

# Odyssey Travel Booking Guide

#### Reservations

You can book your program in one of the following ways:

Telephone call within Australia 1300 888 225 or New Zealand 0800 440 055.

Via our website www.odysseytraveller.com and go to the program

Email our office on info@odysseytravel.com.au

#### **Deposits**

After making a reservation, you are required to pay a deposit within 14 days of registering. The required deposits are AUD/NZD \$250 per person for domestic (Australian and New Zealand) programs and AUD/NZD \$500 per person for international programs. Following the receipt and clearance of your deposit you will receive an invoice as your confirmation receipt, together with advice of the balance payable and the due date for payment. **Note**: no reminders will be sent and, the receipt of all funds by the balance due date must be strictly adhered to. No documentation will be released to participants without the booking guide being completed, duly signed and returned to your nearest Odyssey office.

#### **Payments**

Most major credit cards are accepted by phone or via our website. Please note Odyssey's payment area on the web is a secure site. It uses a security protocol such as SSL (Secure Sockets Layer) or PCT (Private Communications Technology) to secure the information you send and receive. Cheques or money orders to Odyssey Travel may be put in the mail or alternatively you may direct deposit to Odyssey Travel's bank account. For direct deposits please call the office for our account details.

Because of limited availability on some programs we strongly suggest that you make your reservation over the telephone and then confirm the details and make the nessesary payment in accordance with the options listed above.

For all methods of payment, Australian residents may pay in Australian dollars and New Zealand residents in New Zealand dollars. **Enett; Agent code 200 304.** 



#### **Reservations & Information**

TA Licence 2TA5109, 32563 (Australia)
Bonded member TAANZ (New Zealand)

Australia: 1300 888 225 and (02) 4224 7000 New Zealand: 0800 440 055

Monday - Friday 9.00am - 5.15pm

**Email**: info@odysseytravel.com.au | nzsales@odysseytravel.com.au

**Website**: www.odysseytraveller.com

If you call us after hours or if your call is diverted, please leave your details clearly on our answer phone and we will call you back as soon as possible







## Odyssey Travel Booking Guide - Terms & Conditions

Please read these conditions carefully, because your reservation and payment for a program constitutes acceptance of them.

#### **ODYSSEY PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY**

Odyssey Travel programs are primarily prepared for fit mature adults, so you and your travelling companions are sure to share interests. We design all of our programs with mature travellers in mind.

In order to ensure congenial travelling companions Odyssey reserves the right to accept or reject any person as a travel program participant and to expel from the travel program any participant whose conduct is deemed incompatible with the interest or safety of the travel program group.

#### TRAVEL INSURANCE

It is a condition of travel for all of our international programs that you hold valid travel insurance cover for the full duration of your Odyssey program.

Comprehensive travel insurance is available in conjunction with your program for an additional competitive cost. Please ask your Educational Travel Adviser for a quote.

#### **PASSPORT AND VISAS**

A valid passport is required of Australian and New Zealand citizens for all programs departing Australia or New Zealand.

Visas are required for Australian and New Zealand citizens taking programs in, or passing through, certain countries. If a visa is required for entering a country, you will be advised in the program information.

Foreign passport holders are advised to contact the appropriate consular office for entry requirements pertaining to their participation in a selected program.

#### **OBTAINING A VISA**

To assist you to obtain your visas, Odyssey Travel will send you the required visa application forms and instructions. Completed application forms should be returned to Odyssey Travel by registered mail. The cost of visas and collection may be added to your account if not already included in the cost of your program. If you wish to apply directly to the relevant consular office for your visa, you may do so.

Remember, however, it is your responsibility to have the appropriate visas prior to your program departure.

#### **EXTEND YOUR PROGRAM**

You may wish to extend your Odyssey program by adding an extension arranged by Odyssey Travel. Please ask our Educational Travel Advisers for more information on our many attractive add-on holiday options.

#### **CUSTOMER COMMENTS**

Issues that arise while travelling should be brought to the attention of your program leader so that they can be settled immediately. Once you have returned home, any questions should be directed to our Educational Travel Advisers. We feel confident in our ability to work with you to resolve any problem. You must submit complaints in writing within three weeks of your return so that we can attend to them promptly.

#### **OPTIONS**

Reservations on programs are confirmed strictly in accordance with receipt of a completed registration form and deposit. As some persons who request options do not ultimately proceed, Odyssey
Travel reserves the right to issue more reservation options than spaces available. In order to avoid disappointment we encourage early registration.

Alumni members will be given preferences for bookings where possible. In the event that the program is full at time of receipt of your payment, you may either elect to go on a waiting list or Odyssey will refund your deposit in full.

#### **RESERVATIONS AND DEPOSITS**

Your completed registration form and deposit must be received by Odyssey. Balance of payment is due not later than 60 days before departure and should be paid by credit card, cheque or money order. If you do not pay the balance at this time, we must consider this inaction as a cancellation and cancellation charges may apply. If you choose to pay by credit card, we will accept American Express, Mastercard, Diners Card or Visa.

Please note that where payment is made by cheque, monies will not be considered as received until funds are cleared.

Until Odyssey Travel has received the correct deposit amount and has sent you an invoice which confirms our acceptance of the booking, no contract exists between you and the Company.

Where other suppliers require additional deposits (eg: cruises, expeditions or private extensions) you must pay these in addition to the Odyssey Travel deposit.

Any insurance premiums or excesses additional to Odyssey Travel included insurance, must also be paid at the time of registration. Details of the balance of payment owed by you will be included on the invoice. You will not receive any travel documents until full payment has been received.

We reserve the right to correct an error in an advertised price until your account is paid in full. Every booking is accepted subject to the conditions imposed by independent contractors, including the air, cruise, rail, coach, hotel, restaurant, insurance and other companies, firms, or persons concerned with the program.

In the event of a difference between Odyssey Travel's conditions and those published by an independent contractor, the conditions of the independent contractor shall apply.

We reserve the right to cancel any participant's booking in the event that programs do not operate, if number requirements are not reached or any other circumstances arise that, at Odyssey's sole discretion, require the cancellation of a program.

#### **SINGLES**

On most Odyssey programs, those requesting a single room are charged a single supplement. Single supplements are payable to ensure single accommodation with single beds, however, the standard and location of these rooms may not always meet the same standards of twin/double rooms. However, by choosing to share a room with another "single" you have the advantage of making a saving and the pleasure of the extra companionship that this offers. If you are travelling on your own, we will do our best to find someone of the same gender and smoking preference to share with you. On certain programs, when a roommate cannot be found Odyssey will guarantee the single room accommodation at no additional cost to the participant. This quarantee does not extend to pre & post travel, add-ons or extensions.

Where there is no single supplement this information will be listed in the relevant "Program Includes" section.









#### **LATE BOOKING**

Our overseas bookings are closed between 60-30 days prior to departure date. For certain programs we can waive the 60 day rule. A modest fee of AUD/NZD \$50.00 per person is imposed and we must receive full payment (program cost plus fee) with your booking form.

Most of our domestic tour bookings close 45 days (6 weeks) prior to departure date and the waiver of this rule is subject to the same late fee and payment requirements as stated above.

All late bookings must be requested by calling an Odyssey Educational Travel Adviser on 1300 888 225 or (02) 4224 7000 (within Australia) or 0800 440 055 (within New Zealand) and are subject to space availability.

#### **PRICING AND SURCHARGES**

Whilst we endeavour to hold the advertised price for as long as possible, unfortunately oil prices, currency fluctuations, airfare increases and other factors outside our control may force us to ask for surcharges. For air and land programs, if you mail the balance of your payment so that we receive it within 14 days of the date of your invoice, we can guarantee you will pay no ticketed item surcharges because we will have the opportunity to purchase your tickets in advance and have the currency we need to pay for the accommodations. (This guarantee does not extend to non-ticketed items such as new or increased departure taxes and airport charges.) For cruises, however, we cannot guarantee prices as most cruise lines reserve the right to impose surcharges.

The price of your Odyssey program includes a number of elements that together make up a program. We regret that we are unable to make any refund related to the cost of any individual element, such as an included excursion, that you choose not to take.

### AMENDMENTS, CANCELLATIONS, CHARGES, AND REFUNDS IF YOU AMEND YOUR BOOKING.

You may change any of your confirmed arrangements at any time up to and including 60 days before the planned departure date, subject to availability of accommodation and/or transport. Your total program cost will be recalculated and a new invoice issued. An amendment fee of AUD/NZD \$50.00 may be charged. If an amendment is requested fewer than 60 days before departure, Odyssey Travel reserves

the right to regard this as a cancellation, and charges may apply.

#### **SMOKING POLICY**

We are aware of the difference of opinion between smokers and non-smokers, particularly in such close quarters as lecture rooms and buses. For the comfort of all participants, we ask that there be no smoking during lectures or on the bus, in line with major airline policy. Sufficient stops will be made along the way to accommodate those who smoke.

#### IF YOU CANCEL YOUR BOOKING

The following charges will be applied by Odyssey
Travel and may be deducted from any refund of
monies if you cancel your booking, together with any
suppliers' fees and any irrecoverable costs borne by
Odyssey Travel. YOUR DEPOSIT IS NON- REFUNDABLE
AND NON-TRANSFERABLE.

**Note**: You should ensure that you have insurance cover against loss of deposit.

No. of Days before Program Commencement	Cancellation Charge as S of Total Pri
60 to 46 days	30%
45 to 30 days	50%
Fewer than 30 days	100%

These cancellation charges are in addition to any cancellation charges that may be levied by our suppliers.

#### **RESPONSIBILITY & LIABILITY**

Odyssey Travel serves only to assist in making necessary travel arrangements for participants, and in no way represents or acts as agents for transportation carriers, hotels, and other suppliers of services connected with the programs. Travel and service are subject only to the terms and conditions under which such accommodations, services and transportations are offered or provided, and Odyssey Travel and their respective employees, agents, representatives, and assigns, accept no responsibility and liability therefore.

Odyssey Travel or its servants, agents or employees are not liable for any injury, damage, loss, accident, delay, or other irregularity which may be caused by the defect of any vehicle or the negligence or default of any company or person engaged in carrying out or performing any of the services involved, caused by

any other entity or person during the travel program. Additionally, responsibility is not accepted for losses or expenses due to sickness, weather, strikes, wars, or other such causes. All services and accommodations are subject to the laws of the country in which they are provided.

Odyssey Travel reserves the right to make changes in the published itinerary whenever, in their sole judgement, conditions warrant, or if they deem it necessary for the comfort, convenience or safety of the participants. Odyssey reserves the right to withdraw without penalty any program announced. All parties also reserves' the right to decline to accept any person as a member of the program, or to require any participant to withdraw from the program at any time, when such action is determined by the program leader to be in the best interests of the health, safety, and general welfare of the group or of the individual participant.

Odyssey Travel does not accept liability for any carrier's cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a non-refundable domestic ticket to the program departure city and return. Prior to making your airline booking you must ensure that your program is a confirmed departure as carriers' cancellation penalties are not covered by travel insurance in the event that Odyssey Travel cancels a program due to lack of passenger numbers. Baggage and personal effects are the sole responsibility of the owner at all times. As a condition to participating on the designated program(s), each participant must agree to, and sign, the Registration Form and provide or complete any other required information such as Health and Fitness/Medical Forms.

#### **DISABILITIES/DIETARY RESTRICTIONS**

If you have any disability, please complete the relevant part of the booking form and attach any further details if necessary. Odyssey Travel reserves the right to consider the information provided by you and to request any further information it considers to be necessary before it can accept your reservation.

Programs are best suited to people who are mobile, able to climb stairs and walk distances without difficulty. You must be able to carry your own baggage sometimes up and down stairs, get on and off coaches, boats, or other forms of transport and keep up with the demands of a physically active schedule without assistance.

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We will make every effort to accommodate your special dietary and/or food allergy requirements but are unable to guarantee that we will be able to cater for your special needs. In signing this registration form you accept and understand these conditions.

The type of information which will be useful is whether your disability restricts or limits your capacity to walk unaided and, if so, if there are any distances you cannot safely cover and whether you need the assistance of any special devices or equipment to enable you to travel safely, such as a wheelchair or a guide dog or an assistant.

It is necessary to assess not only your needs and requirements but also the program you wish to go on and the modes of travel used in it and the needs and requirements of the other passengers and of the staff and the extent and nature of any special arrangements that may need to be put in place for you to travel safely with us.

#### **ITINERARY CHANGES**

We reserve the right to make a material alteration to your program on, or before, the date the balance of payment is due. If this is necessary, we will inform you as early as possible and you will be entitled to a prompt and full refund. Alternatively, you will have the choice of accepting the alteration or accepting a program of comparable standard, if available. After the date when the balance of payment is due, events may occur that are outside of our control and that force us to make changes to the program arrangements.

If, for any reason, we have to change the details of your program, we will inform you as early as possible. In the event of any major change of your program arrangements involving changes in date of more than one day, or a change of hotels to a lower official category, you may elect to cancel and you will be entitled to a prompt and full refund. Alternatively, you may accept the alteration. We reserve the right

to reverse the itinerary from that printed in this catalogue. In such cases, the locations visited and excursions taken will be the same, and this will not be considered a material alteration to the program.

#### **REGISTERED TRAVEL AGENT**

Australian & New Zealand College for Seniors Ltd trading as Odyssey Travel is a registered Travel Agent which:

- (a) in Australia (Licence Number: 2TA5109 & 32563) ensures protection by membership of the Travel Compensation Fund, and
- (b) in New Zealand (Travel Agents Association of New Zealand Bonded Member) ensures protection offered by membership of the TAANZ Bonding Scheme.

#### **PRICES**

The prices in this brochure, calculated on known costs and exchange rates at the time of publication, are in Australian and New Zealand Dollars and include currency adjustments, commissions, booking fees, GST where relevant and communication costs.

Odyssey Travel reserves the right to alter these prices without notice if there is an increase in costs to Odyssey.

In the event that Odyssey Travel requires a surcharge from you due to increases in costs, this will be requested in writing.

If you do not pay this surcharge, your action will be regarded as a cancellation by you and cancellation charges will apply.

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION

I/We acknowledge that information provided to Odyssey Travel from time to time will be of a personal nature ("Personal Information").

I/We acknowledge that, from time to time, Odyssey

Travel may disclose any personal information to domestic persons or organisations (or outside Australia and New Zealand) for the purposes of making and completing airline bookings and travel related arrangements on my/our behalf and also may conduct in-house or external marketing activities and market research.

You can gain access to the information Odyssey holds about you by contacting the Executive Director, Odyssey Travel in writing.





#### Please return the attached completed registration form to one of the following:

<b>Head Office</b>	Melbourne	Sydney	<b>New Zealand</b>
(no stamp required)	(no stamp required)		(no stamp required)
Reply Paid 61317	ANZCS Odyssey Ed-Ventures	Odyssey Travel	Freepost Odyssey
Odyssey Travel	PO Box 1102,	PO Box 189	PO Box 37999
Northfields Avenue	St Kilda South	Edgecliff	Parnell Auckland 1151
Wollongong NSW 2522	VIC 3182	NSW 2027	New Zealand



**Odyssey Travel** appreciates your assistance.

If any particulars are missing, these should be forwarded when known otherwise there may be a delay in completing your documentation.





### Registration Form

Do not hesitate to call if you require assistance completing this form. Australia 1300 888 225. New Zealand Free Call 0800 440 055 Have you already made a reservation with us by phone? (for office use only) Yes No  $\square$ Program NBR Program Information Your Departure Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / Name of Program: Your Departure City: If departing early please provide your overseas contact details: Fax: \_ Email: \_ Personal Details - Traveller 1 Traveller 2 (if applicable) List full name - AS SHOWN ON PASSPORT List full name - AS SHOWN ON PASSPORT Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other M Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other M Name on passport (given names): Name on passport (given names): Surname: Surname: Preferred Name: Preferred Name: Address: Address: Postcode: Postcode: Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_Country: Country: Mobile: ( Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ /\_\_\_\_ Passport No: \_\_ Passport No: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Issued in: Issued in: (International bookings only) (International bookings only) Date of Issue: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_ /\_\_\_ Expiry: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Date of Issue: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Expiry: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Nationality of passport: Nationality of passport: Country of Birth: Country of Birth: Dietary Needs (Please specify eg. Diabetic, Vegetarian, Dairy Free, etc) Dietary Needs (Please specify eg. Diabetic, Vegetarian, Dairy Free, etc) (All efforts will be made to fulfill your requests, but no guarantee will be given.) (All efforts will be made to fulfill your requests, but no guarantee will be given.) Health & Medical Information - Traveller 1 Traveller 2 (if applicable) Do you have any **medical conditions** (eg. allergies, heart disease, emphysema, diabetes, seizures, depression, recent surgery), or **restrictions** (eg. impaired vision, hearing, breathing, injuries, limited mobility, c-pap) that would be important to know in case of an emergency or that would require special equipment/personal assistance? Yes No (If yes, please specify) Yes No (If yes, please specify) Do you take any **prescription medications** on a regular basis in order to function effectively? If 'yes' please list the generic name(s) of and reason(s) for taking said medication(s) or write 'none'. Contact in Case of Emergency (other than travelling companion) Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other O Relationship: Surname: First Name: \_ \_\_\_\_\_ Work: (\_\_ Mobile: (\_\_\_\_ Telephone No's: Home: (\_



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Additional Travel Requirements	
Odyssey Travel is licensed to handle all of your travel requirements. Your Education Yes \( \sqrt{No} \sqrt{No} \sqrt{\sqrt{If yes, please specify}} \)	al Travel Adviser will be pleased to assist you. Do you require assistance?
Insurance Details	
I/we wish to have Odyssey quote for Travel Insurance (As I/we have planned to travel in addition to the Odyssey Travel program)  Do you have your own Travel Insurance?  If yes, Insurance Company Name(s): International residents will be required to provide proof of insurance cover  Emergency Contact Number of your Travel Insurance company:	Yes No No No Policy Number (s)
Preferred Rooming Requirements - Traveller 1	Traveller 2 (if required)
Sole use	Sole use  Twin share Double bed (if available)  Smoker: Yes  No
	peds) Double (1 bed) D
Flight Seating Request(s) - Traveller 1	Traveller 2 (if required)
Yes No (If yes, complete)  (All efforts will be made to fulfill your requests, but no guarantee can be given)  Seating Preference:  Frequent Flyer No.  Special Inflight Meal Requests:	Yes No (If yes, complete)  (All efforts will be made to fulfill your requests, but no guarantee can be given)  Seating Preference:  Frequent Flyer No.  Special Inflight Meal Requests:
Program Deposit	How did you learn about Odyssey Travel?
Enclose a deposit of AUD/NZD\$250.00 per person (domestic) or AUD/NZD\$500.00 (international) per person for each program. (Note: Other suppliers' deposits must be paid in addition to Odyssey travel requirements in order to complete your reservation and ensure insurance cover) If you are paying the deposit or any balance by credit card you must complete the credit card details below.  Cheque enclosed \$ payable to Odyssey Travel	Have you previously participated in an Odyssey Travel Program?  Yes No If no, how did you learn about Odyssey Travel? (this enables us to monitor th success of our promotions and advertising)  Word of Mouth
OR Please debit my/our credit card for \$	☐ Newspaper/Magazine
Amex Visa Mastercard Diners Card Credit Card No.	☐ Talk/Presentation Cla
Expiry Date: /  Card Holder name:  Signature: Date: / /	□ Other
Agreement	
Emergency Consent I hereby give my consent to the participating institutions in the Odyssey Travel progremergency when physically unable to give such consent or when delay in obtaining Booking Terms & Conditions I/we have read, understood and accept that the Terms and Conditions which co	such consent could constitute serious risk to life.
exclusive jurisdiction of the laws, courts and tribunals of the state of New Sout not travelling against medical advice.	h Wales and Commonwealth of Australia I/we also declare that I am/we are
Traveller One Signature:	Traveller Two Signature:
Date:/	Date: / /

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