The Magnificent MAYA

- Discover the Maya, with expert, Dr. Bruce Love.
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Pyramids & Temples of the Yucatan

January 21 - 30, 2011 (10 days)

with Dr. Bruce Love

Only one departure! $3,295 per person
Ancient Maya sites include:
Chichen Itza, Uxmal, Coba, Tulum, Dzibilcaltun, Izamal, Balancanche, Ek Balam, Sayil, Labna, Xlapak, Kabah

Lecturer & Host

Dr. Bruce Love (Ph.D., UCLA) has 35 years experience in the Yucatán and Central America, and began leading tours in the region in 1987. He will be lecturing and guiding at the sites and museums, and also giving evening lectures on special topics, sharing with you his expertise in Maya hieroglyphics, archaeology, language, and customs. A renowned epigrapher and translator of the Paris Codex, he has been traveling and doing field work in Yucatan since 1971, and has published a number of books and articles on Maya subjects, focusing mainly on the decipherment of the ancient hieroglyphic writing and contemporary Maya religion and ritual.

Jungle Kingdoms of the Ancient Maya

February 5 - 16, 2011 (12 days)

with Dr. Bruce Love

Only one departure! $3,595 per person
Ancient Maya sites include:
Tikal, Palenque, Quirigua, Copan, Yaxchilan, Bonampak plus the Usamacinta River and the Olmec site of La Venta

Comments from Maya travelers

“The sites were wonderful; the trip was extremely well organized; our fellow travelers were amiable and interesting.”

“The tour exceeded my expectations.”

“It was an amazing experience to see such wonderful sites enhanced by our lecturer’s knowledge.”

“This was a fabulous experience.”

“The rich educational experience made this an experience of a lifetime.”

“I enjoyed the whole trip. I thought it was interesting, informative, and professionally done.”

“The trip met all of my expectations and then some—good trip!”

“Our leaders were superb!”

The Magnificent Maya
Pyramids and Temples of the Yucatan

Itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)

Day 1: Friday, January 21, 2011
HOME / Mérida, Yucatán, MEXICO
Depart home for Mérida where upon arrival, if traveling on the suggested group flight, you will be met at the airport and transferred to our hotel near the heart of historic, old town Mérida. For those arriving independently, a taxi can be hired for the short drive into town. Dinner is on your own tonight. Overnight at Hotel Castellano for two nights.

Day 2: Saturday, January 22
Mérida / Dzibilchaltun / Chicxulub / Mérida
We meet with our lecturer/host, Dr. Bruce Love, at breakfast, a sumptuous buffet, including local dishes and tropical fruits. A short morning drive along a turn-of-the-century boulevard of mansions takes us north to our first archaeological site, Dzibilchaltun, a 2,000-year-old site with a famous astronomical alignment. Dr. Love will guide us through the site, including the Temple of the Seven Dolls and a cenote. Caves and cenotes (sinkholes with groundwater) were, and are, very important openings to the Mayan underworld, abode of the rain gods and places of worship. Dr. Love will introduce many of the ideas and concepts about Maya culture, past and present, in which we will be immersed for the next eight days.

Enjoy a seafood lunch on the beach in the port city of Progresso with the sea breeze blowing through the open-air restaurant. Then take a short drive to nearby Chicxulub, ground zero where a giant asteroid struck 65 million years ago, causing the extinction of the dinosaurs. Afterwards, we return to Mérida to visit the Museum of Anthropology, an excellent opportunity to see artifacts, large and small, from many of the sites we will be visiting. After dinner, take a short walking tour to the central square to view historic buildings and murals, browse bookstores and stalls, and taste maize or tamarindo sorbet (perhaps the only chance you will get). Dr. Love will lecture on the “History of Yucatan after the Conquest” while at the Hall of Murals, containing 27 large murals depicting the history and culture of Merida. (B,L,D)

Day 3: Sunday, January 23 - Mérida / Izamal / Chichén Itzá
After breakfast we depart for Izamal, where the Spanish conquistadors built their church atop a Maya pyramid. This was the home of the infamous Diego de Landa, who burned all the Maya books that he could gather. Climb to the top of Kinich Kakmo, the largest pyramid (in volume) in all Maya land. After lunch in an open-air restaurant, depart for Chichén Itzá, recently voted one of the new seven wonders of the world. This will be a short visit in the late afternoon as an introduction to our full-day visit tomorrow. This evening, enjoy a lecture by Dr. Love on “The Maya in Mesoamerica,” providing a timeline of Maya culture, including contact with Teotihuanacan and the Toltecs of central Mexico. Overnight at the Hotel Villas Arqueológicas Chichén for two nights. (B,L,D)

Day 4: Monday, January 24 - Chichén Itzá
A short walk to the site of Chichén Itzá takes us back 1,000 years as we gaze at spectacular 9th century temples and pyramids. The morning tour will hit all the site’s highlights, including the Sacred Well, Ballcourt, Castillo, Observatory, High Priest’s Grave, and Nunnery. After lunch, you may join Dr. Love for a visit to the site museum and then out-of-the-way parts of the site or enjoy free time to visit the bookstores, gift shops, or a relaxing afternoon around the pool. In the evening, there will be an optional visit to the light-and-sound show at Chichén Itzá. (B,L,D)

Day 5: Tuesday, January 25 - Chichén Itzá / Balancanche / Ek Balam / Valladolid
This morning we take a short drive to ancient ceremonial cave of Balancanche, where archaeologists discovered evidence of underground ceremonies in the 1960s. Then we stop at Dzitnup...
Cenote for a unique underground swimming experience. We will have lunch in Valladolid, followed by free time for exploring this charming colonial and Mayan city. In the late afternoon, we travel to Ek Balam, a small site with spectacular, life-sized mythological creatures sculpted in the full round and then hidden 1,200 years ago by the Maya themselves only to be re-discovered recently by archaeologists. Enjoy dinner at our hotel followed by Dr. Love’s an evening lecture on “Maya Religion, Past and Present.” Overnight at Hotel Mesón del Marqués. (B,L,D)

Day 6: Wednesday, January 26 - Valladolid / Cobá / Tulum / Cobá
After breakfast, take a 45-minute drive to Cobá and our hotel. Cobá is an ancient city, with causeways connecting the outlying centers and we will be driven around this vast site on two-seater bicycle taxis. Cobá is still 90% covered in jungle and boasts the tallest pyramid in the Yucatán Peninsula. At the Macanxoc group we see stelae (upright stone monuments) that have the Maya calendar going back in time billions and billions of years, a perfect place to help us understand the true meaning of the year 2012!
Lunch will be at a nearby buffet run by the Itzá family. In the mid-afternoon we arrive at the site of Tulum, a small, walled site on the cliffs over the Caribbean. It is unique in its role as a 13th century commercial center and port for Maya ocean-going canoes. There are stairs down to the beach and swimming is optional. We return to our hotel in Cobá village, with its beautiful patio and pool, for an evening lecture by Dr. Love on “The Maya Calendar and 2012”. Overnight at Hotel Villas Arqueológicas Cobá. (B,L,D)

Day 7: Thursday, January 27 - Cobá / Hacienda Yaxcopoil / Uxmal
After breakfast this morning we drive to Uxmal (pronounced oosh mall; the Maya “x” is pronounced “sh”), This is our longest drive, almost four hours, but there is a fascinating stop along the way at Hacienda Yaxcopoil. The hacienda period is an essential part of the social history of the Peninsula, and here we will see it close up. After lunch we arrive at Uxmal, capital of the Puuc Region. The Puuc region, on the west side of the Peninsula, is a unique sub-area within the greater Maya zone with its own brand of architecture and mosaic-stone decoration. Uxmal’s “Governor’s Palace” was one of Frank Lloyd Wright’s favorite buildings. Our hotel is a restored hacienda, and there is an optional light and sound show after dark at Uxmal. Overnight at Hacienda Uxmal for two nights. (B,L,D)

Day 8: Friday, January 28 - Kabah / Labna / Sayil / Xlapak / Uxmal
We spend today in the Puuc region, visiting four sites that are remote and little visited: Kabah, with its Cotz Pop mosaic façade; Labna, with its famous arch; Sayil, with its three-story palace; and Xlapak, with its lookout tower. We will explore these ruins at a leisurely pace, enjoying a boxed lunch along the way. Return to our hotel in Uxmal for a relaxing happy hour around the pool and an open-air buffet. After dinner partake of an evening lecture and discussion, led by Dr. Love, on “The Classic Maya Collapse: How Did It Happen?” (B,L,D)

Day 9: Saturday, January 29 - Uxmal / Mérida
We visit the site of Uxmal one last time to take in the grandeur of its monumental architecture in the morning light. Wander on your own, or follow Dr. Love to the “Cemetery” – a hidden-away zone with fallen, ruined stelae. Lunch will be at a nearby open-air buffet, after which a one-hour drive brings us back to Mérida. Enjoy some free time for last-minute shopping, a trip to the market place, or resting, before our farewell dinner hosted by Dr. Love this evening. Overnight at Hotel Castellanos. (B,L,D)

Day 10: Sunday, January 30 - Mérida / HOME
Depart very early this morning for the airport and flights homeward. (B)
**Itinerary** (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)

**Day 1: Saturday, February 5, 2011**

**HOME / Villahermosa, MEXICO**

Depart home for Villahermosa, where upon arrival, if traveling on the suggested group flight, you will be met at the airport and transferred to our hotel. For those arriving independently, a taxi can be hired for the short drive into town. *Overnight at the Hyatt Villahermosa for two nights.*

**Day 2: Sunday, February 6**

**Villahermosa / La Venta / Villahermosa**

At breakfast we meet our lecturer/host, Dr. Bruce Love, and begin our tour with an excursion to the Olmec site of La Venta. The Olmec are considered by some to be the “Mother Culture” of Mesoamerica. Their monumental stone carvings and strange mythological beings puzzle archaeologists to this day. They preceded the Maya by a thousand years and probably invented writing and the calendar. After lunch we return to our hotel and enjoy a late afternoon lecture by Dr. Love on “The Maya in Mesoamerica,” which introduces the Maya, including the earlier Olmecs and later Mayan contacts with Teotihuacan and the Toltecs of central Mexico. *Overnight at Chan Kah Resort Village for two nights.*

**Day 3: Monday, February 7 - Villahermosa / Palenque**

After breakfast we visit La Venta Park to see a magnificent outdoor collection of stone sculpture that originally came from the site of La Venta. After lunch in Villahermosa, we drive to Palenque, one of the great western capitals of classic Maya civilization that some have called “the Paris of the Maya.” A late afternoon visit to this picturesque site will be our introduction to classic Maya culture and prepare us for tomorrow’s full day at Palenque and its site museum. Tonight, attend a lecture by Dr. Love on “Maya Astronomy.” *Overnight at Chan Kah Resort Village for two nights.*

**Day 4: Tuesday, February 8 - Palenque**

We start early and begin exploring Palenque’s many exquisite examples of 7th and 8th century Maya architecture, including the famous Temple of the Inscriptions, the Palace, the Temples of the Cross Group, the recently uncovered Temples XIX and XXI, and much more. We finish the morning with a beautiful downhill jungle trail, across waterfalls and hidden ruins, to get a true sense of the rain forest and all its beauty. Our bus awaits us at the bottom of the trail to take us to an outdoor, palm thatch restaurant for lunch. This afternoon, we visit the Palenque site museum, with many world famous pieces of Maya ceramics and stone carving. *Overnight at the Escudo Jaguar Lodge for two nights.*

**Day 5: Wednesday, February 9 - Palenque / Bonampak / Frontera Corozal**

This morning we have some time to relax, perhaps to take a leisurely stroll around the resort grounds, do some birding, or relax on our bungalows’ individual verandas, departing around mid-morning to travel to Bonampak. Lunch today will be in a rustic jungle restaurant. The discovery of the painted murals at Bonampak in the 1950s changed the way the world saw the Maya. Although the murals are faded and difficult to view, they remain wonderful to see. The site is run by Lannandon Maya and we may get a chance to interact with them on the way in and out of this remote site. Continue on to Frontera Corozal, a Chol Maya community on the banks of the Usumacinta River, the famous “river of ruins.” Along its banks, classic Maya civilization built some of its grandest cities. We are now traveling deep into the heart of Maya country, and we will stay at a remote, rustic jungle lodge. Enjoy a lecture by Dr. Love this evening on “How Maya Writing Was Deciphered.” *Overnight at the Escudo Jaguar Lodge for two nights.*

**Day 6: Thursday, February 10 - Frontera Corozal / Yaxchilan / Frontera Corozal**

After breakfast, travel by motor launch down the Usumacinta River to the great classic Maya site of Yaxchilan with temples and palaces bordering a large plaza upon a terrace above the river. We will spend all day at this fantastic site, enjoying a picnic lunch under the forest canopy. Beautiful monolithic stelae (standing stone monuments) and lintels spanning the temple doorways display...
intricate reliefs. Howler and spider monkeys and many tropical birds may accompany us as we explore the steep jungle trails, climbing to the higher elevations overlooking the ancient Maya landscape. We return by boat to our lodge late this afternoon. (B,L,D)

Day 7: Friday, February 11 - Frontera Corozal / Tikal, GUATEMALA
Leaving our lodge this morning, we go up river and cross over to Guatemala. Our new bus meets us on the riverbank and escorts us into the heart of Guatemala, to the grand site of Tikal. As with most Mayan sites, Classic Period constructions cover those from earlier times, and ancient structures are scattered for miles in every direction from its center. Dr. Love will lecture this evening on “Contemporary Maya Religion and Shamanism.” Overnight at the Jaguar Inn Tikal for two nights. (B,L,D)

Day 8: Saturday, February 12 - Tikal
We spend a full day at Tikal, which contains thousands of ancient structures the, majority unexcavated. This vast site has spectacular pyramids, numerous plazas, a ball court, causeways, dozens of stelae and much, much more. Howler and spider monkeys and many tropical birds may accompany us again as we stroll through this lush jungle site. It is estimated that more than 50,000 people lived in Tikal in its heyday, and the story of the city and its rise and fall mirrors the larger story of Maya civilization itself. Following the glories of the Classic Period, the site was largely abandoned by A.D. 900. (B,L,D)

Day 9: Sunday, February 13 - Tikal / Flores / Rio Dulce
There will be an optional pre-dawn hike for breathtaking views at sunrise from Tikal's Temple IV—the site's tallest pyramid at 230 feet. After breakfast, we will visit the site museum, which has magnificent pieces of art and ceramics. Continue on to the island of Flores, famous as the last Maya stronghold against the Spanish invasion. The Maya here maintained their culture, calendar, and religion a full 150 years after the Spanish conquered the rest of Central America. Enjoy lunch on the island and then drive south to the Rio Dulce, where a short launch ride takes us to our waterside hotel. Partake of an evening lecture and discussion, led by Dr. Love, on “The Classic Maya Collapse: How Did It Happen?” Overnight at the Hotel Catamaran. (B,L,D)

Day 10: Monday, February 14 - Rio Dulce / Quirigua / Copan, HONDURAS
After breakfast and a short boat ride back to our bus, we continue to Quirigua, home to the tallest Maya stelae—one weighs 65-tons and is 35 feet above ground and eight feet under. Sculpture here is like no other place, with mythical frogs and other beasts carved in the round from huge boulders. Here we also find a rare example of the beginning date in the Maya calendar, a date that marks the origin of the current world age. This monument provides an excellent introduction to this evening’s lecture by Dr. Love on “The Maya Calendar and 2012: What Does It Mean?” After leaving Quirigua, we have lunch in the Motagua Valley, the primary jade source for all of Mesoamerica, and continue on to cross the border into Honduras for Copan. Overnight at the Hotel Marina Copan for two nights. (B,L,D)

Day 11: Tuesday, February 15 - Copan
After breakfast this morning, a short drive brings us to the archaeological site of Copan. If Palenque was the “Paris of the Maya,” then Copan was the “Athens of the Maya.” The magnificent acropolis, plazas, courtyards, and standing sculptures are the hallmarks of this eastern-most Maya capital. We return to the town of Copan for lunch, and return to the site afterward to visit the site museum, which has a full-scale replica of the tomb of the founder of the Copan dynasty and many other fabulous pieces of Maya sculpture. We have now traveled from the western capital of Palenque, through the heartland at Tikal, and on to the eastern capital of Copan, giving us a sense of the enormity of ancient Maya civilization in its heyday. This evening Dr. Love hosts our farewell dinner. (B,L,D)

Day 12: Wednesday, February 16 - Copan / San Pedro Sula / HOME
Travel to the airport in San Pedro Sula, Honduras, for flights homeward. (B)
What to Expect

These are fairly strenuous programs and you must be in good physical condition to participate. You must be able to make extended walks unassisted over uneven terrain and up and down steps without handrails. If you have any questions about your ability to participate, we suggest that you visit your personal physician with this brochure in hand, and discuss whether or not this program is appropriate for you. All participants are expected to enjoy traveling as part of a group and to be ready to experience cultural differences.

At the time of year that we visit this region the weather is generally sunny and dry, with temperatures in the upper 70s and 80s during the day and in the 50s and 60s at night. Complete pre-departure details and what to bring will be sent to you.

Suggested Continental Flight Schedules

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Per Person Prices

**Pyramids and Temples of the Yucatan**

- Double Occupancy ......................................... $3,295.
- Single Supplement ........................................... $445.

Prices based on a minimum of 15 and a maximum of 25 participants. With 7 to 14 participants a small group surcharge will apply ranging between $100 to $200 per person.

**Jungle Kingdoms of the Maya**

- Double Occupancy ......................................... $3,595.
- Single Supplement ......................................... $645.

Prices based on a minimum of 15 and a maximum of 25 participants. With 10 to 14 participants a small group surcharge will apply ranging between $100 to $200 per person.

Prices include:

- Leadership of Lecturer & Host Bruce Love, plus an experienced tour manager/guide, local guides and driver;
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- All ground and riverboat transportation;
- All accommodations as indicated in the itinerary;
- All meals except dinner on the days of arrival;
- A soft drink at meals and bottled water during excursions;
- All entrance fees to all sites listed in the itinerary;
- All tips for guides, drivers, maids, bell boys, and porters at airports for those on suggested flights;
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ACCOMMODATIONS: Double: □ one bed □ two beds  □ Single □ Share - please assign a roommate (not guaranteed)

☐ Share - name of roommate

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