Rice Alumni Traveling Owls presents…

The Northern Lights of Finland

January 21 – 28, 2021

For more information contact
Collette
877 252 8106

Please refer to booking #1014088
Day 1: Thursday, January 21, 2021

**Overnight Flight**

On an adventure to the top of the world, experience a side of life that feeds the imagination and leaves you forever enchanted with Finland, “Daughter of the Baltic.”

Day 2: Friday, January 22, 2021

**Helsinki, Finland - Tour Begins**

*Hei Helsinki!* Finland’s vibrant capital, where history converges with architectural style and combines with a laid-back vibe across beautiful islands and pristine public parks, welcomes you. This evening, gather with new friends for a welcome dinner in the city center. *Hyvää ruokahalua!* (Bon appetit!) *(B, D)*

Day 3: Saturday, January 23, 2021

**Helsinki** Join a local expert for an engaging city tour. If Finland’s heart beats in Helsinki, then Helsinki’s core is in Senate Square, home of Helsinki Cathedral, the city’s most iconic building. Walk the streets of empiric-designed Tori Quarters before enjoying some free time in Market Square, the city’s most famous international market. Become transfixed by the sprawling lawns, rocky cliffs, and ornate villas of Kaivopuisto Park. During your leisure time, explore more of Helsinki independently. *(B)*

Day 4: Sunday, January 24, 2021

**Helsinki - Kakslauttanen - Northern Lights Search**

Escape to northernmost Finland’s winter wonderland on board a flight to Ivalo and magical Lapland. Like a storybook come to life, Lapland’s culture is steeped in myth and legend. Relish encounters with reindeer and unspoiled views of the northern lights.* At the breathtaking Kakslauttanen Resort, spend two nights in your very own Finnish log cabin** indulging in your personal Finnish sauna and other unique fixtures. Trek north toward Inari on a chase for the northern lights.* Stops along the pursuit allow you the chance for a front-row seat at nature’s dazzling, electric light show.* *(B, D)*

Day 5: Monday, January 25, 2021

**Kakslauttanen - Santa Claus’ Home - Reindeer Safari - Northern Lights**

Hit the snow and mush to breakfast aboard an authentic Finnish sleigh. From Kakslauttanen, head to the home of Santa Claus, an epicenter of Christmas cheer. Among prancing reindeer, learn about Santa’s origins during a meet and greet at his house. Under the Arctic moonlight, a reindeer farmer introduces you to some friendly Lappish reindeer that will escort you on an exhilarating reindeer safari through remote Kakslauttanen. Gain insight into the importance of reindeer herding to the Sámi indigenous culture. Sip warm berry juice, a Finnish tradition, under the cover of blankets in the surround of northern Finland’s unspoiled wilderness as you continue the search for the elusive northern lights.* *(B)*

Day 6: Tuesday, January 26, 2021

**Kakslauttanen - Northern Lights Search**

Breathe in the fresh Arctic air this morning and step into the role as leader of your own dog sled team. Zoom through the wilderness on a husky safari, driving your husky guides that are as fast as they are adorable. Spend some time getting to know these amazing dogs and learn about their different commands. You’ll also be introduced to the equipment you’ll need to experience this incredible Arctic adventure at its best. Enjoy your last night in the heart of the Lappish wilderness, nestled in your incredible private – glass igloo.*** You may even see the northern lights* dancing overhead. *(B, D)*

Day 7: Wednesday, January 27, 2021

**Kakslauttanen - Helsinki**

Say goodbye to enchanting Lapland and fly back to Helsinki. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure. Explore the city’s central squares and get in tune with the latest Finnish trends at a collection of charming shops. Tonight, in downtown Helsinki, toast to grand adventures and new friends. *(B, D)*

Day 8: Thursday, January 28, 2021

**Helsinki - Tour Ends**

Set out for home with incredible memories and a longing to return. *(B)*
Please note: Book Now rates valid until Sep 30, 2020, valid on air inclusive packages only.

Identification
Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

Important: We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Because the northern lights are a winter event, you will be walking and waiting outdoors while looking for them. It is recommended that you wear sturdy non-slip snow footwear and warm clothing including thermals, hat, scarf, and gloves.

Coaches which may not be lavatory equipped may be used on this program. In this case, stops are made during travel periods.

Museum visits and shopping may be affected by observance of religious or local holidays.

Hotel check-in on your day of arrival is 3:00 p.m. Rooms may not be available prior to that time.

The days and order of sightseeing may change to best utilize your time on tour.

Experience It! The Northern Lights
Each year, during the winter months, travelers journey to Finland and venture out into the dark to see the magical but elusive northern lights. This natural phenomenon is the product of collisions between electrically charged particles from the sun that enter the earth’s atmosphere, yielding spectacular results. Streaks of colorful light that change from white to pink to purple, and most commonly, to green, dazzle and move the open sky like it’s nature’s own dance party. It is known that the best time to witness the northern lights in Finland is from late September to mid-April, when the nights are the longest. Well worth the pursuit, this is a truly remarkable light show that’s not to be missed.

For more information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1014088
The northern lights are in the Northern Hemisphere from September through April and are only visible when the sky is clear and free of clouds. **As this tour is weather dependent, sightings of the northern lights are not guaranteed.**

**The overall activity level of this tour is a level 4.** This means you’re ready to seize the day, whatever it may bring. You lead an active life at home (walking, biking, and hiking are things you may enjoy) and few thousand steps a day isn’t out of the norm. You can handle longer walking tours (more than 90 minutes), traversing dusty or uneven terrain, standing for periods of time, varying altitudes and temperatures, and don’t mind being on the go with some early starts, late-night experiences, and full days. Unfortunately, this level is not appropriate for individuals who use wheelchairs or walkers.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline’s terms and conditions.

The internal flights on this program are not included in the land price of your tour. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us. Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

**A deposit of $500 per person is due upon reservation.** Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of September 23, 2020 are based upon availability. Final payment due by November 22, 2020. Deposits are refundable up until September 30, 2020.

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For important reservation information visit [https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1014088](https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1014088).

You can also find this information on your tour documents.
If paying by credit card, please complete this form and return to Collette. We can only charge your credit card for the amount noted if the signature, address and phone number are listed below. Thank you!

CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FORM

BOOKING NUMBER: 1014088
TOUR: The Northern Lights of Finland
DEPARTURE DATE: January 21, 2021
GROUP NAME: Rice Alumni Traveling Owls

Name of Passenger:
Salutation:______ First Name:__________________ Middle Initial:____ Last Name:_________________ Suffix:____
(Mr., Mrs., Rev.) (Please print as it appears on Passport) (Jr., Sr.)

Cardholder Name: ________________________________________________________________
(Please print as it appears on your Credit Card)

Cardholder Address: ________________________________________________________________
(as it appears on your credit card statement)

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Cardholder Phone:  _______________________

Credit Card Type: ___American Express     ___Discover     ___MasterCard     ___Visa

Credit Card Number:  _______________________________________________________________

Expiration Date: _________________________ Amount to be charged: $ ___________________

Cardholder’s Signature: _________________________ Date: ____________________________

I agree to pay according to the card issuer agreement. I understand and accept Collette cancellation policy, terms and conditions.

Participating credit card companies are now requiring a billing address and phone number for FRAUD PREVENTION. All information MUST be provided. Thank you for your cooperation!

If using your credit card for payment, please return this Authorization Form by mail to:

Collette
Attn: Accounts Receivable
162 Middle Street
Pawtucket, RI 02860

☐ Above credit card information has been called in to Collette.
For Reservations Contact: Collette 877 252 8106, Please refer to booking #1014088
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YOUR INFORMATION:

Clear print your full name (first/middle/last) as it appears on your government issued travel documentation.

IMPORTANT: In order to avoid any unnecessary charge fees, it is imperative that all guest names are entered correctly from the start. The information below must be the legal name and be 100% identical to the ID being used to travel <passport/driver’s license> including middle names or suffixes <Jr, Sr>.

First: ___________________________ Middle: ___________________________ Last: ___________________________ Suffix: ___________________________

Gender: ( ) Male ( ) Female Date of Birth: month ______ day ______ year ______

Address: ___________________________________________________________ City: ___________________________ State: ___________ Zip Code: ___________

Phone: ( ) ___________________________ Cell: ( ) ___________________________ Email Address: ___________________________

Passport Number: ___________________________ Expiration Date: (month/day/year) ______________________ Date of Issuance: (month/day/year) ______________________

City, State, Country of Issuance: ___________________________ Citizenship: ___________________________

Should you become ill or injured, whom should we contact (not traveling with you): ___________________________ Phone: ( ) _______________________

ROOMING WITH: □ Check if address is the same as Passenger #1

First: ___________________________ Middle: ___________________________ Last: ___________________________ Suffix: ___________________________

AIR GATEWAY: Departure airport for this tour:

Air Seat Request: ( ) Aisle ( ) Window ( ) Next To Traveling Companion
Collette cannot guarantee your seat preference. If you have not purchased air through Collette and wish to purchase transfers, you must transfer at our pre-scheduled times. Please be advised, when travelling as part of a group, many airlines do not provide seat assignments. Preferred seating may be available for an additional charge.

Please reserve an upgrade to Elite Airfare for an additional rate of: □ Business Class $3,690

Service is limited and not available on all flights or carriers. Other restrictions may apply. Please note: if you purchase an upgrade we cannot guarantee the same flight schedule as the group. If Business class service has been purchased, it is for the international portion of the journey only.

Are you willing to separate from the group air schedule to accommodate your upgrade request? ( ) Yes ( ) No

“Federal law forbids carriage of hazardous materials such as aerosols, fireworks, lithium batteries & flammable liquids aboard the aircraft in your checked or carry-on baggage. A violation can result in 5 years’ imprisonment and penalties of $250,000 or more.

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TRAVEL PROTECTION: ( ) Yes, I wish to purchase travel protection $329 ( ) No, I decline

If you choose not to purchase Collette’s Waiver Insurance Plan, you will incur penalties for changes and cancellations. Travel Protection Payment is due with first deposit. The Waiver Fee does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual’s traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. The single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. (There is coverage under Part B which includes a single supplement benefit of $1,000 for certain covered reasons. See Part B for details.)

ON TOUR ACTIVITIES: Please choose one of the following on tour hotels

Please Choose One: (subject to availability)

( ) Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort - West Village – Standard (included)
( ) Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort - West Village – Deluxe (additional charge of $600.00 double, $1,200.00 single required)

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Collette ( ) Check ( ) Credit Card

Waiver/Insurance Amount: $ ___________________________ Deposit Amount: $ ___________________________ Total amount enclosed: $ ___________________________

Cardholder Name (if paying by Credit Card): ___________________________

Cardholder Billing Address: □ Check if address is the same as above ___________________________

Cardholder Phone: ___________________________ Amount: $ ___________________________

Credit Card Number: ___________________________ Expiration Date: _______ _______ _______ _______

SIGNATURE REQUIRED for acceptance of the below conditions and agreement to credit card use:

__________________________________________________________

Date: ___________________________

I agree to pay according to the card issuer agreement. I understand and accept the cancellation policy, terms and conditions. See http://www.gocollette.com/about-collette/terms-and-conditions for full terms and conditions of your purchase.

Important Conditions: Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees.