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Hello, what a year 2008 has been so far for Jim Cline Photo Tours! I just did the math – we've had 31 (out of 76 total) repeat participants on our tours we have already run and those upcoming in 2008. That means 41% of the participants on our tours this year are returning customers!

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

September 8 - 21, 2008, with Karl Grobl – 3 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.

Cyclone Nargis caused much devastation in the Irrawaddy Delta area. However, Myanmar is a very large country, and the areas we visit on the tour were not affected by the Cyclone.

I'm still getting caught up on my image editing so I have some new galleries to share – enjoy!

New Image Gallery – Chiapas



I've created a gallery of my images of Chiapas, the most beautiful state in Mexico. To view the gallery, click on the images above or go to www.jimcline.com/chiapas
There are still spaces on my tour there this November (see below).

New Image Gallery – Ensenada January, 2008



I've created a gallery of my images from my photo tour / workshop to Ensenada & Tecate this past January. To view the gallery click on the images above or go to www.jimcline.com/ensenadajan08

Upcoming Speaking Schedule

Friday, June 20 at 7:30 pm I'll be giving a slide show lecture, *Guatemala, the Mayan World* for the **San Diego Chapter of the Sierra Club** at the Joyce Beers Community room, located at 3900 Vermont, near University Ave. The public is welcome and admission is free. For a map and directions, click on http://www.mkgdsd.com/map_for_joyce_beers.htm

Saturday, June 21 from 5 – 6 p.m. & Saturday, June 28 from 5 – 6 pm at the **International Photography Exhibition at the San Diego (Del Mar) Fair**, I'll be giving my two-part presentation on the *Secrets to Successful Travel Photography*. You can time your visit to see the outstanding photo exhibit and see my workshop all in one visit!

For those of you in North San Diego County on Monday, June 24 at 7:30 p.m. I'll be giving my slide presentation, *Peru: Machu Picchu & the Sacred Valley of the Incas* for the Fallbrook Camera Club, at the Silvergate Retirement Residence, 420 Elbrook Drive in Fallbrook. ([map](#))

[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

"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>

Photography Book – *Tresors de la Terre, Joyaux de l'Humanity (Treasures of the Earth, Jewels of Humanity)*

Some of my photographs of Machu Picchu in Peru and Teotihuacan in Mexico are featured in this beautiful coffee table book published by Selection du Readers Digest from France. I'm one of many photographers represented from around the globe, including Frans Lanting, Art Wolf, David Muench, Norbert Wu, Jim Zuckerman, MacDuff Everton, and Tim Fitzharris.

<http://www.jimcline.com/TearSheetTresorsdelaTerre08.htm>

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 Oct 31 – Nov 15, 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](#)

[Chiapas, Mexico: El Mundo Maya](#) November 10 - 19, 2008, with Jim Cline

I will be leading this trip to my favorite area in Mexico. To see a gallery of my images from there go to www.jimcline.com/chiapas

Winter/Spring of 2009

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

As Recommended in the 2007 Frommer's *Guatemala* guidebook! (pp 56-57)

[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 – the 2008 trip was the best ever!

To see images of this trip go to www.jimcline.com/whales
or www.jimcline.com/catavina

To see a gallery from the 2007 trip go to 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

Peru, Machu Picchu & the Sacred Valley of the Inca

May 6 – 16, 2009 with Karl Grobl

To see Karl's new slide show video of the recent 2008 tour go to

<http://karlgrobl.com/Peru2008/index2.html>

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

Trip leader Karl Grobl

Karl's busy travel schedule continues. He is currently working on assignment in Southeast Asia and preparing to do some scouting for his 2009 Vietnam photo tour (ask if you would like to be

added to the Interest List). To see Karl's slide show video from his recently completed *Peru: Machu Picchu and the Sacred Valley of the Incas* tour go to <http://karlgrobl.com/Peru2008/index2.html>. In case you missed them, here are Karl's slide show videos from his two Southeast Asia tours earlier this year: [SE Asia 2008 group 1 slideshow](#) & [SE Asia 2008 group 2 slideshow](#)

To see more of Karl's work go to www.KarlGrobl.com

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

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

Colonial Mexico: Land of the Aztecs

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 my gallery of images from the 2007 tour go to

www.jimcline.com/colonialmex07

Other Recent Image Galleries

Peru 2007

I've created a gallery of my images in Peru from last year. To view the gallery go to

www.jimcline.com/peru2007

Guatemala August 2007

I've created a gallery of my images from my tour-planning trip to Guatemala last August. To view the gallery go to www.jimcline.com/guatemalaaug07

Testimonials!

Karl and I are very proud of the testimonials we've received – 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>

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 It is really cool – you can use the zoom tool to see any of the pages up close.

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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