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Dear Colleague,

As we step into 2025 with renewed energy and ambition, we want to extend our heartfelt gratitude for your partnership over the past year.

Emerging Destinations finished off the year with an emphasis on connection by attending USTOA in Marco Island, Florida on behalf of our clients **Sierra Leone, Karibu Camps & Lodges,** and **Anantara Southern Africa**.

Looking ahead, we are thrilled to offer even more opportunities to captivate your clients with Africa's unrivaled allure. Whether it's luxurious lodges tucked away in the pristine wilderness of South Africa with **Garonga Safari Co.** or curated journeys that immerse travelers in authentic local traditions with **GVI Expeditions**, our Africa portfolio promises unique experiences to suit every dream.

Warm Regards,

Jenna (Jane, Ana & Paula)



Jenna, Jane & Ana at USTOA, Marco Island, FL

# **Upcoming Travel Emerging Destinations on the Road**

- Sacramento, Napa Valley, Walnut Creek and San Francisco (CA). January 13 to 16. Want to meet?
- Nashville (TN). January 23 & 24. Want to meet?
  New York City (NY). February 17 & 18. \* River House Lodge Patagonia (Argentina) in person sales calls \* Want to meet?
- Denver (CO). February 18 & 19. Want to meet!

- Denver and Boulder (CO). February 20 & 21. \* *River House Lodge Patagonia (Argentina) in person sales calls* \* Want to meet?
- Sacramento (CA). February 24. \* *River House Lodge Patagonia (Argentina) in person sales calls* \* **Want to meet?**
- Oakland and Berkeley (CA). February 25. \* *River House Lodge Patagonia (Argentina) in person sales calls* \* Want to meet?
- San Francisco (CA). February 26. \* *River House Lodge Patagonia (Argentina) in person sales calls* \* Want to meet?
- San Jose (CA). February 27. \* *River House Lodge Patagonia (Argentina) in person sales calls* \* Want to meet?



# News at a Glance

#### Avani, Zambia

• We're hosting our New Year's Eve gala Dinner this December - look out for photos on our socials!

#### Garonga Safari Co, South Africa

Check out our New Year <u>specials!</u>

### <u>Karibu Camps and Lodges</u>

Have you ever heard of a virtual safari? Check out more <u>here!</u>

# <u>Mara Siana</u>, Kenya

• Find out more about Mara Siana Camp from director, Fred Ronko on Youtube.

# Anantara Southern Africa, Mozambique & Zambia

Sweep your Valentine off their feet with an escape to Anantara Bazaruto Island in 2025. <u>Contact</u> <u>us</u> for more information!

# Atua Enkop, Kenya

- Atua Enkop Africa, through Elephant Gorge Camp, co-sponsored a medical camp in Kimana Town, providing treatment to 2,480 people from the local community. The initiative also included surgical procedures such as tumor removals.
- Masai Mara park fees will be going down to \$100 per person per night from January to June 2025.

#### Yadi Travel, Morocco

• Direct Flights to Morocco: Travel to Morocco is now more convenient than ever with new direct

- flights:
- USA: United Airlines launched **Newark-Marrakech** flights in October 2024.
- Canada: Royal Air Maroc connects Toronto-Casablanca which started December 2024.

#### Adventure Consults, Uganda & Rwanda

New Single-Use plastics <u>directive</u> for Akagera National Park.

#### Sierra Leone

Sierra Leoneans rang in 2025 with a bang!

## What's the Buzz? The Sweet Life in Zambia



The Royal Livingstone Hotel by Anantara runs a buzzy social enterprise that supports local communities.

Located on the Zambia side of Victoria Falls, the hotel has partnered with Zambia Forest College to launch a beehive initiative that empowers women, promotes food security and makes the hotel's supply chain more sustainable.

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# Going Big at Little Garonga

Little Garonga promises a private and personalized getaway at our luxury safari lodge in South Africa.

The camp's three gorgeous suites are fully en-suite, thatched and air-conditioned, each with a raised deck, complete with hammock and stunning bush views. They are located around centralized indoor

and outdoor lounges, with a swimming pool overlooking the bush.

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Just a Lion's Paw Away from Ngorongoro



Located just 10 minutes from the eastern entrance to Ngorongoro Crater, Karibu's amazing Lion's Paw lodge offers an opportunity to relax, unwind, and enjoy serene bush dinners after a day exploring one of Africa's all-time wildlife wonders. This UNESCO World Heritage site is a breathtaking beauty, showcasing a variety of wildlife, including the Big Five, and over 400 bird species.

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Explore Masai Mara Like a Wildlife Ranger

Get behind the scenes of wildlife conservation in one of the world's most iconic safari destinations by joining a GVI Expeditions ranger experience in Kenya's legendary Masai Mara.

During the adventure you learn about community-led conservation efforts while gaining in-depth knowledge and experiencing thrilling wildlife sightings.

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# Travel Tips for First-Time Visitors to Sierra Leone



Have you already booked your first flight to Sierra Leone or are thinking about visiting for the first time.

A million questions will be going through your head right now — what's there to see, what's the best way to get around, what you need to be aware of, and most importantly, how to make the most of your time.

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#### Morocco's Art Deco Treasures

A blend of Western-style Art Deco and traditional Moorish motifs, Moroccan Art Deco remains one of the nation's most distinctive and cherished architectural styles.

In the early 20th century, Morocco experienced a significant architectural and artistic transformation with the rise of Art Deco style.

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# Beyond Gorillas: Discover More in Uganda!



Sandy Salle reports on her experience of exploring Uganda with Adventure Consults.

While gorilla trekking gets a lot of attention, there are lots of other amazing wildlife encounters in Uganda. Chimpanzee trekking is another remarkable wildlife experience available.

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# Elephant Gorge and Its Amboseli Setting

An upscale safari camp located in Kenya's wildlife rich Amboseli ecosystem, Elephant Gorge nestles on the slopes of Mt. Kilimanjaro within the ALOCA conservancies.

The lodge offers a unique and evocative safari experience with classic contemporary décor, capturing the history and romance of a bygone era. It's a tranquil retreat for those seeking an authentic, luxurious bush experience.

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# River Thrills and Spills in Vic Falls



Victoria Falls is the ultimate destination for thrill seekers and adrenaline junkies. Swim in the Devil's Pool right on the edge of the waterfall, whitewater raft down the tumbling Zambezi River or take a leap of faith and test your limits with a 111-meter bungee jump off the Victoria Falls Bridge.

# Video of the Month



#### Welcome to Mara Siana

We are a small upscale safari camp in the newly formed Mara Ripoi Conservancy located just outside of Masai Mara National Reserve.

https://marasiana.com/





































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