

TWILIGHT TOURS EASTER ISLAND ECLIPSE PROGRAM – JULY 2010

“Option A” – July 6th – 13th

Tuesday, July 6th - Depart USA

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

Wednesday, July 7th - Arrive Santiago, Chile

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

Board our flight from Santiago to Easter Island on LAN Airlines, arriving in Hanga Roa, Easter Island at in the evening local time. Upon arrival Easter Island, meeting and transfer from the airport to your hotel --- either the Hotel Taha Tai or the Altiplanico Hotel. (D on board your LAN flight)

Thursday, July 8th - On Easter Island

Following breakfast, the entire day is spent touring Easter Island, both around Hanga Roa town, and then outside the city to some of the Moai statue sites to the western side of the island. (B)

Friday, July 9th - On Easter Island

After breakfast, another full day touring Easter Island, with its unique archeological and cultural artifacts and wildlife. A box lunch is included while on tour. Nighttime observing session tonight – weather permitting. (B,L,D)

Saturday, July 10th - On Easter Island

Following breakfast, we provide our tour members transportation to our eclipse observing site for logistical/set up preparations for tomorrow's eclipse viewing. Alternatively, you may spend the day at leisure in Hanga Roa town, exploring the city and its environs. Backup/reserve nighttime observing session in case of poor weather on Friday night. (B)

Sunday, July 11th – ECLIPSE DAY - Easter Island

We take our transportation to head out to our eclipse observation site, before first contact, to arrive well before the eclipse starts. Following fourth contact, we return to our hotels. This evening, we have a special “Easter Island Evening” post-eclipse celebration banquet, with dinner and local entertainment. (B,D)

Monday, July 12th - Easter Island-Santiago

Early this morning, following hotel checkout, we transfer to Mataverí airport. We then board our LAN flight, arriving back in Santiago in the early evening. Immediately transfer to your direct flight(s) back to the U.S.A. (B, D on board your flight)

Tuesday, July 13th – Santiago-USA

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

“Option B” – July 5th – 13th

Monday, July 5th - Depart USA

Today, you depart the USA on your flight(s) bound for Santiago, Chile

Tuesday, July 6th - Arrive Santiago, Chile

We are met upon arrival after clearing customs and immigration, and are immediately transferred to our hotel (either the Sheraton Hotel and Convention Center or the Crowne Plaza Holiday Inn). Check into your rooms, and then attend a welcome reception this evening after resting up from your long flight. (Reception)

Wednesday, July 7th - Santiago/Easter Island

After breakfast and check out from your hotel, we spend the day on a tour of the city of Santiago and its surroundings. We visit the Pre-Colombian Archeological Museum, San Cristobal Hill, and then ride outside to the city to visit one of Chile's wineries. Following lunch, we then transfer to Santiago Airport that afternoon, and join the Option A group for our flight to Hanga Roa, Easter Island. (B, L, D on board LAN flight).

Thursday, July 8th – Sunday, July 11th – Easter Island

This portion of the tour is exactly the same as the itinerary described in Option “A” on the previous page.

Monday, July 12th – Easter Island/Santiago

As with the Option A tour, following breakfast and hotel checkout, we transfer to Mataverí airport. We then board our LAN flight to return to Santiago. Immediately transfer to your direct flight(s) back to the U.S.A. (B, D on board your flight)

Tuesday, July 13th – Santiago -USA

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