

# **Terms & Conditions**

a. "You/Client" means and includes the Lead Passenger & on whose behalf the Booking is made and / or the person making the Booking.

b. "We"/"Us"/"Company" means "PAPILLON"

c. "Independent Contractors" means Hotelier / Hotel owner, Owner of any airlines or shipping company or Railway, Ferryboat owner / Operator, Coach owner/ Operator, or any other person or organization who has been selected by the company to render services to the client.

d. GST means and includes Goods and Service Tax.

e. Domestic tour / Tour arrangement means a tour operated by the Company which is operated by the Company within India, Nepal, Bhutan, Sri Lanka & Maldives and includes but not limited to brochure tours, special tours, packages, cruise, sightseeing etc.

f. Brochure means catalogue / leaflet / email or any other document containing the details about the itinerary / activities on the domestic tour.

g. Infant means a person below the age of 2 yrs and a child means a person above the age of two and below the age of twelve years.

# **BROCHURE / ITINERARY ACCURACY / CHANGE**

All information given in this brochure / itinerary is based on the information available at the time of publication. We reserve the right to change any brochure / itinerary information before or after your booking the tour due to any events beyond our control. In case we are aware of any changes sufficiently in advance, we will notify you at the time of booking, otherwise our Tour Manager or Local representative will inform you of the changes. Major road works may necessitate route changes in the itineraries, restaurants may close or change management, all of these may cause us to make changes in the itineraries. Where we know of these sufficiently in advance we will notify you, otherwise our Tour Managers or Local Representative will inform you of the changes on the spot. For the comfort and convenience of our clients, we will sometimes reverse the direction, or slightly amend the itinerary including the flight routing. We will advise you of these amendments, prior to the start of the tour or on tour. We may modify the itinerary based on various factors like maintenance of historical monuments, museums, major events like sports, conventions, religious festivals, etc. We may take a detour to reach sightseeing places due to traffic conditions; road blocks and that may vary the course of itinerary. We reserve the right to change the departure date or cancel a departure due to lack of enough number of passengers and will not take any responsibility for any ticket of the client which they may have purchased in advance for sector within India or abroad. Clients are responsible for the adherence to time at all stages of the tour. In the event that a client misses on any part of the sightseeing tour or any such tour due to delay on his part, he will not be entitled to claim refund of the same. The company shall not accept any liability or responsibility for any damages, loss, baggage loss, injury, accident, death, breakdown, or irregularity, which may occur in carrying out the tour arrangement, weather conditions, strikes, war, quarantine and any other cause whatsoever and all such loss or expense must be borne by the client. We reserve the right to claim any additional expenses incurred due to delay or changes in schedules of train, flight, bus, ship or other services. We further reserve the right to amend, alter, vary or withdraw any particular departure; excursions advertised or substitute a hotel of similar category if deemed necessary. These terms shall be read together with the brochure/itinerary but these terms shall prevail over the brochure/itinerary and shall override the brochure/ itinerary to the extent that it is contradictory or conflicting thereto.

# MEALS AND SPECIAL REQUESTS

The menus are pre-set menus provided for meals on the tour. Unlike an airline, we cannot provide a special meal, nor do we guarantee a special diet to the client, except to the extent mentioned in the brochure and preferred by you. We however reserve the right to change the meal arrangement if circumstances make it necessary to do so. In the event that the client wakes up late and misses the breakfast offered to him or the client is out on his own and reaches late or in case of delay of flights or for any other reason whatsoever the client misses any meal including breakfast offered to him by the company, then no claim can be made for the meal/ breakfast, which he has missed and not utilized. Special requests for room allocation, diet consideration on tour / cruise / flight etc. must be made in writing at the time of booking, but all such requests shall be subject to availability. The Company will not be held liable for claims of damages or consequential loss if the company is unable to process such requests for want of availability.



# HOTELS

Guests will be out sightseeing most of the time and hence we have taken care to select hotels which are convenient and comfortable. Hence sometimes they may be located away from the city centre. Most of the rooms have private bath or shower. The category of hotels will vary according the tour package booked by you. The hotels will either be those shown in the itinerary or of the same category. Due to festivals and events in the cities the hotels may be blocked out for more than 2 yrs in advance. In view of this you may have to stay in hotels further away from the cities and itineraries may have to be altered / amended. Since the rooms are compact, we would recommend only 3 persons in one room for your own comfort. Triple rooms are no larger than twin rooms and the third bed is often a rollaway cot put in a twin room for the night. Also due to favourable conditions in certain destinations, few hotels may not have air conditioners / fans. All baggage and personal effects are at all times and under all circumstances your responsibility. We will not be responsible or liable in case of loss or theft or damage of such items from the hotel premises / Coach / Cruise / Airport / during travel or place of visit etc. Some hotels offer the facility of safe deposit lockers, which can be availed of by you at your own cost and risk. The company will not be liable for any loss / theft from the same. Any damages caused to the hotel rooms / Coach / place of visit etc. during your stay / tour / visit, shall be borne and payable by you, and the company will not be liable for the same. Company is not liable if there is sudden disruption / disorder of telephone, internet services, and other amenities while staying at the hotels. The company will also be not responsible for the facilities provided or not provided in the room / bathroom / hotel premises etc. by the Hotel or its staff. Rude or Unprofessional behaviour of hotel staff does not come under the direct purview of the company and the company will not be responsible for the same. Facilities like mini bar, pay television channels, telephone etc are not complimentary and these facilities if used by the client have to be paid for by the client directly to the Hotel and such charges are not included in the tour cost. The client will have to abide by the check in /check out time of the hotel. Any changes made directly by the hotel come under their direct purview and we will not be liable for any compensation due to this change.

# AIRLINE

The Company shall, in no circumstances whatsoever and howsoever caused, shall be liable to the client or any person traveling with him for Loss of Baggage by the Airline, failure to provide meal of the client's choice by the Airline, Overbooking of seats by the Airline, failure on the part of Airline to accommodate client despite having confirmed tickets, Meals offered by the airline/ Quality of meal, Flight delay, if the client misses the flight, Changes of flight schedule / routing / airline mentioned at the time of booking, etc. In this condition the expression 'howsoever caused' includes negligence on the part of client or the service provider. If in the event that the client is booked on a particular Airline on a particular date and due to certain reasons beyond the control of the Company, the client is not allowed to board the flight, the client shall not hold the Company responsible for the same and no claim whatsoever can be made by the client against the Company. Airport taxes / Airport Development Fee as applicable to be paid over & above the Tour Cost should there be a rise post the printing of the brochure. All the booking / cancellation / change of the airline ticket and the travel on such airline ticket will be subject to the terms and conditions of respective Airlines and the same may be provided to the client by the company upon request from client. Airlines are operating as per its own norms, rules and regulations and client has to strictly adhere to the same.

# LOSS / DAMAGE

Company is not responsible for any loss or damage to personal belongings during the stay in the hotel or while traveling in the coach / vehicle. Due to theft or loss of baggage, tour participant can lodge a complaint with the local authorities on his/her sole discretion, cost, risk and consequences.

# **TRANSPORT / COACH / SITTING**

We use air-conditioned/air-cool vehicles such as Deluxe 2 x 2 coaches, Tempo Traveller, Tata Winger, Toyota Innova, Mahindra Scorpio, Mahindra Xylo, Tata Indigo, Maruti Swift Dzire, Toyota Etios, Tata Sumo or similar as per availability of vehicles and actual size of the group. The company will not be responsible for any defect in the Vehicle or in the Air-conditioner / air-cooler or for the behaviour of the Driver or the attendant. We have found it fair to operate daily seat rotation on board our Vehicle, so no seat numbers are allocated. If you are carrying any high value items on the Vehicle, we advise you not to leave them behind when you leave the Vehicle. We will not be responsible or liable in case of loss of such items from the Vehicle. All baggage and personal effects are at all times and in all circumstances your responsibility. Any damages caused to the Vehicle during your travel, shall be payable by you and the company will not be liable for the same. The drivers are bound by specific rules, like maximum driving hours within a day and during a week, rest period per day / week etc. Clients will have to strictly adhere to the prescribed timetable for the day so that the driver can complete the travel, otherwise certain



sightseeing schedules may be missed due to your actions / delays and the same will be non-refundable. Please note that AC will not work in Hills and no claims to this regard shall be entertained.

# REGISTRATION

In cases where the travel agent through whom the clients have booked the tour signs the Booking Form for and on behalf of the persons named in the Booking Form, it shall be deemed and construed that the clients have duly authorized the said travel agent to sign on their behalf. The signing of the Booking Form by the Client or by their travel agent shall mean acceptance in totality of the Terms and Conditions contained herein by the Client/s. No person including the Employee/s and the Agent/s of the Company other than the Company, in writing, has the authority to vary, add, amend, alter or waive any stipulation, representation, term or condition set forth herein. Any assurance given by any person shall have no consequence. The Company reserves the right to decline to register any person/s as Client/s for any Tour or to cancel their registration without assigning any reason.

# TRANSFER FROM ONE TOUR TO ANOTHER / RESCHEDULE / DATE CHANGE FOR A TOUR

In the event a client wishes to change the date of travel or transfer from one tour to another, prior to the departure of the originally booked tour. The originally booked tour will be treated as cancelled by the client, thereby attracting the cancellation charges as stated herein, which shall be payable by the client. The client shall on making payment of cancellation charges be able to make a fresh booking for another tour.

# SCOPE OF ACTIVITY

We are travel agents and holiday organizers only. The role of the company is that of an agent of the client to secure proper services for the tour from the independent contractors and service providers such as the airlines, shipping company, hotels, Coach etc. We do not control or operate any airline, neither do we own or control any shipping company, coach or coach company, hotel, transport or any other facility or service mentioned in this brochure. We take care in selecting all the ingredients in your holiday; but because we only select them and have no control in operating them, we cannot be responsible for any injury, death, loss or damage, which is caused by the act or default or omission of the management or employees of any hoteliers, airlines, shipping company, coach owner / coach operator who are the company's independent contractors arising outside our normal selection process.

# **PRIVACY OF INFORMATION**

We treat all the information furnished by you as confidential. However, you consent and authorize us to share all or any information pertaining to you with airline, hotel or other service providers who will provide the services to you during your tour and also to fellow Traveller(s). You acknowledge that we shall be constrained to disclose the information furnished by you, if such disclosure is required by the law or by an order of a court or the rules, regulations or enquiry by any government / statutory agency having regulatory or statutory authority over the Company.

# HEALTH AND INSURANCE

It shall be the duty of the Client to inform the Company in case the Client has any medical condition that may affect his ability to enjoy and pursue fully the Tour Arrangements and wherein the interest of the Group or any member thereof is prejudicially affected. Pace of certain tours might not be suitable to individuals. Hence we suggest that individuals may choose tours as per their health conditions. The Company reserves the right to ask the Client to provide written certification of medical fitness before departure. In the event that a medical condition has not been disclosed the Company will not be liable to provide any assistance or money back. It is necessary for the client to obtain a valid travel/health insurance prior to the commencement of the tour and the company will not be responsible for the same. Settlement of the claims will be entirely at the discretion of the insurance company.

# COMMUNICATION

Any communication directed at the address or made through / on the contact details such as e-mail id, cell phone/telephone no./fax no. of the Client as disclosed in the "Booking Form" or made to the travel agent through whom the client has made the bookings with the company shall be deemed to have been communicated to and received by the Client. The Company shall not responsible for any error on part of mode of communication or the Travel Agent in this regard.





# CONDITIONS OF TRAVEL

A. The Client will have to strictly follow the Tour Program as per the itinerary. There shall be no refund, if the client fails to join the group at the commencement of the tour, or joins the group later or leaves the group before culmination of the tour. It shall be noted that for all purposes, it shall be the responsibility of the Client to reach the place of commencement of the Tour and register with the representative of the company at the appointed place, date and time.

B. In case if a client along with his family is compelled to discontinue the tour due to any reason whatsoever including illness, death or loss of passport or any travel documents, no claim shall be entertained for refund of unutilized services.

C. Even if a client is unable to reach the place of commencement of the tour due to any reason whatsoever including loss of baggage or loss of travel documents, his booking shall be treated as "no show" on the tour & 100% cancellation charges will be levied.

D. If a client avails pre - tour services or part thereof, or the air tickets (cost of which is included in the main tour cost) but fails to join the group for the main tour at the appointed place, or cancels the tour after using the air tickets or pre - tour arrangements or part thereof, it shall be treated as "no show" and there will be no refund whatsoever for the unutilized pre-tour or main tour services.

E. The Company, reserves the right to drop / remove / discard from tour anyone whose behaviour is deemed likely to affect the smooth operation of the tour or adversely affect the enjoyment or safety of other clients and the Company shall be under no liability to any such person. It is hereby declared that the immunities provided under this contract shall be available to the Company's Managers, including Tour Managers, Employees, Servants and Agents but not to the Independent Contractors selected by the Company.

F. Each of these conditions shall be severable from the other and if any provision be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall nevertheless have full force and effect. No liability on the part of the Company arising in any way out of the Contract in respect of any tour, holiday, excursion facilities shall exceed the total amount paid or agreed to be paid for the tour holiday, and shall in no case include any consequential loss or additional expense whatsoever.

G. The prices quoted in this brochure have been calculated at the rate prevailing at the time of printing of this brochure. The Company reserves the right to amend the prices published in this brochure in case of currency fluctuations, changes in the various gross rates of exchange, and / or fuel costs, special/ high season charge levied by the suppliers, hike in the airline/rail charges before the date of departure and to surcharge accordingly. All such increases in price must be paid for in full before the Departure by the Client.

H. If you book with your own travel agent and your booking with that agent includes, but is not limited to "PAPILLON" arrangements, your contract is with your travel agent and "PAPILLON" is simply an agent to your travel agent.

I. In case of publication of any travel scheme offering any discount or benefit by the Company, it shall have the sole right to withdraw such a scheme or discount at any time unless a specific assurance of the contrary is published.

J. The company shall in no circumstances whatsoever be liable to the client for:

a. Any over stay expenses due to delay or changes in bus / air / trains / ship / or cancellation of special bogie or other services due to sickness, weather conditions, strike, war or any other cause whatsoever.

b. Sightseeing missed & / or program being cancelled after the commencement of the tour & before the due period due to any unavoidable situations which are beyond our control.

c. Any Loss/Damage of baggage by the Airlines / Hotels / Coach / Cruise.



K. In the case of one or more but not all clients signing 'Booking Form' it shall be deemed that others have duly authorized concerned signing client / (s)

L. Initial deposit only ensures registration, to receive any services including Ticketing, Visas, and Hotel Accommodation from the Company, client will have to make full payment towards the same.

M. We cannot endow with individual aid to any of the client/Traveller for walking, dinning, getting on & off from any of the transport vehicle or other personal needs. So it is indispensable that a qualified companion must accompany such client/Traveller who needs such assistance. In the absence thereof, such client/Traveller will be joining the tour on his own risk and consequences.

N. The client/Traveller must have his / her passport valid for at least 6 months subsequent to such departure date.

O. Company solely reserves the right to publish group photographs of the clients taken during the tour.

P. Distance, temperature & pre/post tour accommodation prices given in the Brochure are approximate & are subject to change.

Q. Photo of meals & sightseeing published in the Brochure are only for reference & may change from actual meals served/sights.

R. In case company offers any adventures activities then it is significant to note that all the clients should enjoy such activity / ride at their own risk as such kind of adventure might be risky at times especially for heart patients, expecting women, people with Blood Pressure etc.

# **BOOKING POLICY**

I hereby declare that the total amount of foreign exchange purchased from or remitted through, all sources in India during the financial year is within the overall limit of USD 250,000/- (US Dollars Two hundred and Fifty Thousand only), which is the limit prescribed by the Reserve Bank of India for the purpose and certify that the source of funds for purchasing the foreign exchange/ making the said remittance belongs to me and the foreign exchange will not be used for prohibited purpose.

I confirm that I am an Indian National.

We also hereby agree and undertake to give such information/documents as will reasonably satisfy you about this transaction in terms of above declaration. We also undertake that if we refuse to comply with any such requirement or make only unsatisfactory compliance therewith "PAPILLON" shall refuse in writing to undertake such transaction.

Convenience Fee charged during any transaction would be NON-REFUNDABLE.

These transactions are subject to the availability of the currency mentioned herein. If the required currency is not available the same will be communicated to you by our representative. Upon your confirmation the transaction can be given in the other currency.

The receipt issued by "PAPILLON" is subject to the amount being irrevocably credited and realised in "PAPILLON"'s Bank account.

In case of online/electronic payment of monies to the designated "PAPILLON" bank account, I/We undertake to irrevocably credit and realise the monies dues in "PAPILLON" 's Bank account and not issue any instructions to my/our banker or cause to do any act, deed or thing in furtherance of reversing, debiting, nullifying or recovering the due credit made to the "PAPILLON"'s Bank account.. I/We further undertake and confirm that I/we shall be bound to pay the monies towards the tour cost, to "PAPILLON", if the same is reversed, debited, nullified, or recovered from "PAPILLON"'s Bank Account due to any technical snag, system error, internet issues or for any reason whatsoever, I/WE shall voluntarily make good the loss caused to "PAPILLON" due to such reversal, debit, nullity, recovery of monies from "PAPILLON"'s Bank account without waiting for any official intimation from "PAPILLON" to the said effect. I/We do hereby indemnify and keep indemnified "PAPILLON" from all claims, demands, liabilities, expenses and losses arising due to any and/or all reversal, debit, nullity, recovery of monies



from "PAPILLON"'s Bank account .due to any technical snag, system error, internet issues or for any reason whatsoever, without any objection, demur or protest.

Please allow us 48 working hours to deliver the transaction. The deliveries will not be possible on Sundays and Bank holidays.

In case of any dispute, decision of "PAPILLON" will be final and binding.

No cancellations allowed for this product. In case of cancellations, amount will be refunded after deduction of debit charges.

Any Direct Cash Deposits in ""PAPILLON". Bank Account" is NOT permitted and shall be forfeited.

# **OTHER TERMS**

1) There is no Contract between the Company and the Client until the company has received the initial deposit as stated in the clause regarding 'payments'

2) The company has the right at any time and for any reason:

a. To terminate this contract after acceptance of deposit but prior to the Commencement of Tour without assigning any reason whatsoever. In the event, the company terminates this contract, the company shall refund the amount paid by the client without payment of any interest.

b. To amend, alter, vary or withdraw any tour, holiday, excursion airline, flight routing or facility or discounts / concessions it has advertised or published or to substitute an Independent Contractor of similar class if it is deemed advisable or necessary. In either case, the company shall not be liable for any damage, additional expense, or consequential loss suffered by the clients or for any compensation claims made.

c. To use alternate cruise liner, cabin category it has advertised or published or to substitute a cruise of similar class if it is deemed advisable or necessary. In either case, the company shall not be liable for any damage, additional expense, or consequential loss suffered by the clients or for any compensation claims made.

3) No person other than the company, in writing, has the authority to vary, add, amplify or waive any stipulation, representation, term or condition in the brochure.

4) In the event of the company exercising its rights to amend or alter any of the services as mentioned in the itinerary, after such tour or holiday has been booked, the client shall have the right:

a. To continue with the tour or holiday as amended or altered or,

b. To accept any alternative tour or holiday which the company may offer. In either of these above cases, the client shall not be entitled to, or the company shall not be liable to the client for any damage, additional expense, consequential loss suffered by him or to pay any amount as refund.

c. To cancel the tour, in which event the cancellation charges as stated herein shall apply and the client will be liable to pay to the company such charges.

5) The company shall in no circumstances whatsoever be liable to the client for :

a. Any death, personal injury, sickness, accident, loss, delay, discomfort, increased expenses, consequential loss and / or damage or any misadventure howsoever caused.

b. Any act, omission, default of Independent Contractor or other person or be any servant or agent, employed by them who may be engaged or concerned in the provision of accommodation, refreshment, carriage facilities or service for the client or for any person travelling with him howsoever caused.



#### c. The temporary or permanent loss of or damage to baggage or personal effects howsoever caused.

6) If the client has any complaint in respect of the services provided by any of the Independent Contractors, the client shall immediately notify the same in writing to the Independent Contractor and a copy thereof should be handed over to the Tour Manager of the company in order to enable the company to take up the matter with the Independent Contractor so that in future other clients do not face the same difficulty.

7) Any claim or complaint by the client must be notified to the company in writing within 7 days of the end of this holiday tour. No claim notified to this company beyond this period will be entertained and the company shall incur no liability whatsoever in respect thereof.

8) The tour is subject to RBI / GOI rules & regulations. Part of the tour cost will be paid in USD out of your BTQ.

9) Client hereby expressly consents and authorizes the Company to share his/her or his/her family/group information or data to any Supplier, Independent Contractor or third party for the purpose of providing services to the Client. The Client's aforesaid consent and authority also extends to all such third party products, items and offers including sim cards which the Company may offer for free along with the Tour package and which is not being separately sold to the Client.

The said products, items and offers being free would be availed by the Client at the Tour cost without requiring the Client to pay any price towards the same. The use of the products, items and offers and related after sales services shall be the responsibility of all such third party Manufacturer or Service provider and the same shall be subject to the terms of Use of such third party manufacturer or service provider. The Client may in his/her own discretion avail or refuse to avail the products, items and offers.

The Company does not guarantee or warranty that the products, items and offers offered to the Client along with the Tour package shall be of a superior quality or that it shall meet the expectation of the Client or that the performance of the products, items and offers shall be satisfactory. These products, items and offers are offered by the Company to the Client on "AS IS", "WHERE IS" and "HOW IS" basis, free of cost to the Client without any liability, risk or responsibility on the part of the Company.

10) The Client confirms that with regard to the booking, the address of the Client as mentioned in the Booking Form is accurate and complete in all aspects, and the said address will be used by us for determining the "location of the Client" for the purposes of levy of GST.

# FORCE MAJEURE

The Company shall be excused from the performance or punctual performance of any of terms and conditions / services / tour or part thereof as above, if the performance thereof is prevented or delayed by any cause beyond the reasonable control of the company, which shall include acts of God, riots, wars, accidents, embargo, terror attacks, coup strike, natural calamities or requisition (acts of government), or delays / negligence / carelessness in the performance of the independent contractors caused by any such circumstances as referred herein. Any additional cost incurred by the Company, for the services provided to the Client, during the Force Majeure event, shall be paid by the Client.

1. All dispute / complaints with respect to these terms and conditions and the tour and services shall be subject to the jurisdiction of Courts at Kolkata only.

2. Upon signing the booking form, these terms and conditions shall be binding on both the company the client and shall become the only basis of relations between the parties and all previous communications in whatsoever form or mode, whether oral or otherwise, with respect to any term or conditions of the tour and services shall stand cancelled / revoked / terminated.

# DECLARATION BY THE CLIENT

I am authorized on behalf of the person (s) named in the booking form to act, accept and consent on their behalf (s). I have read and understood all the terms and conditions as mentioned hereinabove and all my queries have



been answered by the Company representative to my satisfaction and accordingly I have voluntarily agreed, accepted and consented to abide by these terms.

# Important Notes

# THINGS TO NOTE

Price is subject to change

Price is based on the "Base" Category of Hotel Room/Airlines Seats/Ferry Seats. This is Irrespective of the Package Category Chosen. Upgrade to Higher Category is available at an extra cost.

#### Networks

Accommodation in Andaman: We have classified hotels into Different categories of tours. This is basis Amenities, Reviews, Value and Destination. Since tastes and expectations may vary, we encourage our guests to do their research online on the hotels and advise us if any change is required.

Classification & Standard: Hotels in Andaman are less on amenities if compared to a similar category in Indian Metros. That's the reason our Economy (Budget) package of Andaman has hotels similar to a 1-2\*Basic hotels in mainland India while Destination like Kerala for the same Economy (Budget) Category has "2-3\* basic hotels.

Accommodation is provided in Mentioned or Similar Hotels.

An early morning check-out time at around 8:00 hrs for most hotels. For early check in / late checkout / extending of stay, subjected to the availability.

Only 01 extra bed/mattress is allowed per room. This extra bed means a Mattress / Roll Over

All special requests like early check-in, smoking, non-smoking, views, floors, king, twin, adjoining and/or interconnecting rooms are strictly subject to availability upon arrival and cannot be guaranteed prior. Any expenses arising out of this is to be borne by the customer.

Hotel WIFI works at a slow snail pace that too in the lobby. Good to disconnect.

In case of guests cannot climb the higher floors, we request you to update this at the time of booking so that we may take appropriate action and try for rooms in the Ground floor. This is again subject to availability and difference if any will have to be settled directly before check out

Consumption and serving of alcohol in hotels / rooms is subject to hotel's rules and regulations.

For meal plans, menu will be on fixed plan/ buffet basis depending on occupancy level. MAP & AP Meal plans do not include Evening snacks & cold drinks / liquor, Soups or Deserts. For order on A-la-Carte basis, guests are requested to make direct payment for additional items.

# Transfers in Andaman:

Vehicles are used as per the itinerary and cover the mentioned sightseeing only. Extra Sightseeing on extra charges



Vehicles are Limited and the SUVs (Xylo, Ertiga, Scorpio, Innova) are mostly provided. Other Vehicle types are available like Sedan, Tempo, Coaches but much less in numbers. We Use AC Vehicles but sometimes due to heavy tourist rush, Non-AC vehicles may be used.

Vehicle Transfers are primarily point-to-point. Same vehicle and Driver Does not stay with the guest for the entire tour. This doesn't matter much as the driving distances in Andaman are very short between any 02 sightseeing points esp. in the most common itineraries. Just Keep in mind, as the vehicles & drivers change always, we will request you to be very careful with personal belongings

Ferries: On priority we use Inter-Island Ferries between 03 island (Port Blair, Havelock, Neil) operated by Private Companies (Makruzz, Green Ocean, Coastal Cruise, Sea Link)

The sailing of Private Ferries is subject to weather condition. In case it does not sail due to bad weather or a technical snag, the guests will give alternate sailing on Government Ferry. Government ferries are heavier but slower vessels (takes 2.5 hrs between Port Blair – Havelock against 1.5 hrs of private ferries). However, the old Govt, Ferries, too, are an experience for their open deck and many guests request for that!

Incidental Charges Due to Unforeseen situations (Flight Cancellation/ Ferries Cancellation/ force majeure/ traffic jams / traffic halts/ diversions/ bandh/ curfew, Union strike, VVIP movement, etc.) – While we will do our best to make suitable alternate arrangements, we would not be held liable for any refunds/compensation claims arising out of this. We will request you to bear with us the situations and meanwhile, we will arrange for alternate sightseeing/accommodation/best possible solution

Guests to carry their ID Proofs with Address (except Pan Card) – Passport/Voter ID/DL/Aadhar is valid photo ids in Andaman.

Carry comfort clothing – Shorts, T Shirts, Open Footwear, Cap or Hat, Sunglasses, Sun screen lotion, Rubber soled shoes

Food in Andaman: Being an Island, Sea Food (Prawns, Shrimp, Lobster, Fishes and Crabs) is available in good quantity and quality but not inexpensive. Besides, Vegetarian, North Indian, South Indian, Continental and Chinese dishes are available at all restaurants and hotels. In hotels, buffet is provided based on occupancy

Please follow the stipulated timings for the sightseeing trips / activities as informed by our representative. It helps manage the tour in a destination low on vehicles and dependent on ferry timings.

Itinerary can be shuffled but in all cases we manage to provide all the inclusions as mentioned or similar or alternate.

No refund for Complimentary Activities cancelled or unutilized due to reasons beyond our control (natural/technical)

Tour Manager Services in Fixed Tours: Tour Manager Services are provided in Fixed Tours Only. Tour Managers and representatives are fixed to particular islands. They do not travel with the group. They Ensure that the entire Group movement is smooth including the Arrivals & Departure; Hotel Check-in; Ferry Tickets; Entrances; etc

Closed on Monday and National Holidays: Anthropological Museum, Fisheries Museum, Cellular Jail, Samudrika, Mahatma Gandhi National Park; Closed every Wednesday: Ross Island; Closed on Sunday and National Holidays: Chatham Saw Mill, Forest Museum, and Sagarika Cottage Industries Emporium. We Shuffle Itinerary to manage this.

Weather, Rains & Cyclones in Andaman: Andaman is a Tropical island, with temperature averaging between 23 – 32 degrees year round. This feels pleasant under the shade of coconut groves with cool breeze from the lagoons and sea. Being Tropical, rains is difficult to predict. So light showers in November is no surprise. Cyclones may disrupt ferry movements any time of the year and not necessarily monsoon. In case of discontinued ferries, no refund of on the booked arrangement but we do manage the alternate sightseeing and accommodation basis availability.

Mobile Network: BSNL, Airtel, Vodafone phone works. Data is Slow. Hotel's Wi-Fi works only in the lobby but very slow speed.



# WATER, BOATS, SPORTS, THREATS, PRECAUTION & DOCTOR'S ADVICE:

Beaches and Swimming is not allowed after sunset.

During Late evening or night, better to watch the waves from the safe comforts of a beach side hotel.

Not All beaches are open to swimming all the time. Pay heed to the signs or consult lifeguards available at the beaches.

Some Beaches Might Be closed for Swimming due to Sighting of threats from the native saltwater crocodiles, jelly fishes, stone fish, sea snakes, extreme waves etc.

The government has built a safety net for those who wish to go swimming in the sea (still the beach may be closed at times) and there are several lifeguards stationed at the beach in case of an emergency.

Pay attention to the warnings posted and seeking help from the lifeguards available

If you are cut by coral, seek medical attention, even for minor cuts. Many corals contain toxins and will also splinter in your skin, causing infections

Don't touch corals and shells

Four Major Reasons of Drowning: Not Wearing a Life Jacket; Alcohol; Lack of Sufficient Swimming Skills; Hypothermia (caused by prolonged exposures to very cold temperatures)

# DO'S: WATER, BOATS, SPORTS, THREATS, PRECAUTION & DOCTOR'S ADVICE:

Find out about safe swimming or diving area from the Tourist Information Centre, Local Tour Operators and Forest Department Staff. Do not swim in Protected Areas to avoid dangerous animals.

Ask a lifeguard on duty for some advice on swimming conditions like local currents, tides, visibility, and the presence of dangerous marine creatures etc. Swimming conditions can change quickly, so seek prior advice from a lifeguard before entering in water in an unpatrolled area.

Look for the safety sign boards. They help you to identify potential dangers.

Get a friend to swim with you so that you can look out for each other's safety and get help, if needed. Children should always be supervised by an adult. Avoid swimming in the dark.

Raise your hand up for help if you get into trouble in the water. Stay calm and wave your arm for help.

# DON'T: WATER, BOATS, SPORTS, THREATS, PRECAUTION & DOCTOR'S ADVICE:

Do not dangle your arms or legs in the water during boat rides.

Do not swim under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

Shiny jewellery or bright coloured clothes resembles fins of small fishes and may attract predatory fishes. Avoid such accessory or clothing while swimming.

If you have an open wound, please avoid swimming. Many predatory fish are attracted to blood odor.

Avoid diving or swimming amongst school of fish. This may attract predatory fishes such as sharks.



#### Avoid night swimming or diving

Some Beaches Might Be closed for Swimming due to Sighting of threats from weather or harmful marine creatures. Though Andaman water is generally safe for swimming and looks inviting, it also has some potentially dangerous marine animals, which may come in conflict due to mistaken identity such as prey or to defend their territory. Though such incidents are extremely rare, visitors are advised to observe the following precautions for a safe and enriching swimming experience. Threatening Marine Creatures are

Salt water crocodiles: Noticed in creeks, mangrove areas, sheltered waters and mouths of creeks. Please avoid swimming or diving in these areas. If you spot a crocodile, get ashore and alert the authorities. Crocodiles also move large distances in the open sea and can be found in coral reefs as well

Jelly Fishes: Their sting may cause pain and giddiness. Don't touch or play with them. Get ashore if you see a large school of Jelly Fish. In case of a sting, apply vinegar or an ice pack. Do not rub.

Sharks: Normally present in open sea and some parts of coral reef areas. Avoid swimming or diving alone and don't enter the water with open wounds.

Sea Snakes: Some sea snakes are poisonous and are usually recognized by their paddle-like tail. They can be aggressive if handled or stepped on. Stay well away from them.

Stone Fish: Present in shallow coral and rocks or camouflaged in mud and sand. It has venomous dorsal spines and its sting could be lethal. To avoid sting never walk on coral reef area. Never lift rocks or corals. Wear sturdy sandals while walking in shallow coastal waters.

Do not forget to pay attention to the warnings posted and seeking help from the lifeguards

#### UNDERWATER ADVENTURE

For Diving, Pre-fill the Medical Forms and Choose registered institutions which are affiliated to international organizations like SSI, BSAC, PADI and NAU

Underwater activities like Diving and Sea Walk require good fitness and an age between 10 – 60 years.

Seek Doctor's advice for underwater activities like SCUBA & Sea Walk.

Please Consult Doctor if you have High BP, Sugar, Asthma, Ear Pain, past Surgery, or Pregnancy.

Glasses or contact lenses may be worn during this Underwater Sea Walk

5 DON'T'S TILL NEXT 24 HOURS after Diving or Underwater Activities

Fly, Heavy Drinking, Massage, Zip-Lining, Mountain Climbing

The Risk for Any Activity is that of the Guest undertaking it

Being Responsible and a Better Guest in Someone else's Land

While some of the pointers require Self-awareness, some actually are strictly prohibited.

Take a Little Consent before taking pictures of people & their materials;

Respect things local including Drivers, Guides, and Staff. Do not misbehave or manhandle.

A little bargaining is expected but not too much haggling;

# Your Trusted Vacation Partner



Bother to learn/understand the local language – it helps a lot. This helps differentiate 'rude' from 'local tone' and also helps your bargaining J

Maintain Cleanliness. Pls. use dustbins or take back the days litter to your hotel's bin.

Do Not Touch Shells & Corals

Do not enter waters when inebriated or where or where not allowed

Do not Drink in Public Places;

Do not enter in restricted or tribal areas around the Islands. Tribal Tours are banned.

Do not take pictures of the airport, government dockyard, naval wharf, dhanikari dam, defence establishments and Chatham Saw Mill.

Take Proper permits are required to take video or film;

Drone Photography is not permitted;

Do not set up tents and hammocks during nights by the beaches or forest is not allowed.

Do not dirty & damage vehicles, hotels; property; place.

Do not carry Alcohol on board the ferry

Leave Places Better than you found it!

Most leisure holiday destinations are relaxed, remote places. They may look less on professionalism but are high on humility. Let us be respectful of locals and the 'culture' that is the prime highlight of that place.