

# EXCLUSIVE ESCORTED TOUR & CRUISE IN PURSUIT OF THE NORTHERN LIGHTS



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 HURTIGRUTEN

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

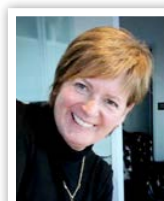
- Stay in authentic local accommodation including log cabins with open fires, glass igloos, and traditional water front cabins overlooking both fjord and mountain
- Search for the Northern Lights in a reindeer-drawn sleigh through the night forest
- Enjoy a snowmobile safari through majestic scenery
- Meet with the local Sámi people and learn about the Sámi culture
- Wonder at the scenery as you ride the Flåm Railway
- Cruise one of the most scenic maritime areas of the world for seven days onboard a 2016-refurbished modern Hurtigruten Ferry

**PREMIUM  
ESCORTED  
TOUR &  
CRUISE**

**WITH EXPERIENCED TOUR ESCORT**

Cathi Burnett-Cosgrove

22 Days • Departing **21st January 2025**



*Andrew Jones*  
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# FOREWORD

Andrew Jones Travel has been synonymous with global travel and adventure for over 25 years.

It is with great excitement that I announce the third Compass Society expedition to the roof of the world, travelling *In Pursuit of the Northern Lights*.

These prior experiences give me a profound advantage in knowing how best to create an unprecedented journey that will stay with you for a lifetime.

Venture with me to a part of our planet where the limited daylight is offset by the night sky dancing with a truly magical type of light. Far from a journey into darkness, the earth is illuminated by the light interacting with the landscape covered in powdery snow. The combination being an ethereal, breathtaking experience that is bound to leave you speechless.

On this journey, we will meet with the Sámi people and learn of their way of life. We will experience the thrill of husky sledding, take charge of snow mobiles, and laugh to the jingling bells as we make our way through the snow on our sleighs led by reindeer.

We will make our way to Flåm in Norway onboard one of the most scenic rail journeys in the world staying overnight in

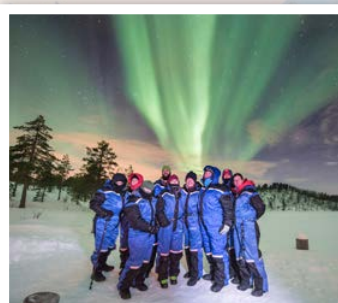
this quaint village. It's the powerful silence. It is the peace. It is the natural beauty that make our stay in this fjord unforgettable.

We will board one of the Hurtigruten ferries. This legendary company has just celebrated their 130th anniversary of plying the coast delivering the mail and allowing locals vital connections to their neighbours and the world at large.

Our diverse accommodation covers everything from log cabins, to glass igloos and typical Scandinavian hotels.

I hope you'll join me – you'll be pleased you did.

*Cathi Burnett-Cosgrove*  
Travel Designer



## OUR TOUR ITINERARY

*Day 1*

**TUESDAY 21ST JANUARY 2025:  
DEPART AUSTRALIA**

Today we depart Australia for our journey to Scandinavia.

*Day 2*

**WEDNESDAY 22ND JANUARY:  
ARRIVE OSLO**

On arrival into Norway we will be given an introductory tour of Oslo.

Our panoramic exploration of this city will include a walking tour of Vigeland Sculpture Park. At the end of the tour we will check into our hotel and later today enjoy a relaxing dinner. **D**



*Day 3*

**THURSDAY 23RD JANUARY: OSLO  
– FLÅM**

An early start as we make our way to Flåm. Today we will take a coach transfer to Mydal Station and together we will experience what is considered one of the spectacular rail journeys in the world – the Flåm Railway.

Along the way, we will wonder at the scenic falls, the mountains and travel through twenty tunnels before we arrive at our overnight destination (Flåm). This quaint village is quintessentially Norwegian and is located on the 29-kilometre long Aurlandsfjord. **B D**

*Day 4*

**FRIDAY 24TH JANUARY: FLÅM –  
BERGEN**

After breakfast, we will cruise the fjord from Flåm to Gudvangen. This is where you will see some of the most outstanding scenery in the world! On

our arrival, we will then travel by coach to Bergen for our overnight stay. **B D**

*Day 5*

**SATURDAY 25TH JANUARY:  
BERGEN**

This morning we will meet our local guide and delight in the local sights. It has remained an important city of trade over many centuries due to its deep harbour and surrounding by mountains. Pass by St. Mary's Church and Håkon's Hall and we will walk around the colourful and picturesque fish markets at the old Hanseatic wharf. Visit Trolldhaugen, the home of Norway's most famous composer Edvard Grieg.

Trolldhaugen consists of the Edvard Grieg Museum, his villa, the hut where he composed music and his gravesite.



Late this afternoon we will board *MS Polarlys*. This vessel is one of the Hurtigruten ferries, and though not a cruise ship, it offers a journey like no

other. These ferries are part of the traditional Norwegian working fleet. It is not a cruise but a voyage beyond our imaginings and the start of our search for the Northern Lights. It is our home for the next seven days as we weave our way in and out of fjords, towns and cities. Facilities on the ferry are of a good standard with meals based on set menus. Along the way we will have the opportunity to meet with locals who rely on the Hurtigruten for their travel along the coast. **B D**

*Day 6*

## SUNDAY 26TH JANUARY: ÅLESUND

Today is a day to relax as we navigate the skerries and islands further north before reaching Ålesund. This city is renowned for its beautiful Art Nouveau architecture. On departure we head north towards Trondheim. **B L D**

*Day 7*

## MONDAY 27TH JANUARY: TRONDHEIM

We arrive into Trondheim, which was Norway's first capital. Look out for the storehouses along the river, which are built on wooden stilts. These provide a colourful contrast to the pure white snow that often covers the city. **B L D**



Tromsø



*Day 8*

## TUESDAY 28TH JANUARY: ARCTIC CIRCLE & LOFOTEN ISLANDS

As we cross the Arctic Circle the hunt for the Arctic light really begins! We will enter the dramatic and narrow Raftsundet, and if the weather and ice conditions allow, sail to the entrance of the famous Trollfjord. Tonight we meet the Vikings! The largest Viking building ever found has been recreated at the Lofotr Viking Museum. The chieftain and the lady of the house invite us to join them for a real Viking feast in the banquet hall. Experience the magic and excitement as they make 'sacrifices' to the Gods, praying that the sun will return. It will provide a night of merriment and entertainment. **B L D**

*Day 9*

## WEDNESDAY 29TH JANUARY: TROMSØ

After a morning stop in Finnsnes, we continue to the Arctic capital Tromsø.

This is an easy city to explore, so we will enjoy a free day to discover the history and its connection to the Arctic. **B L D**

*Day 10*

## THURSDAY 30TH JANUARY: HONNINGSVÅG & THE NORTH CAPE

Honningsvåg is the nearest port to the North Cape – at 71°10'21"N, only 2,000 kilometres from the Geographic North Pole.

We will travel through the magnificent sub-Arctic landscape as we cross the 71st parallel on our journey towards the North Cape, which is the northernmost point of the continent.

We will visit the North Cape Hall where we will see an impressive 180° panoramic film about Finnmark and the North Cape. **B, L, D**

*Day 11*

## FRIDAY 31ST JANUARY: KIRKENES – INARI

Admire dramatic coastal vistas as we approach Kirkenes – the turning point of the voyage and also where we disembark the cruise this morning.

We meet our guide and drive through Kirkenes for a short visit to the Kirkenes Snow Hotel which has been voted 'Best Trip' by *National Geographic*. This morning a totally unforgettable experience awaits us on the frozen fjords of Kirkenes, namely a King Crab Safari. This is our chance to catch, learn how to cook, and most importantly eat this mysterious creature. The Arctic King Crab is one of the most sought-after meals in top restaurants, and yet here, we get to eat the best and the freshest, pulled from the fjord in front of your eyes. We all take part in helping to saw the hole in the ice and bring up the catch. We will see how the crab is prepared by our master guide, and we will be taken by snowmobile sledge (an experience in itself) to a beautiful farmhouse by the lake.

Later, we will enjoy a welcome drink



Lofotr Viking Museum



in the Sculptured SnowBar, visit the Snowhotel and take a look at the suites and beautiful snow paintings designed by local and international artists. After this, we have the opportunity to visit and feed the friendly resident reindeers. We can also meet the huskies, and watch them run, or walk on the frozen lake and maybe catch a glimpse of snow kiting in action. **B D**

### Day 12

#### **SATURDAY 1ST FEBRUARY: INARI – SAARISELKÄ**

Today we walk to the Sámi Museum Siida. This is the National Museum of the Finnish Sámi. We then continue onto our hotel in Saariselkä, where we stay for the next three nights. **B D**

### Day 13

#### **SUNDAY 2ND FEBRUARY: SAARISELKÄ**

Today we will learn how to throw the Lappish lasso, drive a reindeer sleigh and experience riding a snowmobile.

This is the authentic way to experience arctic wilderness and culture: we will be picked up from Kakslauttanen by guide and provided with thermal outfits at the farm. After a photo opportunity with reindeer, it's time to sit comfortably in the sledge under warm blankets and head into the wilderness. The pace is calm and relaxing; breathe in the fresh air and listen to the soundscape of the arctic wilderness. After the ride, we enter to a traditional reindeer herder's shelter and home "kota" to enjoy coffee prepared on open fire and a Finnish treat. We will also learn about the

fascinating nature and culture of the region.

We then go aurora hunting via snowmobile. A thrilling ride in the arctic forest. The best way to see the fell landscape in Lapland is by snowmobile. Each snowmobile is for two people, where one is driving and the other sits in the back (you can swap halfway). We head into the wilderness and immerse ourselves into the arctic nature. If we are lucky, we will witness the Northern Lights (weather permitting) while gazing at the night sky. **B L D**

### Day 14

#### **MONDAY 3RD FEBRUARY: SAARISELKÄ**

We head to the horse stables this morning where two strong and noble Finnhorses pull our wooden sleigh into the magical and peaceful wintery forest. In the middle of the ride, we will stop to observe the Northern Lights if they show themselves. During the break, enjoy a hot drink and learn about the culture and nature of Lapland.

This evening, we head to the husky farm and meet the friendly dogs, who are eagerly waiting in front of the sledges. Husky dogs love running and can't wait to get going! The guide will provide instructions on how to stop, turn and drive the husky sledge pulled by several dogs. The sled is for two people unless you wish to have your sled only for yourself (additional cost). One person is seated in the sleigh, the other is standing and driving in the back (you can swap halfway). You will enjoy riding in the wintery forest as much as the dogs! After returning to the farm and

thanking your dogs for the adventure together, it's time for a hot drink and some husky stories. **B D**

### Day 15

#### **TUESDAY 4TH FEBRUARY: SAARISELKÄ – LEVI**

This morning we meet with our local guide at the hotel and travel south to Sodankylä. We then make our way west towards Levi, where we will experience one of the highlights of the tour. We stay overnight in a glass igloo!

The afternoon is at leisure to indulge in the sights and sounds of this majestic area. **B D**

### Day 16

#### **WEDNESDAY 5TH FEBRUARY: LEVI – MALANGEN**

We leave Levi and travel towards Tromsø, a long but scenic drive. Along the way our guide will provide information about the regions as we cross the border of Sweden and Finland and travel into Norway before reaching the Lyngenfjord. Late in the day we reach our coastal resort for a three night stay. **B D**

### Day 17

#### **THURSDAY 6TH FEBRUARY: MALANGEN**

We have the morning to explore before participating in a husky safari. Located near Camp Nikka, we meet with an intimate group of eager huskies just waiting to take us into the wilderness.

We start the adventure with a lesson in how to manage our own husky team





and we will drive in pairs. We finish the excursion with a delicious hot meal by an open fire. Our resort is located near one of the most visited Northern Lights hotspots. We will be part of "The Watch", and this enhances our opportunity of seeing the lights. We prepare for the journey with a briefing about this natural phenomenon and the current conditions before setting off on a chase to wherever the lights take us. Experienced guides will help us to set our cameras to capture this magical show. The chase will continue long after we return to our hotel rooms; however if guides spot the lights they will wake us with a magical Sámi song.

It is then time for us to jump into our survival kit and meet in the hotel lobby to resume the chase! **B L D**

*Day 18*

### FRIDAY 7TH FEBRUARY: MALANGEN

Today we have the day at leisure to relax and take in our surroundings. This evening we enjoy a special Sámi evening where an invited group of indigenous Sámi people will perform dressed in their traditional clothes and present their culture by storytelling and traditional 'yoiking'. **B L D**

*Day 19*

### SATURDAY 8TH FEBRUARY: MALANGEN – OSLO

Today we make our way back to Oslo with a flight today from Tromsø. On our return, we will visit the Kistefos Museum and the Norwegian Folk

Museum before our farewell dinner. **B D**

*Days 20 – 21*

### SUNDAY 9TH AND MONDAY 10TH FEBRUARY: RETURN TO AUSTRALIA

Time to start our journey home. On Sunday, we will be transferred to the airport for our flight back to Australia.

Monday we transit via Melbourne with overnight accommodation in Melbourne.

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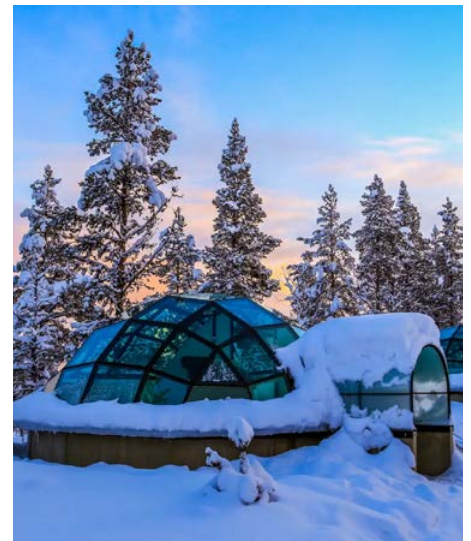
*Day 22*

### TUESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2025: ARRIVE HOME

We arrive home and say goodbye to our new found friends, with whom we have experienced an adventure of a lifetime.

**B**

Included meals as shown in the itinerary:  
**B** Breakfast; **L** Lunch; **D** Dinner; **AIR** In-flight meals



Notes: (1) The ferry stops at 34 coastal communities, big and small, day and night and is subject to change. The ferry docks in villages and towns for 10 to 45 minutes, and cities for a few hours. (2) While great care has been taken in designing this itinerary to take full advantage of the possibility of seeing the Northern Lights, please note there can be no guarantee of sighting the *Aurora Borealis*.

## DISCOVER what others say about their experience on tours with The Compass Society and Cathi Burnett-Cosgrove...



The *Tasmania at its Finest* Tour reminded this group of seasoned travellers what we value as Tasmanians... a unique opportunity to reconnect with the things we love – beauty, quality and connectedness. **Organised by the best** in the business, **it was an outstanding experience.**

– Barbara Lypka

“The Planning. The Places. The People. **Pure Perfection.**”

– Glenn and Wendy

“P.S.: And the Pub!”

“So many thanks for a wonderfully crafted tour. What a magnificent mix of history and scenery plus stunning food and wine stops. **So many memorable experiences** and you even managed the weather gods for our surprise helicopter ride over the NE vineyards, what a day that was. **Cathi, you are such a fabulous facilitator**, leaving us with amazing memories and fantastic friendships, thank you!”

– Rob Pryce-Jones

“Thank you Travel Goddess for a great trip. **Loved Ireland! St Kilda in Scotland was special** and you even managed a wonderful weather!

– Robert & Jan

“Cathi, **what a great trip!** Really appreciate all your planning and surprises.”

– Sincere thanks, Sally

“Thankyou for **another wonderful adventure, lots of fun and good people.** Looking forward to more.”

– Wendy

“My first and, hopefully not my last trip with the indomitable Cathi.

Thank you for **all your hard work prior to travel and special care.** Thank you for all the **delightful surprises.**”

– Robyn N

“To our very dear friend Cathi, thank you so much for putting together such an amazing trip. **We couldn't think of a nicer person to spend a month with exploring some of the most beautiful places on earth.** Looking forward to many more travels with you.”

– Love and best wishes, Lyn & Laurie.

“Thank you Cathi for a wonderful tour through the ages in Ireland, the Scottish Isles and Iceland. **Amazing places, fantastic experiences and great company.** This trip has **exceeded our expectations once again.**”

– Gen and Robert

“Dearest Cathi, many, many thanks for **another wonderful trip.** It was really enjoyable and **such good company.**”

– Phil & Sue

“So full of contrasts – **am loving this next adventure/ magical tour.**”

– Rosie

“Many thanks for another wonderful trip. You have a **unique ability to find the most interesting places to visit.** Loved the trip & the company.”

– Helen & Doug

“Thank you Cathi for organising this amazing trip – we have done **so many different things and seen so much.**”

– David & Christine

“This week long tour **certainly lived up to its name.**

Our group was so fortunate to visit scenic sensations. Places we saw in a new light due to our assiduous, inventive leader, Cathi. We shared gastronomic delights, often in totally unique venues...gourmet heaven!

Each day brought **super, superior surprises** yet we always had our restful, contemplatory times. It was a wonderful experience. **We were SO lucky.**

We were safe & spoilt. Next trip... hopefully soon!!”

– Gae

“A typical of a tour organised by Cathi – **a thoughtful and well-planned itinerary which goes beyond the superficial**, but still leaves room for spontaneity, like finding a good cup of coffee, having a drink with the locals at a country pub or checking out the Little Blue Lake!

As is always the case with Cathi's tours, the emphasis was on enjoying local produce and the quality of the included meals was exceptional.

The tour included **a number of unique offerings which could not otherwise be experienced.**”

– Wendy



# BENEFITS OF AN ESCORTED GROUP

Being part of our premium, escorted group means you leave home with an experienced, personal tour escort. Not only this but you will be with someone who understands the travel industry, as Cathi has worked in retail travel for more than 35 years. You will travel with a local group of like-minded people (who you meet before we go, at our pre-tour get together(s)), who are great company and

understandably excited about the adventure ahead. Along the way you will meet new friends and enjoy the peace of mind of travelling in a professionally organised group.

Best of all, you will want to come back for more! Your holiday memories will last a lifetime and you will benefit from Cathi's expertise in crafting a unique experience that avoids the obvious and goes "above and beyond".

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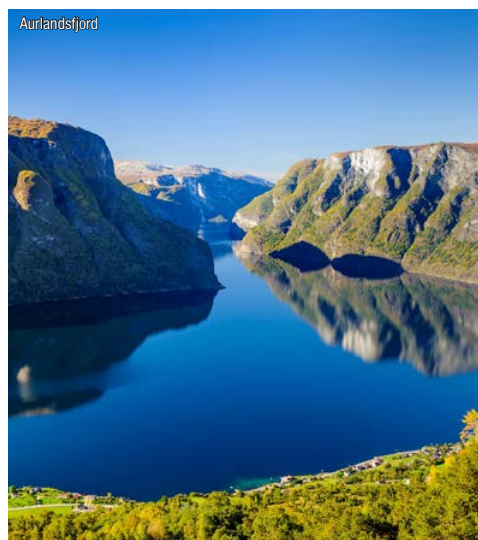
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**“You connect us, giving us extraordinary experiences which remain as special friendships & unique memories.”**

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Lapland snowmobile



Aurlandsfjord



Trondheim



Sámi culture



Sámi Museum Siida

21ST JANUARY TO 11TH FEBRUARY 2025

# TOUR INFORMATION

## TOUR PRICE

### TWIN SHARE

\$23,980\* per person

### SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

\$5680\* per person (very limited availability).

While this pricing is current as of November 2023, fluctuating fuel surcharges, fees and/or taxes may result in an increased cost.

Your Tour Escort: **Cathi Burnett-Cosgrove** at Andrew Jones Travel in Hobart

Phone: (03) 6221 3499 or email: [cathi@ajtravel.com.au](mailto:cathi@ajtravel.com.au)

## BOOKINGS

For bookings, contact **Cathi** (details above) or your favourite consultant at **Andrew Jones Travel in Hobart or Launceston:**

**HOBART** Level 1, 61 Salamanca Place, Hobart 7000

Phone: (03) 6215 8799 • Email: [hobart@ajtravel.com.au](mailto:hobart@ajtravel.com.au)

**LAUNCESTON** 44 Charles Street, Launceston 7250

Phone: (03) 6215 8798 • Email: [launceston@ajtravel.com.au](mailto:launceston@ajtravel.com.au)

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**TOUR PAYMENTS** A non-refundable deposit of \$3,500 is due within 7 days of booking. An interim payment of \$3,500 is due no later than Wednesday 3 July 2024. Full payment is due no later than Thursday 17 October 2024.

In the event of cancellation, all monies are non-refundable. Should the tour be cancelled for any reason associated to Covid-19 it is important to note the operators involved will not generally offer refunds. Andrew Jones Travel is committed to securing travel credits and therefore the tour will be postponed to a future date. Travel Insurance is compulsory and will cover some Covid-19 related scenarios. Please request a copy of the Product Disclosure Statement provided by the insurer from your consultant.

**CANCELLATIONS** Tour payments are strictly non-refundable. Cancellation fees may also apply to any additional services, reserved prior to, during and after the tour. Notice of all cancellations must be made in writing to Andrew Jones Travel on or before final payment due date. Loss of payment. After final payment due date: 100% of total price. Cancellation fees also apply to any additional services, reserved prior to, during and after the holiday.

Andrew Jones Travel and the carriers, accommodations, and other suppliers providing tour services shall all be known as the 'Operators' and reserve the right to cancel or re-schedule any vacation departure. If cancellation is made prior to departure of the tour, the only responsibility of the Operators will be to refund to the passenger the amount we have received for the reservation. We will try to re-book the same vacation with a different departure date, or a similar tour. Where the Operators have confirmed flights, we will try to confirm air seats for the selected new dates, subject to availability. The Operators cannot assume responsibility for any additional costs or any fees relating to the issuance and/or cancellation of air tickets or other travel arrangements.

**REVISION FEES** A fee of \$150 per transaction will be charged for any alteration or revision made to a reservation, plus any additional costs from Operators. Airline penalties may also apply. A change to traveller name, vacation date or tour itinerary at any time will be treated as a cancellation and new reservation; standard cancellation fees apply.

**PARTICIPATION** For the benefit of everyone on your holiday, the Operators reserve the right to accept or reject any person as a holiday participant, and to remove from the tour any participant whose conduct is deemed incompatible with the interests of the other participants.

**TRAVEL FITNESS** All tour participants must be able to walk a minimum of 2km over uneven ground, handle their own luggage including carrying up and down flights of stairs if necessary, and be in a position to board and alight transportation without assistance. If guests are unable to fulfill these requirements individually, an accompanying travelling companion must accompany travellers to provide direct assistance with these requirements throughout the trip.

**TRAVELLERS WHO NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE** You must report any disability requiring special attention to Andrew Jones

## INCLUSIONS

- Tour Escort: Cathi Burnett-Cosgrove;
- A minimum of two meals per day (Continental breakfasts and either lunch or dinner);
- All admissions and inclusions as per itinerary;
- International airfares to/from Australia and internal flight in Norway (Tromsø to Oslo);

## WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Meals other than mentioned;
- Drinks with meals (tea, coffee and juice included with breakfast only);
- Laundry, telephone calls, WiFi usage, beverages not specified, and other expenditure of a personal nature;
- Portage of luggage and any services other than mentioned;
- Travel insurance;
- Tips for any service instigated by you.



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Travel at the time the reservation is made. The Operators will make reasonable attempts to accommodate the special needs of disabled travellers, but is not responsible in the event it is unable to do so, nor is it responsible for any denial of services by carriers, hotels, restaurants, or other independent suppliers. Most transportation services, including the touring motor coach, are not equipped with wheelchair ramps. We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance to a tour participant for walking, dining, getting on and off motor coaches and other vehicles, or other personal needs. A qualified and physically able companion must accompany travellers who need such assistance, and must assume total responsibility for the disabled participant's well-being. Motorised scooters are unsuitable for touring vacations in this brochure.

**SMOKING** Smoking is not allowed on transportation or accommodations.

**PRICE GUARANTEE** Air tickets booked via Andrew Jones Travel are guaranteed when we receive full payment. This does not include any Government/airport tax increases and currency fluctuations. Prices are per person, based on two persons sharing a room. Single room supplements are listed where applicable.

**ACCOMMODATIONS** The accommodations listed in this brochure are intended to be used on this departure; however, if a change becomes necessary for any reason, the accommodations substituted will be equivalent in standard to those shown. Every effort is made to reserve your preferred room request. It may occasionally happen that an accommodation provides some double-bedded or twin-bedded rooms, as room configuration is at the discretion of individual hotels. Please note that accommodation check-in times vary worldwide. Paying for a single supplement ensures own room, not necessarily a twin bedded room.

Accommodation throughout this tour will be variable in style and standards, however we have secured the best options available in the areas we will visit.

The Tour Escort's decision is final, and check-in to all hotels will be the responsibility of your Tour Escort.

**BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE** Portage including airport portage at beginning and end of the vacation is not included. Due to limited coach capacity, this single bag should have dimensions not exceeding 76x53x28cm (30x21x11"). We regret we are unable to accept a second suitcase, or any luggage exceeding these limits. Please talk to your agent for baggage weight restrictions. We recommend you consult your air carrier as size and weight limitations vary from airline to airline and even according to destination, and are becoming more restrictive. The Operators are not responsible for additional fees imposed by air carriers. Regulations within most airports require that travellers handle their own luggage through customs.

Your carry-on bag should not exceed the dimensions of 30x28x14cm (12x11x6"). For safety reasons wheeled carry-on bags are not suitable as hand luggage on motor coaches and mini-buses.

No responsibility is accepted for loss of or damage to baggage or any of the tour participant's belongings. Baggage insurance is recommended.

**DINING** A restaurant or date of a dinner may be substituted at any time due to reasons beyond the Operators' control.

**NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR PRICE** Any airport taxes payable directly at an airport; items mentioned in these conditions and the "What's Not Included" Tour Information section.

This tour includes a Tour Escort subject to minimum numbers but not guided by a Tour Director. We will meet with local guides wherever possible.

**HOLIDAYS AND RESTRICTIONS** During local or national holidays, or due to mandated restrictions (such as Covid-19), certain itinerary features and facilities such as museums and restaurants, sightseeing tours and shopping may be limited or not available. Alternatives will be offered whenever possible.

**SAFETY** Please be aware that during your participation in vacations operated by the Operators, certain risks and dangers may arise beyond our control including, but not limited to, the hazards of travelling in undeveloped areas; travel by boat, train, automobile, aircraft or other means of transportation; the forces of nature, political unrest and accident or illness in remote regions without means of rapid evacuation or medical facilities. The Operators will not have liability regarding provision of medical care or the adequacy of any care that may be rendered. It is understood that the Operators will use its best efforts to ensure that adequate measures are taken.

**TRAVEL INSURANCE** is compulsory and passengers must take out travel insurance to cover any unforeseen circumstances which may arise (including, but not limited to cancellation fees, loss of luggage, early return following death of a relative as defined in the respective proposal forms). The Operators will not be held liable for any act of government, terrorism, revolution or other act. The Operators reserve the right to cancel the tour at any stage due to an act of government or terrorism.

**PASSPORTS AND VISAS** All passengers must have a valid passport with at least 6 months validity from return date. It is the responsibility of each passenger to ensure any applicable visas for all countries visited have been obtained prior to departure. Failure to obtain correct documentation will mean the passenger will be unable to participate in particular shore excursions and may be denied boarding and/or entry into certain countries. Meeting necessary passport and visa entry requirements and costs, including vaccinations, is the sole responsibility of passengers.

\* Conditions apply. Price is per person, twin share or as stated. Price is correct at time of publication (November 2023) but may fluctuate due to changes in taxes, charges, airfare, surcharges and currency. Price is ex Hobart and does not include airfares except as shown. Price does not include taxes imposed directly by third parties. Tour is subject to availability and terms and conditions as listed. Minimum tour numbers apply. A service fee and credit card surcharge will apply. Images used throughout this brochure are representative of the destinations only, and may not depict your precise tour itinerary. Base map artwork provided by vemaps.com.