

EXPLORE THROUGH THE LENS: 21 Night Odyssey from Shanghai to Sydney

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HOW TO TAKE GREAT TRAVEL PHOTOS

Michael Yamashita has been a National Geographic photographer for over 30 years and has won numerous awards from the National Photographers Association and the Asian American Journalists Association. He also won the Best Historical Documentary prize for his feature documentary *The Ghost Fleet*, at the New York Independent Film Festival and his National Geographic Channel documentary, *Marco Polo: The China Mystery Revealed*, received two Asian Television and Film Awards. It was also included in the top 20 most popular National Geographic Channel documentaries of the decade. Major exhibits of his work have opened throughout Asia, in Beijing, Tokyo, Seoul, Hong Kong, Mumbai, Taipei and Singapore, as well as in Rome, Venice, Frankfurt and Perpignan, France. His work has been exhibited at galleries in Los Angeles and at the National Gallery in Washington, D.C. Author of over 10 books mostly inspired by his 30 National Geographic stories.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Enjoy professional guidance by a masterclass photographer
- Gain a deeper understanding of your camera
- Take spectacular photographs of stunning landscapes

WHAT TO BRING AND WEAR?

- Digital camera and laptop for editing photos (personal camera accessories are free to use)
- Sun protection (hat & sunscreen), adequate clothes and footwear, mosquito repellent, extra jacket for early morning shoots

The workshops are designed to hone your skills in travel photography and to help you gain insights on how to shoot the best locations for unique and magical moments in each port of call on the cruise - Shanghai, Hong Kong, Nha Trang, Ho Chi Minh City, Singapore, Jakarta, Bali, Darwin, Cairns and Gladstone.

Remarks:

- * Approximate duration includes travelling time. Information is subject to change, please refer to the updates on board.
- * All above Shore Excursions photos are for reference only.
- * Please read carefully the terms and condition (Important Notes) stated on the tour information and Shore Excursions important notice on the Dream Daily.
- * Pre-booking of Shorex available by end of June.

CAPTURE THE BEST VIEW OF HONG KONG'S ICONIC CENTERPIECE

DAY 3/ Port: Hong Kong (EDHKG50NM)

Tour duration: 5 hours

Price: HKD 980 per pax

Best seen from the Kowloon side near Tsim Sha Tsui Ferry Terminal and the Avenue of Stars. Chinese junk float past, traditional ferry boats and giant cruise ships, as one of the world's busiest ports there will never be a quiet moment. Riding on the Star Ferry to across the Victoria Harbour to enjoy magnificent view of the skyscrapers and ocean breeze. Another unmissable photo location - The Peak will be notable favourite Hong Kong Photo locations. Gaze down over a sea of buildings and can see the tiny world and gardens people have created on top of the high rise apartments. How you can miss to see Hong Kong in its full glory?

Meal arrangement: Dinner on own/ Enjoy onboard



CAPTURE REAL VIETNAM IN NHA TRANG

DAY 5/ Port: Nha Trang (EDNHA50WM) | **Tour duration:** 7.5 hours | **Price:** HKD 1,080 per pax

Known as one of the 29 most beautiful bays in the world, Nha Trang is a must visit when in Vietnam. Immerse yourself in the local culture when you visit the fishing villages of Mieu Island, see local life in motion onboard a modern speedboat, catch the basket boat to get up close and personal with local fisherman and blue fishing boats around the harbour. Enjoy the visit with another stopover at Dam Market, where is an interesting place to wander and explore the daily life of Nha Trang inhabitants. Take in the highlight of Nha Trang with ease during pedicab ride to capture the best sights of this bustling city with dramatic coastline.

Meal arrangement: Lunch at local restaurant



DISCOVER BEN TRE THE “LAND OF COCONUT”

DAY 6/ Port: Ho Chi Minh (EDHCM50WM) | **Tour duration:** 9.5 hours | **Price:** HKD 1,080 per pax

Ben Tre is one of the best areas to explore the untouched and natural landscapes of Mekong Delta and discover its local life, beautiful canals and traditional activities. Ride a small boat to visit typical workplaces including small brick factories, a coconut processing workshop and a local mat-weaving house. Enjoy a relaxing sampan ride along the picturesque canals. Pass by green rice fields, vegetable plains, stilt houses and fishing villages to be able to touch on reality life and find out the charming secret of Mekong River.

Meal arrangement: Lunch at local restaurant



CAPTURE THE BEAUTY OF “THE CITY IN THE GARDEN”

DAY 8/ Port: Singapore (EDSIN50WM)

Tour duration: 6.5 hours

Price: HKD 1,880 per pax

Capture the best of the city in the most beautiful setting with the classic route passing along “Garden by the Bay” to the “Sands Skypark” with spectacular views of the city. Step inside the mysterious dome of mist filled magic, Cloud Forest, a waterfall drops six storeys and walkways dangle above rainforest canopies. Flower Dome allows you going into the magical conservatory of flora and fauna. Supertree Grove is standing tall and ethereal, which makes you feel like you have stepped into the Avatar movie. There are over 160,000 plants, climbers and bromeliads making them impressive sight to photograph. Another point of interest to view Singapore’s awe-inspiring city skyline and beyond is from the Observation Deck at Marina Bay sands, you can get a bird’s-eye view of Gardens by the Bay and the impressive Supertree Grove, and the sea that stretches from Marina South Pier to the Singapore Strait. Is your best gear ready?

Meal arrangement: Lunch at local restaurant - Strait Kitchen at Grand Hyatt Singapore

THE OLD BATAVIA TRAIL FROM JAKARTA

DAY 10/ Port: Jakarta (EDJKT50WM)

Tour duration: 8 hours

Price: HKD 1,080 per pax

Explore the depths and take a stroll through the deep blue sea. Take the boat ride to shoot one of the best parts of Jarkarta at da Kelapa Harbour, where houses a range of Buganese Phinisi Schooners. The old boats are a photogenic reminder of the past and now still bear unloaded goods from across the archipelago. You may see porters briskly carrying boxes filled with various products such as spices, lumber, and wholesale goods or see workers doing maintenance work on the schooners such as painting and sealing leaks. Walk along cobblestone paths through the historical Kali Besar Barat, lined with Dutch architecture, Old Batavia is a fascinating location that preserves the history of Jakarta. Here is the place you can strive for meaningful experiences and inspirations.

Meal arrangement: Lunch at local restaurant

Activity language: Mandarin/English

Photography Guidance language: English

Minimum participant: 8; **Maximum participant:** 20

BALI LANDSCAPE HUNTER

DAY 12/ Port: Bali (Benoa) (EDDPS50WM)

Tour duration: 11 hours

Price: HKD 1,080 per pax

Take the perfect landscape shots at Barong Dance, Sangeh Monkey Forest, Pura Taman Ayun Mengwi and Tanah Lot. Witness the astonishing Balinese Barong Dance with the dazzling costumes, mask and stage decoration. See the hordes of funny yet wise Balinese monkeys inhabiting in rainforest and the temple. On the way you will find the beautiful rice fields of Bali, which is undoubtedly one of the charms at Bali, together with Pura Taman Ayun, huge royal water temple of the Mengwi kingdom with its wide and elegant moat. Finally, cap off the tour by gazing at the magnificent orange sunset behind Tanah Lot, a sacred Hindu shrine built on a rocky outcrop and surrounded by the shimmering ocean. Explore the temples, learn more about Bali's history, and enjoy the breathtaking views.

Meal arrangement: Lunch at local restaurant

WONDER CAPTURE: GREAT BARRIER REEF

DAY 18/ Port: Cairns (EDCNS50WM)

Tour duration: 8 hours

Price: HKD 1,780 per pax

Capture the magnificent Cairns and Great Barrier Reef region from the water. Great Barrier Reef is blessed with the breathtaking beauty of the world's largest coral reef. The reef contains an abundance of marine life and comprises of over 3000 individual reef systems and coral cays and literally hundreds of picturesque tropical islands with some of the world's most beautiful sun-soaked, golden beaches. Because of its natural beauty, the Great Barrier Reef has become one of the world's most sought after tourist destinations. Get a different view of the Great Barrier Reefs on a semi-submarine platform or snorkel to see colourful coral reefs to unearth the mysteries of the sea!

Meal arrangement: Lunch onboard local catamaran

CHARM OF DARWIN IN CAMERA

DAY 15/ Port: Darwin (EDDRW50NM)

Tour duration: 5 hours

Price: HKD 1,680 per pax

Enjoy Darwin's Premier attractions, Crocodylus Park, the brandchild of world-renowned crocodile biologist Professor Grahame Webb. Here you can see crocodiles in close up and other animals in the museum. Take the magnificent scene of crocodiles in the pool, observe wildlife in their natural habitats, and go nose-to-nose with a giant saltwater croc!

Meal arrangement: Lunch on own/ Enjoy onboard



SNAP GLADSTONE

DAY 20/ Port: Gladstone (EDGLT50NM)

Tour duration: 5 hours

Price: HKD 1,380 per pax

Capture the magnificent South of Gladstone at Tannum Sands, a stretch of sandy beaches perfect for swimming, sailboarding and water-skiing activities. Make visit at Tondoon Botanic Gardens, which is considered a "flagship" for Australia's Native Regional Botanic Gardens. Totaling 150 hectares, there is a main display area comprising 21 hectares of developed botanical displays, the remainder being natural bushland with walking trails up and around Mt Biondello. Lake Tondoon provides a habitat for a variety of freshwater birds. The tinges and tones of colour of the vivid flora and relics of the fort and undulated landscape add life to any picture taken in this garden!

Meal arrangement: Lunch on own/ Enjoy onboard
