regenerative travel, now more than ever. Their rewilding initiative guarantees that for every person who travels with them 100sq meters will be committed to rewilding preservation projects. Exodus is dedicated to creating incredible adventures that are run responsibly, as the world reopens, their guests can continue to book and travel with confidence.

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