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Hello everyone! I'm back from leading another photo tour to visit the gray whales in Baja. We had friendly whales come to our boat to be petted all 3 days we were on the lagoon, and the desert scenery was spectacular with wildflowers in bloom everywhere! Meanwhile Karl Grobl is back from Southeast Asia from leading two back-to-back tours in Thailand, Laos & Cambodia. I'm starting to get caught up on my image editing so I have some new galleries to share, along with a participant gallery on ChickenBus.org (see directly below)!

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### **Chickenbus.org !**



One of our Guatemala participants, Steve Philips created a website from our tour there in February. Many of the group members terrific photos are in the gallery section - check it out at [www.ChickenBus.org](http://www.ChickenBus.org)

That trip is being offered again in 2009 (see below)!

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### **New Image Gallery – Day of the Dead in Oaxaca 2006**



To view the gallery click on an image or go to [www.jimcline.com/oaxaca06](http://www.jimcline.com/oaxaca06)

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### **New Image Gallery – Colonial Mexico: Land of the Aztecs February 2007**



These are from our tour in February of last year – if there is enough interest I'll run this trip again in Feb, 2010. Let me know if you'd like to be added to the Interest List. To view the gallery click on an image or go to [www.jimcline.com/colonialmex07](http://www.jimcline.com/colonialmex07)

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### ***Mexico Traveler***

My photographs are featured in the Premiere Collector's Edition of Mexico Traveler magazine – many were taken on my Colonial Mexico and Yucatan tours. To view some of the photos click on <http://www.jimcline.com/TearSheetMexicoTraveler08.htm>

Now the entire magazine is online at (you may have to download a driver) [www.revistasonline.com.mx/mtraveler](http://www.revistasonline.com.mx/mtraveler) It is really cool – you can use the zoom tool to see any of the pages up close.

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### **[Peru, Machu Picchu & the Sacred Valley of the Inca](#)**

**May 7 – 17, 2008 with Karl Grobl – Trip full, waitlist available**

To see a gallery of Karl's images from Peru go to <http://www.karlgrobl.com/PeruTour/index.htm>

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### **[Amazing Myanmar \(Burma\)](#)**

**September 8 - 21, 2008, with Karl Grobl – 2 spaces remaining!**



Join Humanitarian Photojournalist Karl Grobl and discover the Golden Land, perhaps the least discovered country in Southeast Asia. This journey includes visits to Yangon's Schwedegon Pagoda, the ancient city of Bagan where the landscape is dotted with more than one thousand temples, Inle Lake where we will photograph local fishermen, bustling local markets and lakeside life seemingly unchanged for centuries.

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### **[Ensenada / Tecate 3 Days](#) September 13 - 15, 2008**

**This trip is timed for grape-harvest time in the wine country!**



There are a great variety of photographic subjects on this trip for just 3 days – the colorful fish market, sea-lions, mariachis, seascapes, vendors and their products, local people, the beautiful Riviera Cultural Center - formerly a casino owned by boxer Jack Dempsey and financed by Al Capone, a boat trip in the morning light in the working harbor, wineries with wine-tasting, the Old Russian Cemetery, and finally the tranquil town of Tecate with its typical Mexican plaza.

To see a new image gallery from my recent trip [www.jimcline.com/ensenadasep07](http://www.jimcline.com/ensenadasep07)

*"Hi Jim, I had a wonderful time on the trip to Ensenada/Tecate. It was beyond my expectations in several ways – more learning, more different kinds of settings to photograph, and more of an opportunity to experience northern Baja culture than I could have imagined for a weekend trip. I appreciated your knowledge of the area and the people, and the atmosphere of learning and creativity that you encouraged in the group. I will definitely sign up for a future excursion, and I would recommend your trips to anyone who loves photography and travel," Bette Jo Garrett, San Diego, CA*

To read more testimonials from the Sep, 2006 Ensenada trip click on <http://www.jimcline.com/Testimonials%20Ensenada%20Sep2006.pdf>

To read testimonials from the January, 2006 trip click on <http://www.jimcline.com/Testimonials%20EnsJan06.pdf>

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## Fall of 2008

### [Day of the Dead in Oaxaca](#), Oct 28 – Nov 5, 2008

***Trip full, waitlist available***

This trip is a personal favorite. The Day of the Dead celebration is the best time of year to visit Oaxaca. We'll be photographing the parties in several village cemeteries, as well as colorful parades, spectacular colonial architecture, Zapotec pyramids, indigenous markets, traditional dance performances, and the daily life of Oaxaca.

To see a gallery of Jim's images from the 2005 tour [click here](#)

### [India: Pushkar & The Taj Mahal](#) with Karl Grobl November, 2008

***Trip full, waitlist available***

To see a terrific slide show to music Karl put together from the 2006 tour [click here](#)

To see another great slide show to music Karl put together from the 2007 tour [click here](#)

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## **New Trip planned for 2008**

**I will have information on this trip VERY soon!**

Chiapas, Mexico: El Mundo Maya November 10 - 19, 2008, with Jim Cline  
***Interest List forming***



I will be leading this trip to my favorite area in Mexico. Let me know if you want me to add you to the Interest List

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### Winter/Spring of 2009

These trips are already starting to be booked, reserve now to insure a space!

#### [Guatemala, the Living Maya](#), January 30 – February 8, 2009



This trip is not to be missed; it's one of the most beautiful areas to photograph (and one of my personal favorites). We'll visit the colonial gem of Antigua, the beautiful Lake Atitlan ringed by traditional villages, the famous Mayan market at Chichicastenango, several less-visited villages outside of Quetzaltenango, and the incredible Mayan ruins at Tikal, with howler monkeys and toucans in the surrounding jungle canopy. I have many friends in the Mayan villages and we will have photo opportunities that other tourists never have.

To view a gallery of Jim's images from the 2007 tour go to  
<http://www.jimcline.com/guatemala2007/index.htm>

#### [Thailand, Cambodia & Laos](#) with Karl Grobl

February 4 – 19, 2009



From Thailand's beautiful temples, bustling floating markets, and fascinating hill tribes, to the authentic traditional cultures of **Luang Prabang** in Laos, an extended boat trip down the **Mekong River** with an overnight stay along its banks, and the mystical **Angkor Wat** in Cambodia, this trip has it all.

To see Karl's slide show video of the 2007 tour go to  
<http://www.karlgrobl.com/videos/SEAsia2007/index.html>

To see Karl's slide show video of the 2008 tours go to [SE Asia 2008 group 1 slideshow](#) & [SE Asia 2008 group 2 slideshow](#)

### [Baja Gray Whales](#), March 3 - 9, 2009

We'll spend 3 days whale watching, as well as two days photographing the beautiful desert scenery in Catavina and a day in the quaint town of San Ignacio, home to one of Baja's most beautiful missions. The last few years, almost every trip into the lagoon we've had friendly whales come right up to our boat.

To see images of this trip go to [www.jimcline.com/whales](http://www.jimcline.com/whales)  
or [www.jimcline.com/catavina](http://www.jimcline.com/catavina)

To see a gallery from the 2007 trip go to [www.jimcline.com/whales2007](http://www.jimcline.com/whales2007)

### Wonders of Baja, April 30 – May 9, 2009

It doesn't get much better than this! Southern Baja - Seascapes and beautiful beaches on the turquoise **Sea of Cortez**; boat trips to the nearby islands to photograph sea lion colonies, birds, and desert scenes, missions, the picturesque towns of **La Paz, Mulege, Loreto, and Todos Santos**; and excellent seafood and margaritas. I've added one extra day to this trip to allow more time in each location, and some time for image-sharing and instruction.

To see images from the April, 2007 trip go to [www.jimcline.com/baja2007](http://www.jimcline.com/baja2007)

### Peru, Machu Picchu & the Sacred Valley of the Inca May 6 – 16, 2009 with Karl Grobl – *Information soon*

To see Karl's slide show video of the 2007 tour go to [Peru 2007 Photo Tour Slideshow](#)

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### Trip leader Karl Grobl

Karl is back from leading the second of two back-to-back photo tours through Thailand, Laos & Cambodia. Between tours he continues his work on humanitarian projects around the globe – in several days he leaves for Africa.

In addition to his photography Karl has been updating the equipment / travel advice section of his website – check it out there's so much great information there:

<http://karlgrobl.com/EquipmentReviews/index.htm>

To see more of Karl's work go to [www.KarlGrobl.com](http://www.KarlGrobl.com)

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### Moon Handbooks Baja

Several of my photographs are featured in the 2008 edition of the Moon Handbooks Baja guidebook (the best guidebook covering Baja). To see some of the photos go to

<http://www.jimcline.com/TearSheetMoonBaja07.htm>. Also, in the book my photo tours are recommended by the authors.

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### Testimonials!

I've updated our testimonials page – I hope you'll take a look at what some of our participants have had to say about our tours. I still have a lot more to add:

<http://www.jimcline.com/PhotoTours/testimonials1.html>

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### Cover Shot

My photograph, *Twilight Cactus*, was recently selected for the cover of *The Guide to Golf Baja California*, as well as a few other shots inside:

<http://www.jimcline.com/Tear%20Sheet%20BajaGolfGuide.htm>

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### Baja Traveler Magazine

I served as Special Assignment Photo Editor for the 2007 – 2008 Edition of *Baja Traveler Magazine*. Over 40 of my photographs are featured in the edition – many were taken at the locations on my *Wonders of Baja* and *Ensenada/Tecate* tours. There is also a story about me in the magazine.

To view some of the photos click on  
<http://www.jimcline.com/Tear%20Sheet%20Baja%20Traveler.htm>  
Now the entire magazine is online at [www.entornode.com/baja/](http://www.entornode.com/baja/) (you may have to download a driver) It is really cool – you can use the zoom tool to see any of the pages up close - you can read the article about me on page 82

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*“The journey not the arrival matters” T.S. Eliot*

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