

CRUISE EXPEDITION APPLICATION FORM



Please complete this and mail to:

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Tour Name	
Departure Date (Month DD, YYYY)	Cabin Category

**PLEASE USE CAPITAL LETTERS & FILL DETAILS AS THEY APPEAR IN YOUR PASSPORT
(some questions may appear personal but are required by the visa issuing authorities)**

Last Name		First and Given Names (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss)	
Current Citizenship		Passport No	
Place of issue	Date of issue (DDMMYY)	Expiry Date(DDMMYY)	
Place and Date of Birth (DDMMYY)		Occupation	
Father's Name (Full name required even if deceased)		Mother's Name (Full name required even if deceased)	
Your Mailing Address			
			email
Tel (Home)	(Bus)	Fax No	
Emergency Contact		Tel No	
Have you been to the country/countries before? If so, when?		Why?	
How did you hear about us?		Would you like to join the "Bestway Club"? (club details attached)	
If you are making your own air travel arrangements	please advise:		
Arrival Date	Flight No	Departure Date	Flight No
If you would like us to make the international	travel arrangements please advise:		
Preferred departure city	Date of Departure	Airline preference for seating	
Smoking/Non Smoking	Special Meal requests (if any)	Special Requests (if any)	
Sharing room with	Single passengers Need Single Room	Need sharing partner *	
* We will do all possible to try and accommodate your request for a room share. If however, we cannot get you a room share, single room supplement will apply.			
I have read and understood the General Information and		Cruise Conditions of BTS and agree with it.	
Signature		Date	
Unless otherwise specified, a non-refundable cruise deposit of US \$750.00 plus applicable premium for trip cancellation insurance (if requested) is required along with this form.			



GENERAL INFORMATION AND CRUISE CONDITIONS



1. CRUISE PRICE INCLUDES

Cruise price (Cruise Price) as stated in the itinerary (Itinerary) attached, includes: all transfers and sightseeing, overnight stay as mentioned, all meals, juice, tea/coffee on board, entrance fees to museums and sites together with services of local English speaking guides and baggage handling.

2. CRUISE PRICE EXCLUDES

International Airfare (unless specified otherwise in the Itinerary) Airport taxes, Border taxes (if any), insurance (including travel insurance) passport, alcohol and bar beverages, on board, medical services, transfer to connecting hotels, visa fees, tips and, all personal expenses and anything else not included in paragraph 1 above.

3. RESERVATIONS & PAYMENT OF CRUISE PRICE

To make a reservation Bestway Tours & Safaris (BTS) requires a non-refundable deposit (Deposit) of US \$500.00 or such other amount as mentioned in the Itinerary along with the Cruise Application Form (on the reverse side of this page) duly completed and signed. Unless otherwise stated, balance of the Tour Price is to be paid at least 90 days prior to the departure date.

4. INSURANCE

BTS strongly recommends that the Client purchase adequate trip cancellation, medical, baggage, accident and other personal effect insurance. Trip cancellation insurance has to be purchased at the time of the initial Deposit. BTS can assist in the purchase of travel insurance.

5. OPTIONAL CRUISE & EXTENSION

BTS will assist the Client with any optional extensions the Client may require. In most cases the Client can combine this Itinerary with other tours BTS offers.

6. VISAS/TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

Passports valid for at least 6 months after the termination of the tour and visas are required to visit most countries. Where pre-authorisation/invite documents are required, BTS will assist in acquiring same. For the convenience of the Client, BTS has made arrangements with a professional visa servicing agency to assist the Client in acquiring the actual visa at a nominal cost. If visas are denied, BTS cannot be held responsible for any expense or inconveniences caused.

7. SINGLE CABINS & SUPPLEMENT

BTS will make all efforts to accommodate room share requests. In the event when this is not possible, the single room supplement applies. In certain places, due to limited accommodation, single rooms may not be available.

8. HEALTH/CUSTOMS/IMMIGRATION DOCUMENTATIONS

It is the responsibility of the Client to ensure compliance with local rules and regulations of the countries included in the Cruise, carry appropriate documents, and refrain from carrying goods and or articles which violate the said rules and regulations.

9. CANCELLATIONS BY CLIENT

When a Client cancels the Cruise, the refund due to the Client will be as follows:

- a. Cruise Price: Cancellations received minimum 90 days prior to departure, US \$750.00 (or the Deposit, whichever is higher) will be non-refundable. For cancellations received under 89 days 100% of cruise price is non refundable.

b. Airfare

Refunds on airfares purchased through BTS depend on the rules of the carrier and applicable fare base used for the purchase of the ticket. BTS will charge a service fee of no less than 10% of the airfare paid by the Client.

10. CANCELLATION BY THE OPERATOR

BTS reserves the right to cancel the Cruise due to insufficient number of participants or the cancellation of the sailing by the Cruise Company. In such an event, and only in such an event, BTS will refund the said Deposit to the Client. BTS will have no further liability to the Client for damages or inconveniences caused to the Client. Client hereby expressly waives any claim he/she may have against BTS for such a cancellation.

In the event that BTS decides: a) that the Cruise may jeopardize the safety or security of the Clients, BTS, or any staff of BTS and/or Services Providers; or b) the Cruise cannot commence and/or continue for circumstances beyond the control of BTS, BTS may, in its sole discretion, postpone, cut short or cancel the Cruise at any time. Such changes and/or cancellations may be necessitated for political, military, health, weather conditions or other valid reasons affecting local conditions, but will not be limited to the aforesaid reasons only. In such an event the liability of BTS is limited to refunding the Client such monies which represent unused services, less

- a. any monies expended by BTS
- b. any liability incurred by BTS, and
- c. a reasonable amount of the Cruise Price for services rendered by BTS.

11. CRUISE PRICES

Unless otherwise specifically stated, Cruise Price is stated in US Dollars (USD). Changes in the value of the USD or imposition of taxes, levies etc. may increase cost of land/air services and necessitate increase in the Cruise Price. However, once the Cruise Price is paid in full, the Client is guaranteed against future price increases provided the Client makes no change to the Itinerary.

12. GROUP SIZE

All BTS cruise itineraries stipulate the minimum and maximum number of participants. A Cruise Leader or Cruise Escort will accompany each group only after the minimum number of participants has been reached. BTS may or may not operate the cruise should the minimum number of participants not be reached. In the case of an emergency of a medical or otherwise nature which makes the designated Cruise Leader or Escort unable to join the expedition, BTS may, at its own discretion continue to operate the Cruise with a substitute leader. The inability of the designated Cruise Leader or Escort to participate will not allow a cancellation of the expedition by the client.

13. CHANGES IN THE ITINERARY

BTS has made attempts to make this Itinerary accurate. In the event of circumstances beyond the control of BTS, BTS reserves the right to change the carriers, flights and hotels and/or modify the Itinerary accordingly. In case where hotels have been changed/substituted, BTS will endeavor to provide hotels of similar categories. Any change in the Itinerary required by the Client will be charged at the rate of \$100.00 per change.

14. LIMITATION OF LIABILITIES

In the following paragraphs, reference to BTS shall be deemed to include BTS, the employees, agents, principals and directors of BTS and Service Providers.

(A) BTS shall not be responsible for any injury, loss, damages or inconvenience caused to the person/property of the Client in connection with any services provided and/or included in the Cruise, howsoever such injury, loss or inconvenience is caused.

(B) The Client understands that during the course of this Cruise risks and dangers may occur, including but not limited to the hazards of traveling mountainous terrain, jungles, rivers, and/or other unpredictable forces of nature, accidents, illness in remote places with or without medical facilities, (the quality of medical facilities may be very poor or even non-existent), riots, kidnapping or other political or military upheavals. The Client, by participating in this Tour, acknowledges and assumes the risks inherent therein.

(C) BTS hereby gives notice to the Client that it acts as an Agent for various local and overseas Service Providers who have agreed to provide various services during the Tour. BTS has made its best efforts to locate reliable Service Providers, but has no control over the quality of services of such Service Providers. BTS assumes no responsibility or liability for the quality (or lack thereof) of any services provided by the Service Providers or for any injury, damages, death, loss accident or delay caused thereby to the Client.

(D) The Client acknowledges that he/she is aware that there are Travel Advisories, Travel Warnings and Government directives advising and/or prohibiting nationals of their countries from traveling to certain countries. There may be similar further directives issued prior to the cruise. The Client understands the inherent risks involved in traveling to such countries and is willing to take risks and that BTS does not assume any responsibility for any damage or injury to the Client or loss of property or life of the Client. BTS will not be responsible for any consequences that may flow from this choice of the Client. Client hereby fully absolves and releases BTS from any such responsibility or liability and waives any right of action against BTS for any damage whether such damage is financial, personal or both.

15 PHOTOGRAPHY AND PUBLICITY

The Client is aware that photographs and films shot during the Cruise may be used by BTS and their associates for publicity and promotional purposes. Clients may not charge for their appearances in any of the photographs.

16 HEALTH

Expedition Cruises are intended for persons in reasonably good health. By making a reservation for one of these cruises you confirm that you do not have any physical disabilities that would create a hazard for yourself or other participants.

The Following words, wherever used in this document, will have the Following meaning:

"Client" will mean person/s taking the Cruise, and "Service Providers" will mean independent contractors and their employees/agents who have contracted with BTS to provide various services to the Client during the Cruise .