



Hello,

As we settle into the year, we've been reflecting on how travel conversations are starting at the moment and what feels different from even a year or two ago.

What's been most striking is that very few enquiries begin with *"where should we go?"*
More often, they start with *"this feels like the right moment."*

We're speaking to families who want to travel together before schedules become harder to align. Couples finally giving an anniversary or birthday the time it deserves. And people who've carried an idea around for years and are now ready to turn it into something real.

What people are drawn to is not just a destination, but the *shape* of a journey. A memorable road, a special train, time moving through landscapes rather than hopping over them. And above all, a sense of being well looked after, without things feeling over-planned or inflexible.

We're seeing this across everything we plan from safaris and gorilla trekking in Africa, to journeys through South America, Asia, and North America. The destination matters, of course, but how a trip feels matters more.

Behind the scenes, we're also spending a lot of time reviewing and updating the camps, lodges and routes we work with, particularly across Africa. New properties, thoughtful refurbishments, and subtle shifts in where and how it's best to travel are all feeding into the trips we're planning right now.

We recently shared a short piece on our website about the kinds of trips people are asking us for at the moment. If you enjoy seeing a little behind the scenes of how we think about travel, you may enjoy reading it.

[What People Are Asking Us for Already This Year - Opulent Travel](#)

If you're beginning to think about a future trip even in a very loose way, do feel free to get in touch. Those early conversations are often where the best ideas take shape.

With thanks,

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