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Continuing the Journey with YP journeys

Unravel the world's wonders with the planning expertise and insights of an ASTA Verified Travel Advisor—leave the worry behind.

Welcome to the YP journeys monthly newsletter. I am Yuri Pross, the owner of YP journeys, and your guide to indulgent travel, exciting adventure, and lifetime experiences. With extensive (and expanding) travel experience, I hope to inform and excite you as you ponder your future journeys. Read more about me at https://www.ypjourneys.com/about.html

Each month, you will learn about my latest adventures (maybe you would like a similar experience), travel trends, and exciting new opportunities for your next journey.

How the Travel Industry Treats You

Following my journey to Ireland, which I wrote about last month, I made a three-day stop in Washington D.C., our Nation's Capital, to attend the American Society of Travel Advisors (ASTA) Legislative Day. As the world's leading association of travel professionals, ASTA champions the interests of travel agencies, the travel industry, and *you* – the traveling public.

During my visit, ASTA members engaged directly with Federal Legislators and their staff to promote legislative actions that eliminate obstacles to travel. Representing Wyoming, I spoke with Representative Harriet Hageman's aide, Senator Barrasso, and Senator Lummis' aide. Our goal was to inspire one of them to cosponsor the Flight Refund Fairness Act that enhances airline reimbursement for canceled flights beyond travelers' control. I was thrilled to learn that following our discussions, Rep. Hageman has decided to cosponsor the bill! Our other request was to add a travel advisor seat on the Aviation Consumer Protection Advisory Committee at DOT through the ACPAC Modernization Act.

Alongside advocacy efforts, ASTA also offers training and certifications to guarantee professional excellence among its travel advisors. With an ASTA Verified Travel Advisor by your side, expect exceptional service that maximizes your travel investment while ensuring transparency, integrity, and a responsive experience.

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Group travel: where adventures are shared, laughter is multiplied, and the journey becomes as memorable as the destination.

Discover the Value and Experience of Group Travel

Let's talk about group travel. I think there are often misperceptions about what group travel means. Group travel offers experiences with like-minded companions expertly curated by your Travel Advisor – me! Group travel allows you to leverage the value of better pricing and/or added amenities. However, group travel does NOT mean playing follow the leader the whole trip.



For a tour like our recent Ireland bus trip, we all had the same itinerary, but did our own thing during our free time. For a cruise, a group means that I have obtained special pricing by holding a certain number of staterooms with the goal of filling them. There is no requirement to do anything with other group members. You book your own excursions and do whatever you want. For a safari, like my upcoming October 2026 group, we will all stick together. There will be some free time at the resorts, but game drives and hot air balloon rides are scheduled events that you may or may not attend.

Groups are ideal for both social butterflies and quiet seekers while getting more value for your travel dollars through group pricing advantages. Ready for your next journey?

These three opportunities are almost sold out; only three staterooms remain for the Japan Trip, and Christmas Markets; there are a few more openings on the Tahiti Trip.

If you are interested in any of these 3 opportunities, please connect with me via my contact info below or visit: www.ypjourneys.com click on <Services/Group Travel> and select the trip of your choice.

Upcoming Opportunities!

If you are looking for somewhere to go in 2025 – remember to book as early as you can – these three distinctly different trips are almost sold out! Click on each below to find out the details! If flights to Tahiti concern you, please reach out to me; I know things – we can discuss! Join us on one of these or on a trip I can curate for you. In any case #takethetrip.

Azamara Pursuit – Japan Intensive
May 3 – 18, 2025



Tahiti and the Society Islands
Sep 20 – 27, 2025



Girls' Trip – Christmas Markets on the Rhine
Dec 3 - 10 2025



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