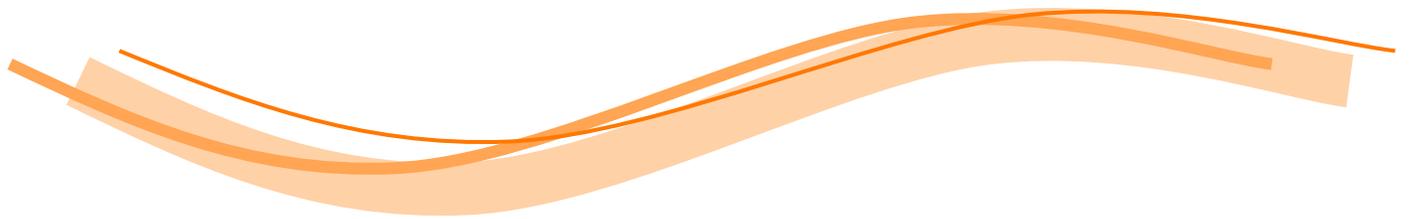




# THE DIVINE DESTINATION COLLECTION





<p><b>THE DIVINE DESTINATION COLLECTION</b></p>	<p>Enjoy unique travel experiences where luxury, adventure and spirituality meet!</p> <p>Clouds part, revealing an ancient mountain temple. A setting sun bathes red desert rocks in a golden glow. A balloon sails over an African savanna, far above migrating herds. The call of a loon perfects the tranquility of a still lake in Ontario's northland.</p> <p>Interested?</p> <p>The Divine Destination Collection (TDDC) are a small, select group of travellers who seek unique experiences that touch our heart and rejuvenate our spirit. TDDC seeks places that offer calming serenity, soulful beauty, and deep-rooted connections to the natural world or ancient cultures.</p> <p>These are Divine Destinations.</p> <p>The Divine Destination Collection offers a carefully curated selection of life-changing travel adventures. Simply select the dream and the destination and leave the arrangements to them. They promise to surpass your expectations for luxury and comfort, while immersing you in the magic and wonder that comes from uncommon encounters that connect you with local culture, people and lore.</p> <p>Let the journey begin.</p> <p>Each Divine Destination experience includes...</p> <p><b>LUXURY:</b> Unwind in an elegant room with fine linens. Dine under the stars, or beside the crashing surf. Ask for some personal pampering—it's what they're here for.</p> <p><b>ADVENTURE:</b> Push your boundaries. Rediscover your wild side. Create memories that last a lifetime.</p> <p><b>SPIRITUALITY:</b> Re-connect to yourself and the world through the power and beauty of your surroundings</p>
<p><b>Deb &amp; Allison</b></p>	<p>Although they are a new company (2012), both Deb and Allison each have over 25 years' experience in the corporate world of incentive travel. Designing, managing and running multi-million dollar programs for some of the largest and most discerning multi-national corporations. They take their know-how, professionalism and attention to detail and bring it to you with a fun-loving and down to earth spirit.</p>

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	<p>Their tag line says it all...Unique Travel Experiences, where luxury, adventure and spirituality meet. After spending many years in the high-end world of corporate incentives, they have wonderful 5 star hotel and destination management partners around the world who reflect their commitment to style, luxury and comfort.</p>
<b>The Promise</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To always be willing to grow and transform in a state of wonder and awe</li> <li>- To open the door to redefining the path to spirituality and self-discovery</li> <li>- To take the first step in leading open, like-minded others on adventures while connecting to spirit</li> <li>- To experience luxury, comfort, world travel and the finer things in life</li> <li>- To always remember to have fun!</li> </ul>
<b>Destinations</b>	<p>Muskoka, Ontario: Unveiled and Re-Imagined... Autumn Reflections, Rejuvenation and Refinement</p> <p>Scottsdale &amp; Sedona, Arizona: Phoenix also rises... Ascend to the Majesty, Mystery &amp; Magic of Arizona</p> <p>Santa Fe &amp; Taos, New Mexico: The Land of Enchantment</p> <p>Vancouver Island, British Columbia: Glamping... Beautifully Back to Nature</p> <p>South of France: Divinely Discovered</p> <p>Peru: Machu Picchu and the Mystical Inca Trail</p> <p>South Africa: Spirit Safari &amp; Wine Region</p> <p>Spain: El Camino de Santiago de Compostela</p> <p>Ireland: Soulful Celtic Journey &amp; Song</p>
<b>Travel Advisory Board</b>	<p>Explore behind the scenes and help design the luxury travel experience Have you ever wondered how a luxury travel experience from The Divine Destination Collection is designed? Well, satisfy your inquisitive nature and wonder no more.</p> <p>To explore behind the scenes and influence future destinations and trip experiences, you can join the Divine-by-Design Travel Advisory Board and enjoy the many benefits that come from sharing your thoughts.</p> <p>By doing so, you'll join a select community of travellers that The Divine Destination Collection caters to with refined travel experiences designed to delight your curiosity, touch your soul and rejuvenate your spirit. With</p>

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	<p>your help, founders Deb Niven and Allison Frame design each carefully curated trip with unique, behind-the-scene experiences that most people never find and cannot arrange on their own.</p> <p>Deb and Allison recognize that for most clients, the adventure begins months before the trip departure day.</p> <p>For that reason, they set out to bring together discerning individuals who love to travel, try new things and enjoy influencing a customized travel experience. By becoming a member of their Divine-by-Design Travel Advisory Board, you help design the travel experience, including shaping aspects of the destinations, accommodations and local cultural experiences.</p> <p>In addition to indulging in your pre-trip curiosity, they'll reward your suggestions with special benefits that come from your participation. Here's where you can register:  <a href="http://divinedestinationcollection.com/dbd-application/">http://divinedestinationcollection.com/dbd-application/</a></p>
<p><b>Example Tour</b></p>	<p><b>Mayan Riviera &amp; Tulum, Mexico - Mayan Mystery Revealed</b></p> <p><b>A 6-night journey of discovery, revelation and sensual luxury in the Mayan Riviera and Tulum, Mexico</b></p> <p>Join TDDC team at the 5-star luxurious and renowned Belmond Maroma Resort &amp; Spa and Banyan Tree Mayakoba.</p> <p>Breathe deeply, unwind, decompress...you've arrived at the Belmond Maroma Resort &amp; Spa, for 3 nights of unparalleled bliss. One of Mexico's top luxury hotels offers pure escapism with a touch of Mayan magic. Go on, bare your soul and dip your toes in the Caribbean.</p> <p>Embark on a truly magical adventure...spelunking at the great Secret River where you discover a breathtaking underground world untouched for thousands of years.</p> <p>Indulge in a carefully-curated experience in a private garden courtyard at the Aldea Corazon Restaurant, where you learn about Mexico's affinity to corn and cacao, as foods and folklore are woven in the fabric of the evening.</p> <p>Head deep into the jungle for an authentic Mayan ceremonial evening, where an entire village will host and submerge you with humility and grace into their culture.</p> <p>Meet with a local Shaman (holy healer) who will instruct you around the Temazcal (Sweat Lodge) created to purify and renew the mind, body and spirit.</p>

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	<p>Take a cleansing swim in the cenote, (from the Mayan word “dzonot” which means “pit”) created from wells of fresh water formed by the erosion of limestone.</p> <p>Pamper yourself with luxury for 3 nights at the Banyan Tree Mayakoba, the epitome of premium resort living, surrounded by lagoons, mangroves and bordered by the sea in the idyllic Riviera Maya.</p> <p>Private breakfast interaction &amp; guided Tulum experience: Over breakfast experts in Mayan tradition, culture, folklore &amp; archaeology, regale you with stories and provide an overview of the significance of the Tulum ruins. All in preparation for our up-close &amp; personal guided experience through the magnificent ancient site of Tulum.</p> <p>Enjoy a private casual lunch in the garden at the Oscar &amp; Lalo Restaurant, followed by a relaxing treat of a Mayan horoscope reading. Join a private Pop Up “Make It Mayan” Cocktail Party. Tucked into a private tropical nook, you will learn the resort’s recipe to their divine guacamole, pico de gallo salsa and renowned margaritas. Sampling the wares is a must!</p> <p>Dine with style in our own private cave complete with open bar, an elegant menu paired with fine wines, surrounded by living stalactites and stalagmites, candles, flower petals, intimacy and sensuality....a sublime way to bid farewell to the Mayan Riviera.</p>
<p><b>The Trip Details</b></p>	<p><b>Itinerary</b></p> <p><b>Day 1: Sunday, December 4, 2016</b>          Ahhhh...Mexico...the country evokes images of all-inclusives, beach vendors and travellers on a budget in oversized sombreros with tequila-laden margaritas...doesn’t it?          ...but not this time...not with The Divine Destination Collection. Prepare to be romanced by a country steeped in rich and ancient history, relaxed by balmy breezes on pristine powder-sand beaches and seduced by the up-close and personal experience of a destination longing to reveal its beauty, magic, dignity and soul to you...          Upon arrival, The Divine Destination Collection will greet you at airport and whisk you off to pure paradise: The Belmond Maroma Resort and Spa.          Relax, unwind and unpack your luggage and all remnants of the cold winter and hectic Canadian pace you have left behind.</p> <p><b>Belmond Maroma Resort &amp; Spa</b></p>

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Set among verdant jungle beside a white, sandy beach, Belmond Maroma Resort & Spa ranks as one of Mexico's top luxury hotels offering pure escapism with a touch of Mayan magic. Widely recognized as one of the most indulgent Riviera Maya resorts, it's a true haven of well-being.

Tonight, wind your way through this haven to the beach for a private Welcome Beach BBQ – renowned as the best powder-sand beach on the Mayan Riviera.

Entitled Barefoot and Blissful, the welcome Beach BBQ begs you to dig your toes in the sand, surrender to the warm tropical breeze, while enjoying the delicious elegantly casual ambience and cuisine. Why not wear something white to commemorate the purity and bliss of your experience. Under the tropical night sky, as the ocean gently laps the shore, we will sample some of the country's best Mezcal while a local guitarist serenades. (Not to mention a few surprises...hey it's us!)  
Belmond Maroma Resort & Spa

### **Day 2 – Monday, December 5, 2016**

Breakfast is included and is at your leisure in the resort restaurant.

The Divine Destination Collection has arranged to provide Private Yoga with Meditation & Maya Astral Journey. Start your day by awakening your senses...and soul! Morning at leisure: Enjoy the award-winning spa, walk the labyrinth, relax by the pool, stroll along the magnificent white sand beach. Sit at Freddy's Bar and contemplate life over a chilled margarita.

The Divine Destination Collection private concierge desk will offer optional activities to the Xel-Há and Xcaret eco theme parks, or golf at one of the nearby clubs. Complimentary workshops at the spa include the Good Luck or Abundance Amulet workshop, Mayan Cleansing workshop, Melipona Honey Treatment workshop, and more.

As the title of this experience promises, The Divine Destination Collection has carefully curated your experience here to not only indulge you in luxury and all things lavish, but also to reveal the ancient mystery of the Mayan people.

Tonight we will transfer into Playa del Carmen to the well-known Aldea Corazon Restaurant. Located in a sacred garden away from the busy street, this magical place reveals Mayan culture in its ambience and setting alone.

The Divine Destination Collection has created a magical encounter for you as we take over the private garden courtyard. Surrounded by dream catchers, tropical greenery, old leaf trees and underground cenotes, one swears you can almost hear the chanting of ancient ceremony.

Corn and cacao: the mainstay of Mayan and Mexican cuisine

Tonight is all about Mexico's affinity to corn. This staff of life originates in

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Mexico and Mayan legend says that the first people were made of corn. In this enchanting and serene setting, we will learn of the history, tradition and ceremony around this important food. Each course will highlight how corn has become a mainstay in Mayan & Mexican cuisine. Cacao is also sacred in the ancient Mayan tradition and for dessert we will indulge and be initiated ceremonially into the mystical properties of chocolate. Simply Divine really! Prepare for an experience unlike any other as traditional Mayan ceremony and folklore is woven into the fabric of your evening.

### **Day 3 – Tuesday, December 6, 2016**

Rise, breathe in the heavenliness of your destination and enjoy breakfast at leisure in the resort restaurant.

Depart this morning on a truly magical adventure...spelunking at the great Secret River.

Río Secreto could very well be one of the great wonders of the world.

The Divine Destination Collection has created an experience that reveals this stunning underground river with thousands of dramatic stalactites and stalagmites in a most unique and transformational way.

Imagine finding a hole in the ground and lowering yourself into the unknown where you uncover a breathtaking underground world untouched for thousands of years. That is truly how this underground river system was first discovered. Before 2007, almost no one had entered Río Secreto except for the man who first found it. Since then, Río Secreto has become a protected nature reserve where you can safely explore the Yucatan Peninsula's most awe-inspiring underground universe.

Don't worry, if you would rather stay on dry land, a "dry" walking tour of the caverns is also available.

Whether you're an adventurer, world traveler, or simply a curious soul, a journey through Río Secreto is surreal, mystical and truly memorable.

Once we emerge, (we love that word...emergence...hmmm) a casual local lunch is served under a shady palapa. Relax, reflect, and enjoy an ice-cold beer over a replenishing local lunch as you contemplate the transformation occurring in you.

Rio Secreto — Riviera Maya's unique crystal museum

Later today, make sure you are on the beach, not only to take in the incredible sunset, but to enjoy a surprise that awaits you...“Wade, Wallow & Wine”, exclusively for the Divine Destination Collection.

Dinner at leisure and on your own this evening. Feel free to dine at the resort, or we will be providing transportation into Playa del Carmen should you wish to explore some of the many wonderful restaurants that abound.

Playa del Carmen, its main axis, 5th Avenue, is a catwalk where the ultra

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chic meets the hippest funk in a blend of styles, colors, and tastes. The night itself comes alive as explorers stroll this lively Avenue, drinking coffee al fresco, dining on an exotic dish accompanied by an excellent local beer, tequila, or wine, savouring a cocktail in a lounge, and later on, why not trip the light fantastic on a local club's dance floor or on the sand. The Divine Destination Collection concierge will be happy to make restaurant suggestions and reservations for you.

#### **Day 4 – Wednesday, December 7, 2016**

Rise and shine, and enjoy breakfast at leisure in the resort restaurant. This morning extend the peaceful nature of this soulful place by participating in the Private Yoga with Mayan Aviary Totem Meditation, designed exclusively for The Divine Destination Collection.

Then, with your mind refreshed, take your stress free, aliveness and presence into your morning and consider your options: enjoy a blissful massage at the award-winning Kinan spa, walk the labyrinth, relax and catch a few rays by the pristine pool, wiggle your toes and stroll along the magnificent expanse of bone-white sand beach. Remember Freddy's bar from the other morning? It's never too early to pop by, say hello and order another Margarita. Hey, you're on Mexican time.

Of course, if you're feeling a bit more adventurous, consider one of the optional activities like practicing your swing at the PGA-famous El Camaleon Golf Course, or at one of the many other breath-taking clubs that dot the area.

Not a golfer? Plan for an exploring excursion to the interactive zoo at Xcaret or at Xel-Há where you can explore, snorkel and swim with the dolphins. For something a little more sedentary, contemplate a complimentary workshop at the spa—choose from Good Luck or Abundance Amulet workshop, Mayan Cleansing workshop, Melipona Honey treatment workshop. Tasty, indeed.

Book in to the luxurious Banyan Tree Mayakoba

Late morning we pack our bags and check out of the Belmond Maroma Resort & Spa and continue our sensual adventure to the luxurious Banyan Tree Mayakoba.

So why make the shift in hotels? Because you simply must!

Be swept away by pristine coastlines and robust life forms in this bounty of freshwater lagoons and mangroves, natural dunes, intricate coral reefs and the famed Riviera Maya coast. Dance your soul on the wind of the Caribbean. Mayakoba is an arcadia of indigenous fish and bird species and has a carefully maintained ecosystem.

Banyan Tree Mayakoba is the epitome of premium resort living, bringing Asian hospitality to the idyllic Riviera Maya. Nestled within the private gated integrated resort development of Mayakoba, immerse yourself in untouched nature complemented with the Riviera Maya luxury resort's

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familiar warmth and charm.

A sanctuary for the senses, Banyan Tree Mayakoba is a place where ancient civilizations embrace each other and where the passionate nature of Mexico is soothed by the gentle touch of the Far East.

**Banyan Tree Mayakoba**

Partake in an authentic Mayan ceremonial evening

The Mayan Mystery Revealed promise continues to endure as this afternoon we will meet in the lobby to head deep into the jungle for an authentic Mayan Ceremonial evening. The event is private for The Divine Destination Collection and features an entire village hosting and submerging us with humility and grace into their culture.

The experience begins when we arrive and enjoy a welcome drink of traditional hibiscus water. We will meet the local Shaman (holy man/healer) and he will instruct us around the Temazcal (Sweat Lodge), an ancestral indigenous ritual created to purify and to renew the mind, body and spirit. The Temazcal or Sweat will be performed in a terra-cotta sweat lodge and uses hot volcanic stones with an infusion of aromatic herbs to obtain the healing steam.

**A cleansing swim in the Cenote**

After the Temazcal we will have the opportunity to take a cleansing swim in the Cenote, a term originating from the Mayan word “dzonot” which means “pit” and refers to wells of fresh water created by erosion of the limestone. The Mayas believe that water is the source of life as well as a gateway to the wonders of the underworld.

For those who do not wish to partake in the Temazcal Sweat, feel free to swim in the Cenote, learn to make hand-made tortillas or interact with the local community who will be on hand to share their traditions.

We include a lovely typical meal served by the local Mayan women. In Divine fashion, cold beer and margaritas will accompany the repast, of course! This is Mexico at its most magical and authentic, revealed up close and personal exclusively for you.

Bring your bathing suit and casual clothing, as we are heading deep into the jungle.

### **Day 5: Thursday, December 8, 2016**

Today is Tulum.

**Private Breakfast Interaction** – This morning enjoy a delicious breakfast while guest speakers, Paco and Liz Rosas, experts in Mayan tradition, culture, folklore and archaeology, regale us with stories and provide an overview of the importance and the significance of the Tulum ruins.

**Paco & Liz Rosas**

After breakfast, Paco & Liz will join us on our privately-guided Tulum adventure. They will lead us through the archaeological site, highlighting many of the things introduced us to at breakfast.

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Built between 1200 and 1500 AD, Tulum was a seaport, trading mainly in turquoise and jade. As well as being the only Mayan city built on a coast, Tulum was one of the few protected by a wall. After entering the ruins through one of five doorways in the wall, we are greeted by a field of gently-rolling hills. Black and grey stone outcroppings, which were once buildings, dot the sun-baked landscape.

Here we reflect Tulum's remaining structures and imagine the possibilities. Given that the seaport was once a link with the outside world, are there any clues as to what happened to the civilization here? Hmm, historians and archaeologists still grapple with the question.

Tulum

The day has been full, but the Mayan Mystery Revealed continues as The Divine Destination Collection has arranged for a private casual lunch in the garden at the Oscar & Lalo Restaurant. As you relax and enjoy, you will be treated to a Mayan horoscope reading. Interesting, indeed!

Once back at the resort, relax by the pool, treat yourself to a spa treatment or hop on your bicycle and explore the property. So much to experience.

This evening we will board small resort boats and indulge in another Divine Destination exclusive as we cruise the waterways taking in the local wildlife with drink in hand while enjoying tasty canapes. Ahhhh, the good life!

Because you are sophisticated and cosmopolitan travellers, we absolutely would not command all of your time, and tonight we offer you the opportunity to enjoy dinner at leisure (with a dinner allowance) at the resort or perhaps partake in our small intimate "Kitchen Party" with the Executive Chef in the resort's kitchen. Try one of the many restaurants on property...Saffron is the resort's signature Thai restaurant and offers outstanding cuisine.

The Divine Destination Collection private concierge will be delighted to arrange reservations for you.

### **Day 6: Friday, December 9, 2016**

In this area of the world, the morning hours exude a palpable peace and calm. To enrich that experience, The Divine Destination Collection offers private self-healing meditation.

Enjoy a sumptuous breakfast at leisure in the resort restaurant.

Today presents a full day at leisure to completely and utterly surrender to the beauty and brilliance of your destination. The Divine Destination Collection will have private shopping shuttles that will be running into Playa Carmen throughout the morning for your convenience and any last minute purchases you may wish to pick up.

Of course, the beach beckons, or why not step into Banyan Tree

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	<p>Mayakoba Spa and partake of unique treatments found nowhere else. The Rainforest, with its hydrothermal circuit comprising alternating hot and cold thermal cabins, is designed to allow guests utter wellness. As you saunter slowly and sated back to your room, you are called by The Divine Destination Collection to join our private Pop Up “Make It Mayan” Cocktail Party. Here, tucked into a private tropical nook, we will learn the hotel’s recipe to their simply divine guacamole, pico de gallo salsas, and to- die-for margaritas. Sampling the wares is a must!! A cave dinner? Of course!</p> <p>The Mayan Mystery revealed culminates in the core of its being. Dinner in a cave, anyone?</p> <p>For 10,000 years this cave has been waiting for you. Alux welcomes you. This unique and authentic space is made up of seven unique, beautiful and magical areas, where we invite you to enjoy the mystical and natural environment of this unusual and special place. Here, The Divine Destination Collection will have our own private cave area, complete with open bar and an elegant menu paired with fine wines. Here we will dine surrounded by living stalactites and stalagmites, candles, flower petals, intimacy and sensuality...the setting is breathtaking and the ultimate in magical and unforgettable evenings!</p> <p>What a sublime and transformational way to bid farewell to the magic of the Mayan Riviera &amp; Tulum.</p> <p><b>Day 7: Saturday, December 10, 2016</b></p> <p>Breakfast at leisure in the resort restaurant.</p> <p>Check out and depart for the airport and flights home. The Divine Destination Collection will assist with departures at the airport.</p> <p>Resting aboard your flight, you feel relaxed, rejuvenated, re-imagined and deeply satisfied. The elegance, the dignity, the magic, the ancient ones and the energy have gently and magnificently played their harmonious song on your heart and your soul, and you are forever changed.</p>
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