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Wilderness Travel's Komodo Snorkeling Highlighted as Tour of Lifetime and New European Hiking Route Selected as Best New Adventure Trip for 2015

BERKELEY, CALIF. -- On the heels of Outside Magazine's selection of [Wilderness Travel](#) as the Best Outfitter in the World for 2015, the adventure travel company has snagged two additional prestigious awards. National Geographic named the company's Komodo Snorkeling Expedition to Indonesia to its [2015 Tours of a Lifetime](#), while SmarterTravel.com selected Wilderness Travel's Bergamo to Innsbruck Hiking expedition as a [10 Best New Guided Adventure Travel Trips for 2015](#). Both selections were announced in April.

Wilderness Travel's 11-day [Komodo Snorkeling Expedition](#) takes guests by 98-foot wooden schooner to experience snorkeling in one of the most remote corners of the world. Accompanied by marine biologist guides Lee Goldman and Ethan Daniels, who the company describes as the 'dream team' for any snorkeling enthusiast, travelers snorkel by day and enjoy on-board presentations in the evenings.

On the cruise, snorkelers swim with mantas, through underwater caves and spot moray eels, blacktip sharks, and rare scorpion fish. National Geographic Traveler selected as a highlight of the trip the "close-up sightings of Komodo dragons." The trip starts at \$5595/person with departures August 4, 2015 and September 3, 2016.

[SmarterTravel](#), a TripAdvisor company, selected Wilderness Travel's new [Bergamo to Innsbruck hiking adventure](#) as one of its top 10 new adventure trips for 2015. Writer Josh Roberts noted the trip "cuts a brand-new path between four [countries] (Italy, Austria, Switzerland, and Liechtenstein) with a new route that isn't offered by any other adventure travel operator."

The adventure begins in the foothills of the Alps in enchanting Bergamo, Italy, and travels through a remote national park across the border into Switzerland. Hikers then cross into Liechtenstein and finish in Innsbruck, Austria in just 12 days. The trip, designed by an experienced hiker and chef, also features mountain cuisine with perfectly-paired wines. Pricing starts at \$5995/person with two departures July 14 & September 9, 2015.

About Wilderness Travel

Wilderness Travel, founded in 1978 and still run by Bill Abbott, a consummate traveler, offers some 200 trips every year to more than 75 destinations around the world. The company is known for its one-of-a-kind detailed itineraries that take travelers deep into an area's culture. There are four ways to travel with Wilderness Travel: [Small Group Adventures](#); [Private](#)

[Journeys](#); [WT Expeditions: Rare Journeys and Exploratories](#); and [Small Ship Cruises](#), for which the company doubled its offerings in 2014. Constantly on the look-out for new adventures and ways to improve existing journeys, the company focuses on quality, design and the uniqueness of its trips. Almost 70% of individuals who travel with Wilderness Travel are repeat guests or direct referrals from past travelers. For more information, visit www.wildernesstravel.com or call 800-368-2794.

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