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*Outdoor Vacations
- on & with Hidden Trails*

About Hidden Trails



Explore the World on & with Hidden Trails

Hidden Trails is owned and operated by nature enthusiasts who love the outdoors and adventure activities. We have been involved with outdoor vacations for over 20 years. We have collected the best outdoor vacation destinations all over the world in some hidden places we would like to share with you.

These vacations are about forging rivers, biking along canals and through forests, hiking along age-old trails, gazing at beautiful vistas and encountering foreign cultures. But most of all, these trips are about getting away from the cycle of too much work and never enough free time.

Escape from the rituals, which long ago froze our nights and days into little more than routine and away from the worries of our new tense times. It is so satisfying when we take the plunge of adventure - it's unfortunate that we invent so many reasons to put aside living our dreams of adventure. It is sometimes a tangled web that we weave through life. Some of the threads reveal a work-a-day world of commitments, duties and obligations. Other threads are of a quiet fabric of hope, responsibility and refreshment.

On our adventures you see the real country, its back country and meet the locals. The love for the outdoors has no boundaries but possesses a common language we all speak and understand.

You will experience new countries and their customs and make new friends.

These trips have been tested by our staff or associates and received our stamp of approval. If you are considering a special outdoor vacation anywhere in the world, call us first and let our experienced consultants match the perfect trip with your dream.

We will listen to you and give you objective advice to help you choose the best destination and adventure.

Your vacation is the most precious time of the year and we are committed to making it the most memorable time of your life. Wherever you go, have a great time and bring back some peace of mind.

Thank you for your continued support.

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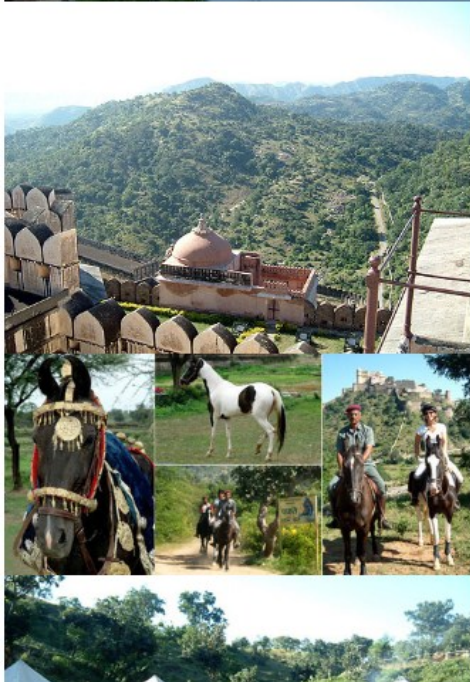
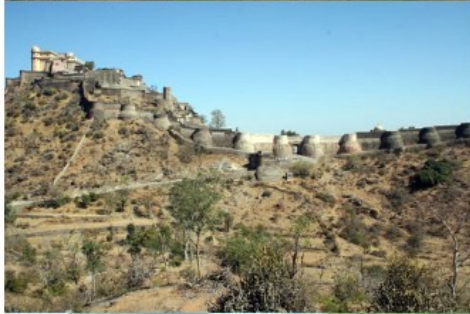
Pushkar Fair Riding Safari in Rajasthan - India, Asia

Tour Code: IT-INRT03
9 days / 8 nights ~\$2,550.00
Dates: November

Trip Rating: ●●●●●
Difficulty: ●●●●●
Lodging: 🏠

Tack: English
Horses: Marwari
Pace: First slow with a lot of climbing, the...
Walk, Trot, Canter, Gallop,

Airport: Maharana Pratap Airport in Udaipur (UDR)



Introduction

Rajasthan, India Once a year we organize a horseback safari from Udaipur to the Camel Market and Pushkar Fair in this little town at the edge of the Thar Desert.

Being a certain highlight of our safari year, this safari is certainly most spectacular firstly for its great landscapes and secondly of course for the participation in the colorful Pushkar Fair, probably one of the most vibrant festivals of India.

The safari trail leads from the Aravalli Mountains with its unique geographic features down into the great Thar Desert and the little town of Pushkar. Considered a holy town, once a year Pushkar sports the biggest Camel Market of India, which is also a religious festival and a handicraft fair.

There are only a few places of interest along the way but the rather substantial change of landscape taking place is simply breathtaking.

After leaving the Aravalli Mountains behind, the riders will enter the semi-desert stretching around the edges of the Thar Desert where man fights hard in order to make a living from the poor soil. Camels replace horses and cows and the stony terrain of the hills gives way to the sandy desert ground.

A few highlights are along the route such as the interesting tribal culture of this region or the impressive fort at Khanwa, which our riders can visit. The local noble family is much interested in horses and if at home, never misses a chat.

But the real highlight of this safari is of course the Pushkar Camel Fair where every year around 25 000 animals, camels, horses and cattle, are traded. It is also a major festival so many people of the region come to Pushkar in order to enjoy the fair, take part in the religious ceremonies or indulge in purchasing all sorts of items.

The first set of dates is our safari Udaipur to Pushkar. The second set of dates is our safari from Pushkar to Udaipur (Pushkar Return Safari). The time spend on the Pushkar Fair in both safaris is equal.

Terrain: From the Aravalli Hills to the flat sandy plains of Thar Desert.

Accommodation

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This is a wilderness ride, so nights will be spent in a combination of hotels and camps.

Description

Accommodation during the riding portion of the tour (in most cases) will be in a safari camp. The reason for this is that many of our routes lead through scarcely populated areas away from the usual tourist paths. Very often the night has to be spent in the nature away from human dwellings.

Accommodation Itinerary (Udaipur to Pushkar) - subject to changes based on availability

Night 1, 2, 3: Boheda Palace Hotel or Boheda Villa in Udaipur

Night 4, 5, 6: Camping near Mangalwad Lake

Night 7 & 8: Camping in Pushkar

Accommodation Itinerary (Pushkar to Udaipur) - subject to changes based on availability

Night 1, 2: Camping in Pushkar

Night 3, 4: Boheda Palace Hotel or Boheda Villa in Udaipur

Night 5, 6, 7: Camping near Mangalwad Lake

Night 8: Boheda Palace Hotel or Boheda Villa in Udaipur

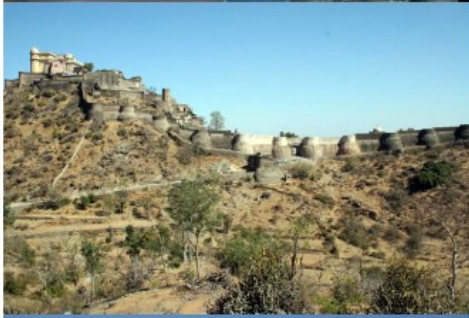
Boheda Palace Hotel in Udaipur

This small hotel has been classified as a heritage building thanks to its traditional architecture. Each of the 16 rooms all come equipped with a TV, air conditioning, private facilities and free Wi-Fi access. The hotel's most appreciated feature is without doubt its rooftop terrace offering panoramic views over the city. There are laundry facilities onsite (extra charge).



Camps

Our campsites are chosen with great care and offer a maximum safety and superb views. Away from the busy Indian towns or villages, they are a paradise for nature lovers and bird-watchers. The camp offers all necessary facilities to the riders. The tents are comfortable and inviting Indian hunting tents with high ceilings, double or



facilities to the riders. The tents are comfortable and inviting Indian hunting tents with high ceilings, double or single occupancy. The tents are made in the traditional Indian style with a roofed entrance where the riders can leave their shoes. Each tent is equipped with mattresses, sheets, pillow, cushion, quilts, and woolen blankets. The camp has bathroom trolleys with two showers (bucket shower with hot water) and toilets. Hot water is provided in buckets. Towels, soaps, etc. are supplied. Grouped around the dining area, they are encircled by a partition enclosure of cloth with a colorful Rajasthan pattern.



Meals

All meals are included from dinner on Day 1 to breakfast on Day 10.

Breakfast and dinner is served in our dining area, an open space with a sunroof, tables and chairs.

Breakfast is Continental style with fruits of the season, eggs, and toast.

Lunch will be either taken as package on the trail or brought to you by Jeep.

Dinner is a traditional 3-course menu of Indian food (non-spicy).

Alcoholic beverages are not included but alcohol can be purchased (not expensive) or brought. Beer, wine (Indian), whiskey, rum, gin and vodka are available.

Dietary Restrictions

We can cater to most dietary restrictions with prior notice.

Riding



Daily Schedule

A normal safari day includes between 5 and 6 hours in the saddle plus a lunch break (lunch is either taken as a lunch packet or brought to the riders by our jeep) and several smaller breaks for sightseeing on the way or a tea stop in the little hamlet by the way.

Our Horses

Nearly all the horses we use for safaris and trail riding are Marwari horses. This breed is native in Rajasthan and best suited for long rides in this region.

Our horses live in comfortable stables and paddocks and are left to roam free during the day on our farm. All our horses have been handpicked by us as we wanted to have only the best suited horses for our safari. As we have some foals every year, some of our riding horses were born in our stable and raised and trained by us. In fact, we are very proud that today we have a stable of finest Marwari horses fit for riding and breeding.

We believe in the principle of Natural Horsemanship which means that we keep our horses as natural as possible and train them according to NHS. Some of them are ridden with a hackamore, just a halter or even a simple neck rope. All are very well trained, obedient and a pleasure to ride. Our horses are cared for with love and affection. They are properly fed, vaccinated, de-wormed and shod.

On the safaris we take only horses which are 100% fit and prepared. Already before the safari, we try to find a suitable horse for each rider according to riding skill and preference. Spare horses go along each trail in case another horse goes lame or one rider wants to change.

Tack & Riding Style

We have imported saddle tack for all our horses in order to maximize comfort for horse and rider.

The riding style is different to both English and Western. We offer lessons on the horses prior to the ride. A couple of extra days for pre-safari lessons may make your riding experience more enjoyable. Please let Hidden Trails know if you would like to book lessons before your ride.

Guides

The safari is run by a member of the oldest and most honored noble families of Udaipur, whose history is interwoven with horses for many centuries, and his German wife.



Itinerary



Sample Itinerary: Udaipur-Pushkar - subject to changes

Day 1: Arrival in Udaipur

Arrival in Udaipur and transfer to a Haveli hotel in the Old City or to our farm. Dinner and safari briefing.

Meals included: Dinner

Overnight at Hotel Boheda Palace or Boheda Villa in Udaipur

Day 2: Test Ride & Sightseeing

Sightseeing day Udaipur, visit the City Palace with a guide and go for a boat ride on Lake Pichola to visit the magical Jag Mandir Island Palace. In the afternoon go for a test ride to get to know the horses and guide.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Overnight at Hotel Boheda Palace or Boheda Villa in Udaipur

Day 3: Aravalli Mountains

Day Ride through the Aravalli Mountains around Udaipur. We start after breakfast and follow small rivers through the hills, passing tribal villages and homesteads. Picnic lunch is near a small lake before we circle back to our farm. In the afternoon we pass a big hill temple dedicated to Durga, goddess of war. Return to our farm in the afternoon where tea and refreshments are waiting.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Overnight at Hotel Boheda Palace or Boheda Villa in Udaipur

Day 4: Safari day at Badwei Lake

Today we start our safari day at Badwei Lake (around 2 hours driving time from Udaipur. At the lakeside the horses will be already waiting for you. Meet your horse and start your ride through countryside dotted with palm trees, fields and small villages. With some luck Nilgai antelopes can be spotted. Around here the villages are much richer than anywhere else in Rajasthan due to the rich soil. Most farmhouses sport richly ornamented entry gates and even the bullock carts are made of carved wood.

Long sandy country lanes are inviting for trots and canters. The horses enjoy the soft ground under their feet and keep going for miles and miles.

The landscape is dotted with little villages surrounded by green fields and palm groves. Mighty Mango trees grow along village paths flowering yellow and white in springtime and spending welcomed shade for horse and rider. Village wells are powered by a pair of oxen, slowly brining up buckets full of water for irrigating the fields.

Arrival in Mangalwad around 4 pm. Our safari camp is situated a little outside the village near Mangalwad lake.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Overnight camping near Mangalwad Lake

Day 5: Palod

After breakfast we start our day ride to the huge flatwater lake near Palod. The lake grows and shrinks with the seasons but is always impressive and with some luck we see water birds, flamingos or even Sarus Cranes. The ride there leads us over open plains and along fields. We cross tiny village and ride over open steppes, home to Nilgai antelopes. Lunch break is held at a comfortable spot near the lake. In the afternoon we ride a wide circle and come back to Mangalwad and our safari camp. Dinner and overnight stay at the camp.

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Day 6: Malwa

We set out on another day ride through the open countryside of Malwa. We ride over the Magalwad dam and



follow small country sand lanes across fields and villages and through the open steppes dotted with palm trees. Lunch is held at a scenic spot in the shade of some trees where the horses can find some grass and the riders some rest. In the afternoon we pass a colorful temple dedicated to Durga. We reach our camp in the afternoon and can have a sundowner overlooking the lake.

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Overnight camping near Mangalwad Lake*

Day 7: Pushkar

After breakfast we set out to Pushkar. After one hour driving, we reach the city of Chittorgarh and its UNESCO World Heritage Site Chittorgarh Fort. It is one of the most impressive fortresses of Northern India and was taken only three times in its history until it was finally abandoned in the 16th century. After the visit we continue and reach Pushkar in the afternoon where we stay in a comfortable safari camp with comfortable double tents with private bathrooms. If time permits we go for a first visit of the camel fair. Evening program will be dances and traditional Rajasthani music

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Overnight camping near Pushkar*

Day 8: Pushkar Fair

Today we discover the fair and the holy town of Pushkar on foot and camel back. See some amazing horse and camel shows and competitions at the Mela ground or wander over the fair ground where thousands of animals are tethered and for sale. Watch the trading going on just like it has been for the last 500 years and then follow the crows to gaze on the holy Pushkar Lake, where every year Hindus flock to take a bath to wash away their sins.

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Day 9: Departure

Program ends, free transfer to Ajmer (train station) or chargeable transfer to Jaipur (international/domestic airport).

**Possibility to add on other sight-seeing options*

Note: the second week runs in the opposite direction of the first week. When doing the Pushkar to Udaipur route it's possible to arrive earlier and add 3 days prior to the tour date to join in the Diwali Festival. We offer accommodation near our farm with breakfast and dinner, Diwali family celebrations and two 2-hour rides to get to know the horses.



Sample Itinerary: Pushkar-Udaipur - subject to changes

Day 1:

Arrival in Pushkar and transfer to a safari camp with comfortable double tents including private bathrooms. Visit to the fair ground in the afternoon. Dinner and overnight stay at the camp.

Day 2:

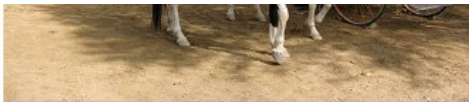
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Day 3:

After breakfast we set out from Pushkar to Udaipur. On the way we visit the ancient Nagda and Eklingji Temples, both between 1000 and 500 years old and interesting examples of pre-islamic Hindu temple architecture. Particularly Nagda is famous for its beautiful stone carving, earning it the nickname Khajurao of Rajasthan. Overnight stay at Hotel Boheda Palace/Boheda Villa.

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Day 8:

Return to Udaipur after breakfast and go for sightseeing. We visit the City Palace and take you on a boat ride on Lake Pichola. In the afternoon you can visit the Old City or do some shopping. Overnight stay at Hotel Boheda Palace/Boheda Villa.

Day 9:

Program ends after breakfast. Airport transfer is included.

Other Info

Meeting: Udaipur or Pushkar

Airport: Maharana Pratap Airport in Udaipur (UDR)

Train station: Udaipur railway station

Transfer: Udaipur airport or railway station

Distance: 25km

Pick-up/ drop-off is available from Maharana Pratap Airport in Udaipur (UDR) or Udaipur railway station. For the itinerary ending in Pushkar you can either fly back to Delhi out of Jaipur (2 hours by car) or take the super-fast train out of Ajmer (15 min. drive).

Tack: English

Horses: Marwari

Pace: First slow with a lot of climbing, then long trots, canters and occasional gallops in the sandy desert plain.

Walk | Trot | Canter | Gallop |

Level: 🐾🐾🐾🐾🐾 (3 to 3 out of 5) Intermediate

Riders: Min 2 riders

Max 12 riders

(per riding group)

Max Capacity 16

Rates and Dates 2026 - IT-INRT03

Rates include: Accommodations, All meals with non-alcoholic drinks during safari days (in Pushkar breakfast and dinner is included), riding as written in the program, all transfers, sightseeing and evening entertainment on safari where possible, sightseeing in Udaipur
Helmets, half-chaps, boots, breeches, gloves and seat savers available to lend.

Packages and Options

Season	Description	~US\$
A 2026	9 day trip - Udaipur to Pushkar	\$2550
B 2026	9 day trip - Pushkar to Udaipur	\$2550

Transfer Option

Description

2026	Round trip transfer from Udaipur is included	
2026	Single supplement	\$200
2026	Extra night in Udaipur at Hotel Boheda or Boheda Villa -- please inquire	

Tour Dates

Season	Tour Dates		
A 2026	11/12/2026 - 11/20/2026	9d / 8n	9 day trip - Udaipur to Pushkar
B 2026	11/18/2026 - 11/26/2026	9d / 8n	9 day trip - Pushkar to Udaipur

Min/Max: 2/12

Rates do not include: Alcoholic beverages, Entrance fees, Gratuities & Optional extra excursions (Agra, New Delhi...)

Reservation Form

Hidden Trails Outdoor Reservation Form

Tour : _____ **Code #:** _____ **from:** _____ **to :** _____

The Travelers <small>(Last Name, First Name)</small>	Male Female	Single room/ or tent	Birth Date <small>MM/DD/YY</small>	Height	Weight*	Fitness Level							
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* If more than 200 lbs we need to reconfirm with our partners first ** Details on dietary needs on separate sheet, please.

Special Diets: _____

How often do you exercise? _____ Describe your experience: _____

Have you been on other riding tours? No Yes last trip when? _____ Trip: _____

If Hidden Trails offers a transfer from the local airport/station: I would like the transfer to be included: YES NO

In an emergency, name and phone number of contact: _____

Attention: Please, if there is more than one participant, all have to sign the reservation form - make copies if needed

With my signature I confirm my reservation of the listed program(s) under the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions. I'm aware, and I made all participants aware of the risk involved with these outdoor adventure activities. All participants have read and agree with the Hidden Trails *Booking Conditions* and the Hidden Trails *Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement* in this brochure or as listed on the Internet.

I (we) will sign and forward the *Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement* at least 8 weeks before trip starting date.

Last Name and First Name (The Traveler) _____

Street _____ **e-mail** _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Postal/Zip Code** _____

Phone (wk) _____ **(hm)** _____ **Fax** _____

Date _____ **Signature (mandatory)** ^{1.}

Please, charge a 25% deposit (minimum \$ 350 per person) now and full payment 10 weeks before starting date to my credit card.

For payments by **VISA** or **Mastercard** (no debit cards)

Cardholder: _____

Card # _____ -3 digit Security # _____

Exp.Date: _____ Signature:

Billing Address for Credit Card (if different than mailing address):

I have enclosed a check for the deposit

Additional Signatures:

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3. _____

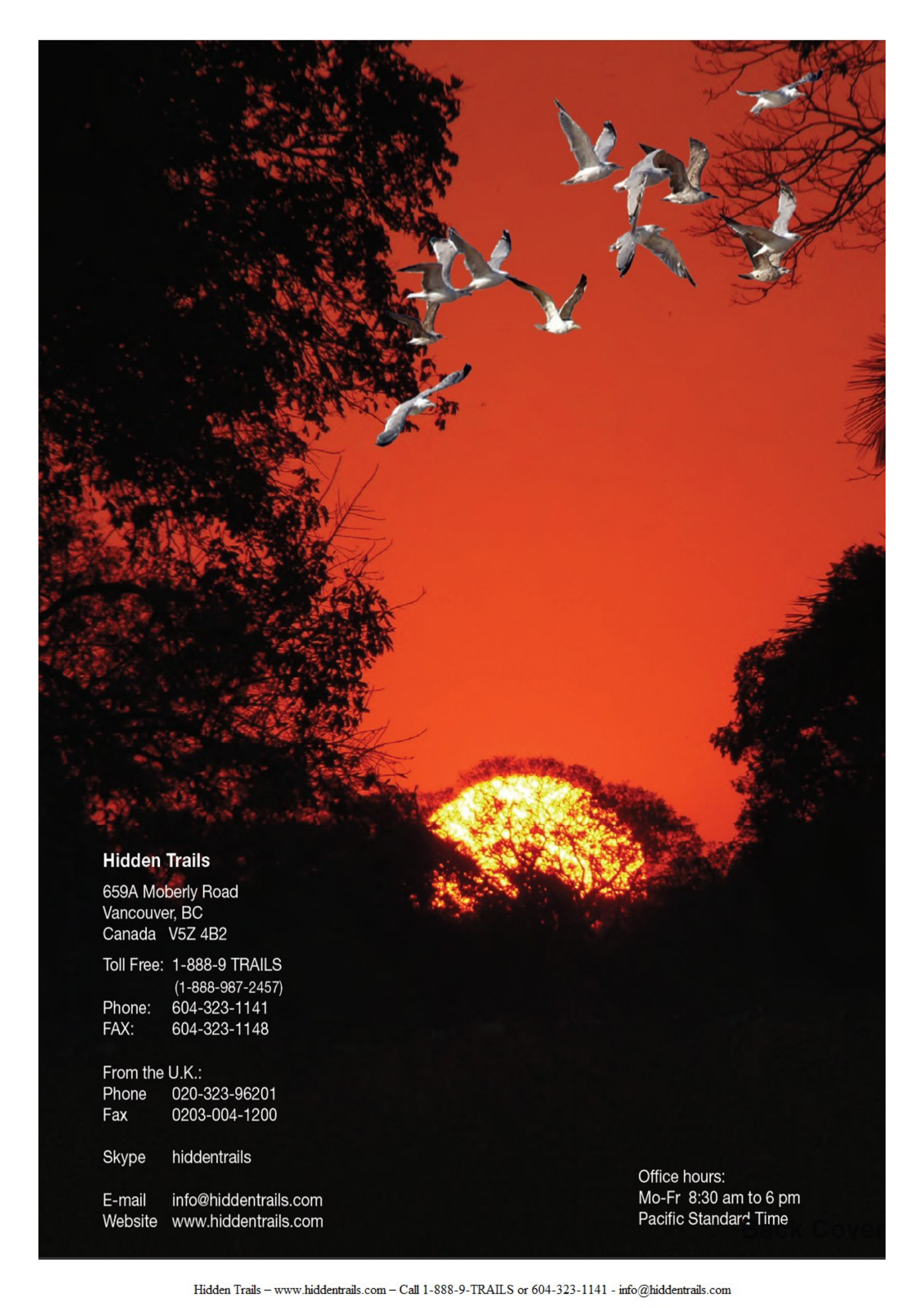
4. _____

Travel Cancellation Insurance Credit Card required

Sign me (us) up initial _____

No, we will provide our own initial _____

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