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Anyone for a magical mystery tour?

YOU would think the last thing on anybody's mind at the moment would be spending money on a holiday without knowing where they were going. But you'd be wrong.

Some adventurous travellers are prepared to spend more than £2,000 on a magical mystery tour.

Which is why on Saturday, a band of 15 intrepid adventurers will turn up at Heathrow airport to head for ... well, who knows where?

All they know is that they will be away for 15 days. Oh, and they've been told what to pack.

The trip is one of the Imaginative Mystery Tour company's holidays. It costs a cool £2,099. And guess what? It sold out within weeks of being announced.

Says Imaginative Traveller's Jim O'Brien: "It is the first time the company has offered a mystery tour and the level of demand surpassed expectations."

And he hints: "It's a new area, it's quite different ... I think they're in for quite an adventure. A lot of effort went into finding a new destination for the mystery tour, especially as some of the participants have travelled with the company before. But we are pretty sure none of them will have been to this destination before.

"The main appeal of the mystery tour is the excitement of setting off into the unknown, although there is also a lot of value to some in not having to (or being able to) spend time planning the trip.

"And there are no vaccinations or visas required."

◆ For more information on available trips, log on to www.imaginative-traveller.com.