

# TWILIGHT TOURS EASTER ISLAND ECLIPSE PROGRAM - JULY 2010

## “Option A” - July 7<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>

### Tuesday, July 6<sup>th</sup> - Depart Home City

Today, you depart your home city on your flight(s) bound for Santiago, Chile (D, B on board your flight)

### Wednesday, July 7<sup>th</sup> - Arrive Santiago, Chile

You are met upon arrival after clearing customs and immigration, and are transferred to our day use hotel rooms at the Holiday Inn Airport hotel. Tour participants will have use of rooms until approximately 3 PM, when we check out and transfer back to the airport.

Board your late afternoon flight from Santiago to Easter Island on LAN Airlines, arriving in the evening in Hanga Roa, Easter Island. Upon arrival Easter Island, you are met and transferred from the airport to your hotel --- either the Hotel Taha Tai or the Altiplanico Hotel. Dinner will be at your respective hotels this evening. (in-flight L, D at your hotel)

### Thursday, July 8<sup>th</sup> - On Easter Island

Following breakfast, the entire day is spent touring Easter Island: We will visit Akivi, Ana Te Pahu, Puna Pau in the morning, and then Orongo, Rano Kau, Vinapu, Ana Kai Tangata in the afternoon. A box lunch will be provided during the tour. Dinner is on your own this evening. (B, Box L)

### Friday, July 9<sup>th</sup> - On Easter Island

After breakfast, another full day touring Easter Island: we will be visiting Vaihu, Akahanga, Rano Raraku, Tongariki, Te Pito Kura, and the famous Anakena Beach. Dinner will be at your respective hotels tonight. (B, Box L, D)

### Saturday, July 10<sup>th</sup> - On Easter Island

Following breakfast, we will tour Tahia, Museum, Hanga Roa town, and the Handicraft Village. In the afternoon, those staying at the Taha Tai Hotel will be transported to eclipse observing site on the grounds of the Altiplanico Hotel for a site overview and preparation for tomorrow's eclipse viewing. Dinner is on your own early this evening. We will have a pre-eclipse meeting tonight (either as one integral group at a venue TBD, or at each hotel site). (B)

### Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup> - **ECLIPSE DAY - Easter Island**

After breakfast, those staying at the Taha Tai Hotel will be transferred to the eclipse site on the Altiplanico Hotel grounds no later than 9 AM, arriving well before the eclipse starts. Following the eclipse, early this evening, we have a special “Easter Island Evening” post-eclipse celebration BBQ and local entertainment at the Altiplanico Hotel. Following the celebration, you return to your respective hotels for the night. (B, BBQ D)

### Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup> - Easter Island-Santiago

Very early this morning, following hotel checkout, we transfer to Mataverí airport. We board our LAN flight, arriving back in Santiago in the early afternoon. Transfer to your direct flight(s) back home. (B, D on board your flights)

### Tuesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> - Santiago-Home City

You arrive back home in the morning, following your flight. Welcome back home!!

## “Option B” – July 6<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>

### Monday, July 5<sup>th</sup> - Depart

Today, you depart your home city on your flight(s) bound for Santiago, Chile

### Tuesday, July 6<sup>th</sup> - Arrive Santiago, Chile

We are met upon arrival after clearing customs and immigration, and are immediately transferred to our hotel --- the Sheraton Hotel and Convention Center. Check into your rooms and rest up from your long flight here. This afternoon, we will have a city tour, and we will visit a local winery. This evening, we hold a welcome reception at our hotel, following the day's touring activities. (Reception)

### Wednesday, July 7<sup>th</sup> - Santiago/Easter Island

Very early this morning, we check out of our hotel and then transfer to Santiago Airport for our flight to Hanga Roa, Easter Island. We arrive in the early afternoon, and are then transferred to our respective hotels for check in. Dinner will be at your hotel this evening. (B in-flight, D at hotel).

### Thursday, July 8<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup> – Easter Island

This portion of the tour is identical to the itinerary described in Option “A” on the previous page.

### Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup> – Easter Island/Santiago

As with the “Option A” tour, we transfer to Mataverí airport very early this morning. We board our LAN flight to return to Santiago, arriving in the early afternoon. Later that day, you will transfer to your direct flight(s) back home, or continue on your own individual itinerary. (B, D on board your flight)

### Tuesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> – Santiago -USA

You arrive back home in the morning, following your flight. Welcome back home!!