## Happy Spring UGRA Members:

The time has for us to decide where our 2026 adventure will be. After sifting through the suggestions from you, I can present the 5 top destinations that members chose.

I combed tour company offerings and found some great options. I will provide the itinerary and highlights of each tour and ask you to **email me with the itinerary you like the best by June**1st. **My email address is: victoria.tremblay@transat.com**. I will then submit a group quote request from the tour company that receives the most votes. It takes about a year to put these tours together so I would like to get the ball rolling as soon as possible.

Bear in mind that the prices you see on their webpages are not the group rates. Group rates are usually less than the individual ones and I must work with the tour companies to get their best rate.

Here are the tour options:

## #1 - https://www.tripoppo.com/travel/detail/id/360/t/rtcnew

Odyssey of Indochina with Bancock – including Vietnam, Cambodia (Angkor Wat), Bangkok. A complete Indochina program to discover the natural beauty, intriguing history, friendly people, rich ethnic and cultural diversity, awe-inspiring temples, villages and world heritage sites unchanged for centuries. This tour is with TripOppo who we travelled to China and Morocco with. They are excellent tour operators. The best time for this destination is from September to November.

## #2 - https://www.tripoppo.com/travel/detail/id/619/t/rtcnew

Jewels of Croatia, Slovenia & Bosnia - Dalmatian Coast, magnificent Plitvice Lake and Balkan historic sites. Bosting Eastern Euro's most expansive coastline, Croatia's natural charms sweep from turquoise waters to forested hills, the glittering Adriatic coast, charming cobblestone towns, medieval cities, ancient Roman ruins and thriving food and wine scene ensure visitors' curiosity is amply rewarded. Explore stunning Croatia, Slovenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and uncover the treasures of this Balkan beauty. The best time to go is October and this is with TripOppo.

## #3 - https://www.tripoppo.com/travel/detail/id/624/t/rtcnew

**Istanbul**, **Magic Cappadocia** - Get to the heart of Turkish culture and history on this Fabulous Turkey adventure. You'll marvel at Istanbul's Hagia Sophia, Topkapi Palace, and Grand Bazaar. Explore the hand-forged cave churches of Cappadocia in a landscape of towering wind-carved fairy chimneys. Discover the ancient Greek sites of Ephesus and Aphrodisias; and the azure water of the Mediterranean. You'll also experience legendary Turkish hospitality firsthand, from artisants to imams. October is also a great time to visit and this is with TripOppo.

#4 - https://www.exoticca.com/ca/tours/asia/16471-from-cappadocia-to-the-great-pyramids

An unforgettable journey through **Turkey and Egypt!** Explore Istanbul and Cappadocia, see the incredible Great Pyramids and discover the treasures of the Nile on a 4-night full-board river cruise! This is an incredible trip that ties in 2 of the most requested destinations from our members at a great price – 2 destinations for the price of one including the Nile cruise. This one is with Exoticca and has great value for the price and travel is best in October.

#5 - https://www.exoticca.com/ca/tours/america/20801-south-america-s-wonders-incas-galapagos

From the heights of Machu Picchu to the depths of the Amazon and the wonders of the Galápagos, discover the magic of Peru and Ecuador on an unforgettable journey through time and nature. This is the last option.

We must choose which adventure we want by JUNE 1, so I can get the ball rolling.

Thanks everyone. I can't wait until we travel again

Vikki