

# Booking Conditions

## Passports, Visas and Airfares

Check with your travel professional regarding current passport and visa requirements. Special airfares for travel within Australia are available to international visitors, in conjunction with their international air ticket. Again, your travel professional will have details.

## Bookings and Conditions

To confirm your reservation, a deposit of USD/CAD 200 per person, per tour is required. Reservations will be held for 7 days only without deposit. Balance of payment for your vacation is to be paid six weeks prior to departure. Once deposit is accepted by our office, the coach content price quoted will be guaranteed.

## Revision Fees

Each revision or modification after your booking has been confirmed is subject to a USD/CAD 25 charge. If your booking is revised after documents are issued, a charge of USD/CAD 50 is applicable.

## Prices and Concessions

Prices are quoted in USA and Canadian Currency, and include Australian Goods and Services Tax (GST). **All prices include a 3% discount for cash/check payments only. No discount is available for payments by credit card.** The prices are for coach content only (unless stated otherwise). All prices are subject to change without notice and may be affected by currency exchange rate fluctuations and hotel surcharges and legislative changes that include changes to any taxes to be paid. Prices should be checked before making final payment.

**Children 15 years and under:** Children 15 years of age and under are entitled to the child price on 1/2 day and 1 day sightseeing tours as well as on short break/independent tours that include overnight accommodation (tent/hotel) when sharing with at least one adult (unless stipulated otherwise). Escorted touring: Children 6-15 years, are entitled to the child price off the adult coach content price plus relevant air, rail or sea price (unless stipulated otherwise).

Only one **AAT Kings Discount** is available per booking.

## Accommodation

Run of house rooms are used at all hotels featured in this brochure, unless otherwise specified.

## Single Rooms and Triple Rooms

Where single rooms are available, an additional charge applies. Refer to individual programs. Single rooms in some remote locations cannot always be guaranteed and in some cases, the single charge is obligatory. Triple rooms are available on request and a discount per person applies. The third bed may be a 'foldaway', 'sofa bed' or 'rollaway'.

## Quad Share Rooms

Quad share rooms are unavailable and clients are required to book two twin rooms. Inter-connecting rooms are available on request and subject to availability.

## Pre-registration

Check-in time at most hotels is 1.00pm. If you are arriving early into a city, you may wish to pre-register your hotel room, so as to allow for immediate check-in. An extra nights' charge will apply.

## Sole Use of Tent on Camping Tours

Can be guaranteed on Camping tours, only at a surcharge. Limited availability. Please request at the time of booking. Please note there is no sole use available on 4WD tours.

## If You Have to Cancel

Cancellation fees will be levied relative to the amount of notice given as following: (minimum USD/CAD 200)

<b>42 days or more prior to departure</b>	<b>Deposit forfeited</b>
<b>41-15 days prior to departure</b>	<b>20% of tour price plus deposit</b>
<b>14-5 days prior to departure</b>	<b>35% of tour price plus deposit</b>
<b>4-1 days prior to departure</b>	<b>60% of tour price plus deposit</b>
<b>Day of Departure or later</b>	<b>100% of tour price</b>
<b>Day Tours</b>	
<b>6-1 days prior to departure</b>	<b>50% of tour price plus deposit</b>
<b>Less than 24 hours</b>	<b>100% of tour price plus deposit</b>

See Travel Insurance clause.

## Cancellations and Penalties (Air)

Airfares are subject to change without notice. The airfare is guaranteed on the date full payment is received. If flight schedules are changed beyond our control, any increase or additional costs will be collected from clients. Airline amendment fees are the responsibility of the client.

## Tour Participation

Children 5 years of age and under are ineligible for Escorted Tours. Children under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. Clients with disabilities are welcome on AAT Kings tours providing they are accompanied by an able-bodied companion and do not require special assistance from AAT Kings personnel. AAT Kings reserves the right to refuse to carry anyone if it is felt the individual cannot cope with the requirements of coach tour travel and who may require services and

facilities that AAT Kings cannot guarantee will be available. You agree to not hold AAT Kings responsible for any decision made by AAT Kings or any service provider to refuse to carry you, provide any facilities or accommodation to you or to provide any service to you.

## Internet Airfares

Please note that AAT Kings does not incur any liability for airfares purchased by travel agents or clients online via the internet. In the unlikely event that a tour is cancelled, AAT Kings cannot be held responsible for airfare conditions when the airfare is purchased via the internet with companies other than AAT Kings. All such risk, loss and expense must be borne by the travel agent or client.

## Airfares and Tickets

Most airfares used for the tours are based on Advance Purchase Excursions Fares and are subject to applicable cancellation penalties, and the rules and regulations filed by each airline. Any deviation from the set itinerary may affect the airfare. The airfare excludes U.S. Departure Tax, Customs Users and Immigration Fee, Agricultural Tax, Los Angeles P.F.C. Tax and Australian landing taxes. The airfares are subject to the rules and regulations filed by each airline. A service fee may be added to the tour cost for non-AAT Kings issued tickets.

## Travel Insurance

It is strongly recommended that all clients take out comprehensive travel insurance including international air, cancellation and medical cover. This may be arranged through your travel agent or AAT Kings.

## Vacation Inclusions

Transportation, entrance fees and boat cruise prices as per itinerary, services of a Tour Director and Tour Driver and meals as specified. Accommodation on a twin share basis (unless otherwise specified). Subject to a minimum number of clients, AAT Kings reserves the right to operate this touring on a smaller vehicle with a Driver/Guide.

## Included on Camping Tours

Transportation, camping fees, entrance fees and boat cruise prices as per itinerary, services of a Tour Director, Tour Driver and Safari Cook, all camping equipment (including sleeping bags, foam mattresses, stools and eating utensils), virtually all meals (check individual itineraries), table wine with evening meals and tented (and other) accommodation on a twin share basis.

## Not Included in Your Price

Airfares (unless stated), airport taxes, travel insurance and personal items. Any new government taxes or charges.

## Luggage Allowance

One medium size suitcase per person plus an overnight bag (airline bag size) which may be carried on-board the vehicle. On a Camping tour, you may also bring a travelling rug/blanket for those cold nights, a small cushion to use as a pillow and an air mattress if you wish. A flash light would also be a handy accessory. Maximum weight of all luggage not to exceed 20kg (44lbs) and 29" x 20" x 10" in dimension. We are required by strict Government vehicle weight regulations to enforce and adhere to this limit. If your luggage exceeds this limit, we ask that you make alternative arrangements for the excess to be forwarded to the termination point of your tour. On 'small group' tours in the Northern Territory luggage is restricted to one medium-sized bag not exceeding 12kg plus one small day pack that can be carried on board.

All luggage and personal effects are at all times and in all circumstances at the risk of the tour participant. Luggage insurance is recommended.

## Smoking

Government regulations prohibit smoking inside tourist coaches within Australia and New Zealand.

## Seat Rotation on Coaches (Escorted Tours Only)

To enable everyone the opportunity of enjoying window and front seats, clients change seats daily during the course of the tour (2 days duration or more).

## Clothing and What to Bring

Casual gear is all that is necessary. Several changes of outer garments including shorts, pullover, waterproof jacket, underwear etc. Rubber-soled walking shoes, swimsuit, towel, pyjamas or tracksuit (warm sleeping gear is essential on Camping tours as inland nights can be very cold, particularly May to August), hat, camera, film and toilet requisites. Insect repellent and a small flask for drinking water are useful on tours in Northern Australia. Gentlemen require a jacket for the Casinos. Regular laundry facilities are available en route. Drip-dry clothes are recommended.

## Independent Touring

Please note companies other than AAT Kings operate some of the independent touring in this brochure.

## Important: Scenic Flights, Boat Cruises, Helicopter Flights, Hot Air Ballooning, White Water Rafting, Camel Rides, Jet Boating etc

These excursions are not operated by AAT Kings Tours, nor by persons or companies associated with AAT Kings Tours. These activities involve inherent risk of injury, death, accident, delay and loss, and client assumes all

such risk with regard to any misadventure, death, injury, delay or loss which occurs during, or as a result of any such activity.

## Protection of Funds

AAT Kings shares coverage under Trafalgar Tours' USTOA Active Membership and \$1 million letter of credit, posted with the United States Tour Operators Association, in the unlikely event of the company's insolvency. AAT Kings Tours (USA) Inc. is a registered seller of travel with the Attorney General of the State of California pursuant to section 17550.20 of the California Business and Professions Code CST#2019957-20

## Responsibility

1. This brochure represents the entire agreement between the client and AAT Kings Tours International Ltd., who is the product owner.
2. AAT Kings and its agents (collectively 'AAT') act only as agent for the client and upon the express condition that AAT Kings shall not be liable or responsible for any direct, indirect, consequential or incidental damage, injury, loss, accident, delay or irregularity of any kind, which may be occasioned by reason of any act or omission of any third party (including without limitation, any act, inaction or breach of contract of any third party, which is to or does supply any goods or services for this trip). Without limiting the foregoing, AAT Kings does not own or operate any third party suppliers of services such as hotels, restaurants, transportation companies, sightseeing companies or local tour operators. It is not responsible for any injury, death, loss or expense due to overbooking of accommodations, default of any third parties, sickness, weather, strikes, acts of God, Government, acts of terrorism, criminal activity, war, quarantine, force majeure events or any other cause beyond its control. All such risk, loss and expense must be borne by the client.
3. Most coach tours are subject to a minimum number of bookings. Where this is not reached, we endeavor to give ample notice and suggest suitable alternatives. Any additional costs incurred are the responsibility of the client.
4. Legal proceedings against the company may be instituted only in a state or federal court within the State of California, or in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California. The applicable law shall be the law of the State of California.
5. We reserve the right to change the hotels used, if operational considerations require this.

## Photography

A selection of photographs in this brochure have been supplied by Flemming Bo Jensen Photography.

## Brochure Validity

**01 April 2008 - 31 March 2009**

For tours departing before 01 April 2008, refer to our 2007 brochure. Please note surcharges and minimum night stays may apply, and itineraries may vary due to special events, New Year's Eve, Christmas, Easter etc.

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## DEPARTURE GUARANTEE

Occasionally airlines and tour operators are forced to reschedule departure dates. At AAT Kings we appreciate the inconvenience this may cause you. Therefore, we guarantee no tour will be rescheduled within 42 days of the published departure date.

## The \$1 Million Travellers Assistance Program

AAT Kings Tours shares the coverage available under the USTOA \$1 Million Travellers Assistance Program with affiliates of Trafalgar Tours who, as an Active Member of the USTOA is required to post \$1 Million with USTOA to be used to reimburse, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the USTOA Travellers Assistance Program, the advance payments of AAT Kings Tours customers in the unlikely event of Trafalgar Tours bankruptcy, insolvency or cessation of business. Further, you should understand that the \$1 Million posted by Trafalgar Tours may be sufficient to provide only a partial recovery of the advance payments received by AAT Kings Tours. Complete details of the USTOA Travellers Assistance Program and a list of affiliates may be obtained by writing to USTOA at 275 Madison Avenue, Suite 2014, New York, New York, 10016, or by e-mail to [information@ustoa.com](mailto:information@ustoa.com) or by visiting their website at [www.ustoa.com](http://www.ustoa.com).