

Dear Colleague,

Greetings from the **Galapagos Islands**, where I'm spending a few days working with the team at **Enchanted Galapagos Lodge** relaunching the 10-room property after two years of renovations and hard work!

While I'm here, Jane, Jessie and the Re•think Marketing team are in **New York** finalizing last-minute minor details and getting everything ready for the **Re•think South America Trade Show powered by Latam Airlines** and its inaugural session tomorrow at the Kimpton Hotel Eventi.

On another note, Jenna is also working hard on our **West Coast Roadshow**, scheduled from **June 20th to 24th** in **Los Angeles & San Francisco**. If you're based in either of those cities or their surroundings, please drop us a line. We'll be joined by our clients from Argentina, Uruguay, Chile, Colombia and Ecuador in hosting several breakfast presentations and cocktail parties. We want to see you there in person!

If you're still planning summer holidays for your clients or already working on festive season bookings, please make sure to check below for the latest news, last-minute deals and great offers in South and Central America.

If you'd like to catch up or need any kind of help, book a virtual appointment with me <u>here</u>. Best regards,

Ana, on behalf of The Emerging Destinations team (Jane + Jessie + Jenna + Ana)





# News at a Glance

# **Chile Concept**

- Don't miss "Our Great National Parks" on Netflix. A five-part documentary series about some of the world's most breathtaking national parks and the wildlife presented by former USA's president Barack Obama. On Episode 2, we will be able to explore the Chilean Patagonia, which features 24 unique national parks and is rapidly becoming one of the most protected places on the planet.
- Contact us as we can tailor the perfect itinerary to discover the best of Chile.

## **Colombian Journeys**

- Caño Cristales, one of the country's most diverse ecosystems will open its doors to tourism through the ecotourism trails "Caño Escondido" located in the Cristales de Colores zone and "Los Pailones" in the Cristales Selva zone. In both cases, they will be operating/receiving tourists from June 21st to November 30th. Caño Cristales is popularly known as "the river of the five colours" (yellow, blue, green, red and black), and is considered by many as "the most beautiful river in the world" as its clear and pure waters reveal marine plants, sand and beautiful rock formations. Flights from Bogota, Medellin and Villavicencio are available every day except Tuesdays.
- Closure of Johnny Cay & Aquarium San Andres. The Administrator of the Parque Regional Johnny Cay and the Aquarium in San Andres has established temporary closures in order to work on the maintenance of the islands. Johnny Cay will be closed from July 25th to 27th, October 25th to 27th and December 29th to 31st while the Aquarium will be closed from August 1st to 3rd, on October 31st and November 1st & 2nd.
- Forbes journalist Jared Ranahan talks about 5 essential drinking and dining districts in Bogota, the roaring capital of Colombia. This metropolis offers several opportunities to taste international or traditional Colombian cuisine, molecular food, excellent drinks and nightlife. Read the full article <a href="here">here</a>.

USA Today published a very interesting article on how to enjoy the world of
luxury travel in Bogota, the capital of Colombia. Enjoy this ride by reading the
article <a href="here">here</a> that will guide you through amazing experiences of the Gold Museum,
the National Museum and coffee and artisanal beers tastings.

## **Enchanted Expeditions**

- Missed our last webinar "Multigenerational trip ideas from Emerging Destinations"? Don't worry! You can watch it here.
- **Enchanted Galapagos Lodge** on Santa Cruz Island is ready to receive guests again after 2 years of renovations and significant improvements to the guests rooms and common areas. More info here.
- Last minute Summer Specials! Save in the Sun this Summer on these Enchanted Expeditions Galapagos cruise departures... Explore the **Galapagos Islands** either on M/Y Beluga or on M/Y Cachalote Explorer this summer and save on select departure dates during June, July & August. The specials are ranging from \$2,090 to \$3,100 US dollars (6-day and 8-day cruise). More info here.
- Travel industry ALERT! Are you traveling to the Galapagos Islands? <u>Contact</u>
   <u>us</u> for discounted travel agent rates when you stay at our renovated Enchanted
   Galapagos Lodge, a beautiful and peaceful paradise in the highlands of Santa Cruz
   Island.

### **Grand Hotels Lux**

- Missed our last webinar "Beyond the falls: 10 things you can see & do while in Iguazu"? Don't worry! You can watch it here.
- Enjoy up to 40% discount on a second room for children under 12 years old in any of our four hotels in three destinations: Buenos Aires and Iguazu Falls, in Argentina and Punta del Este, in Uruguay. There are plenty of activities to enjoy and discover in depth each destination such as jungle tours, horseback riding, bike tours and more. For information and reservations, please contact <a href="mailto:reservas@grandhotelslux.com">reservas@grandhotelslux.com</a> and don't forget to check availability for our connecting rooms!
- Missed our last webinar "Multigenerational trip ideas from Emerging Destinations"? Don't worry! You can watch it <a href="here">here</a>.
- Javier Sanchez has been named as the new Executive Chef of The Grand Hotel in Punta del Este. Javier has achieved a rich experience during his career working with renowned international hotel brands such as Sheraton, Four Seasons, and Park Hyatt, among others. With more than 30 years of experience in F&B, we're proud to have him leading our team in Punta del Este.
- Condé Nast Traveler published on its May edition the 2022 hot list featuring the best new museums in the world. The MACA (Museo de Arte Contemporaneo Atchugarry) in Punta del Este made the list and it's definitely a great place to visit on your next stay at The Grand Hotel Punta del Este. Read the full article here.
- Big 7 Travel has chosen Uruguay as one of the 50 best eco-friendly places to
  visit in 2022. Air quality across the country is almost perfect and Uruguay, South
  America's second smallest country, came 3rd out of 146 countries for its dedication

to environmental sustainability. Read the full article and discover the top 50 list here.

#### La Coralina Island House

- Missed our last webinar "*An Intro to La Coralina Island House*"? Don't worry! You can watch it here.
- Say Yes! Discover our magical spot for exchanging wedding vows against the stunning backdrop of La Coralina Bay as the sunsets over the Caribbean Sea. <u>Contact us</u> for either special Romance/Honeymoon packages or Wedding celebrations.
- Yoga Retreat Package! Join Therese Skovgaard Poulsen from Veda Wellness
  Retreats (Bali) on this energizing yoga retreat. You will enjoy a wide variety of
  yoga and meditation classes suitable for all practitioner levels. Check exact dates,
  schedule, prices and further information to secure a spot for you and/or your
  clients here.
- Are you organising a multigenerational trip or looking for a special venue for a small group's celebration? La Coralina Island House can offer you its Grand Villa (The House). Featuring 1 master bedroom + 5 suites, a private infinity swimming pool facing La Coralina Bay, a spacious living room, and chef services, among other VIP services. It's the perfect place for groups of up to 24 people who are traveling in the same bubble and looking for a memorable experience. Contact us for more information, availability and a customized proposal.
- Traveling to **Panama**? Or maybe you are interested in experiencing first hand the newest luxury resort in **Bocas del Toro**? <u>Contact us</u> for **discounted travel agent rates** with La Coralina Island House.

## **Las Torres Reserve**

- Missed our last webinar "Multigenerational trip ideas from Emerging Destinations"? Don't worry! You can watch it <a href="here">here</a>.
- Hotel Las Torres Patagonia has recently launched its 2022-2023 digital brochure which includes amazing experiences, special packages, hotel rack rates (commissionable) and the general booking policy for the upocming season. The hotel will be operating from September 8th, 2022 to April 30th, 2023. Click here.
- **Refugio Torres Central** will be the finish line for the **Patagonian International Marathon** (10K, 21K and 42K) taking place on **September 10th**. Please <u>contact us</u> in case you have runners among your clientele, as we have special packages to stay with us.
- Refugio Torres Central will be the starting and finish line for the Ultra Paine
  Race (on 7K and 14K categories) taking place on September 25th. The 8th edition
  of this famous race will also offer categories for 21K (mountain half-marathon),
  35K, 42K (mountain marathon), 50K and 80K (50 miles). Contact us for availability
  and special rates in case you have clients participating!
- We recognize that you and your clients, are looking for quick, efficient bookings, which is why we now offer a **new booking channel**, vía WHATSAPP, where you will be able to contact any one of our sales executives, who will be ready to assist you right away. To book or ask about availability via WhatsApp: + 56 9 8357 9064.

• Las Torres Reserve has a US dedicated phone number + 1 323 982 3761.

#### Discover Cape Horn and the Chilean Antarctic



Discover the end of the Earth on a cruise along the western edge of Tierra del Fuego that includes Cape Horn or a fly/cruise adventure from Punta Arenas to Chile's Antarctic Territory. **Chile Concept** offers two ways to discover this incredible region. Read more here.

#### Tayrona — Colombia's Caribbean Paradise

Stretching from pristine Caribbean beaches to the coastal rainforest of the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta mountains, Tayrona is one of Colombia's most diverse national parks when it comes to flora, fauna and visitor activities. Let Colombian **Journeys** plan a visit that includes overnights at new wilderness lodges like Senda Koguiwa or Casa Bambú. Continue reading <u>here</u>.



## Ecuador — A Paradise for Birdwatching



To mention all bird species that can be seen in Ecuador would be a very difficult task. But as a reference, over 1,600 species of birds — including more than 125 species of hummingbird — have been recorded by ornithologists.

**Enchanted Expeditions** can offer you amazing customized birdwatching trips. *Read more* <u>here</u>.

Helping control erosion and improve hiking trail conditions in Torres del Paine National Park — as well as designing and constructing new trails — **Las Torres Reserve** has formed an alliance with three leading conservation groups to achieve these goals. *More here*.



## Hotel Spotlight: The Grand Hotel Punta del Este



Framed by uninterrupted ocean views and a sleek, glass façade that shifts colors throughout the day as the sun moves across the sky, **The Grand Hotel Punta del Este** is an oasis of luxury, style and sophistication on Uruguay's Atlantic coast. *Continue reading here*.

#### La Coralina Island House

Aqua blue waters, palm-lined golden-sand beaches, a dense rainforest jungle, and a laid-back island culture. Panama's lost paradise in the Caribbean Sea. Welcome to **La Coralina Island House**, our home away from home.





































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