# JOURNEY TO MACHU PICCHU: WOMEN'S ACTIVE & CULTURAL ADVENTURE

# MARCH 26<sup>™</sup> TO APRIL 3<sup>™</sup>, 2016 \$2,375 LAND COST ONLY

(INTERNATIONAL & REGIONAL AIRFARE ESTIMATED AT \$1,200 TO \$1,500 / SEE BELOW FOR DETAILS & PRICING ON AMAZON JUNGLE EXTENSION)

**BOOK BY OCTOBER 31ST AND GET \$100 OFF!** 

HOME TO ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS, vast archeological marvels in unbelievable settings, vibrant indigenous cultures, and natural wonders spanning from unspoiled Amazon rainforest to towering Andean peaks, Peru inspires awe at every turn. Throw in diverse and delectable food and remarkably friendly people, and it's no wonder why Peru is a traveler favorite. Join this all women's journey to Machu Picchu and you'll find yourself day hiking the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu, biking through Andean villages, exploring and unwinding in the Sacred Valley and discovering Cusco and Machu Picchu with one of the best guides in all of South America. From Cusco you will have the option to extend your adventure and visit the Southern Amazon Basin to explore the depths of the jungle.



- Hike part of the ancient Inca Trail to the one and only Machu Picchu
- Bike past breathtaking countryside as you make your way from an Andean village to intricate Incan terraces and salt pans overlooking the Sacred Valley
- Kayak and/or stand up paddle board on Lake Piuray with views of snowcapped peaks and traditional Andean farms
- Learn the process of creating colorful, hand-woven textiles as you spend time with an indegenous community.
- Get off the beaten path while learning to prepare and sharing a traditional pachamanca meal with villagers
- Meander the cobblestoned streets and bustling markets of Cusco where pre-Inca, Inca, colonial, and modern society are all on display
- Stay at unique, carefully selected accommodations in a variety of settings including cloud forest, the Sacred Valley, and UNESCO world heritage city, Cusco
- Choose from a range of wildlife and adventure excursions by day and enjoy fine food and a private jungle cabaña by night on the optional Amazon Basin Trip Extension\*
- Create truly incredible memories with a diverse group of women while bonding through a shared passion for adventure
- A flexible itinerary great for a wide variety of fitness levels









LIMA • CUSCO • SACRED VALLEY • INCA TRAIL • MACHU PICCHU • AMAZON\*

DAY 1 USA - Lima

DAY 2 Cusco & Sacred Valley

**DAY 3-4** Sacred Valley

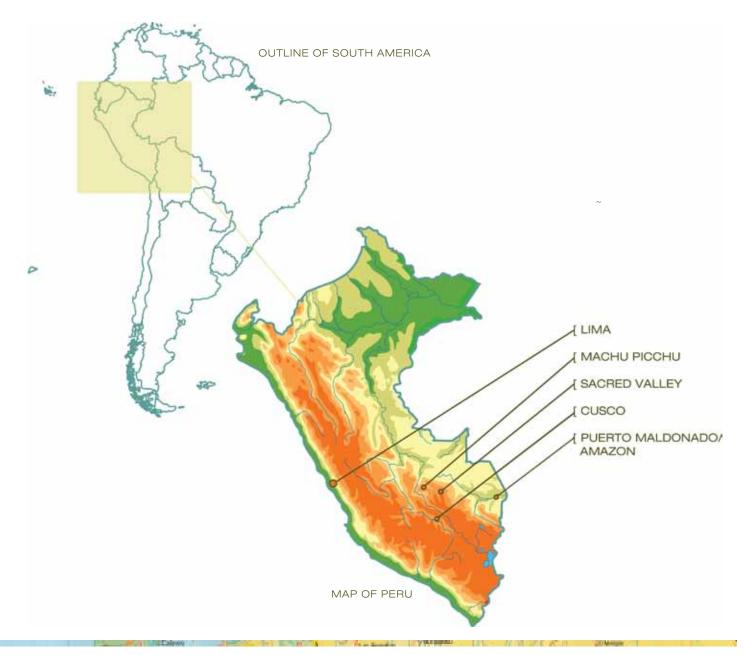
DAY 5-6 Inca Trail & Machu Picchu

DAY 6-8 Cusco

DAY 8 Cusco - Lima - Home

**DAY 8-11** Optional: Amazon Basin Trip Extension\*

DAY 11 Amazon - Lima - Home



#### ITINERARY: JOURNEY TO MACHU PICCHU: WOMEN'S ACTIVE & CULTURAL ADVENTURE

#### MAR 26 USA - Lima

You will fly from the USA to Lima arriving most likely in the evening. Upon your evening arrival to Lima you will be met at the airport and assisted in crossing the street and checking in to the hotel adjacent the terminal.

No meals – Costa del Sol Ramada airport hotel or similar

#### MAR 27 Lima - Cusco - Sacred Valley

After your short morning flight to the former Incan capital of Cusco where Andean cultures come alive (don't be surprised when the language doesn't sound like Spanish – it is most likely the native Andean tongue Quechua), you'll be met at the airport by your guide and driver. Departing for the Incan sights outside Cusco, you'll visit the fortress Sacsayhuaman and its megalithic stone terraces; Kenko, with its carved stone surfaces and subterranean altars; and if time permits, the Puka Pukara fortress that protected the royal capital from attacks; and the water temple, Tambo Machay.

Continuing through the mountains with inspired views to the snow-capped Andean peaks, you'll stop for lunch at a delicious local restaurant. Descend into the Valley of the Incas and arrive to Pisac – one of Peru's largest and most vibrant markets – where you can bargain with Andean campesinos for hand-crafted wares. Continue through the valley and check in to your accommodations. Take the evening to unwind, explore and acclimatize.

B, L - Sonesta Posadas Del Inca or similar

MAR 28 Sacred Valley Kayaking, Stand Up Paddle Boarding and Pachamanca Departing from your hotel early you will head to village of Chinchero, a scenic area predominated by high-altitude indigenous farming and weaving communities. Continue on through the village and to Piuray Lake where the kayaks and gear will be ready for you to begin paddling along the shores with your guide. Paddle according to your fitness and experience, enjoying awesome views of the Veronica and Salkantay glaciers, as well as mountains and agricultural terraces around the lake. Along the lake you'll see fishermen and farmers doing their daily work, as well as some native plants and wildlife. You'll also have the opportunity to try standup paddle boarding on the lake. Arriving back to the shore, stones will have been heating for around 5 hours in preparation of your pachamanca, a celebratory meal traditional in these areas. The chef will explain this tradition and the dish and you will participate in this elaborate and unique ancient preparation technique.

In the afternoon you will drive and/or walk about 3 km to the community of Umasbamba, an old and beautiful hacienda populated by traditional Andean farmers and weavers, where you will learn about the Andean traditions and the magic of waist loom weaving, as well as the harvest of the dying agent plants, washing with natural soaps (roots), spinning and weaving. There is also a nice after school project at Umasbamba that you can visit after the demonstration, if time allows.

B, L - Sonesta Posadas Del Inca or similar

#### MAR 29 Biking the Andes to Colonial Villages and Salt Mines

Departing in the morning, drive up the mountains towards Cruzpata where your adventure begins. Non-technical and mostly flat or downhill, this world-class biking adventure is great for those with and without experience alike. Traversing the altiplano landscape with sweeping vistas to snowcapped peaks over 16,000 feet high, you arrive to Moray – a little-known site thought to be an ancient lncan agricultural laboratory.

After enjoying a gourmet picnic lunch in the shadows of the Andes, you'll get back on your bikes and pass through a traditional colonial village. Continue on the downhill section to Maras where villagers still harvest the pre-Colombian terraced saltpans in the traditional way. From here you can choose to continue the descent down to the Urubamba Valley floor, hike an alternative trail, or return to the valley by van. Relax at your hotel in the evening with dinner at your leisure.

Note: For those who would not like to bike this day, or possibly bike for just part of it, there will also be a support vehicle that you can ride in. This will just give you extra time at each site while the others arrive by bike.

B, L - Sonesta Posadas Del Inca or similar











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#### MAR 30 Inca Trail Express to Machu Picchu

Heading out early you'll take the train along the Urubamba Valley to kilometer 104 where you'll begin hiking the Inca Trail. Crossing a footbridge you pass Winay Wayna ruins with its extensive terracing and water fountains. A gourmet picnic along the trail will have you refueled. Hiking a total of approximately 5 hours, you finally edge along a ridge to catch your first dramatic views of the Lost City of Machu Picchu from the Sun Gate Inti Punku. Arriving to the Sun Gate in the evening helps avoid crowds and allows you to first see Machu Picchu when it is less visited. From here you will descend to Machu Picchu Pueblo to toast your feat of retracing the ancient Incan pathway to Machu Picchu and your upcoming full-day exploration of the site. Hike Details: 6.8 miles, approximately 6 hours

Note: For those who would not like to hike, you can continue on the train and have an extra day to independently explore Machu Picchu. Must confirm upon registering for the trip, and please inquire for details.

• B, L, D - El Mapi or similar



Early risers can watch the sunrise from the Machu Picchu citadel or make the early morning climb of Huayna Picchu Mountain. This incredibly vast archeological site – lost to the world until well into the twentieth century – is perched amongst Andean peaks and lush cloud forest making it one of the most breathtaking sights in the world. You'll have the opportunity to get a complete guided tour of the site as you begin to unlock the mystery of the Inca, and will also have plenty of time to explore the ruins on your own. Lunch at the adjacent Sanctuary Lodge means you'll be able to enjoy the whole day without leaving awe-inspiring Machu Picchu. You will descend from Machu Picchu and take the early evening train back to Ollantaytambo where you will continue by van to Cusco for a relaxing evening.

B, L – Casa San Blas or similar

#### APR 1 Cusco

Enjoy the day independently exploring Cusco, one of South America's most dynamic cities. Visit Incan architectural jewels such as Korikancha – the temple of the sun, shop at Andean markets, enjoy incredible Peruvian cuisine, and see the colonial cathedrals around the Plaza Central. You can also choose to take an optional cooking class.

B - Casa San Blas or similar

#### Optional Cooking Class (\$140 per person)

You will be picked up at your hotel in the morning and taken to the historic San Pedro Mercado. This authentic food market is the place of choice for local Cuzqueno people to do their grocery shopping, and filled with a cacophony of sounds, vibrant colors, and pungent aromas. Explore the market alongside your chef guide learning about Peru's diverse cuisine and ingredients while getting a real dose of Peruvian culture and meeting some of the chef's favorite local providers. From here you'll be taken to the chef's beautiful open-air cooking laboratory in the countryside just above Cusco where you'll tour the garden sipping a delicious pisco sour before the cooking instruction begins. After your interactive cooking lesson and a delicious lunch you'll be taken back to your Cusco hotel.

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#### APR 2 Cusco - Lima - Onward

Enjoy the morning at leisure to continue exploring Cusco. You will be picked up at your hotel in the afternoon and transferred to the airport in accordance with your onward flight to Lima. After arriving in the Lima airport you will be responsible for checking in and catching your international flight. This is often a long & unavoidable layover, so save a few pages in your book or enjoy dinner or spa service across the street at Ramada and then fly out.

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APR 3 Arrive Home





















APR 2 Cusco - Amazonia

You will be picked up at your hotel lobby in accordance with your onward flight to Puerto Maldonado. Upon arrival you will be met by an Inkaterra Reserva Amazonica representative and be taken to the pier and head upriver for approximately an hour to the lodge. Before boarding the boat, you will have the opportunity to reshuffle some of your baggage to bring a smaller amount of your luggage to the lodge (remaining luggage will be locked up and remain in their offices until you return from the lodge).

At Reserva Amazonica you will stay on an inclusive basis and will have many included Amazon excursions to choose from. Food is included but not alcoholic beverages

B, L, D - Reserva Amazonica

#### APR 3 Amazonia

Continue enjoying your stay at Reserva Amazonica.

B, L, D - Reserva Amazonica

#### APR 4 Amazonia

Continue enjoying your stay at Reserva Amazonica.

B, L, D - Reserva Amazonica

#### APR 5 Amazon - Lima - USA

You will be transferred by Reserva Amazonica in accordance with your onward afternoon flight to Lima. After arriving in the Lima airport you will be responsible for checking in and catching your international flight. This is often a long & unavoidable layover, so save a few pages in your book and enjoy dinner or spa service across the street at Ramada and then fly out.

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APR 6 Arrive Home

### **ACCOMMODATION HIGHLIGHTS**

Note: These are the preferred accommodations but are subject to change based on availability at time of trip confirmation.

SONESTA POSADAS DEL INCA: SACRED VALLEY, PERU







EL MAPI: MACHU PICCHU PUEBLO, PERU







CASA SAN BLAS: CUSCO, PERU







RESERVA AMAZONICA: AMAZON BASIN, PERU







#### **COST DETAILS**

\$2,375\*\* Per traveler, double occupancy.

\$655 Single supplement.

\$1,200 - \$1,500 Estimated international and regional airfare costs.

\$100 OFF! Early booking discount if booked by October 31st.

#### \*COST DETAILS: AMAZON BASIN TRIP EXTENSION

\$725 Amazon Basin Trip Extension (Optional), 3-night / 4-day all inclusive package including mandatory 10% service charge (Note: There is also the option for a 2-night / 3-day package for \$575. Please inquire).

\$160 Amazon Single Supplement for 3-night / 4-day package (Note: \$130 for 2-night / 3-day package).

\$100 - \$200 Additional estimated international and regional airfare costs with Amazon Basin Trip Extension.

\*\*Note: Tour price based on minimum 8 travelers. Knowmad reserves the right to adjust this price in order to accommodate fewer registrants should there be less than 8. Trip size is capped at 16.

#### **PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

DUE UPON RESERVATION (PER TRAVELER)
45 DAYS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE

\$715 (30% of total trip cost) plus \$218 if doing the Amazon Basin Trip Extension Full remaining balance

#### WHAT YOUR TRIP COST INCLUDES

Personal pre-departure support Expert leadership and guiding

Accommodations as indicated and based on double or triple occupancy

Local excursions as indicated Airport transfers as indicated

Meals as indicated (B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner)

Backcountry field arrangements as necessary

All necessary equipment for adventure excursions

Ground transportation and support vehicles

Additional guides and porters as needed

Entrance fees and permits

#### WHAT YOUR TRIP COST DOES NOT INCLUDE

International and domestic airfare

Visa, passport, departure/arrival and excess baggage fees

Trip insurance (we strongly recommend you obtain trip insurance offered by Knowmad Adventures, including trip cancellation insurance)

Meals not indicated in the itinerary

Optional tipping to local guides and staff

Personal items

Alcohol unless otherwise noted

\*Activities listed as optional and/or denoted with asterisk

PLEASE REFER TO REGISTRATION FORM FOR TERMS & CONDITIONS

#### **FLIGHT DETAILS**

Knowmad Adventures does not purchase nor sell airfare.\*\*\* We are here to help you with the process, but ultimately it is your responsibility to purchase flights. We recommend that you purchase flights through flight provider Exito Travel to help make sure that the flights align with your itinerary and are purchased with reputable airlines. Often the best value and most efficient process is that Exito Travel quote your international and regional flights together (this also aids in reducing the risk that flight changes do not negatively impact subsequent flights).

#### RECOMMENDED INTERNATIONAL & REGIONAL FLIGHTS

Flights to be quoted after booking. Knowmad Adventures will assist in arranging your airfare to/from and within South America, but is not responsible if available flights exceed the price estimate. You may also purchase independently. Please contact Knowmad Adventures prior to purchasing international airfare however to be sure your arrival and departure schedule comply with the trip.

\*\*\*It is your responsibility to make sure that all flights you purchase coincide with the trip itinerary, whether purchased on your own or through Exito Travel. Knowmad Adventures is not responsible for financial loss incurred if flights purchased do not align with the itinerary, nor for any airline penalties or fees resulting from changes or trip cancellation once airline tickets have been issued. Knowmad Adventures is not responsible for any forfeiture that results due to any inability to obtain airline tickets that allow you to participate on a reserved trip. Please note that all airfare on our trips is subject to change without notice until tickets are issued. If due to unforeseen circumstances your trip should be delayed or cancelled, please bear in mind that many airfares carry major restrictions and in many cases are nonrefundable; may only be valid on the carrier listed (i.e., non-endorsable); may require advance purchase; may only be valid for specific travel dates or times; and/or may involve traveling by an inconvenient route.



## **READY FOR THE TRIP OF A LIFETIME?**

Signing up is easy. Please fill out the Registration & Payment Forms, read & sign the Booking Information & Liability Release, and mail pages 1-3 to PO Box 50572, Minneapolis, MN 55405 or fax to 1 612 293 3935. You can also scan and email the pages to travel@knowmadadventures.com but this is not a secure way to send credit card infoplease call 1 877 616 8747 to relay it verbally. We thank you for choosing to explore with Knowmad Adventures.

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If you're more than 2 travelers, download additional forms at www.Knowmad	dAdventures.com/contact.html. Please prin	t clearly in blue or black pen.
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financial loss incurred if flights purchased do not align with the itinerary, nor for any airline penalties or fees resulting from changes or trip cancellation once airline tickets have been issued. Knowmad Adventures is not responsible for any forfeiture that results due to any inability to obtain airline tickets that allow you to participate on a reserved trip. Please note that all airlare on our trips is subject to change without notice until tickets are issued. If due to unforeseen circumstances your trip should be delayed or cancelled, please bear in mind that many airfares carry major restrictions and in many cases are nonrefundable; may only be valid on the carrier listed (i.e., non-endorsable); may require advance purchase; may only be valid for specific travel dates or times; and/or may involve



## **PAYMENT FORM**

In order to make a reservation for your trip please fill out the Registration Form on page 1, read the Booking Information and Liability Release, signing on page 3, fill in your deposit payment method below, and sign the Insurance section at the bottom of this page. Mail pages 1 - 3 to Knowmad Adventures, PO Box 50572, Minneapolis, MN 55405 or fax to 1 612 293 3935. You can also scan and email forms to travel@knowmadadventures.com. NOTE >> Never email credit card info. If paying by credit card and emailing the forms please sign below, but call us at 1 877 616 8747 to give your card info verbally. We thank you and look forward to traveling together.

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CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION SIGNATURE	DATE
>> *Please refer to your trip proposal for costs, deposit amount and payment schedule due 45 days before departure, however deposit amounts and payment schedules can take precedent. If your trip departure is within the next 45 days, full payment is due to confirm  INSURANCE  All travelers with Knowmad Adventures are required to be covered by travel related personal medical insurance. I agree to obtain or verify that I have the above personal medical insurance.	vary because additional requirements set forth by local lodges, cruises, etc.
SIGNATURE OF TRAVELER ONE Parents and/or Legal Guardians must sign for participants under the age of 18	TRAVEL DATES
SIGNATURE OF TRAVELER TWO  Parents and/or Legal Guardians must sign for participants under the age of 18	NAME(S) FOR THIS PMT ONLY:
Cancellation insurance is also highly recommended but not required (ask us about supplemental insurance). If you choose to decline this protection, you are assuming any financial loss associated with your travel arrangements.	
>> PLEASE READ THE LIABILITY RELEASE & BOOKING INFORMATION, AND SIGN ON PAGE 3.	PAYMENT TYPE O Credit Card O Check  A1 ZIP
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#### LIABILITY RELEASE

This Agreement is important. It includes terms and conditions and releases Knowmad Adventures, Inc., doing business as Knowmad Adventures and Knowmad, from liability. It must be signed by all participants.

#### RELEASE FROM LIABILITY.

Knowmad Adventures, Inc., is defined to include its employees, shareholders, subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors, representatives and agents. It does not own or operate any entity which provides goods or services for your trip including, for example, lodging facilities, bus, plane, train, kayak, yacht or other transportation companies or devices, food service providers, equipment suppliers, etc. All such persons and entities are independent contractors. As a result. Knowmad Adventures, Inc., is not liable for any negligent or willful act or failure to act of any such person or entity, or of any other third party. Without limitation, Knowmad Adventures, Inc., is not responsible for any injury, loss, or damage to person or property, death, delay or inconvenience in connection with the provision of any goods or services occasioned by or resulting from, but not limited to, acts of God, acts of government, force

maieure, acts of war or civil unrest, insurrection or revolt, strikes or other labor activities, criminal or terrorist activities of any kind, or the threat thereof, overbooking or downgrading of accommodations, structural or other defective conditions in hotels or other lodging facilities, mechanical or other failure of airplanes or other means of any sort, dangers incident to recreational activities such as swimming, kayaking, canoeing, rafting, hiking, horseback riding, bicycling, rock climbing, etc., sanitation problems, food poisoning, lack of access to or quality of medical care, difficulty in evacuation in case of a medical or other emergency, illness, epidemics or the threat thereof or for any other cause beyond the direct control of Knowmad Adventures, Inc. In addition. I release Knowmad Adventures, Inc., from its own negligence and assume all risk thereof.

Knowmad Advnetures, Inc., may take photographs or video of its trips and trip participants grant Knowmad Adventures, Inc. permission to do so and for it to use them for promotional or commercial use without payment or any compensation to participant.

#### ASSUMPTION OF RISK.

I am aware that adventure travel such as that I am undertaking involves hazardous activities, some in remote areas of the world, with a risk of illness. injury or death which may be caused by forces of nature, the negligence of Knowmad Adventures, Inc., or other persons and companies known or unknown, or of willful or criminal conduct of third parties. I am aware that weather conditions may be severe, adverse and/or unpleasant. I am also aware that medical services or facilities may not be readily available or accessible during some or all of the time during which I am participating on the trip. In order to partake of the enjoyment and excitement of this adventure travel trip I am willing to accept the risks and uncertainty involved as being an integral part of my adventure. I hereby accept and assume full responsibility for any and all risks of illness, injury or death and of the negligence of Knowmad Adventures, Inc., or of any third parties.

#### VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION.

I acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to participate on the trip designated on this application (or a trip which I may change to). I am voluntarily participating in this trip with knowledge of the hazards involved.

ARBITRATION. I agree that in the unlikely event of any dispute concerning, relating, or referring to this contract, the brochure, or any other literature concerning my trip, or the trip itself shall be resolved exclusively by binding arbitration in Minneapolis, Minnesota according to the then existing commercial rules of the American Arbitration Association. Such proceedings will be governed by substantive Minnesota law. Should any part of this contract be found invalid or not enforceable by a court of law, then the remaining portion shall continue to be valid and in force.

#### KNOWING AND VOLUNTARY EXECUTION.

I have carefully read this agreement including the Booking Information sections on pages 4 and 5 of this document, especially those regarding cancellation and refund policies, limitation of liability, and responsibility borne by trip participants. I am aware that this is a release of liability and a contract between myself and Knowmad Adventures, Inc., and sign it of my own free will.

#### SIGNATURE OF TRAVELER ONE

Parents and/or Legal Guardians must sign for participants under the age of 18

#### DATE

SIGNATURE OF TRAVELER TWO

Parents and/or Legal Guardians must sign for participants under the age of 18

DATE

#### **BOOKING INFORMATION**

#### WHAT YOUR TRIP INCLUDES

- Pre-trip services
- Expert leadership and guiding
- Accommodations as indicated in detailed itinerary and based on double occupancy
- Local excursions as indicated
- Airport transfers as indicated in detailed itinerary
- Backcountry field arrangements as necessary
- Some equipment for adventure excursions
- Ground transportation and support vehicles
- · Additional guides and porters as needed
- Entrance fees and permits
- · Alcohol as indicated on select itineraries
- All meals as indicated in detailed itinerary (B-breakfast, L-lunch, D-dinner)

Each trip varies slightly, so call 1 877 616 8747 to speak with us or refer to your trip itinerary.

#### WHAT ISN'T INCLUDED

- International and domestic airfare unless otherwise indicated (our travel experts can help you arrange your flights through a third party flight provider, but airfare is a separate cost)
- Visa, passport, departure/arrival and excess baggage fees
- Trip insurance
- Activities denoted by an asterisk and listed as optional
- Personal items

#### SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

Accommodations are based on double occupancy. If you prefer single accommodations you must pay a single supplement fee, which is listed in the trip itinerary. If you are traveling alone

and wish to share accommodations, we will try our best to find you a roommate of the same gender. Should no one be available at the time you register, the Single Supplement is payable and you will be invoiced accordingly. If a roommate is found prior to departure, this fee will be refunded.

# BOOKING AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE

A 30% deposit, along with the signed and completed Registration Forms will reserve your Knowmad Adventures trip.

#### Payment Schedule as Follows

Time of reservation 45 days prior to departure 30% Deposit Balance

Deposit amounts and payment schedules can vary because additional requirements set forth by local lodges, cruises, etc. take precedent. Deposit amounts and payment structure outlined on your proposal documents supersedes all other information. Payment can be made in the form of credit card, cash, check, money order or bank transfer. If your trip departure is within the next 45 days, full payment is due to confirm. If your trip departs within 15 days of booking, payment is required by credit card in full.

#### CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS

At the time we receive written notice that you must cancel your trip, the following fees will apply based on land cost per person/per trip (all dates are from departure date):

#### Days Prior to Departure

Fee

From time of reservation until 45 days Deposit 45 days or less 100% of Land Cost



# ADDITIONAL BOOKING INFORMATION

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Please note that some trips carry a different cancellation schedule. In this case, that cancellation policy supersedes the information above. Clients are strongly advised to purchase cancellation insurance at the time of making the booking, as this will cover cancellation charges in certain circumstances. Payments due at the time of cancellation remain the responsibility of the client. Knowmad Adventures cancellation policy supersedes that of its subcontractors, including but not restricted to lodges and cruises.

# CANCELLATION BY KNOWMAD ADVENTURES

Knowmad Adventures reserves the right to cancel any trip due to inadequate sign-up or other cause that makes the trip unfeasible for us to operate, but we will inform you at least 45 days prior to departure. In such a case, the client may choose a full refund of the Land Cost or an alternative trip. If the alternative trip chosen by the client is of lesser or greater value than the tour originally booked then the client will be entitled to a refund of the price difference or be required to pay the price difference. Knowmad Adventures is not responsible for additional expenses incurred by members preparing for the trip (e.g., nonrefundable "Advance Purchase" air tickets, visa fees if applicable, clothing, equipment, medical expenses).

#### UNUSED SERVICES

No partial refunds are possible for unused services including hotel rooms, air or land transport, trekking or excursion days, or other sight-seeing excursions.

# PRICES, SURCHARGES & BROCHURE VALIDITY

As we publish our prices more than a year in advance, we may occasionally be faced with significant cost increases due to factors over which we have no control. As such, we reserve the right to impose surcharges or price increases due to unfavorable exchange rates, increases in air fares or other transport costs, taxes, increases in the cost of services, or if government action should require us to do so. If any surcharge results in an increase of more than 10% of the tour cost excluding insurance premiums the client may cancel the booking within 14 days of notification

of the surcharge and obtain a full refund. Prices and dates on the website are only indicative.

#### MEDICAL & HEALTH

Good physical and mental health is essential for the enjoyment of these trips. By forwarding the deposit, the client certifies that he/she does not have any physical or other conditions that would create a hazard for himself/herself or other travelers. Once a trip has been confirmed, medical conditions will not be considered as exceptions to the cancellation policy.

#### FLEXIBILITY

Trip itineraries as stated for each tour are simply an indication of each trip's events and what the group may realize, and are not a contractual obligation. The client acknowledges that the nature of this type of travel requires significant flexibility and should allow for changes. The client understands that the amenities, type of transport, route, schedule, and itinerary may change without prior notice due to events or local circumstances, which may include but are not limited to mechanical breakdown, flight cancellations, illness, strikes, political disputes, weather, border crossing issues and other unforeseeable events.

CHANGES BY KNOWMAD ADVENTURES Knowmad Adventures does its best to operate all trips as advertised, however reasonable changes may be made to itineraries where considered necessary. Knowmad Adventures reserves the right to change any of the services and facilities described in the trip descriptions before a booking is made. If such a change is made, the client will be informed at the time of booking. If Knowmad Adventures makes a major change (a major change is defined as one that effects one day in a five day itinerary) after a client has booked, the company will inform the client as soon as possible if there is time before the departure. If the major change is due to force majeure or unforeseen circumstance, no refund or compensation is payable.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRIP MEMBERS
Trip members have certain responsibilities to
Knowmad Adventures and other trip members.
The client must at all times comply with the laws,
customs, foreign exchange and drug regulations
of the countries visited. At all times the decision
of the local guide or local supplier is final on all
matters that may threaten the safety or interfere
with the well being of the group or individual
travelers. Should the client fail to comply with the

above or jeopardize the well being of others or the group, then the local guide or local supplier may order the client to leave the trip without recourse to any refund.

#### TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

The client must obtain and have possession of a valid passport and all visas, permits, and vaccination certificates required for the entire trip. The client accepts responsibility for obtaining these documents and any other necessary documents. Information or advice given by Knowmad Adventures on visas, vaccinations, climate, clothing, baggage, special equipment, etc. is given in good faith but without responsibility on the part of Knowmad Adventures.

#### CLAIMS AND COMPLAINTS

If a client has a complaint against Knowmad

Adventures, the client must first inform the local
guide/supplier while on the trip in order that the
quide/supplier can attempt to rectify the issue.

#### **INSURANCE**

It is the responsibility of the client to obtain personal travel insurance. The client is willing to accept full responsibility for insurance up to limits. that the client may require. This insurance must cover personal accident, medical expenses, air ambulance, loss of effects, repatriation costs and all other expenses which may arise as a result of loss, damage, injury, delay, or inconvenience occurring to the client. It is compulsory that all clients have travel related medical insurance. When the client purchases travel insurance arranged by Knowmad Adventures the client acknowledges that he or she is satisfied with the levels of insurance arranged by us. If the client does not purchase insurance recommeded by Knowmad Adventures, the client understands that the price of the trip does not include any insurance. When obtaining travel insurance from a source other than the recommended by Knowmad Adventures, the client must make certain that the insurer is aware of the type of travel that the client will be undertaking.

#### PHOTOGRAPHY

Knowmad Adventures may take photographs and/or video of its trips and participants grant Knowmad Adventures permission to do so and for it to use them for promotional or commercial use without payment or any compensation to the client.

#### AIRLINES & FLIGHTS

Knowmad Adventures is not responsible for financial loss incurred if client purchases flights that do not align with their itinerary. The responsibility of Knowmad Adventures in respect to air travel is limited by the airlines conditions of carriage. Knowmad Adventures is not able to specify the type of aircraft to be used by any airline. In addition, Knowmad Adventures is not responsible for losses due to cancelled flights or seats or changed flight itineraries. The client cannot cancel the contract with Knowmad Adventures without penalty due to a change of airline, aircraft type or destination. Knowmad Adventures is not responsible for any airline penalties or fees resulting from changes or trip cancellation once airline tickets have been issued. If due to unforeseen circumstances your trip should be delayed or cancelled, please bear in mind that many airfares carry major restrictions and in many cases are nonrefundable; may only be valid on the carrier listed (i.e., non-endorsable); may require advance purchase: may only be valid for specific travel dates or times; and/or may involve traveling by an inconvenient route.

#### CONTRACT

Anyone wanting to make a booking must complete the Registration Form and sign the Liability Release. The person(s) included on the Registration Form are referred to as the "client" in this document. All clients will be bound by the conditions in this document. All bookings are made with Knowmad Adventures, Inc., dba Knowmad Adventures, which sells the trips described in the brochure and website. No person has any authority on Knowmad Adventures' behalf to vary these booking conditions. The service to be provided is the trip(s) referred to in Knowmad Adventures brochure, website and discussed with its agents.