

RAMBLERS WORLDWIDE HOLIDAYS LAUNCHES STUNNING NEW BROCHURE

Walking holidays specialist operator, Ramblers Worldwide, has just launched its latest brochure which includes a wide choice of new holiday ideas

These include:

BORNEO JUNGLE ADVENTURE

A 17-day, full board adventure in Sabah (once the British Colony in Northern Borneo), which is famed for its spectacular array of rivers, jungles, mountains, wildlife and flowers. This tour begins at Kota Kinabalu, the capital of this Malaysian paradise, and includes highlights like a climb up 13,500 ft Mount Kinabalu; Sandakan (where one can see orang-utans, turtles and Proboscis monkeys); the hinterland of Kota Kinabalu itself (where one can enjoy a cuppa tea at one of the region's renowned tea plantations !)

Accommodation is in comfortable tourist class hotels and lodges with one stay at dormitory accommodation on the slopes of Mount Kinabalu.

Price £2,535 per person departing 4 April 2009. Includes flights, transfers, full-board accommodation and the services of a tour leader.

EVEREST TEA HOUSE TREK

This is a superb opportunity to see the highest mountain in the world, staying in comfortable 4* hotels and Tea Huts en route !

This 18 day holiday, which includes nine days trekking, embraces Kathmandu, Nepal, a flight to Lukla in the shadow of Everest, the Sagarmatha National Park and the Namche Bazaar (the administrative centre of the Khumbu region and unofficial capital of the Sherpas).

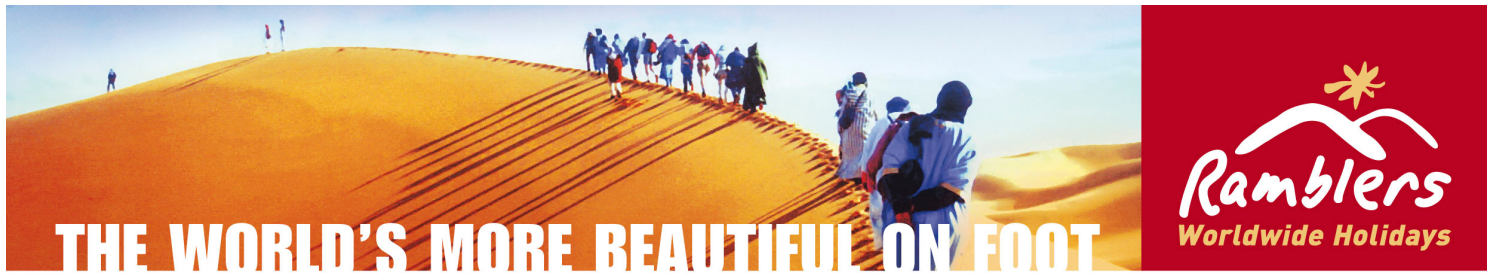
The trek then travels North to Thame (famous for its Monastery and the home of Tenzing Norgay, who conquered Mt Everest with Sir Edmund Hillary), thence to Khumjung via Khunde and a trail to the Everest base camp.

Price £1,910 per person departing 21 October 2008. Includes flights, transfers, 4* hotel accommodation and Tea Huts, all meals and the services of a tour leader.

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AMAZONIAN TEA HOUSE TREK (cont)

A two week, half board Amazon Rainforest adventure in the most diverse and abundant eco-system in the world.

This tour begins in Quito, Ecuador, where one has the opportunity to explore the city before going to Papallacta – famous for its thermal waters.

From Quito, one flies to Coca in the heart of the jungle, followed by a two hour boat ride down the Napo River to join the Manatee Amazon Explorer – a comfortable floating home for the next week. Additional highlights include, the Yasuni National Park; the Cuyabeno Wildlife Reserve and a chance to see fresh water dolphins, Caimans, Manatees, Stinkbirds, Tapirs, Jaguars and huge numbers of Parrots and Parroquets.

Price £2,780 per person departing 6 April 2009. Includes flights, transfers, half-board accommodation and the services of a tour leader.

MEXICO'S YUCATAN PENINSULA

A 16 day half-board holiday to Mexico's dramatic peninsula – which sticks out into the Caribbean Sea from southern Mexico.

This tour begins at Cancun, which apart from being a bustling tourist resort, is crammed full of important archaeological remains.

Other highlights include, the spectacular flocks of flamingos at Celestun; the Spanish streets of Merida; a visit to Chichen Itza (recently voted one of the new Seven Wonders of the World); a walk south through the jungle to the Guatemalan border and then east to Tulum.

Accommodation is in comfortable tourist class hotels throughout.

Price £2,260 per person departing 2 November 2008. Includes flights, transfers, half-board accommodation and the services of a tour leader.

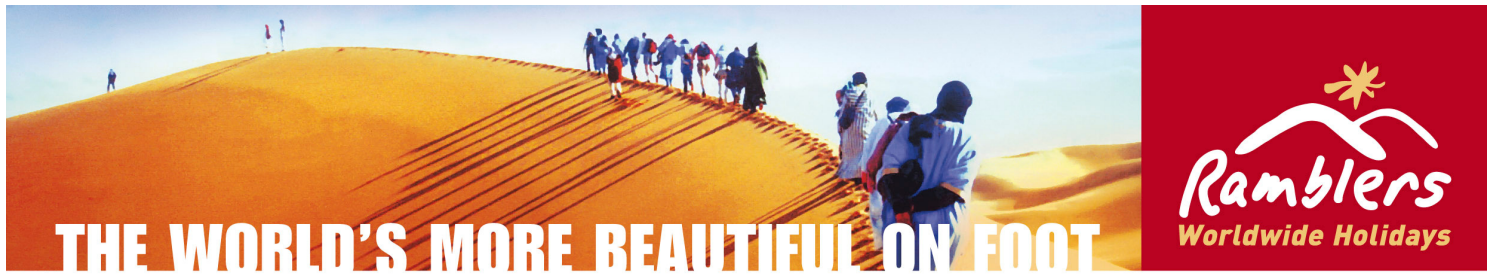
DOMINICAN DELIGHTS

A 13-day, half-board adventure in this relatively unspoiled Caribbean island with its lush rainforests, rugged mountains, sulphur springs, spectacular waterfalls, natural rock pools and a boiling lake.

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DOMINICAN DELIGHTS (Contd.)

This journey begins on the island of Antigua before a short flight to Dominica. Highlights include Dominica's picturesque capital, Roseau (which combines new and old architecture dating from colonial times); the Botanical Gardens; the Roseau Valley (rich in sulphur springs); the Boiling Lake and Valley of Desolation; the Emerald Pool (a verdant green grotto perfect for a welcome swim); a Carib village; and Portsmouth in the north of the island in the shadow of Devil's Mountain.

Price £1,699 per person departing 1 April 2009. Includes flights, transfers, half-board accommodation and the services of a tour leader.

HANNIBAL'S KINGDOM

A two week, half-board journey through ancient and modern Tunisia.

The country has played a hugely strategic role throughout history including Carthage, which launched the Punic Wars against Rome and was eventually crushed by the might of the Roman Legions.

After the Romans came the Arabs who still remain after periods of Turkish and French rule.

This fascinating adventure begins in Tunis (taking in the remains of ancient Carthage), then south along the coast to the great amphitheatre at El Djem; through Stax and the island of Djerba and the desert villages of Tataouine, Tozeur and Neflaïet (the set for Star Wars !)

Accommodation is in comfortable three and four star hotels.

Price £1,085 per person departing 7 March. Includes flights, transfers, half-board accommodation and the services of a tour leader.

CLASSIC SOUTH AMERICA

An 18-day, half-board adventure to two iconic cities – Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires.

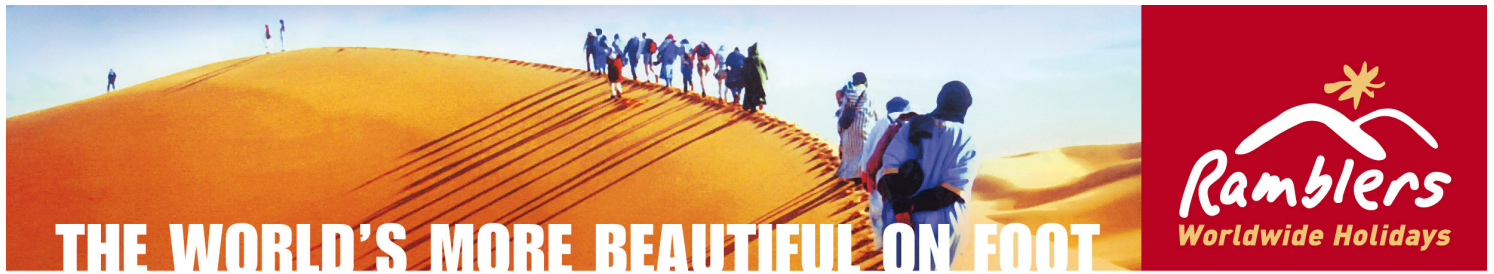
The first part of this holiday begins in Rio de Janeiro (the Marvellous City) and embraces visits to Christ the Redeemer, Sugar Loaf Mountain and the Copacabana.

From Rio, one travels down the coast to the paradise island of Ilha Grande and thence on through winding jungle paths as far as Parati, a colonial boom town built on the back of gold. Other highlights include, the spectacular Iguazu Falls (from both the Brazilian and Argentine sides).

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Continuing south and west one travels through Argentina to Posadas and onto the Carlos Pellegrini Park – where one can enjoy all manner of wildlife in this aquatic wonderland.

Next on the agenda is Buenos Aires – home of the tango and asado, the Casa Rosada and Eva Peron !

Accommodation is in comfortable tourist class hotels and lodges.

Price from £2,358 per person includes flights, transfers, half-board accommodation and the services of a tour leader.

VENICE AND TRIESTE – A TALE OF TWO CITIES

A one week, half-board holiday, which embraces two of the World's most beautiful cities – Venice and Trieste.

Both can be enjoyed at their best by travelling off-season with Ramblers Worldwide Holidays.

The unique renaissance splendour of Venice is well-known and this, combined with Trieste – which is situated between white limestone cliffs and the Adriatic Sea – provides an ideal 'tale of two cities'.

Accommodation in Venice is at the 3-star Hotel Elite and the 3-star Hotel Italia in Trieste.

Price from £695 per person includes flights, transfers, half-board accommodation and the services of a tour leader.

UMBRIA'S WINTER WONDERLAND

A one week half-board winter holiday in the 'Green Heart of Italy' when peace and calm have descended on the region.

This adventure begins in the ancient town of Norcia at the Hotel Grotta Azzurra where one can learn to cook in the Umbrian style and savour the excellent local wines.

Walks are on the nearby Piano Grande – a high plain in the mountains above the hotel.

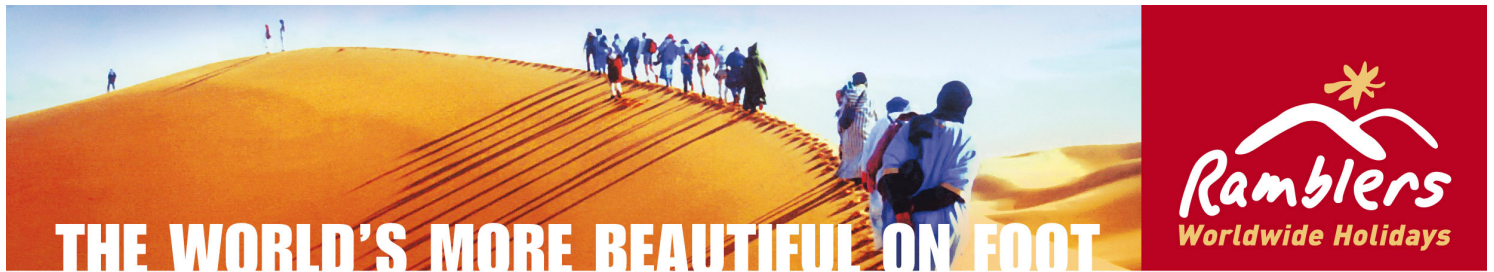
The holiday also includes a three night stay in Spoleto at the 3-star Hotel Nuovo Clitanno, which is surrounded by wonderful walks.

Price from £697 per person includes flights, transfers, half-board accommodation and the services of a tour leader.

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5/ CHICAGO – MY KIND OF TOWN

A nine-day adventure in one of the World's most vibrant and exciting cities.

Chicago – synonymous with skyscrapers, Hemmingway, Frank Lloyd-Wright, Al Capone and all that jazz – is a great place to explore on foot.

Ramblers Worldwide Holidays have created a series of special walks including a tour of historic skyscrapers with a local guide; an off-beat tour of 'Gangster Chicago', which harks back to the days of the mob, the St Valentine's Day Massacre and speakeasies. And, with something more aesthetically appealing, visits to The Art Institute of Chicago (one of the World's greatest art galleries) and a choice of 30 fabulous museums.

Other highlights include 'the shop till you drop' magnificent Mile of Michigan Avenue; the great skyscraper canyon of the Chicago River, Lincoln Park and a day trip to the waterfalls and canyons of Starved Rock State Park.

All this infused with a great choice of food from Mexican to Polish often with the strains of Chuck Berry and Muddy Waters in the background.

Price from £1,262 per person includes flights, transfers, breakfasts and five dinners and the services of a tour leader.

JERUSALEM

A one-week, half-board holiday in this most iconic and inspiring city, which takes one back across 4000 years of history.

Once considered the centre of the world, Jerusalem's past and its powerful influence on today's world unfolds with every step.

Many of the 'giants of history' are concentrated here including, David, Solomon, Jesus and Mohammed.

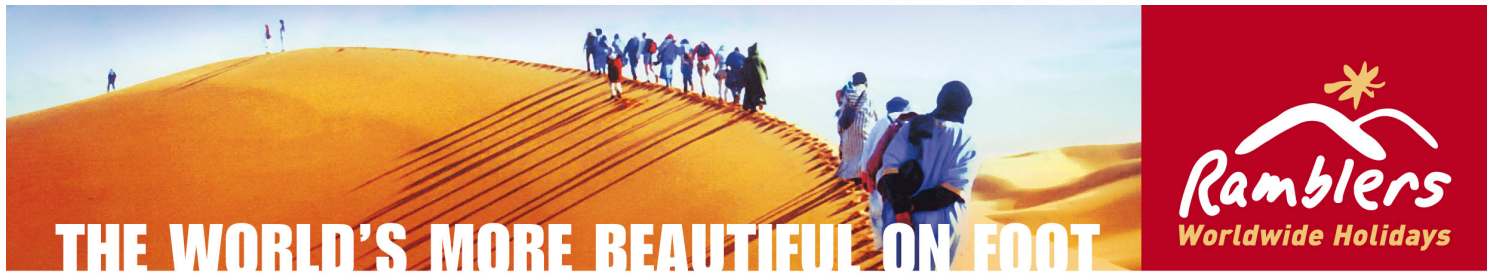
This holiday begins in Jerusalem itself where one has the opportunity to explore the Old City, the Temple Mount, the Via Dolorosa, the Stations of the Cross, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the Wailing Wall, the Mount of Olives and the Garden of Gethsemane.

Other walks take one further afield including, West Jerusalem to visit Yad Vashem (Holocaust Memorial), Bethlehem, The Dead Sea, the hilltop fortress of Masada, the cave at Qumran (where the Dead Sea scrolls were discovered), the Israel Museum, the St George's Monastery and Jericho – reputedly the oldest city in the World.

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All visits are accompanied by a local knowledgeable guide throughout this fascinating holiday.

Prices from £1,256 per person includes flights, transfers, half-board accommodation and the services of a tour leader.

NORWEGIAN DELIGHTS

A one-week, full-board holiday at Rondane – home of cross country skiing in Norway.

The snow record in this area is superb as are the well maintained trails to suit most abilities.

The base for this holiday is The Rondane Spa Hotel which is within a few miles of Peer Gynt's hunting hut.

Apart from excellent skiing (lessons are available) one can also enjoy snow scooters and dog sleds which travel to remote, cosy cabins.

Price from £898 per person includes flights, transfers, full-board accommodation and the services of a tour leader.

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