

News on Enchanted Expeditions, Guyana Tourism Authority, La Coralina Island House, Las Torres Patagonia Natural & Cultural Reserve, and River House Lodge Patagonia

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October 2024

Dear Colleague,

It's unbelievable how fast time goes...we've already arrived in the last quarter of the year, deciding on menus and where to celebrate Thanksgiving and Christmas.

This is also a busy time of the year for the Emerging Destinations team.

Last week, Jane and Jenna attended the Adventure World Travel Summit in Panama on behalf of **Guyana** and also had the chance to spend time with Judy from **Enchanted Expeditions** (Ecuador) and Josian and Juan from Las Torres Patagonia Cultural & National Reserve (Chile), who were attending the event as well.

Great news! The 2025 Adventure World Travel Summit is taking place in Puerto Natales (Chile), which is an amazing opportunity for all those attending the conference to undertake pre- or posttrip adventures at either River House Lodge Patagonia in Argentina or Las Torres Patagonia in Chile. Don't wait until the very last minute and start planning now!

This week, Paula is attending the **Fora Live Forum** in NY. If you're going to be there, please stop by her table!

For those doing virtual trade shows, I'm participating in the **Romance Virtual Travel Xpo** this week. Please pop into our virtual booth and chat with me about the amazing new offers from clients in the portfolio. Like the new beach club from La Coralina Island House in Panama and great discounts on October and November departure dates to sail the Galapagos Islands with **Enchanted Expeditions**.

Our upcoming sales calls/trip calendar has been slightly changed and we're now doing PA, MO, KS and NE in November (instead of October). Browse our new dates below and let us know if you would like to schedule an in-person meeting or join any of our intimate events.

Best regards,

Ana (on behalf of the Emerging Destinations team: Jane, Jenna, Paula & Ana)

Upcoming Travel Emerging Destinations On The Road

- Miami, Fort Lauderdale & Boca Raton (FL): November 11, 12 & 13
- Austin (TX): November 14
- Houston (TX): November 15
- Chicago (IL) Africa Showcase: November 18
- Philadelphia (PA): November 18
- New York City (NY): November 19
- Staten Island (NY): November 19
- Toronto, Canada Africa Showcase: November 20
- Omaha (NE): November 20
- Kansas City (KS/MO): November 21
- Wichita (KS): November 22
- Nairobi, Kenya Essence of Africa: December 2 to 4
- Orlando, Tampa, Jacksonville & Gainesville (FL): December 2 to 6
- Marco Island (FL) USTOA Annual Conference: December 9 to 13

News at a Glance

<u>Las Torres Patagonia Natural & Cultural Reserve</u>

- This 2024-2025 season **Hotel Las Torres** is inaugurating its 74 rooms & suites which has been completely renovated and refurbished. Take a virtual tour of the hotel here, admire the amazing work has been put in on these renovation and help us spreading the word...the new Hotel Las Torres Patagonia awaits!
- Las Torres Patagonia announced the winners of the #TorresDelPaineSnapshot2024 photography contest. The winner of this edition was Willemijn Wolthaus (Instagram: @mijnspics).

Guyana Tourism Authority

If you are planning a client's trip to Guyana, consider using one of our local licensed tour
operators to help maximize the likelihood that you will spot some of the nation's most iconic
species.

Enchanted Expeditions

• Specials for specific departures during October and November 2024! We have some unbeatable promos (FIT and charter options) on selected departure dates to explore the

Galapagos Islands onboard luxury M/Y Passion, premium first class M/Y Beluga and first class M/Y Cachalote Explorer. More info here.

La Coralina Island House

We launched a new experience in September, available every Friday the Shamanic Ceremony
Experience a transformative and spiritual Cacao Ritual. Inspired by ancestral traditions, this
ceremony opens your heart and reconnects you with your inner self, using cocoa harvested by
the Ngabe tribes of Bocas del Toro in a paradisiacal setting.

<u>River House Lodge Patagonia</u>

• On November 1st, we officially open our doors for another incredible season. Updates below:

Sustainability Initiatives: We've installed new solar panels to power the lodge, reinforcing our commitment to a more sustainable and eco-friendly operation.

Landscaping Enhancements: We've been busy beautifying the garden and surrounding landscapes, making the lodge's outdoor spaces even more inviting for your stay.

New Adventure Programs: This year, we're introducing horseback riding, trekking, kayaking, biking, and birdwatching. Each program offers a unique way to experience the pristine nature that surrounds us.

New Locations and Trails: Explore recently discovered trails and locations, giving you even more opportunities to connect with the untouched beauty of Patagonia.

Aqua Adventure in Bocas del Toro



Exploring the pristine waters and enchanting islands of Bocas del Toro has never been more captivating thanks to an amazing boating adventure offered by Oceanic Experience.

Whether you're seeking the thrill of snorkeling amidst vibrant coral reefs or the serene elegance of a gorgeous tropical beach, Oceanic Experience has crafted two unforgettable journeys aboard the

Tips for Positive and Low-Impact Travel in Guyana

Responsible tourism is a two-way street. Any destination has a responsibility to maintain the authenticity and integrity of its natural and cultural attractions. They are, after all, the reasons you visit **Guyana** in the first place.

You, the traveler, have a shared responsibility to help destinations in their mission to ensure tourism generates positive socio-economic and conservation outcomes. But don't worry! It's nothing that will lessen your vacation fun. In fact, it will add to it.

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Get Totally Enchanted in Ecuador



Besides its iconic cruises on three luxury motor yachts in the Galapagos islands, did you know that **Enchanted Expeditions** offers more than 60 different ways to explore mainland Ecuador?

Enchanted to create an itinerary that covers the Andes highlands, Amazon rainforest and gorgeous Pacific coast. Or you can concentrate on just one of those regions.

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First Time Riding a Horse? Here's the Perfect Place to Start

Horses are at the heart of what **Las Torres Patagonia Natural & Cultural Reserve** is all about. When you visit Torres del Paine, don't miss the chance to horseback ride across the Patagonian pampas. Once you arrive, the *baqueanos* cowboys will guide you on your equine adventure.

Las Torres Patagonia is home to around 200 horses. You should learn your horse's name — Corsario, Chamamé, Sultán, Canario, Tornado, Arbolito, etc — so you can give it instructions during your ride.

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Golfing in the Shadow of the Andes

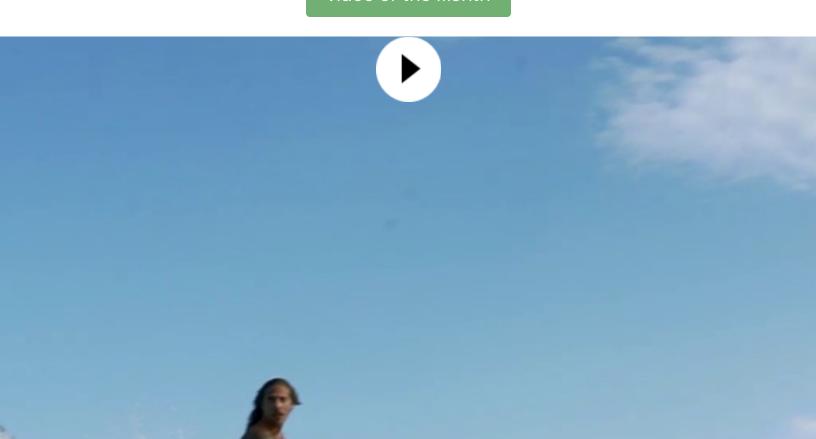


Guests at **River House Lodge** in Argentina's Patagonian region can tee off on several links around the nearby town of San Martín de los Andes.

The closest place to sharpen your driving and putting is the 18-hole, 72-par course at Chapelco Golf Club. With a backdrop of snowcapped Andes, dark-green forest, and several lakes, it would be hard to find a more scenic course anywhere in South America.

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Video of the Month





Panama's Secret Surf Spot

The islands of Bocas del Toro in Panama are home to world-class surf, secret from the world. Panama is a paradise full of secret surf spots. Find your new favorite wave at www.visitpanama.com





































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