

# Adventures by Disney Announces New Itineraries for 2013

## Legends of the Far East and Lore of Disney•Pixar's "Brave" Come to Life Through All-New Adventures in Southeast Asia and Scotland

BURBANK, Calif. – Continuing its tradition of creating award-winning immersive experiences around the globe, *Adventures by Disney* has unveiled two new itineraries for 2013 – “*Jewels of Southeast Asia*,” a quest for discovery into the culture of Southeast Asia featuring Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia, and the brand’s first ever Pixar-inspired itinerary, “*Scotland: A Brave Adventure*.” Details, dates and rates are available at [www.AdventuresbyDisney.com](http://www.AdventuresbyDisney.com).

Over the last seven years, *Adventures by Disney* has developed a collection of exhilarating tours with one goal in mind: help families experience the most sought-after and culturally stimulating destinations in the world. Led by knowledgeable Adventure Guides and authentic local experts, families unlock the wonders and stories of the world through unparalleled excursions and engaging activities designed for all ages and activity levels. With the smallest details planned in advance, it’s easy for parents to relax and immerse themselves in the most valuable experience of all – quality time with their family.

“We invite families to experience new corners of the world with *Adventures by Disney*, as we expand our portfolio of more than 20 destinations to include Southeast Asia and Scotland,” said Josh D’Amaro, Vice President, *Adventures by Disney*. “These new itineraries hold true to Disney’s dedication to storytelling, exceptional customer service and incredible value. With our award-winning itineraries, families are treated to a worry-free experience, perfect for vacationers taking their first international excursion or even the seasoned traveler.”

*Adventures by Disney* presents two featured adventures for 2013:

### “**Scotland: A Brave Adventure**”

Step out of the theater and become immersed in the world of “Brave” with *Adventures by Disney*’s first-ever Pixar-inspired itinerary, “*Scotland: A Brave Adventure*.” Disney•Pixar’s “Brave” tells the tale of the courageous Merida, the film’s headstrong teenage protagonist, who defies ancient tradition and challenges destiny to change her fate. This nine-day, eight-night quest through Edinburgh, the Isle of Skye, the Isle of Lewis and Inverness takes families through the rugged Highlands, allowing them to experience first-hand the history, culture, nature, legends and lore of Scotland that inspired Merida’s story of bravery.

*Adventures by Disney*’s trip-planning specialists worked directly with the expert storytellers on Pixar’s “Brave” production team to incorporate the castles, landscapes and legends that inspired the lush settings and memorable characters in the film – creating a Scotland experience that could only come from Disney. Guests will discover locations that inspired Pixar’s creative spark during visits to the historic Black House of Arnol and the Gearranan Blackhouse Village, both of which served as reference for the Witch’s cottage, and Dunnottar Castle, one of the inspirations for the DunBroch family’s home.

Beyond the drawing board, the culture of the Scottish Highlands will come to life through authentic, hands-on activities – a hallmark of *Adventures by Disney* itineraries. On the Isle of Skye, adventurers will partake in traditional highland games, make Scottish pastries – a favorite treat of Merida’s triplet brothers – and take lessons in Celtic music and dance. While traveling through Inverness, guests will participate in two of Merida’s favorite activities – horseback riding through the Caledonian Forest and archery at Glamis Castle. In Edinburgh, families will learn the

art of tapestry-making at Dovecot Studios.

### ***“Jewels of Southeast Asia”***

Featuring Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia, the 12-day, 11-night “*Jewels of Southeast Asia*” itinerary will give families the opportunity to experience some of Asia’s most exotic and culturally-rich cities – including Saigon, Hanoi, Hoi An, Luang Prabang, Siem Reap and Angkor Wat – and gain a true-to-life perspective of Southeast Asia and its people.

Past the popular tourist spots, *Adventures by Disney* gives families a unique view of this region with another of its signature features – off-the-beaten path experiences. Meal preparation is a team effort in Vietnam where guests will hand-pick ingredients from a Hoi An market, and then learn to make their own Vietnamese delicacies with the guidance of a local chef. In Cambodia, adults will have time to take in the unique architecture of the Temples of Angkor Wat while Junior Adventurers live the history of the ancient structure on a tuk tuk vehicle treasure hunt. Families will work together in Laos at an organic rice farm where they will have a hand in each of the 13 stages of rice production, then get acquainted with students at a neighborhood school.

The Southeast Asia itinerary also includes time to enjoy some fun in the sun along the coast of the South China Sea and features luxurious hotel accommodations, such as the Sofitel Legend Metropole Hanoi, and private transportation throughout the trip.

Whether it’s a brief journey close to home or an enchanting quest across the globe, *Adventures by Disney* provides families with the ultimate adventure. For more information on *Adventures by Disney*’s 2013 offerings, visit [www.AdventuresbyDisney.com](http://www.AdventuresbyDisney.com) or contact the reservations center at 1-877-728-7282. Guests can also check out the latest news on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/AdventuresbyDisney>.

### **About Adventures by Disney**

Launched in 2005, *Adventures by Disney* provides immersive, hassle-free and unforgettable group guided-family vacation experiences to destinations in Europe, North America, South America, Africa, Asia and Australia. Families traveling with *Adventures by Disney* receive exceptional service while taking part in extraordinary experiences at locations including: the South African plains, the great cities of Europe, North America’s national parks, the ancient monuments of Egypt, Costa Rica’s rich rainforest, the ruins of Pompeii and Machu Picchu, Australia’s Outback and the Great Wall of China.

Over the last seven years, *Adventures by Disney* has been recognized by numerous travel organizations for its excellence in family tourism and was ranked #1 among Tour Operators and Safari Outfitters for Families in *Travel + Leisure*’s World’s Best awards 2011 readers’ survey.

With Disney-trained Adventure Guides, engaging activities, VIP experiences and personal touches throughout, *Adventures by Disney* excites and delights everyone. Visit [www.AdventuresbyDisney.com](http://www.AdventuresbyDisney.com), call 1-877-728-7282 or contact a travel agent.

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