



~ Payment and Travel Terms ~

Thank you for your interest in American Safari Cruises. The following is a summary of ASC's terms and conditions.

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Deposit & Final Payment

Stateroom Booking

A deposit of \$1,500 per person is required to secure a reservation. The deposit payment must be received within three business days of your reservation. Reservations are not confirmed until a deposit is received. 50% of the initial deposit becomes non-refundable 72 hours after payment is received. If you choose to purchase our Travel Protection Plan, the premium payment must be made within **14 calendar days of the initial deposit payment** to qualify for pre-existing conditions and supplier default coverage.

Final payment must reach our office 60 days prior to your departure from your home city or in full at the time reservations are confirmed if less than 60 days prior. If this payment is not received in time, your space may be released; rebooking will then be subject to final availability.

Deposits and final payments may be made by check, credit card, wire transfer, personal check or money order. If **final payment** for individual stateroom bookings is made by credit card, a processing fee of \$150. per person would be added to the final cruise invoice. For private yacht charter bookings, if **any of the three required payments** is made by credit card, a 3% fee would be assessed.

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Private Yacht Charter

For a private yacht charter, a deposit equal to one-third of the total charter fare is due at the time of reservation to confirm space. Another one-third of the total charter cost is due 9 months prior to your travel date. Final payment is due 4 months prior to your travel date.

Cancellations

Guests, who must cancel their cruise for any reason, including medical or family reasons, are subject to the following cancellation fees. Please refer to the Travel Insurance section for details on cancellation penalty protection.

Stateroom Booking Cancellation Policy

Days prior To Departure	Cancellation fee
Up to 91 days	50% of initial deposit
90 to 61 days	Forfeiture of full deposit
60 to 46 days	50% of gross fare
45 to 31 days	75% of gross fare
30 to 0 days	100% of gross fare

Private Yacht Charter Cancellation Policy

Days prior To Departure	Cancellation fee
Up to 365 days (12mo)	50% of initial deposit
365 to 271 days (12-9mo)	Forfeiture of full deposit
270 to 121 days (9-4mo)	66.67% of gross fare
120 to 0 days (4-0mo)	100% of gross fare

Included in your fare

- Exclusive shore excursions and transfers
- All meals aboard the yacht
- Kayaking and small boat exploration
- Onboard professional Expedition Leader(s)/Naturalist(s)
- All taxes, port charges and fees

Not included in your fare

- Airfare to and from your home city
- Super-premium wine, beer and liquor
- Discretionary gratuities to vessel's crew, typically 5-10% of the cruise fare
- Travel insurance

Electronic Documentation

Electronic documentation is part of ASC's overall effort to minimize usage of consumable resources and thereby help safeguard our environment.

We will forward an initial Welcome e-mail containing preliminary travel information and how to access required forms within 48 hours after initial confirmation payment is received. Final electronic documents, including itinerary, packing recommendations and printable vouchers for prepaid services (if applicable) will be e-mailed approximately two weeks after final payment is received. Reservations must be paid in full before documents will be electronically delivered. Please note that late final payments may delay your receipt of electronic documents.

Policy on Children

Children over 12 years of age would most appreciate our yacht-style cruising when a departure is scheduled as an independent sailing (non-charter). This guideline specifically applies to the 12 to 22-guest yachts. Occasional and controlled exceptions may occur on our 36+ capacity yacht. Families with children under the age of 12 should target our select Kids in Nature cruises or book a private yacht charter for the whole family. It is the parents' or guardians' responsibility to supervise their children at all times.

Gratuities

Gratuities are a personal matter and are entirely at the discretion of the traveler. Recommended gratuities for excellent service on the cruise are 5-10% of the fare. Gratuities are shared equally by all yacht crewmembers.

Smoking

Smoking is allowed only on outside decks away from doors. Smoking is not allowed inside the yacht at any time.

Travel Insurance

You may purchase individual travel insurance to protect yourself against cancellation penalties, losses due to trips cut short by illness or family emergencies, or costs of baggage lost or damaged. If you choose to purchase our Travel Protection Plan, the premium payment must be made within **14 calendar days of the initial deposit payment** to qualify for pre-existing conditions and supplier default coverage. Please contact our office or visit our website for more information.

Health and Disability Requirements

Guests must notify us in writing at the time of booking of any physical or mental illness, disability or other conditions for which special accommodations or the use of a wheelchair is necessary or contemplated. Also we must be notified of any medical treatment that may render the guest unfit for travel or constitute a risk or danger to the guest or anyone else on board. Guests needing any form of assistance and those who are physically disabled must be accompanied by someone who will take full responsibility for any needed assistance during the cruise and in the event of an emergency. We reserve the right to refuse passage to anyone who, in our sole opinion, may affect the health, safety or enjoyment of other guests.

Guests requiring a wheelchair must provide their own collapsible wheelchair. Please be aware that some ports of call, shore excursions, docks, gangways and other requirements may preclude a wheelchair guest from leaving the vessel; this decision will be made by the ship's captain and is binding. Also, there may be certain physical conditions, including raised doorway thresholds from 2 to 16 inches, stairways and narrow passage ways within the yachts that may limit or preclude the accessibility of wheelchair guests to some areas.

Due to the limitations of vessel facilities, bookings cannot be accepted for women who will be 30 weeks or more pregnant at the conclusion of travel. Women in their third trimester (greater than 24 weeks, but less than 30 weeks) must submit a letter from their physician granting permission to travel by cruise vessel (and for air travel, if applicable).

Passport Requirements, International DUI/DWI Restrictions and Advance Travel Information

For all cruises entering a Canadian/Mexican port, **current passports for all passengers are required**. Please have **passports** with you onboard and provide us with your **passport** information in advance. We are required to provide U.S., Canadian and Mexican customs with this information weeks ahead of time.

Guests are advised to travel with government-issued identification and proof of citizenship for all party members at all times. For itineraries that cross international boundaries, passports are required for entry/reentry. Parents traveling with children and/or infants are advised to travel with **identification and proof of citizenship for each child**. If crossing an international border when both parents are not present, the traveling parent *may be required to provide a notarized statement from the other parent* allowing the child to travel out of the country. Failure to provide such evidence may prevent entry into that country.

Past felony convictions may disqualify individuals from entry into foreign countries. Guests are advised that a **D.W.I.** (Driving While Intoxicated) or **D.U.I.** (Driving Under the Influence) may be considered a felony in other countries, including Canada. It is the client's sole responsibility to ensure the immigration eligibility of all traveling party members for any foreign countries included in this itinerary.

In addition, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and U.S. Department of State recommend that U.S. travelers leaving the country research the entry documents required for their destination country prior to departure. The entrance requirements for specific countries can be found at www.travel.state.gov.

Emergency Contact Information, Passport Information (as required), Flight Arrival and Departure Information, Miscellaneous Dietary Requirements or Requests and any other requested guest information must be forwarded by e-mail or Fax **in a timely manner** to American Safari Cruises' headquarters per instructions provided in electronic documentation/forms. By providing all travel information within the requested time frame, ASC will be able to service your yacht cruise arrangements *in advance of embarkation* in the most thorough and efficient manner. We truly appreciate all your assistance in this regard.