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Arc de Triomphe at night, April in Paris CUE photo

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- *Smallest Groups—average size is six. Strict maximum size.
- *30 Years experience leading photo tours.
- *Pro Guide—your photography comes first.
- *Road Tested itineraries put you in the right place at the right time!
- *All-inclusive—let's you concentrate on great photography.
- *CUE Field Notes—identify your images—an invaluable service!

2011-12 SCHEDULE

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Colorado Rockies Autumn--Sept. 25-Oct. 2, 2011 After the Photographic Society of America Conference. The aspens are turning to gold in the San Juans and around the Maroon Bells. Wildlife is at its prime in preparation for winter. We'll base ourselves in Mesa Verde, Ouray and Aspen for the best picture opportunities. Limit 7.

Cambodia--Vacation with a Purpose--Nov. 21-Dec. 3, 2011 www.friendshipwithcambodia.org for details.

Yosemite in Winter--Feb. 4-11, 2012 (7 days) The quintessential Christmas card with dramatic views of glacier carved Half Dome and El Capitan rising from the Valley floor. Stand at the tripod

holes of Ansel Adams and capture iconic scenes. Gold Rush Country and San Francisco included. Sign up now for this landscape, travel and photography course in one—limited to seven.

Impressions of Greece March 28-April 8, 2012 (13 days) Spring is the best time to photograph Greece—few tourists, crisp blue sky and fields of red poppies and yellow mustard under the ancient olive trees. Travel in a go-anywhere, stop any-time, Van and explore back lanes where life has not changed in 100 years. Burros still carry the loads, shepherds watch over their flocks and a hearty welcome is offered the stranger in the charming and colorful cafés. We'll be in Delphi to

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photograph the full moon rising over Athena's Temple. Zeus's temple at Sounion is a sunset shot. Sparta is our gateway to half abandoned medieval monasteries with 16th C frescos illuminated by candlelight. A highlight will be the medieval monasteries of Meteora; like eagle's nests. Santorini Island is an optional 3 night extension. Why not travel with a guide who puts you and your images first, who knows and loves Greece! Group limited to seven!

Paris--April 22-28, 2012 (7 days) The City of Light is the most photogenic city in the world and April is the perfect time to photograph café life along the Boulevard Saint Germain, lovers sitting on benches along the Seine or strolling across the elegant bridges. Your guide has spent many weeks scouting the perfect foregrounds for iconic images of Parisian life. Our charming hotel is on the Left Bank near the Sorbonne and Luxembourg Gardens. Transportation is by city bus, metro and foot. Great for black and white photography, too. Group limited to five!

Mount Rainier & Olympic Peninsula July 14-22, 2012 (9 days) Mount Rainier is the most beautiful mountain in the world and the Olympic Peninsula shelters some of the most scenic coastline and most photogenic rain-forest on the continent. Together, a perfect 9 days of nature photography at a time when glacier lilies poke through the snow banks and splashing brooks are lined with red, yellow and white wildflowers. Travel by comfortable go-anywhere, stop-anytime Van. Your guide is a NW native familiar with the plants, animals and lore of the region. Group limited to seven! Add Oregon Cascades for a 16 day adventure.

Oregon Cascades --July 22-29 (7 days) Be cool and green this summer. We begin with two nights at the Columbia Gorge to photograph Multnomah Falls and several others hidden in their narrow slot canyons. Past the volcanic cone of Mt. Hood to the lively town of Sisters—named for the three volcanic peaks that rise to over 10,000 feet just to the west. Mountain vistas, vast flows of lava, waterfalls and reflections in the mountain lakes are the subjects. Rock climbers at Smith Rocks add color. The pioneer spirit is still alive in the ranching scenes we capture. Combine with Mount Rainier and Olympic Peninsula. Read field notes in CUE's photography blog. Limit 7—book now!

Yosemite and Lake Tahoe Autumn--Sept. 23-30 (8 days) Autumn in the Sierras is close to perfect—clear blue sky, oaks and aspens turning to gold and kids all back in school. Three nights in El Portal, entrance to Yosemite Valley where granite El Capitan and Half Dome rear up from the golden valley floor. Reflections in the Merced River—iconic scenes made famous by Ansel Adams. Over Tuolumne Pass for a celebration of more classic images. On the east side of the Sierra Lee Vining is host for the tufa formations of Mono Lake and

nearby Bodie ghost town. Lake Tahoe for the full moon—an emerald shining in the High Sierra—your guide knows where the gems are hidden. Limit 7.

Australia's Wild Places--October 15-31 (17 days) The essence of Australia is in her wild places. Your guide has made many trips “down under” and shares the best with you. Cruise to the outer edge of The Great Barrier Reef for nesting birds and snorkel among the brilliant corals. Tropical Queensland is home to colorful endemic birds and plants. Kakadu National Park in the Northern Territory is a highlight with sunrise and sunset cruises to Yellow Waters Billabong—ancient Aboriginal rock art, too. On the south coast, Kangaroo Island's pristine landscape at Remarkable Rocks and the ordered beauty of Adelaide's wine country charms. Spectacular Cleland Wildlife Sanctuary where birds and animals from the entire continent wander with you in open natural habitats will complete your Nature Photography portfolio. On the east coast, vibrant Sydney's iconic Opera House and Coathanger Bridge provide a gateway to the spectacular Blue Mountain waterfalls where you are sure to capture a laughing kookaburra in an old gum tree. Read the field notes in CUE's photography blog. Limit seven.

Faces of Burma--Dec. 1-16, 2012 (16 days)

Your guide has led photography tours to Burma since 1979—he knows the people and the possibilities. Our local guide, Daniel, colors the scene with red-robed monks and leg-rowing fishermen. Our road-tested itinerary includes sublime Lake Inle, serene Pindaya, royal Mandalay, an old British hill station, and enchanted Bagan. Limit ten.



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