

Live Travel's Quarterly
Newsletter

"We travel not to escape
life, but for life not to
escape us."



**BANFF NATIONAL
PARK, CANADA**



**DELTA BANFF ROYAL
CANADIAN LODGE**



**MENDENHALL LAKE
IN JUNEAU, ALASKA**

AN AUTUMN VISIT



From the Canadian Rockies and Alaska to the Car-
ibbean Islands and everything else in between!

I hope I have reached you in great health and happy spirits! In a blink of an
eye autumn has arrived.

Along the route of
Rocky Mountaineer
train are sights of
nature's wonder.

I was grateful for the opportunities I have had this past summer. From the joy of exploring the Canadian Rockies with Rocky Mountaineer train and Alaska with Regent Seven Seas Cruise to the beauty of Banff, I lived every minute of the journey. I could trace back in my memories- experiences such as that of the horse-back riding in the lush forest of Banff as if I have done it just yesterday.

Rocky Mountaineer is a luxury train operator offering Western Canadian vacation packages with four rail routes through British Columbia, Alberta and the US State of Washington. Unparalleled service from the moment you board Rocky Mountaineer, your luggage whisked away and you settling in your luxury glass-dome coach. Fine dining, wine and personalized service with panoramic views of remarkable scenery leave you breathless for days to come. I invite you to view a short clip of [the train](#).

Alaska has the beauty of ice, snow and wilderness. Mountains and forests with abundant wildlife take visitors to massive Denali National Park that is home to Denali, North America's highest peak as well as an up-close-and-personal encounter with the famous Mendenhall Glacier by choice of a canoe or kayak. Visit to this 49th state of the US could be enjoyed with direct flights to one of the main cities in Alaska such as Juneau and Ketchikan or leisure cruises from ports of Seattle or Vancouver.

Regent Seven Seas Cruises is the most all-inclusive luxury liner in the cruise industry with no more than 375 suites.. The focus is in the personalized service with a ratio of 1 to 1.6 passenger-to-crew to its 700 passengers and everything included from flights to excursions and fine wines to gourmet restaurants. If you wish, black caviar for breakfast and lobster tail for dinner as well. Onboard guests are to live life luxuriously whether sailing to Alaska, cruising the Mediterranean sea or circumnavigating Australia.

I have uploaded all the photos and videos of my journey on the [Facebook page](#) of Live Travel for your viewing.

The excursions of fun, dining and adventures



In the News!

I became a certified specialist with Club Med and Sandals and Beach Resorts in April. African Safari has become one of my loves. Recent attendance to the Africa Trade Show in Marina del Rey allowed me to stay updated on products of new itineraries and accommodations for Africa. Whenever possible I joined other travel showcases and symposiums to stay in tune with the changes in the industry. The SoCal American Society of Travel Agents (ASTA)'s 2017 Luxury Travel Celebration and Showcase at the Beverly Hills Hotel was an amazing opportunity to meet the many vendors with whom I continue to develop relationships that are invaluable to designing the perfect holidays for my clients. JetsuiteX has joined as one of my premium vendors. They currently have departures out of airports in California including Burbank, Concord, Las Vegas and San Jose. Seasonal winter services are available out of Bozeman, MT and Mammoth Lakes, CA. The advantage is flying exclusively between private terminals to avoid waits and long lines. It takes approximately 10 minutes from the time you arrive to the terminal to when you board the jet!

As we know, Hurricane Irma and Maria have left heartbreaking damages to the beautiful islands of the Caribbean. The region consists of 32 countries and spans over 1 million square miles. Fortunately over 70% of Caribbean destinations were not affected according to the latest update from Caribbean Hotel and Tourism Association. Islands that were skirted by the storms received minimal destructions to hotels and their grounds. The majority of hotels are in full operation and are open for business. Island that were hit hardest by the storms are in steady effort to recovery.

Islands open for business include:

- Aruba, Barbados, Belize, Bonaire, Bermuda, Cayman Islands, Curacao, Guyana, Grenada, Haiti, Jamaica, Martinique, Saba, St. Eustatius, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Suriname, and Trinidad & Tobago.
- Antigua, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Guadeloupe, Montserrat, Nevis, St. Kitts, The Bahamas, and Turks & Caicos.

Water and power are restored. Communication and transportation including access to roads and airports are back in full operation. Most hotels are open for business. A few resorts such as Sandals Grande Antigua have been scheduled for annual closure or were going under renovation before the storms. The opening dates of these properties are coincidental in timeline rather than consequential recovery from these natural disasters.

Barbados being one of the many islands unaffected by the hurricanes are welcoming you for their traditional Run Barbados Marathon in the weekends of December 1-3, 2017. The prestigious Run Barbados series originated three decades ago by Sir Austin Sealy and Carl Bayley have evolved into premier sporting attractions with runs winding along streets of Bridgetown, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The spirit is *"Come for the Run, Stay for the Fun!"*.

Islands currently on the road to recover and will be eager to welcome visitors once again include:

- Anguilla, Barbuda, British Virgin Islands, Dominica, Puerto Rico, St. Barts, St. Croix, St. John, St. Martin (Saint Martin- French and Sint Maarten- Dutch) and St. Thomas.

Power and communication are restored to parts of the islands. Plans are underway to rebuild damaged roads and resume full operation of affected airports and ferry ports. A few hotels open their doors this December and most are scheduled for as early as Spring 2018.

It is only with our support that these islands are able to recover speedily and return the stunning beauty of nature to us for relaxation and enjoyment. It is hoped that visits in any form will drive tourism and help rebuild the islands and lives of all their residents. Islands not affected by the storms are open in full swing to enchant you with the beauty of the Caribbean. Those more severely damaged will be able to welcome visitors as soon as next Spring! If you wish to venture to any of the islands above and are interested in any particular resort, please send me a hello. We could talk about all your wishes and concerns and answer all your questions.

If you wish to send support in other ways, please visit [Caribbean Tourism Organization's Help Families and Countries Rebuild After Hurricanes](#).

Future Forecast!

I look forward to another amazing opportunity with the vendors this month. The historic Millennium Biltmore Hotel Los Angeles has always been one of my favorite hotels for its architectural beauty. To work in such an environment is an absolute delight. Here I will connect with some of the travel industry's best suppliers and consequently expand my offerings in travel opportunities for you.

I hope you have travelled to a new place this past summer. I hope the place and people have left their footprints in your heart. I hope you have that secret smile and delight in your spirit that you have done something you have longed to do.

I live to travel and to bring you photographs with stories and to share with you all I know. And to inspire you to go for travel changes a person for the better.

Thanksgiving is coming soon. The time is to travel back in time sharing stories and laughter with family and loved ones over old memories and mischiefs. To spend quality time with each other and be grateful for the abundance that Life has given us. I wish you the warmest Thanksgiving filled with love of family and friends and a glass half full in life.

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