

DHARAMSALA INSIGHT TOUR 2018



10 – 23
NOVEMBER 2018



FAST FACTS

Dates: 10 –23 November 2018

Trip duration: 14 days

Travel quote: \$4,135 land-only
(includes taxes and a \$1,200 donation to the Tibet Council)

Accommodation: 3 star hotels

HIGHLIGHTS

- Immerse yourself in the ambience of Dharamsala (India), the political and spiritual home of the Tibetan community in exile
- Gain unique cultural insights through visits to His Holiness the Dalai Lama's temple, the Norbulingka Institute, the Tibetan Children's Village, the Tibetan Nuns' Project and the Tibet Museum
- Engage with the Tibetan people firsthand as you experience the delights of Tibetan cuisine, take part in English conversation classes, talk to Buddhist nuns and discuss the current situation in Tibet with local NGOs
- Free time to explore, mingle and shop in the village of McLeod Ganj
- Support the important advocacy work of the Australia Tibet Council as they campaign on behalf of Tibet's people, culture and fragile environment. (travel cost includes a \$1,200 donation to ATC).

INSIGHT SUMMARY

Stunning snow-capped peaks, prayer flags flapping in the wind, Tibetan devotees walking the kora every morning around the Dalai Lama's temple...

By taking part in this 14-day Dharamsala Insight Tour, you will experience all this and more. From the teeming streets of Delhi, you will travel north to the Himalayan foothills via Chandigarh. Spending 11-days based in the village of McLeod Ganj (Upper Dharamsala), home of His Holiness the Dalai Lama, you will immerse yourself in all facets of Tibetan culture and learn firsthand about the current plight of the Tibetan people and their inspiring resilience.

Specially designed and led by the Australia Tibet Council and brought to you by Inspired Travel, the Dharamsala Insight Tour is a unique opportunity to experience the rich Buddhist culture of Tibet with a group of like-minded people.

WHAT WILL MY IMPACT BE?

By taking part in this Dharamsala Insight Tour you will be supporting the important work of the Australia Tibet Council (ATC). ATC is the largest and the most active community of Tibet supporters in Australia funded solely by its members.

The ATC community has been fighting and winning campaigns in support of Tibetan human rights and democratic freedoms for almost 30 years. They have stopped Australian companies from exploiting Tibet's valuable resources and successfully campaigned for the release of political prisoners. ATC has pushed the Australian government to speak out on Tibet and they have shone the spotlight on oppression and injustice, empowered Australia's young Tibetans and amplified the voices of the Tibetan people in their call for freedom.

The Dharamsala Insight Tour will provide you with a unique opportunity to learn more about the plight of Tibet and its people, culture, language and environment. It will also provide ATC with vital funds to continue their work supporting human rights and the democratic freedom of the Tibetan people.

Your donation will help ATC...

- Educate and mobilise the public on why Tibet matters
- Engage in direct political advocacy
- Empower Tibetans and further strengthen the exile community
- Strengthen the global Tibet movement and help to build strong international pressure on China to bring real change in Tibet.

For enquiries about this trip please call Paul on 0419 420 526 or email insight@atc.org.au or visit www.atc.org.au



TRIP NOTES

B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner

★ DAY 1, SATURDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2018 ARRIVE IN DELHI

Welcome to Delhi, India's colourful capital city. You and the team will make your own way to the hotel, where you will then be free to relax or to explore the city's bustling streets, vibrant culture and authentic cuisine.

Hotel: Hotel Ashok Country Resort

🚗 DAY 2, SUNDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2018 DRIVE TO CHANDIGARH

This morning, after breakfast, we will meet for a briefing at 9am and then relax in the hotel until we leave at 11.00am for Chandigarh in a private car. You will then experience the vibrancy and colours of India as we drive through the bustling outskirts and industrial areas, and then head north through the rural villages and the fertile fields of the Punjab, known as the food basket of India. There will be refreshment and comfort stops along the way. We will arrive at the modern and comfortable Homtel Hotel in Chandigarh in the late afternoon, and in the evening, we will get together in the hotel for a casual dinner and drinks.

Hotel: Homtel

Meals: **B** **L** **D**

🚗 DAY 3, MONDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2018 CHANDIGARH TO DHARAMSALA

After breakfast, we will drive from Chandigarh to Dharamsala, the Dalai Lama's home-in-exile, stopping for lunch on the way. Dharamsala is nestled in the Himalayan foothills and you will experience the contrasting landscapes and temperatures as we climb to an altitude of 1,750m above sea level and make our way to our hotel. In the late afternoon, we will arrive in Upper Dharamsala (McLeod Ganj) and check-in the hotel. In the evening, we will get together for dinner at a local restaurant where you will have a chance to try some delicious momo (Tibetan dumplings) or thukpa noodle soup.

Hotel: Serkong House

Meals: **B** **L** **D**

🌀 DAY 4, TUESDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2018 DHARAMSALA: INTRODUCTION

Your immersion in Tibetan culture will begin early this morning (optional) as we join the local community on their daily kora, a walking meditation and pilgrimage around His Holiness, the Dalai Lama's temple complex, known as the Tsuklakhang. After breakfast, you will embark on a guided walking tour around McLeod Ganj and discover the many sights and activities that you will experience over the next 10 days. In the early afternoon, you will have the chance to learn about the work of Lha Charitable Trust, a grass roots organisation that provides a wide range of services for Tibetan refugees, including language classes, IT classes, and community kitchen, health and environmental awareness. The rest of the afternoon and evening is free for you to explore or relax.

Hotel: Serkong House

Meals: **B** **L** **D**



Photo: Jan Herrick



Norbulingka thangka painter



❖ DAY 5, WEDNESDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2018 DHARAMSALA: NORBULINGKA INSTITUTE

Today we will learn about the preservation of Tibetan language and culture. After breakfast, we will visit the Norbulingka Institute. His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama said, "In order to promote compassion, it is not sufficient just to talk; it needs to be spread through example. I believe that our peaceful and compassionate Tibetan society is such an example; that's why it is worth preserving, and I am pleased to see that in its work to keep Tibetan culture alive, the Norbulingka Institute is actively contributing to that task." We will embark on a guided tour, discovering the art workshops, and the thangka painting studio and exhibits. We will then satisfy our taste buds with a buffet lunch at the café there followed by a trip to the Gompa (temple) where you will take a stroll through the gardens before returning to McLeod Ganj. Tonight we'll dine with some representatives of local NGOs.

Hotel: Serkong House

Meals: B L D

❖ DAY 6, THURSDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2018 DHARAMSALA: TIBETAN CHILDREN'S VILLAGE AND GU CHU SUM

Today we start our day off with some local history and take a short drive to St John in the Wilderness, an Anglican church dating from 1852 and set amidst the deodar forest. It is dedicated to St John the Baptist and was built in the neo-Gothic style with Belgian stained-glass windows. From there, we will continue on to the Tibetan Children's Village (TCV), a thriving, educational community that has more than 16,000 children under its care throughout India. A guided-tour will show you more about this valuable organisation that has been caring for children arriving from Tibet for nearly fifty years. Afterwards, you are free to walk or catch a taxi back to McLeod Ganj to relax and enjoy your own time. At 3.30pm, we will visit the ex-political prisoners' association, Gu Chu Sun and listen to a talk by the association's director who will provide you with an overview of their work.

Hotel: Serkong House

Meals: B L D

❖ DAY 7, FRIDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2018 DHARAMSALA: LIBRARY, DHARMA TALK & VOICE OF TIBET

This morning we will visit the Library of Tibetan Works and Archives (LTWA). One of the world's premier institutes of Buddhist and Tibetan studies, the library seeks to restore, protect, preserve and promote Tibetan culture. There will be a guided tour of the archive, museum and library followed by a talk and guided meditation. From there, we will visit the nearby Nechung Gompa and have lunch in the café. In the afternoon we will venture to the 'Voice of Tibet' radio station, which aims to broadcast unbiased news and information to Tibetans around the world, including in Tibet and China.

Hotel: Serkong House

Meals: B L D

🏠 DAY 8, SATURDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2018 DHARAMSALA: FREE DAY

Today you are free to roam and explore McLeod Ganj on your own. You may like to take a walk to the nearby village of Dharamkot, which is a 4km return hike. Along the way you'll be treated to spectacular views of the Kangra Valley and snowcapped Dhauladhar ranges. You may also like to visit the Tushita Meditation Centre and take part in the daily meditation, or check out some of the local wares and handicrafts on sale in the market. In the evening, we will regroup for dinner at the Common Ground Café and enjoy a talk by writer, poet and blogger, Bhuchung D Sonam.

Hotel: Serkong House

Meals: B L D

🏠 DAY 9, SUNDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2018 DHARAMSALA: OPTIONAL TOUR/FREE DAY

This morning you have the option to explore the amazing natural wonders of Dharamsala. By private vehicle or on foot, you will discover the local area and enjoy exquisite mountain views. Alternatively, you may choose to explore Dharamsala on your own or simply relax. Tonight is free at leisure.

Hotel: Serkong House

Meals: B L D

❖ DAY 10, MONDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2018

DHARAMSALA: DALAI LAMA'S TEMPLE

This morning, we will get together and walk to the Jampaling Elders home. We will then visit the Tsuklakhang (home of His Holiness the Dalai Lama's official residence and temple). In the early afternoon we will venture to the national office of Students for a Free Tibet — a network of young people and activists around the world working in solidarity with the Tibetan people in their quest for freedom and independence. Tonight you are free to relax or explore.

Hotel: Serkong House

Meals: **B** **L** **D**

♥ DAY 11, TUESDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2018

DHARAMSALA: TIBETAN NUNS PROJECT

This morning we will visit the Tibetan Nuns Project where we will embark on a guided tour of Dolma Ling Nunnery and have the opportunity to discuss the project with the Project Director. We will then satisfy our taste buds and enjoy a vegetarian lunch prepared by the nuns. After lunch, we will then transfer to Gyuto Monastery. The evening is free for you to enjoy.

Hotel: Serkong House

Meals: **B** **L** **D**

♥ DAY 12: WEDNESDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2018

DHARAMSALA: TIBETAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION & TIBET MUSEUM

This morning we will visit the headquarters of the Tibetan Women's Association (TWA), a vibrant organisation that assists local women and promotes the rights of Tibetan women in exile. Here, we will enjoy morning tea and listen to a talk by the Executive of the association. We will then visit the Tibet Museum. The museum offers a fascinating insight into the history of the ongoing struggle for the Tibetan autonomy. The afternoon is free at leisure. In the evening ATC will sponsor a farewell dinner.

Hotel: Serkong House

Meals: **B** **L** **D**

🏠 DAY 13, THURSDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2018

FREE DAY

With your adventure complete, take time to reflect on the memories and moments that have made this adventure one you will never forget. You may want to go shopping, catch up with friends or revisit some of your favourite places.

Hotel: Serkong House

Meals: **B** **L** **D**

✈ DAY 14, FRIDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2018

DHARAMSALA TO DELHI AND DEPARTURE

Today we make the return journey from Dharamsala to Delhi by flight, leaving in the early morning.

Meals: **B** **L** **D**



DHARAMSALA INSIGHT TOUR COSTS

The cost for the Dharamsala Insight Tour 2018 is \$4,135 land-only.

WHAT DOES IT COST?

Upon registration, you will pay a travel deposit of \$600. The balance of the travel costs are due 90 days prior to departure.

CAN I EXTEND MY STAY?

Of course, many of our participants decide to extend their stay to get the most from their overseas adventure! Please note that additional travel arrangements are at your own cost.

WHAT IS THE MINIMUM AGE AND GENERAL AGE RANGE OF PARTICIPANTS?

The minimum age is 18 years old. We have had participants of all ages from 18–70 years and older, all united by their sense of adventure.



THE \$4,135 TRAVEL COST INCLUDES:

- All transfers as per itinerary in private vehicle
- Internal airfare to Delhi on Friday, 23 November
- Australian Tibet Council escort
- Local English-speaking guides
- 13 nights twins share in 3 star hotels
- Meals as per itinerary
- Donation of \$1,200 to Australian Tibet Council
- All sightseeing and activities as per itinerary

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED?

- International flight to Delhi
- Travel insurance (compulsory)
- Visas
- Soft drinks and alcoholic beverages
- Personal expenses
- Tips and gratuities
- Any additional sightseeing or activities
- Single room supplement (\$550)

HOW DO I REGISTER?

You can register by completing the enclosed booking form and returning it with your travel deposit paid by credit card*, cheque or money order to jennifer.k@inspiredadventures.com.au

*Please note there is a 1.5% surcharge for credit card payments

Cheques and money orders are payable to; 'Inspired Travel Pty Ltd'.

**For enquiries about the trip
please call Paul on 0419 420 526 or email
insight@atc.org.au or visit www.atc.org.au**

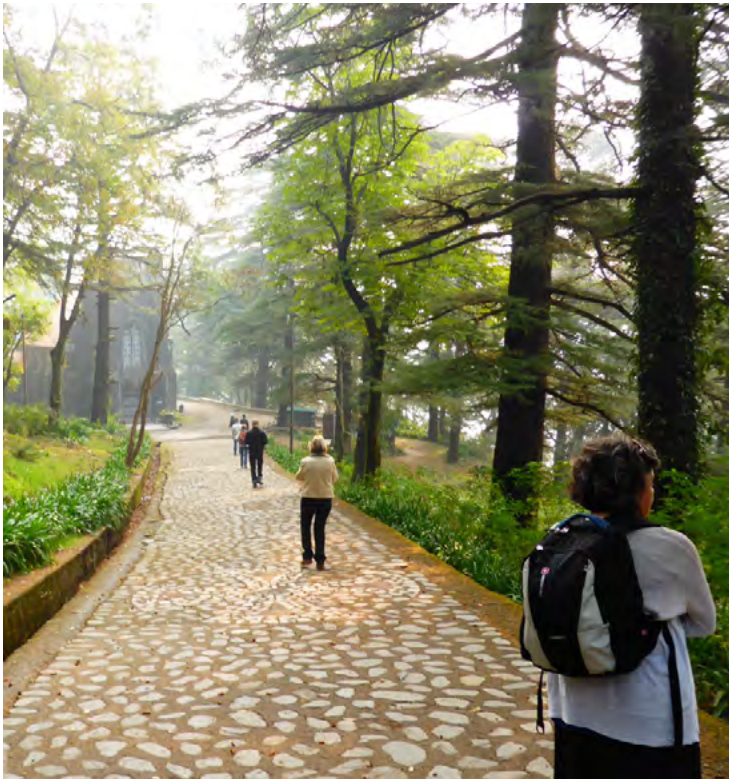
ABOUT AUSTRALIA TIBET COUNCIL

From a small band of volunteers in 1988, today we are the leading Tibet support group and have the most active community of Tibet supporters in Australia. We are inspired by the indomitable spirit of the Tibetan people, who for over 60 years have fought against the oppression of their homeland with non-violent resistance.

From online actions to public talks to advocacy days, we have an ambitious program of strategic activities giving anyone the opportunity to play their part. All this is funded solely by our members.

We have proved that when individual Australians pull together and take coordinated action, we can be a force for significant changes. We collaborate and work closely with groups including local Tibetan communities and organisations, the Australian All-Party Parliamentary Group for Tibet, Dalai Lama in Australia Ltd and Tibet Information Office, the Australian arm of the Tibetan government-in-exile.

By joining ATC on the Dharamsala Insight Tour, you can also be part of a truly global movement. We are a close partner of the International Campaign for Tibet and an integral part of the International Tibet Network, a worldwide coalition of close to 200 Tibet support groups.



ABOUT INSPIRED TRAVEL

Inspired Travel is a travel agency with a difference. Aligned with Inspired Adventures, Inspired Travel creates travel experiences that can change people's lives.

Since 2004, Inspired Adventures has worked with Australian and New Zealand charities large and small to create once-in-a-lifetime adventures and challenges across Australia and the world. From the Larapinta Trail to the New York Marathon, from cultural immersion in China and India, climbing Kilimanjaro and beyond.

We believe that we are all capable of far more than we ever imagine!



BOOK NOW

Complete the Booking Form and send it to:
✉ jennifer.k@inspiredadventures.com.au

COUNTDOWN TO YOUR INSPIRED ADVENTURE

✓	To Do	Date	Activity
●	Travel deposit	Upon booking	Pay \$600 travel deposit to secure your travel package.
●	Travel cost balance	Friday, 10 August 2018	Pay Inspired Travel \$3,535 for your travel balance.
●	Dharamsala Insight Tour	Saturday 10 November 2018	Embark on the trip of a lifetime.

Inspired Travel Booking Form



Adventure Details

Adventure Name: Dharamsala Insight Tour 2018

Departure Date: / /

Personal Details

☐ Mr ☐ Mrs ☐ Ms ☐ Mx ☐ Dr ☐ Other

Please write name as it appears on your passport.

First Name: _____

Middle Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Town/Suburb: _____

State: _____ Postcode: _____

Tel Day: (_____) _____

Tel Night: (_____) _____

Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: / /

Nationality: _____

Passport #: _____

Country: _____

Place of Issue: _____

Date of Issue: / /

Expiry Date: / /

Your passport must be valid for at least 6 months after your return date.

Accommodation is based on twin share. Is there anyone you would like to share with?

Are you interested in a single room? ☐ YES ☐ NO

(a single supplement will apply and prices will be supplied upon application)

AUSTRALIAN OR NEW ZEALAND PARTICIPANTS ONLY:

Are you interested in booking flights with Inspired Travel? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Departure City: _____

Inspired Travel may be able to arrange your departure from your chosen city. A surcharge may apply.

Do you have a pre-existing medical conditions which may affect your ability to undertake this challenge? ☐ YES ☐ NO

(you will be required to complete a medical risk assessment prior to travel)

Do you have any special dietary requests?

Emergency Contact

Contact: _____

Relationship: _____

Tel Day: (_____) _____

Tel Night: (_____) _____

Mobile: _____

Payment Details

Travel Deposit

I authorise **Inspired Travel** to:

☐ debit my credit card the non-refundable \$600 travel deposit immediately. I accept the 1.5% credit card surcharge.

Type of Card: ☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard

Card #:

Expiry Date: /

Name: _____

Signature: _____

OR

☐ I will pay \$600 by direct bank transfer:

Inspired Travel Pty Ltd

BSB: 082-008

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The travel deposit is deducted from your overall travel balance.

How did you hear about us?

☐ Web ☐ ATC ☐ e-Newsletter ☐ WOM

☐ Other: _____

On registration you will be subscribed to our e-Newsletter, if you do not wish to receive this please tick here ☐

To: Inspired Travel and Australia Tibet Council,
In signing this booking form, I acknowledge that I have read and understood and accept the booking conditions accompanying this booking form and particularly those relating to release and waiver of liability conditions and that I will hold proper travel insurance for the travel.

Signature: _____

Date: / /

Please note: if you are under 18 years of age this form requires the signature of a parent or legal guardian.

Please scan and email completed form to jennifer.k@inspiredadventures.com.au

INSPIRED TRAVEL BOOKING CONDITIONS

In completing and submitting the Booking Form, you agree to be bound by these conditions of contract between Inspired Travel Pty Limited ABN 70 152 488 250, IATA number 2TA09976 ("Inspired Travel") and you. These conditions of contract are: (a) to be read consistently with the Booking Form; (b) to apply to the exclusion of any terms or conditions not set out in the Booking Form; (c) to be effective unless varied in writing and signed by a person so authorised by Inspired Adventures and Inspired Travel; and (d) to override the terms of any previous dealings with you. Please read these conditions of contract carefully.

1. How to Book: To participate in this Tour, you must pay a non-refundable travel deposit of AUD\$600 including GST. This deposit is payable to Inspired Travel upon registration. Places are limited on the Tour and are allocated on a first come, first served, basis.

2. Payments and Donation: Eligibility to take part in this Tour is contingent upon you making the minimum donation to the Charity. Inspired Travel will not accept receipt of your balance travel payment until there is evidence that your donation has been met. Travel costs exclude travel insurance & visa fees. The cost of your travel package must be paid as per the due dates and amounts set out in your conditions of contract with Inspired Travel. Failure to lodge the donation on or before the required date will render you ineligible to depart on the Tour, and you will forfeit in full the AUD\$600 Travel Deposit paid to Inspired Travel, and your place on the Tour. All funds raised in the name of the Charity must be forwarded immediately to the Charity. Inspired Travel and the Charity reserve the right to refuse your Application to participate in the Tour on non-compliance with this requirement.

3. Cancellations by You: If you wish to cancel your participation in this Tour, you must notify Inspired Travel in writing. The following charges will apply: You will automatically forfeit your travel deposit (AUD\$600), as paid. Other fees may apply as per the Inspired Travel booking conditions. You may also incur an AUD\$750 withdrawal fee payable to the Charity.

4. Cancellations by Inspired Travel: If there are too few participants on your Tour or if there are other reasons that the Tour should not proceed as scheduled, Inspired Travel and/or the Charity have to cancel the Tour, and reserve the right to offer you alternatives. If the Tour is cancelled, and any alternatives offered are not suitable, you will be refunded any monies paid to Inspired Travel, less an administration fee of \$50. You may be entitled to full or partial refund on monies paid to Inspired Travel dependent on the booking conditions.

5. Disclaimer: You accept that:

Should your Application to book be refused; (a) your booking for the Tour will take a first come, first served, basis; and (b) Inspired Travel will not be liable for any breach of any law by you or any person with whom you travel on the Tour; and (c) you may not rely on any representations concerning the Tour made by Inspired Travel which are not contained in these booking conditions.

6. Release and Waiver of Liability: In consideration of Inspired Travel and the Charity accepting your application to register, and in consideration of you being permitted by Inspired Travel and the Charity to participate in the Challenge: you waive any and all claims you may now or in the future have against Inspired Travel and the Charity, their officers, employees, agents or representatives ("the promoters") and release from all liability and agree not to sue the promoters for any personal injury, death, property damage or loss sustained by you as a result of your participation in the Tour, other than caused by the reckless conduct or wilful act of the promoters. You acknowledge that the Tour may involve adventurous activities and accept all the inherent risks associated with such activities and the heightened possibility of: (a) death; or (b) physical or mental injury (including the aggravation, acceleration or recurrence of such an injury); or (c) the contraction, aggravation or acceleration of an illness or disease; or (d) the coming into existence, the aggravation, acceleration or recurrence of any other condition, circumstance, occurrence, activity, form of behaviour, course of conduct or state of affairs – in relation to you: (i) that is or may be harmful or disadvantageous to you or to the community; or (ii) that may result in harm or disadvantage to you or to the community. The consumer guarantees for the supply of recreational services are excluded to the extent permissible by section 139A of the Competition and Consumer Act 2010, and section 5N of the Civil Liability Act 2002 (NSW) and the equivalent provisions of the other States and Territories in Australia.

7. Bookings made in Victoria: This condition 6 and the following statutory warning apply if the booking is made in Victoria, in addition to the provisions of section 139A of the Competition and Consumer Act 2010. This is a contract is for the supply of recreational services. The provisions, rights and liability for the supply of the recreational services described in section 32N(1)(a),(b) & (c) of the Fair Trading Act 1999 Victoria (as amended) are excluded, restricted or modified in relation to this contract in favour of Inspired Travel, the charity and their officers, employees, agents or representatives.

WARNING UNDER THE FAIR TRADING ACT 1999 (Vic)

Under the provisions of the Fair Trading Act 1999 several conditions are implied into contracts for the supply of certain goods and services. These conditions mean that the supplier named on this form is required to ensure that the recreational services it supplies to you are- (a) rendered with due care and skill; and (b) as fit for the purpose for which they are commonly bought as it is reasonable to expect in the circumstances; and (c) reasonably fit for any particular purpose or might reasonably be expected to achieve any result you have made known to the supplier.

Under section 32N of the Fair Trading Act 1999, the supplier is entitled to ask you to agree that these conditions do not apply to you. If you sign this form, you will be agreeing that your rights to sue the supplier under the Fair Trading Act 1999 if you are killed or injured because the services were not rendered with due care and skill or they were not reasonably fit for their purpose, are excluded, restricted or modified in the way set out in this form. NOTE: The change to your rights, as set out in this form, does not apply if your death or injury is due to gross negligence on the supplier's part. "Gross negligence" is defined in the Fair Trading (Recreational Services) Regulations 2004.

7. Jurisdiction: This agreement and the rights and obligations of the parties will be construed and take effect in accordance with and be governed by the laws of: (a) Victoria, in the case of a booking made in the state of Victoria, or (b) New South Wales, in the case of a booking made elsewhere in Australia or worldwide.

8. Privacy: In order to be able to supply services to you, Inspired Travel will need to collect certain information from you, some of which may be of a personal nature. The information may be disclosed to, or collected on our behalf by our service providers to enable the services to be provided, but will not be used by them for any other purpose.

9. Image and Likeness: You grant Inspired Travel the right to take photographs and videos of you and your personal effects in connection to your participation on a Tour. You authorise Inspired Travel, its assigns and transferees to copyright, use and publish your image and likeness in print and/or electronically for marketing purposes, and the like.

INSPIRED TRAVEL TERMS AND CONDITIONS – THE TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

This Tour is operated by Inspired Travel Pty Limited ABN 70 152 488 250 ("Inspired Travel"). Please read the following terms and conditions carefully. You must not book unless you understand and agree with the following terms and conditions.

References to "us", "we", "our" in these booking terms and conditions shall be a reference to Inspired Travel.

1. Prices: All prices are subject to travel availability and can be withdrawn or varied without notice. Please contact your consultant for current prices.

- The price is only guaranteed to be available when receipt of full payment has been confirmed. Please note that prices quoted here are subject to change and will be re quoted until the time full payment is received.
- After the time full payment is received, price increases may occur by reason of factors outside our control which result in an increase in the cost of the product or service. Such factors include adverse currency fluctuations, fuel surcharges, taxes and airfare increases.
- Airline taxes are confirmed at the time your airline ticket is issued. There may also be local taxes, air passenger duties, entry charges or visa fees charged at some airports. These are payable by you, as and when they become payable.

2. Refunds, Changes and Cancellation Fees: Fees and extra charges will apply where a booking is changed. Fees and extra charges will also apply when tickets or documents are re-issued. Cancelled bookings will incur charges. These charges can be up to 100% of the cost of the booking, regardless of whether or not travel has commenced. Where we incur any liability for a cancellation fee or charge for any booking which you cancel, you agree to indemnify us for the amount of that fee or charge.

Some of the specific terms which may apply if you cancel or change your booking are as follows:

Cancellation Fees: If you wish to cancel your booking the following conditions apply:

- Your \$600 travel deposit, which is non refundable and non transferable, will be forfeited;
 - A \$550 cancellation fee will be payable if cancellation occurs between 60 and 90 days prior to the departure date;
 - If the cancellation occurs within 60 days prior to the departure date, all travel costs, including the deposit, will be forfeited;
 - Ex Australia airfares and stopover accommodation will be subject to the cancellation and amendment fees set by the specific airlines /hotels concerned;
 - We are unable to provide a refund to you until we receive the funds from the relevant supplier.
- Amendment Fees: If you wish to amend your travel arrangements the following conditions apply:
- A\$50 amendment fee will be charged if travel arrangements are amended within 60 days prior to the departure date
 - Name changes are not permitted after full payment has been made. It is your responsibility to ensure that the name on your itinerary matches the name on your passport before making the payment; and
 - amendments to flights after full payment has been made will incur a fee of \$200 per person plus any applicable

difference in airfare charges and taxes.

3. Deposit and Final Payment: You will be required to pay a \$600 travel deposit at the time of booking. All deposits are non-refundable. Final payment is required no later than 60 days prior to departure date unless otherwise stated. Some airfares or services must be paid in full at the time of booking.

• **Payments by Credit Card:** Credit card surcharges of 1.5% for Visa, Mastercard credit cards will apply when paying by credit card. If for any reason any travel service provider is unable to provide the services for which you have contracted, your remedy lies against that provider, and not against Inspired Travel. In the event that payment has been made to Inspired Travel by credit card, you agree that you will not seek to charge back your payment.

• **Payments by Cheque:** Please note that payments by cheque (including bank cheques) require 5 business days to process. If you are paying by this method you will need to make the payment at least 5 business days prior to the actual due date. You agree not to stop payment of the cheque even when you cancel a booking. You agree that we may apply the proceeds of the cheque to satisfy any liability you have to us, including any liability in respect of cancellation fees, before refunding the balance to you.

4. Travel Insurance: Travel Insurance is compulsory for all travellers participating in a Tour. The travel insurance must be comprehensive and must cover accidents, injury, illness and death, medical and hospital expenses, including any related to pre-existing medical conditions, emergency repatriation (including helicopter rescue and air ambulance where applicable) and personal liability. It is recommended that the travel insurance covers loss of deposit, cancellation, curtailment and loss of personal property. The travel insurance is to cover the duration of, and place of the Tour. You must carry proof of travel insurance with you, and produce it if reasonably requested by Inspired Travel, its employees and agents. Inspired Travel reserves the right to cancel or suspend your participation on a Tour or in certain activities that comprise part of a Tour, at any time including at or after the commencement of the Tour, with no right of refund, if you are unable to provide proof of travel insurance when requested.

5. Agency: Inspired Travel acts as a travel agent only. Inspired Travel sells various travel related products on behalf of numerous transport, accommodation and other wholesale service providers, such as airlines, coach, rail and cruise line operators. Inspired Travel is responsible to make travel bookings on your behalf and to arrange relevant contracts between you and travel service providers. We have no responsibility for the provision of these services nor do we make or give any warranty or representation regarding their standard. All bookings made are subject to the terms and conditions and limitations of liability imposed by the service provider. If the service provider is unable to provide the services for which you have contracted, your remedy lies against the service provider and not with Inspired Travel.

6. Liability waiver: We do not accept any liability of whatever nature, whether in contract, tort or otherwise, for the acts, omissions or default, whether negligent or otherwise, of third party providers over whom we have no direct control. Under circumstances where liability cannot be excluded, such liability is limited to the value of the purchased travel arrangements. We do not accept any liability in contract, tort or otherwise for any injury, damage, loss (including consequential loss), delay, additional expense or inconvenience caused directly or indirectly by force majeure or any other event which is beyond our control and which is not preventable by reasonable diligence on our part.

You acknowledge your journey will have the usual risks of travel and, in some cases, additional risks that are associated with adventure activities and the specific nature of your Tour. You accept these risks and the possibility of personal injury, death, property damage or loss which may result from your decision to participate in the Tour. You agree that should you be affected by any sickness, serious injury or other unforeseen circumstance that Inspired Travel, and/or any of our overseas partner operators, can arrange any urgent medical treatment or emergency evacuation as deemed necessary for your safety and that all such costs will be borne by you and/or your travel insurer.

7. Change of arrangements: You acknowledge that travelling with Inspired Travel requires a degree of flexibility, good humour, and an understanding that the itinerary, accommodation, and/or modes of transport may change, even after a tour's commencement, without prior notice due to local circumstances. Changes may occur because of force majeure, poor road conditions, weather, the availability of tickets, vehicle breakdowns, changes in transport schedules, or other circumstances beyond Inspired Travel's control or which simply cannot be foreseen. Inspired Travel does not accept any responsibility for loss of enjoyment, delays or compensation resulting from circumstances beyond Inspired Travel's control.

Inspired Travel reserves the right to change any part, or the whole, of the arrangements contained within the tour plan, should conditions or circumstances beyond our reasonable control determine such action necessary. In such cases, we will use our reasonable endeavours to provide alternatives of the same standard, quality and duration as the original itinerary. You will have the right to cancel your tour, in which case your deposit will be forfeited. Furthermore, if you cancel, you will be liable under certain supplier cancellation policies.

8. Trip Notes: The information about trips given in Trip Notes and Pre-Departure Information are subject to change. It is your responsibility to review the up-to-date Trip Notes and Pre-Departure Information. These can be obtained from Inspired Travel. The information and conditions in the Trip Notes and Pre-Departure Information are deemed to be part of the contract. Where changes to your trip occur after you have received your final documentation we will, where practical, advise you of such changes.

9. Special Requirements: Please liaise with your travel consultant regarding any special requirements you may have for your travel arrangements such as special meal and seating requests.

10. Frequent Flyer: Please advise your consultant of your frequent flyer membership details for inclusion in your booking. Please check your frequent flyer program for specific terms of your membership. We cannot guarantee that the supplier will credit you with points for your booking.

11. Passports & Visas: All travellers must have a valid passport for international travel. Many countries require passport validity at least 6 months validity from the date of return. All expenditures incurred as a result of such documents not meeting the requirements will be your sole responsibility.

If you need information regarding visa and other travel document requirements for your trip please let us know. We can obtain such information from an external visa advisory service provider engaged on your behalf. We do not warrant the accuracy of such information and accept no liability for any loss or damage which you may suffer in reliance on it. If you wish, we can obtain visas for you through this external service and fees will apply. If you are traveling to the United States please see <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov> for information regarding pre-registration for their visa waiver program.

12. Travel Advice: For travel advice, please visit the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade website at www.smarttraveller.gov.au, and register with them.

13. Health: You must ensure that you are aware of any health requirements for your travel and ensure that you carry all necessary vaccination documentation. Please check with your local doctor or specialist travel vaccination clinic.

14. Travel Documents: Travel documents include (without limitation) airline tickets, hotel vouchers, tour vouchers or any other document (whether certain conditions and/or restrictions including (without limitation) being non-refundable, non-date-changeable and subject to cancellation and/or amendment fees. Travel documents cannot be transferred to another person to use. All airline tickets must be issued in the name of the passport holder. An incorrect name on a booking may result in an inability to use that booking and the booking being cancelled or amended. Any errors in names, dates and timings on your documentation will be your responsibility, if not advised at the time of booking. It is your responsibility to collect all travel documents from us prior to travel.

As a general rule your travel documents will be available for collection 2 weeks prior to departure. However this will depend on your individual arrangements. Please contact your travel consultant to confirm when your documents will be ready for collection.

15. Governing Law: If any dispute arises in relation to the agreement between you and us as constituted by these terms and conditions or otherwise, the laws of New South Wales, Australia will apply. You irrevocably and unconditionally submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of New South Wales, Australia, and waive any right that you may have to object to an action being brought in those courts.

I acknowledge that I am 18 years of age or older.

I have read, understand and agree to the Terms and Conditions set out in this form.

Print Full Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____