

EXOTIC WORLDSHosted by Chuck Jonkey

Episode Breakdown

Episode #1: India

We head into the heart of India and partake in the South India Shiva mountain pilgrimage, then taking a sacred dip at the confluence of the two oceans, we interact with the locals at Hindu temples and film and record the Tempe singers and Katakali dancers as well as Chennai.

Episode #2: Peru - World of the Incas

Discover exotic worlds of fantastic archeological treasures, sacred ritual sites and rustic villages in Peru. Chuck visits the Islas Ballestas (the Galapogos islands of Peru) and then to the amazing Nazca lines and on to El Carmen home of Peru's afro-inspired music and dance. We go to the altiplano to visit many fantastic Inca ruins including Machu Picchu, Ollantaytambo, Pisaq and more. Chuck discovers great culture in Cusco and Puno. The land of the Incas.

Episode #3: Peru - World of the Condor

Chuck visits exotic worlds of fantastic ancient cultures including the haunts of the world's largest bird - the Andean Condor. Step on the strange floating islands of Los Uros on lake Titicaca and the ancient culture of Taquile. Then we journey to Arequipa and the Canyon de Colca (twice the depth of the Grand Canyon of Arizona) where people have lived since 800 B.C. to see the gigantic condors. This and much more awaits us in this exciting episode.

Episode #4: Cuba

Explore Old Havana that has remained unchanged since the 1950's when the Castro revolution took over from Batista. We bare witness to a wild rumba West African festival and record a session of son groups. From the old time cars that still roam the streets, visiting the famous Malecon walkway, participate in a Santeria ceremony (Old African Voodoo style religion), to the Callejon de Hamel and Santeria dances. The color, music and passion of Cuba come alive in this episode.

Episode #5: Bali, Indonesia

An adventure that starts at the "Temple by the Sea", Tana Lot, and explorers deep into the inner Bali not often visited by tourists. Journey into remote villages and witness a stunning Cremation ceremony, Genjek performances, The Monkey forest, and Kecak monkey dance's. We travel over water to Lake Batur to the village of Trunyan and the wall of skulls, and for the first time on film, we record the culture and music of the little know village of Sading.

Episode #6: Morocco

Discover the wonderfully wild cultures of the Berber, Gnawa and Tuareg peoples of Morocco. Composer/adventurer Chuck Jonkey takes you on a Sonic Safari that begins in Marrakesh and transports you to the deep medina for a look at ancient artifacts. Visit the sizzling coastal town of Essaouira - protected from pirates by a gigantic stone fortress. Chuck continues north to join a rare gnawa festival in a small mountain village. Experience the fabulous mix of color and texture in the "blue city" of Chefchaouen. Join a caravan in the deep Sahara and witness sensuous tribal music and dance. Discover the magic of Morocco.

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