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Friendly Planet Travel Expands Its Dubai Program, Pairing Dazzling Dubai With Four Exotic Destinations

Affordable tour packages make this luxurious dream destination a reality

JENKINTOWN, **Pa.**—**September 10**, **2012**—There are few places in the world with more luxury and amenities than Dubai, a city of ultramodern skyscrapers surrounded by miles and miles of undulating desert landscapes. Now, <u>Friendly Planet Travel</u> is making this exotic city more affordable than ever before, with five incredible packages that feature Dubai and four exotic hot spots starting at \$2,199.

"Our creative Dubai packages are designed for travelers to visit Dubai and take advantage of the already-included international airfare to explore another city," says Peggy Goldman, President of Friendly Planet Travel. "We've customized an array of Dubai tours to cater to the interests and budgets of any traveler who has a taste for the exotic and wants to experience true luxury without paying a fortune for the pleasure."

Friendly Planet's six-day <u>Dazzling Dubai</u> tour starts at \$2,199 and includes round-trip airfare on <u>Emirates</u>, one of the world's top five airlines; fuel surcharges; airline taxes and fees; and all transfers. It also includes deluxe hotel accommodations at the five-star <u>Fairmont Dubai</u>; a daily buffet breakfast; touring programs; a professional, English-speaking tour director; and more.

In Dubai, travelers have the chance to experience the luxury that defines this city. Explore the picturesque <u>Dubai Creek</u> that divides the city into two parts, the <u>Bastakiya district</u> with charming courtyard houses and narrow alleys, and the <u>Dubai Museum</u>, where life-size dioramas offer a fascinating view of life in Dubai before the discovery of oil. A highlight of the Dubai program is an included visit to the fabulous <u>Burj Khalifa</u>, the world's tallest building. Travelers also have the chance to experience one of Dubai's most reliable and inexpensive forms of transportation, an <u>Abra water taxi</u>. During several days in the city, travelers can, on their own or on optional tours, enjoy more of what Dubai has to offer, including the <u>Mall of the Emirates</u>,

complete with indoor ski slopes, exquisite cuisine, and more; a Dinner cruise on Dubai Creek; and a desert safari tour complete with a BBQ dinner and belly-dancing entertainment.

For travelers looking to get a taste of Dubai and take advantage of the already-included international airfare, Friendly Planet is offering four innovative Dubai combo packages to hot spot destinations. Each package includes all the features of <u>Dazzling Dubai</u>, with the following additional features:

- <u>Dazzling Dubai and Bangkok</u>: Travelers spend the first half of their trip in Dubai before departing for Thailand. In <u>Bangkok</u>, travelers tour Asia's most popular city, with 24-hour-a-day bustle, incredible shopping, phenomenal cuisine, sky trains, and amazing nightlife, all amid an ancient, fascinating culture, exotic architecture, temples, canals, and markets. This nine-day tour starts at \$2,339.
- <u>Dazzling Dubai and India Express</u>: This inventive package takes travelers to Dubai before departing for India to explore the "<u>Golden Triangle</u>", from fascinating and exotic <u>Delhi</u>, to Agra and the <u>Taj Mahal</u>, the world's most famous monument to love, to <u>Jaipur</u>, the "pink city." This 13-day tour starts at \$3,238.
- <u>Dazzling Dubai and Kenya Safari</u>: After spending the first part of their exotic vacation in Dubai, travelers head to <u>Kenya</u> to experience legendary game reserves filled with magnificent wildlife and sweeping vistas. Visit <u>Nairobi</u>, the plains of <u>Masai Mara</u>, and more. This 11-day tour starts at \$3,138.
- <u>Dazzling Dubai and Cape Town</u>: After being dazzled in Dubai, travelers depart for
 the vibrant city of <u>Cape Town</u>. Known for its high style, hot night life, and gorgeous
 scenery, travelers will be treated to the warm, welcoming South African hospitality,
 complete with a cable car ride to the top of <u>Table Mountain</u>, Cape Town's most
 striking landmark. This 10-day tour starts at \$3,099.

For more information about Friendly Planet Travel or any of the <u>Dubai</u> packages, please visit the company's website at <u>www.FriendlyPlanet.com</u> or its blog at <u>blog.FriendlyPlanet.com</u>.

ABOUT FRIENDLY PLANET TRAVEL

Friendly Planet Travel makes high-quality exotic travel affordable for everyone. Since 1981, Friendly Planet Travel has been arranging all-inclusive escorted discount vacation packages and cruises to the most exciting destinations in the world at the lowest possible prices.

Each year, Friendly Planet Travel offers more than 30 different group travel packages to Asia, the Middle East, Africa, Europe, and South America—at discounts of hundreds of dollars off similar vacations. With no hidden charges, add-ons, or surprises, Friendly Planet Travel vacations include convenient flights and airfare; carefully selected, first-class and superior hotels; knowledgeable, English-speaking guides; many meals; planned itineraries; as well as friendships and memories that last a lifetime.

Friendly Planet Travel offers its extensive, economical travel services to private groups, including universities, religious institutions, alumni associations, and families. Groups who wish to travel together can count on Friendly Planet Travel's three decades of experience to operate their group travel program expertly and always at the very best possible prices. Visit it at www.FriendlyPlanetTravel.com. You can also follow Friendly Planet Travel on Twitter and Facebook.

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