



**Hello,**

This month we wanted to share a few of our recent blog posts with you, including a return trip to Hong Kong that got us thinking about whether it's really just a stopover, or somewhere worth spending more time.

Alongside that, we've added a number of new stories across both Opulent Travel and Opulent Africa, covering everything from short city stays to safari planning.

### **Hong Kong: Stopover...or a Destination in Its Own Right?**

Hong Kong is often seen as a place to stop on the way somewhere else.

But after spending five full days there recently, it felt very much like a destination in its own right.

What makes it so interesting is the contrast. The skyline and energy that people expect, but also the quieter side, hiking trails, beaches, outlying islands, and the rhythm of everyday life that you only really notice when you give it time.

It's also one of those cities that is incredibly easy to experience. You can arrive, settle in quickly, and start exploring almost immediately.

If Hong Kong has ever been somewhere, you've thought of as a stopover, it might be worth looking at it a little differently.

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### **A Few Other Stories We've Been Sharing**

Alongside Hong Kong, we've continued to build out our *Stories from Around the World on Opulent Travel*.

These are a mix of places we've travelled to, and the types of journeys people are increasingly asking us for.

A few that have stood out recently:



### **What People Are Asking Us for This Year**

A look at the kinds of trips people are planning right now, from family journeys to more experience-led travel.

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### **Marrakech: A Few Days, and Already Planning the Return**

A short stay that turned into something much more memorable, shaped by food, atmosphere, and the rhythm of the Medina.

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### **Ecuador: A Different Kind of Luxury**

A destination that quietly surprises, with an incredible variety of landscapes and a different perspective on what luxury travel can feel like.

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### **From Our Safari Stories**

Over on Opulent Africa, we've also been sharing a few practical and experience-led pieces from the team.

These tend to answer the questions that come up most often when people are starting to think about a safari.

### **Packing for Safari: What You'll Actually Use**

A simple look at what people tend to overpack, and the things they're always glad they brought.

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### **When to Visit Africa**

Timing can shape a safari more than almost anything else. This guide walks through the seasons and what to expect.

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### **Tented Camps vs Lodges**

A question we're often asked, and one that can make a real difference to the feel of a trip.

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### **A Thought to Leave You With**

We've really enjoyed putting these pieces together, and it's something we're keen to keep building on, sharing more of the places we've been, the questions we're asked, and the ideas that come out of both, whether that's emerging travel trends or favourite and newly discovered places.

If there's a destination, type of trip, or even a question you've been thinking about, we'd be so interested to hear. It often shapes what we write about next.

And if you've had a trip that really stayed with you, we'd always love to hear about that too.

**Many thanks,  
John, Amanda & Jill  
Opulent Travel**

**P.S. You can explore more of our stories on the website or follow along on Instagram @opulenttravelcompany where we share more from our travels and clients' journeys.**