

Creative Arts Safaris

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Newsletter # 3- 2011

Welcome!

The year is zooming along, we have been blessed here on the edge of the Thar Desert with a sufficient monsoon, so good harvests for our local farmers; starvation kept at bay another year.

As always new dreams emerge, old pleasures are revisited....Dijanne Cevaal is a well known textile artist and teacher in Australia and across Europe. Dijanne has a keen eye for art, culture, good food and textiles- together we have been dreaming of a little jaunt around the South of France ending up in Barcelona in Spain.

French Dreams

At the stage of sharing musings, making plans - workshop ideas always abound; doing something tangible during your travels is educational and will give you even nicer memories to bring it all back when you are home again.

Here are some of the ideas jumping back and forth, expeditions to check it all out are planned and May 2013 should see us in the road.

Imagine walking the routes followed by the Romans,.... sitting on a shady terrace in Arles drinking in the colours that set alive Vincent van Gogh's paintings,a visit to Atelier Cezanne in Aix-en-Provence and admire Mont Saint Victoire,

A workshop ?? yes and tantalise me in the shadow of Pic St Loup- a gentle walk through the vineyards at its foot , a wander through the old city of Lyon with a visit to the Textile Museum and perhaps a search for some of the silks that this region was once famous for, the wonderful food and wines of the south whilst taking in the Mediterranean ambience, to go in search of traditional **boutis que?.... Boutis-**traditional french quilts- whole cloth and beautifully stitched- I am hoping we can get to the atelier of Andre-jean Cabanel- will have to explore that when I go but otherwise should be able to find some somewhere.

French Fantasies??

So far we can see the hardest part will be cutting the journey down to a few weeks and a NAME!! help us please.

Everything that springs to mind is a little OHH la, la! J

Pencil into your Diary May 2013

or perhaps a visit to the annual textile event in Luberon, to walk the Pont du Gard and marvel at roman engineering and venture into the centre of Nimes and see one of the most complete arenas in the world still being used to stage events, then head to Barcelona and enjoy the wonderful Gaudi and other art deco buildings and the world class museums paying homage to some of Spain's greatest- Picasso and Miro, to walk through the Gothic quarter celebrated in Carlos Ruiz Zafon's Shadow of the Wind- to take tapas on the Ramblas

In the workshop you will be reflecting on the inspirations you have encountered and perhaps utilise some of the fabrics you have found in shops and brocantes (???- que? yes we will take in a brocante market in search of antique textiles) into a textile wrap that will serve as a memory cloth of our travels and keep you warm in the evening cool back home and to transport you back to the paths you have walked, we will also work in a journal to record the precious moments and savour experience.

Glorious Ghana

Ghana - Ashanti culture, mud huts of Sirigu, fabulous batik and beads, beads, beads...we will be hitting bead markets in Ghana in January- what fun!!

Some spaces left but filling up fast!

Details here www.creative-arts-safaris.com/GG

Rajasthan- a Tactile Textile Tour 2011

Our bus is full and we have an enthusiastic mob to set off exploring textiles, culture and the heritage of Rajasthan and the north of Gurgurat.
www.creative-arts-safaris.com/Raj

Private Rajasthan Tour

A group of Australian school teachers will be joining us in September for a study tour centred on textiles and culture.....an adventure to fuel their knowledge to share with their students and indulge their interest in textiles....it will be an great adventure.

Moorish Delights of Andalusia and Morocco 2012

The tour is all organized our camel awaits Morocco here we come!!
<http://www.creative-arts-safaris.com/MDAM.html>

Textile Traditions of Vietnam's North 2012

Green fields full of rice, water buffalo ploughing the fields, fresh meals full of exotic tastes always followed by the freshest of fruits, sitting in bamboo houses stitching with local ladies, time to wander between the paddy fields as the sun sets, a peaceful world.
www.creative-arts-safaris.com/TTVN

Bookings Open

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Coming up soon...

and more to come!

Make a booking today!

You are most welcome to join us!

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