

# easter island



## trip highlights

- Marvel at the cultural phenomenon of Rapa Nui National Park
- Tour the fascinating archeological sites of Ahu Vinapu, Ahu Akivi and Ahu Vinapu
- Experience Orongo ceremonial village
- Visit Rano Kao Volcano and witness it's large 1.6km crater
- Enjoy beautiful Anakena beach, a white coral beach, with archaeological remains from the first settling on Easter Island



Trip Duration	4 days	Trip Code: EAS
Grade	Discovery and Cruising	
Activities	Adventure Touring	
Summary	4 day trip, 3 nights hotel	

## welcome to World Expeditions

Thank you for your interest in our Easter Island trip. At World Expeditions we are passionate about our off the beaten track experiences as they provide our travellers with the thrill of coming face to face with untouched cultures as well as wilderness regions of great natural beauty. We are committed to ensuring that our unique itineraries are well researched, affordable and tailored for the enjoyment of small groups or individuals - philosophies that have been at our core since 1975 when we began operating adventure holidays. Our itineraries will give you the very best travel experience, designed by people with incredible local knowledge who share our vision of authentic exchange and real exploration with a responsible tourism approach. Whether you like your adventures to include trekking, touring, cycling, mountaineering, kayaking or cruising World Expeditions can make it happen for you. We hope you will join us for a life changing experience!!

## why travel with World Expeditions?

World Expeditions has been operating in South America for over 25 years. Over the years we have learnt what is most important about delivering trips to a high standard. These trips offer exceptional value for money, using good quality centrally located hotels, good quality transport, many meals, all your entrance fees and permit fees, expert leadership and much more. Compare our prices and all our inclusions and we feel that few trips can compare in terms of value for money. Given our local knowledge, experience and excellent leadership, we are quite sure that this trip will be the trip of a lifetime.

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## trip dates

Departs daily year round (except Friday and Saturday)

## important notes

**Note:** - Depending on your arrival day, the order of the tours may differ.

**Note:** - We can customise the number of days you want to spend on Easter Island. Additional cost may apply.

These short extensions usually operate for a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together, however most can be done if you are travelling alone (Solo Traveller Surcharge). If there are two or more people travelling together who cannot or prefer not to share rooms a single supplement cost will be added to your invoice.

## the trip

Explore and discover a unique cultural heritage on one of the most isolated islands on earth. Easter Island really is an unusual destination made famous by its monolithic stone Moai and ancient Pacific culture.

## at a glance

DAY 1	JOIN EASTER ISLAND, TRANSFER TO HOTEL
DAY 2	"THE ROUTE OF HOTU MATUA" FULL DAY ISLAND TOUR
DAY 3	"BIRDMAN JOURNEY" TOUR OF ORONGO AND "THE SEVEN EXPLORERS" TOUR OF AKIVI
DAY 4	TRANSFER TO AIRPORT WHERE TRIP CONCLUDES

## what's included

- 3 breakfasts
- English speaking local guide (tours are non private and are conducted in English and Spanish)
- Comfortable hotel on a twin share basis
- 1 full day trip and 2 half day trips on Easter Island (non-private, non-exclusive services, conducted in English and Spanish)
- Return airport transfers (non-private, non-exclusive services)
- Hotel upgrade options or additional nights at additional cost - please ask us for details

Local cash payments are becoming increasingly popular with many operators in the adventure travel industry. The policy seems to benefit the tour operators, more than the local economies or travellers, as it avoids local taxes and transfers the cost and risk of cash handling to travellers. In accordance with our Responsible Travel practices we have chosen a policy not to ask for such payments.

## what's not included

- Rapa Nui National Park entrance (purchase online: [www.rapanuinationalpark.com](http://www.rapanuinationalpark.com), approx USD\$80)
- Airfares, Visas, reciprocity fees and airport taxes
- Meals not mentioned in itinerary
- Aerated and alcoholic drinks
- Items of a personal nature such as laundry, phone calls etc
- Travel Insurance
- Excess baggage costs

### DAY 1 Join Easter Island, transfer to hotel

Upon your arrival at Easter Island, you will be greeted and transferred to your hotel. Please ensure that you purchase your entrance fee (approx USD\$80) to the Rapa Nui National Park. While it is possible to pay for your entrance ticket on the island, it is much easier to buy it online beforehand from <https://www.rapanuinationalpark.com/en/>

Overnight: Taha Tai Hotel or similar.

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meals: NIL

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## fast facts

### Countries Visited:

Chile

### Visas:

Please check visa requirements with your reservations consultant\*

### Vaccinations:

Please consult a travel vaccination specialist for up to date information

### Private Groups:

Private group options are available for this trip\*

### Singles:

Single travellers who are unable to be matched with another single traveller of the same gender, must pay a single supplement on this trip.

### Leader:

Local sightseeing guide in each city

### Advice for people with limited mobility

This trip is not suitable for people with limited mobility.

\*Ask our staff for more information.

## DAY 2 "The Route of Hotu Matua" full day island tour

Today, we have a full-day tour of the island, lasting approximately six hours. The tour will cover the following highlights:

- Ahu Akahanga archaeological site, featuring many important ancient remains.
- Ahu Tongariki, the biggest restored platform with 15 standing moai.
- Rano Raraku, the quarry where the moai were made.
- Ahu Te Pito Kura, an archaeological site where you can view the semispherical stone with magnetic power named "The navel of the world"
- Ahu Nau Nau, which showcases 7 moai standing in front of Anakena beach.
- Anakena white coral sandy beach, where you can enjoy swimming (don't forget to bring your swimsuit) and also see archaeological remains from the first settling on Rapa Nui.
- lunch is available for an additional cost and must be booked before the tour.

Overnight: Taha Tai Hotel or similar.

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meals: B

## DAY 3 "Birdman Journey" tour of Orongo and "The Seven Explorers" tour of Akivi

This morning, we will embark on a half-day "Birdman Journey" tour of Orongo, which will take approximately three hours to complete. The tour will include visits to the following destinations:

- Rano Kau Volcano, the biggest crater on the island with a diameter of 1.6km.
- Orongo ceremonial village, boasting 53 restored houses and about 1000 petroglyphs.
- Ahu Vinapu, notable for its well-preserved stonework, which features large blocks of basalt and red scoria that have been fitted together with remarkable precision.

After the tour concludes, we will return to the hotel. Please note that lunch will be at your own expense. At approximately 3pm, you will be picked up for the "The Seven Explorers" half-day tour of Akivi. The tour will last approximately 3 hours and will include visits to the following sites:

- Puna Pao, a red scoria quarry where topknots for the moai were created.
- Ahu Akivi "7 moai": the only altar with statues facing seaward.
- Tahai ceremonial village, home to several ahu, or ceremonial platforms, as well as a number of restored moai.

Overnight: Taha Tai Hotel or similar.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ORDER OF TOURS MAY VARY DEPENDING ON YOUR DAY OF ARRIVAL.

meals: B

## DAY 4 Transfer to airport where trip concludes

Following a leisurely breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport marking the end of your trip.

meals: B

This itinerary is subject to change with any change in Community regulations as well as Governmental changes and natural circumstances beyond our control.

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## important note

These trip notes represent the most current information for this itinerary, and may supersede any information in the current brochure, including but not limited to the itinerary and price.

## suggested extensions

- Please note that 3, 5, 6 or 7 day options are also available
- HANGA ROA CITY TOUR (Half day tour - on request):  
From your hotel, we visit the local museum Father Sebastian Englert, the Catholic Church, the Craft market, and downtown of Hanga Roa Village. Duration: 3.5 hours.
- ON REQUEST - Other half or full day tours including: Horse riding, Coastline fishing, Deep Sea fishing, boat trips, trekking.

## country information

Easter Island, or Rapa Nui, is one of the world's most remote inhabited islands, located in the South Pacific Ocean, over 3,700 km (2,300 mi) west of mainland Chile. Politically part of Chile since 1888, the island retains a unique Polynesian heritage, distinct from the rest of the country. Its isolation and mysterious past have long captured the imagination of travellers, archaeologists, and historians alike. The island is best known for its iconic moai, massive stone statues carved by the Rapa Nui people between the 10th and 16th centuries. Over 900 moai are scattered across the island, many positioned on ceremonial platforms known as ahu. These cultural treasures, along with petroglyphs, lava caves, and ancient village sites, make the island a living open-air museum and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The island's population is a mix of Rapa Nui descendants and Chilean mainlanders, with efforts underway to preserve the Rapa Nui language and traditions. With its volcanic landscapes, wild coastline, and deeply spiritual atmosphere, Easter Island offers a powerful cultural and natural experience far removed from the South American mainland.

## climate

Easter Island has a subtropical climate with warm, humid summers and mild, wetter winters. Temperatures are relatively stable year-round, with average daytime highs ranging from 22–27°C (72–81°F). February is typically the warmest month, while July and August are the coolest, with temperatures around 18–21°C (64–70°F). Rainfall is possible at any time of year, though the wettest months are April to June, often in the form of short tropical showers. The drier season runs roughly from November to March, making it the most popular time to visit. The island can be windy at times, particularly along the coast, so a light windproof layer is useful. Despite its remote location, the weather is generally pleasant and suitable for exploring the island's cultural sites, hiking trails, and coastline throughout most of the year.

## a typical day

NOTE: DEPENDING ON YOUR ARRIVAL DAY, THE ORDER OF THE TOURS MAY DIFFER. In addition, this trip is not exclusive to World Expeditions clients and you will be joining non-private and non-exclusive tours and transfers.

## dietary requirements

Provided we are advised in advance of your departure we are able to cater for vegetarian diets and can assist with medically recommended diets (allergies and intolerances). Please ensure you discuss your requirements with us well in advance (at least 1 month prior to your trip) to determine whether we can cater to such dietary requirements on your chosen adventure. Please note that options are likely to be limited in very remote locations or alternatives may be more expensive or unavailable. There may be times when those with special requirements may need to provide their own food. We are unable to guarantee a peanut-free or allergen-free trip, and therefore, we strongly encourage that travellers with life-threatening or severe allergies take all

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necessary medical precautions to prepare for the possibility of exposure. Passengers must travel with all necessary medications for food allergies and be capable of self-administering these medications.

## vehicles & safety

During the course of your trip, we will use a variety of vehicles, all of which are fit for purpose and the conditions encountered. It should be noted that laws governing transportation safety may differ from those in your home country and whilst wherever possible, vehicles with seatbelts are provided, on occasion some vehicles may not have seat belts fitted.

## visas

Passport holders from Australia, New Zealand, United Kingdom, United State and Canada do not require a visa for entry up to 90 days. You will however need to show a return or onward ticket. All other nationalities should check with your nearest embassy or consulate.

When travelling to Chile, you'll receive a tourist card (small slip of paper, similar to a receipt) on arrival at customs. You must keep the card and present it to immigration officials when departing Chile. The tourist card (paper) is also needed to present to tourist accommodation or you will be charged an additional tax of 19%. If you happen to lose the Tourism Card, you can request a duplicate through the following website: <https://pdivirtual.cerofilas.gob.cl/>

Specific requirements apply for travellers to Easter Island, see the permits and permissions section of the Easter Island predeparture information for details.

Please bear in mind that visas may be required for countries you are visiting en route or transiting through on the way to your destination. It is important that you check the requirements of all countries you will visit. Visa costs and requirements do change regularly so we suggest you check with your travel agent or World Expeditions reservations consultant. It is your responsibility to obtain all necessary visas.

## trip grading

Although there is no commitment to extended walking on this journey we nonetheless want to keep the 'accent on the active'. We therefore advise that any physical training you complete before undertaking the trip will be to good effect.

## thoughtful travel

The environments we travel through are fragile. It is our responsibility as visitors to minimise the impact of our presence. World Expeditions were the proud recipients of the inaugural Australian National Travel Industry's Environmental Achievement award for our Responsible Travel Guidebook. This detailed guide to responsible & sustainable travel is provided to all World Expeditions clients before they travel. Please ask your consultant if you have not received your copy of our award winning book. Alternatively, you may like to download a copy from our website [www.worldexpeditions.com](http://www.worldexpeditions.com)

## adventure travel

By its very nature adventure travel involves an element of the unexpected. In remote and developing countries do not expect standards you are used to at home. Remote areas are sometimes unpredictable and itineraries may be altered. To get the most out of your adventure it is important that you are flexible, positive and eager to take on all the challenges that arise. If you are uncertain about your suitability for this trip we recommend that you speak with your consultant or travel agent.

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## webinars & events

World Expeditions invites you to attend our inspiring adventure travel slide shows. These special evenings are designed to inform and entertain and are hosted by our most experienced and passionate adventure travellers and mountaineers. Ask our staff for a slide show schedule or register on our website - [www.worldexpeditions.com](http://www.worldexpeditions.com). Shows can fill early so it is important to register your attendance so we know to save a seat, or two!

## private groups

The adventures featured in our brochures, and on our website, are just a starting point for many of our private group travellers. Working closely with our Groups Department we can organise custom designed itineraries for groups of friends, clubs, charity's, schools or even work colleagues. Our team will assist you with all aspects of your private group adventure from itinerary design to group flights. Contact our team today.

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## trip availability

If this trip seems right for you then we encourage you to call us now to check availability as we operate strictly small group adventures. Many of our adventures require us to secure services on your behalf; such as permits, hotels and flights to name but a few. The demand for these services is increasing each year making it difficult to join a trip last minute. To ensure we can assist you onto your adventure of a lifetime we ask that you check your trip availability with our team at your earliest convenience.

## social networking

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## how to book

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