



BELMOND REVEALS 'THE LIST' 2019

A YEAR OF TRANSFORMATIVE TRAVEL EXPERIENCES



4th January 2019 - 'The List' 2019 is revealed; a month-by-month guide of out of the ordinary transformative travel experiences, unique to the wonderful world of Belmond.

This year the list inspires 'curious culturists' to seize the moment and experience the ultimate luxury and immeasurable magic of being at the heart of showstopping events, life-affirming adventures and exceptional new hotel openings.

JANUARY – THE VIRTUES OF VEGAN CUISINE

Start the year by sampling Michelin-starred vegan cuisine at the culinary-pioneering **Le Manoir aux Quat'Saisons, a Belmond hotel, Oxfordshire** and discover more on this food phenomenon with masterclasses at the hotel's Raymond Blanc Cookery School starting from 5th March 2019.

FEBRUARY – A NEW CHELSEA SCENE

Be a part of the Chelsea scene at **Cadogan, a Belmond hotel, London** where London's social and cultural calendars converge. Expect rooms with original British artwork, intimate literary gatherings, innovative British cuisine at Adam Handling, Chelsea and private access to Cadogan Place Gardens - a retreat after a day exploring London's arts and cultural events.

MARCH - SPIRIT OF THE SAMBA IN RIO

Experience the beating heart of the Rio Carnival, one of the world's most famous street parties, at the fantastical Carnival Ball held at **Copacabana Palace, a Belmond hotel, Rio de Janeiro** on 2nd March 2019; which this year pays homage to Belmond's glamorous motherland, Italy.

APRIL - WILD WINDS OF BOTSWANA

Feel alive to the sounds of Saint-Saëns's much-loved 'Carnival of the Animals' in the Okavango Delta, Botswana, where musicians from the London Philharmonic Orchestra perform a private concert in the unspoiled wilderness surrounding **Eagle Island Lodge, a Belmond safari, Botswana** on 20th April 2019.

MAY - BELLE OF THE BIENNALE

Make a grand entrance at the Venice Art Biennale with a journey from London to Venice aboard the private Grand Suites of **Venice Simplon-Orient-Express, a Belmond train, Europe**, followed by a stay at the artfully stylish **Cipriani, a Belmond hotel, Venice**, where antique treasures and local artefacts can be discovered within its enchanting gardens.

JUNE – SPARKLING WHITE NIGHTS

Bathe in the pearlescent all-night glow of St Petersburg from May to early July, whilst staying at the culturally enriching **Grand Hotel Europe, a Belmond hotel, St Petersburg** where short walks to celebrated landmarks, long alfresco brunches on the hotel terrace and boat tours at nightfall all take place under glistening white skies.

JULY – PISCO TASTING IN PERU

Sample pisco in Peru on National Pisco Day (4th Sunday in July) whilst traversing one of the highest rail routes on earth across the Peruvian Andes onboard **Andean Explorer, a Belmond train, Peru**; completing the journey in Arequipa where the drink is famously harvested.

AUGUST – DAWN CHORUS IN RAVELLO

Be seduced by the melodies and magic of a private dawn concert held only for guests of **Caruso, a Belmond hotel, Amalfi Coast** on 11th August 2019; staged against the backdrop of the iconic Amalfi Coast as a part of the annual Ravello Festival.

SEPTEMBER – TIGER EXPRESS IN BANGKOK

Travel through the historic tiger territories on 8th September 2019 when the **Eastern & Oriental Express, a Belmond train, South-East Asia** and Save Wild Tigers launch the 'Tiger Express', a fundraising journey from Singapore to Bangkok brought to life by Chinese artist, Jacky Tsai, who will artistically embellish two carriages with tiger stripes.

OCTOBER - TREASURES OF TUSCANY

Uncover the true treasures of Tuscany in October during "vendemmia" (Italian for grape harvest) at **Castello di Casole, a Belmond hotel, Tuscany** and taste some of the best wines from the most famed vineyards in the region, including those from the property's very own family-run vineyards.

NOVEMBER – A FIESTA FOR THE SOUL

Go soul searching during Mexico's 'Day of the Dead' festivities with a stay at **Casa de Sierra Nevada, a Belmond hotel, San Miguel de Allende** in the heart of San Miguel de Allende – a city famous for its extravagant La Calaca Festival, which brings people together to celebrate life, death and the arts.

DECEMBER - A FEAST FOR THE SENSES

Let the festivities overflow aboard the vintage carriages of **British Pullman, a Belmond train, England** during December where a generous Champagne brunch is served before

the table is set for a culinary feast in Oxfordshire's most Christmassy country manor, **Le Manoir aux Quat'Saisons**.

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About Belmond

Belmond has been a pioneer of luxury travel for over 45 years, building a passion for authentic escapes into a portfolio of one-of-a-kind experiences in some of the world's most inspiring destinations.

Since the acquisition of the iconic Hotel Cipriani in Venice in 1976, Belmond has continued to perpetuate the legendary art of travel, taking discerning global travellers on breathtaking journeys. Its portfolio extends across 24 countries with 46 remarkable properties that include the illustrious Venice Simplon-Orient-Express train, remote beach retreats like Cap Juluca in Anguilla, Italian hideaways such as Splendido in Portofino, or unrivalled gateways to world natural wonders such as Hotel das Cataratas inside Brazil's Iguazu National Park. From trains to river barges, safari lodges to hotels, each unique property offers an incomparable experience with its own story to tell. The essence of the Belmond brand is built upon its heritage, craftsmanship and genuine, authentic service. Belmond sees its role as custodians of timeless heritage, dedicated to preserving its assets through sensitive ongoing restoration plans. Belmond is part of the world's leading luxury group LVMH Moët Hennessy Louis Vuitton.

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