



Discover the World's Most Exotic Destinations with the Cincinnati Zoo

CINCINNATI – Whether you're a seasoned traveler or a novice explorer in exotic destinations, now is your chance to learn about the exciting 2010 travel adventures offered by the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden.

From the deserts of Africa to the actively volcanic islands of South America, there is a world of wonder waiting for you to explore. The Cincinnati Zoo will offer a learning experience about four exciting wildlife travel adventures in 2010 escorted by Zoo staff. You can learn about travel packages to India and Botswana **for FREE** on January 28th, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. Or, come to the complimentary session on March 4th, 2010 at 6:00 pm to learn about trips to The Galapagos Islands and Tanzania.

Discover the magnificent landscapes of **Botswana, departing May 12**, and experience the native wildlife on your safari adventure. Allow our Zoo curator of mammals, Mike Dulaney, to escort you through the reserves of Central Kalahari and Islands of Okavango Delta. Visit one of the World's best kept secrets. Take a trip to the Central Kalahari game reserve where you'll experience 20,000 square feet of remote and unspoiled scenery scattered with animals in their natural habitat. Where cheetahs race across the plains, giraffes graze on trees, and wildebeests run wild. Then if that's not enough, travel in dugout canoes through the islands of the Okavango delta which is made up of a variety of grasslands, marshes, and waterways giving way to a wide array of wildlife for you to feast your eyes on.

Experience the enticing culture and history in **India, departing on October 31**. This trip will capture every element that makes India so unique. Whether you're interested in India's captivating monuments, magnificent museums, or new experiences for the taste buds you'll get to experience it all. Beginning in New Delhi in the metropolitan political hub you'll then move to the historical site of Old Delhi which is known for India's largest mosque, Jama Masjid, and the peaceful final resting place of Mahatma Gandhi. The Kanna National park, the world's largest wildlife sanctuary, which inspired Rudyard Kipling's famous novel "The Jungle Book", is filled with tigers, leopards, and many more exotic creatures. You'll get to experience it all in

4x4 vehicles that travel all throughout this captivating jungle. Your long journey ends at one of India's greatest known landmarks, the Taj Mahal which is a truly inspiring love story.

In August, travel to **The Galapagos Islands**, the actively volcanic islands best known for the finches Charles Darwin based his theory of evolution on. Travel by boat from island to island experiencing untainted and uncivilized lands. The animals on these islands don't have any unnatural predators so you'll be able to get up close and personal. Imagine yourself doing flips and blowing bubbles with wild sea lions, walking along side a 150 year old Galapagos tortoise, or viewing the only nest site in the world of the Albatross. If the wildlife isn't enough to convince you then you'll find yourself enthralled by the beautiful beaches that all the islands showcase.

Voyage to **Tanzania in early August** to watch the Wildebeest, Zebra and Thompson's Gazelle move onto the short grass plains of the southern Serengeti. This safari is specifically designed to visit a variety of East Africa's wildlife habitats, each with its unique community of birds and mammals, scenic attractions, and cultural components. The Great Rift Valley, the vast savannas of the Serengeti, Lake Manyara National Park, Olduvai Gorge, the Ngorongoro Crater and Tarangire National Park are all included in this 12 day safari program. Our means of transportation is in specially equipped 4-wheel drive safari vehicles with a guaranteed window seat and access to the roof hatch for all participants.

Information regarding itineraries, cost and other details for each travel option will be available at the information session. Learn about India and Botswana on January 28 at 6:00 pm and inquire about the trips to The Galapagos Islands and Tanzania on March 4 at 6:00 pm. Light refreshments will be served. To RSVP for the complimentary presentations or for additional information on travel opportunities provided by the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden, please contact Christina Anderson at 513-487-3318.

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The world famous Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden was rated the #1 attraction locally and one of the top zoos in the nation by Zagat Survey. It has also been recognized by Child Magazine as one of "The 10 Best Zoos for Kids." Over one million people visit the Zoo's award-winning exhibits, and more than 500 animal and 3000 plant species annually. The Zoo is an accredited member of the American Zoo & Aquarium Association (AZA) and the American Public Gardens Association (APGA), is internationally known for its success in the protection and propagation of endangered animals and plants, and engages in research and conservation projects worldwide.