SCANDINAVIA AND ICELAND

NATURE AND DESIGN

WITH OPTIONAL EXTENSION TO GREENLAND

MAY 31 – JUNE 16, 2017
TOUR LEADER: DR MATTHEW LAING
ABOUT ACADEMY TRAVEL
Each year Academy Travel organises around 50 journeys to Europe, the Mediterranean, Asia and the Americas, each focusing on a distinctive historical, artistic or cultural theme. The aim of every Academy Travel journey is to combine the pleasures of independent travel with the benefits and shared enjoyment of a group. Academy Travel is an Australian-owned travel company, founded in 2004. The company's staff includes both academic experts and travel professionals with over two decades' industry experience. We also have our own office in Rome which organises our tours in Western Europe. This means we have direct control over the selection of hotels, restaurants, coaches and local guides, guaranteeing superior quality.

CAREFULLY PLANNED ITINERARIES
All itineraries feature a carefully thought out balance of walking tours, gallery and museum visits, scenic excursions, dining and performances.

LIKE-MINDED GROUPS
Share your journey with fellow travellers who are in tune with your way of seeing the world. A maximum of 20 participants – not too small and not too large – creates a convivial atmosphere.

LONG STAYS
Perhaps the most appealing feature of our program. No whistletop tours, no 7.00am departures, day after day. In most destinations we enjoy three or four nights to really get to know the place.

SPECIAL EXPERIENCES
A private viewing of the Sistine Chapel or the Museum of Modern Art in New York? Tickets to a sold-out performance of the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra? Many of our tours feature top-flight events not usually offered on group tours.

EXPERT TOUR LEADERS
Our tour leaders combine academic expertise with a genuine passion for the places you visit. Under their expert guidance you see rather than just look, hear rather than just listen and understand rather than just observe. Your travel experience is transformed.

IN-DEPTH INFORMATION
With extensive printed tour materials, including detailed tour notes, destination guides, and daily programs, you’ll build up a coherent understanding of the country you’re visiting, not just a fragmented set of facts. These materials are also available in electronic format.
OVERVIEW

This 17-day tour is carefully planned to showcase the best that the Nordic countries have to offer the cultural traveller. The itinerary covers Finland, Denmark, Norway and Iceland.

These northern lands have strong and distinctive cultural traditions, ranging from a shared Viking heritage, centuries of trade and exchange through to the emergence of Art Nouveau and cutting-edge mid-century modern design in the 1950s and 60s. Equally impressive is the natural beauty of the region – forests, lakes, thousands of kilometres of pristine coastline and the wild volcanic landscape of Iceland.

Nature is also ever present in Nordic culture: in Norse and Finnish myths and legends, in the painting of the Danish and Finnish schools and Edvard Münch, in the music of Jean Sibelius, in the decorative flourishes of Art Nouveau and mid-century architecture, in the natural timbers of Scandinavian design and in the spectacular northern school of modern and contemporary architecture, whose output includes the Sydney Opera House.

We begin in Helsinki, Finland’s capital, where a distinctive Nordic style emerged in late 19th century art, architecture and music, culminating in the modernist architecture and design of Alvar Aalto, whose status rivals that of Frank Lloyd Wright. In Copenhagen, we explore Denmark’s royal heritage, with its strong patronage of the arts. Nature and tradition are very much at the fore in Bergen, a relaxed town in Norway’s fjord lands. In Iceland, a truly unique destination, we visit the capital Reykjavik and surrounding lands, before finishing the tour on the breathtaking Snaefells Peninsula.

For those wishing to see more, we are offering an adventurous post-tour extension to Greenland, which will be available in July 2016.

YOUR TOUR LEADER

Dr Matthew Laing is a historian and political scientist with extensive travel experience in Scandinavia and a very successful second career leading tours for Academy Travel.

Matthew holds a BA with first class honours and a PhD in History from the Australian National University, and is currently with Monash University. His research has focused on leadership and he has consulted government agencies around the world, including Denmark and the Netherlands.

‘The Nordic countries have a remarkable history and culture’, comments Matthew, ‘so different from Australia’s. And the range of attractions is remarkable, from Viking era archaeological sites to cutting edge design and architecture. They have always been and remain, forward looking societies.’

“Our tour leader, Matthew Laing, was brilliant. His knowledge and ability to present were exceptional. He was also amiable, helpful and well organised.” – Feedback from one of Matthew’s recent tours.

ENQUIRIES AND BOOKINGS

For further information and to secure a place on this tour please contact Jemma York at Academy Travel on 9235 0023 or 1800 639 699 (outside Sydney) or email jemma@academytravel.com.au

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Tour dates: May 31 – June 16, 2017
Tour leader: Dr Matthew Laing
Tour Price: $11,370 per person, twin share
Single Supplement: $2,460 for sole use of double room
Booking deposit: $500 per person
Recommended airline: Qantas/Finnair
Maximum places: 20
Itinerary: Helsinki (3 nights), Copenhagen (4 nights), Bergen (3 nights), Reykjavik (3 nights), Budir (2 nights), Reykjavik (1 night)
Date published: February 7, 2017
As anyone who has been there will tell you, Iceland is like no other country on earth. As well as the extreme climate and wild landscape, a unique population with unique traditions help to create a compelling destination for travellers. So when it comes to the fine arts, it is no surprise to discover that there is a distinctly Icelandic interpretation of the traditional European forms (if you doubt this, just look at a video of the Icelandic singer-songwriter Björk). The works of Iceland's most prominent 20th century sculptor Ásmundur Sveinsson, exemplify this well.

Ásmundur was born in a remote town in western Iceland in 1893. His talent was recognised early and after an apprenticeship in Reykjavik he moved to Copenhagen and then Stockholm for 10 years to further his studies. Here, from 1919 to 1929 he was exposed to the abstract and monumental forms of European modernist sculpture, and the industrial minimalist design of the Bauhaus and the ground-breaking French architect Le Corbusier.

On his return to Iceland in 1929, however, Ásmundur turned to the traditions of Iceland's sagas – the poetic and prose record of the early settlement of Iceland by the Vikings around 1,000AD. Violent, romantic and magical at the same time, the sagas are also grounded in historical fact and recount actual events in Iceland's often turbulent history. Many of Ásmundur's sculptures from the 1930s are taken from the sagas, but given a European modernist aesthetic, with angular forms and smooth, industrial finishes (Ásmundur worked in both stone and bronze). Ásmundur also reflected contemporary society in his works, and his celebrated 'Water Carrier' (1936-37, photo above) was an artistic reminder of the physical hardship much of the rural population endured.

Ásmundur's house and studio in Reykjavik is a fascinating site to visit. Expanded over the decades, its initial dome and pavilion form appears to have been strongly influenced by Le Corbusier's chapel at Ronchamp, though never a slavish copy. Ásmundur's original workshop was in the luminous dome of the building (but how did he get the finished sculptures down the stairs?). As he worked on larger scale works, a larger semi-circular workshop was built at the rear of the building.

Ásmundur died in 1982 and today the Ásmundarsafn, as the home/studio is known, is both a museum and a sculpture park. Surrounding and inside the building are some 80 works by the sculptor, showing his evolution from an apprentice to an interpreter of the Sagas and his later work, where he worked in an almost completely abstract mode.

A tour of the Ásmundarsafn is part of our Reykjavik sightseeing.
TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Helsinki’s striking ‘national romantic’ and Art Nouveau architecture
- Finnish architect Alvar Aalto’s home, his country villas and public buildings
- The lakeside villas of artists and musicians (including Sibelius), north of Helsinki
- Historical and modern/contemporary art museums in Helsinki, Copenhagen and Bergen
- Contemporary Nordic design in museums and at Marimekko, Itaala, Illums Bolighus and more
- The architecture of Joern Utzon in Copenhagen
- Helsingør Castle, the Danish Royal Fortress which is the setting of Shakespeare’s *Hamlet*
- Two days to relax in Bergen, Norway’s cultural capital, touring fjords
- The unique atmosphere of Reykjavik, Iceland, the world’s most northerly capital
- Two days in a beautiful boutique hotel on the Snaefells Peninsula, where Jules Verne fittingly began his *Journey to the Centre of the Earth*

Above: the striking 1919 Grudtvigs Church, Copenhagen

Above: the original geyser, Iceland

Above: Edvard Munch’s *Workers Returning Home*, 1913-15, in the Munch Museum, Oslo

Above: the Gullfoss waterfalls, Iceland
Detailed Itinerary

All breakfasts included. Included lunches and dinners are indicated by the letters (L) and (D).

Wednesday 31 May
Helsinki Orientation

Qantas/Finnair codeshare flights arrive in the early morning. Your tour leader will meet you at the airport for the coach transfer to our hotel. Rooms will most likely not be available until the afternoon, so after freshening up we take a coach tour of neoclassical Helsinki, when the city was redeveloped as the capital of a Grand Duchy of the Russian Empire. Welcome lunch; afternoon at leisure. Overnight Helsinki (L)

Thursday 1 June
Finnish Architecture

This morning we visit the Seurasaari outdoor museum, a collection of traditional Finnish buildings set on a pleasantly forested island. In the afternoon, we visit the Kallio church, an imposing example of the National Romantic style of architecture which emerged in the early 20th century, and the Helsinki railway station, the 1919 masterpiece of Eliel Saarinen. Overnight Helsinki (B)

Friday 2 June
Finnish Moderne

This morning we explore the life and works of architect Alvar Aalto, including a private tour of his home and first studio, and a visit to the Didrichsen Art Museum, a collection including works by Picasso, Kandinsky, Miro and Henry Moore, in a house designed by Aalto. In the afternoon we have a guided tour of the small-but-excellent design museum before taking a relaxed stroll around the beautiful Art Nouveau architecture of Helsinki’s ‘design district’. Dinner tonight is at Ateljee Finne, housed in the former workshop of a noted sculptor. Overnight Helsinki (B, D)

Saturday 3 June
Villas and Artists – To Denmark

This morning we visit Lake Tuusala, where an important community of artists and musicians lived in the early 20th century. We visit Ainola, the villa of composer Jean Sibelius, Halosenniemi, the lakefront residence and studio of artist Pekka Halonen, and Villa Kokkonen, designed by Aalto for his composer friend Julius Kokkonen. The current occupants of the villa will host us to lunch and demonstrate the beautiful music room within the villa. We then fly to Copenhagen. Overnight Copenhagen (B, L)

Sunday 4 June
Royal Copenhagen

Our walking tour this morning focuses on the pivotal role the Danish monarchy has played in Copenhagen’s history and
cultural life, from the Renaissance citadel, to the rococo
Amalienborg Palace, home to Royal family, and the
Christianborg Palace, today the seat of the Danish
parliament. After a break for lunch in the city centre we take
a cruise along Copenhagen’s canals, learning more about
the city’s history. This evening we head to Copenhagen’s
Tivoli Gardens for dinner at Nimb Brasserie and a stroll
through these historic pleasure gardens. Overnight
Copenhagen (B, D)

MONDAY 5 JUNE
FINE ART AND DESIGN

This morning we visit the National Art Museum, focussing on
the fine collection of Scandinavian art, which includes
several works by Edvard Münch. Afterwards there is time to
individually explore the rest of the collection, which has over
30 works by Matisse and a good modern and contemporary
collection. This afternoon you have the option of visiting the
Ny Carlsberg Glyptotek, housing a renowned collection of
Gauguins and Egyptian antiquities, or the excellent National
Museum. Overnight Copenhagen (B)

TUESDAY 6 JUNE
HELSINGOR AND LOUISIANA

This morning we travel north along the Zealand coastline to
Kronborg Castle in Helsingor, better known to English
speakers as ‘Elsinor’, the setting of Shakespeare’s Hamlet.
After a tour we head to the nearby Louisiana Museum of Art.
A private collection in a magnificent waterside garden
setting, Louisiana features a permanent collection of 20th
century masterpieces by the likes of Giacometti, Henry
Moore, Isamu Nauchi, Francis Bacon, and hosts
outstanding temporary exhibitions. We have lunch in
Louisiana’s cafe. Overnight Copenhagen (B, L)

WEDNESDAY 7 JUNE
JOERN UTZON IN DENMARK

This morning, we visit the highly original Grundtvigs church,
which combines gothic architecture with early modernism,
and the Bagsvaerd Church, designed by Joern Utzon in the
1970s, immediately after his departure from Australia. The
design combines elements of Japanese and Chinese
aesthetics with a soaring, light-filled interior. We then head to
the Paustian Furniture store, also designed by Utzon, which
houses a Michelin-listed restaurant where we have lunch.
We then fly to Bergen in Norway. There is a light dinner in
our Bergen hotel. Overnight Bergen (B, L, D)

THURSDAY 8 JUNE
EXPLORE BERGEN

Our program in Bergen moves at a more relaxed pace. This
morning a local guide takes us through Bryggen, the old port
of Bergen, which was part of the medieval Hanseatic League
and traded throughout Europe. Our tour ends in the Bergen
Art Museum, whose collection reflects Bergen’s status as

Above: the colourful town of Bryggen – once the port of Bergen
one of Scandinavia's cultural centres. The afternoon is free, with the option of a funicular ride to Floi Mountain, offering superb views of Bergen Fjord. Overnight Bergen (B)

FRIDAY 9 JUNE
NORWAY IN A NUTSHELL
Today we take a classic full-day journey by train, bus and boat through Norway’s mountains and Fjords. Highlights include a two-hour cruise through the spectacular Sognefjord and the Flam railway, which rises 900 metres from the fjord in 20 kilometres. Please note that this is a public excursion, although train carriages will be reserved for our group. Overnight Bergen (B)

SATURDAY 10 JUNE
TO ICELAND
In the mid-morning we transfer to Bergen airport for the four-hour flight to Reykjavik, the capital of Iceland, stopping at Stavanger en route. We arrive in the mid-afternoon, in time to check in and take an orientation walking tour of the old town. Overnight Reykjavik (B)

SUNDAY 11 JUNE
EXPLORE REYKJAVIK
This morning we tour the modern and contemporary architectural gems of the city and explore Icelanders’ novel use of technology to flourish in an inhospitable environment by, for example, using geothermal water tanks to heat the city and supply it with water. In the late afternoon we tour Harpa Hall, a thrilling contemporary performing arts centre, with elaborate steel and glass architecture and vast interior spaces, inspired by Iceland’s glaciers and volcanoes. Overnight Reykjavik (B)

MONDAY 12 JUNE
GEYSERS AND WATERFALLS
This morning we visit Iceland’s most historic site, Pingvellir. Here the world’s oldest known parliament convened in 930AD and our visit is a window on Iceland’s unique history and culture. Pingvellir is located in a beautiful national park, and the drive to the site takes us through a singular landscape of lava flows, volcanoes and thermal springs. After lunch at a local restaurant we continue to Geysir. The impressive thermal springs here have lent their name to the phenomenon all over the world. Nearby are the Gullfoss waterfalls, following the line of the meeting point of two of the Earth’s tectonic plates. Overnight Reykjavik (B, L)

TUESDAY 13 JUNE
INSPIRATIONAL SCENERY
This morning we depart Reykjavik and travel along Iceland’s scenic western coast to the Snaefells peninsula, stopping at villages and scenic points along the way. This afternoon we tour the National Park on the Snaefells Peninsula. Our base
for the next two nights is the idyllic boutique Hotel Budir. Occupying a stunning seaside location with views to the volcano, the hotel is famed for its restaurant, showcasing ‘new Nordic’ cuisine. We get to eat two evening meals here. Overnight Budir (B, D)

**WEDNESDAY 14 JUNE
JOURNEY TO THE CENTRE OF THE EARTH**

The Snaefells Peninsula is dominated by a conical volcano, Snaefellsjökull. Here, amid a setting of sea and wild terrain, is where Professor Lidenbrock begins his descent in Jules Verne’s *Journey to the Centre of the Earth*. This morning we ascend the volcano on a snow cat to peer into the snow-covered cone and enjoy a seemingly limitless 360-degree panorama of Iceland’s coastline. In the afternoon we tour the beautiful rocky shores and birdlife of Arnarstapi at the foot of the volcano before returning the Hotel Budir. Overnight Budir (B, D)

**THURSDAY 15 JUNE
RETURN TO REYKJAVIK**

We return to Reykjavik, travelling via the hot springs, waterfalls and the basalt cliffs of Eldborg. This evening we gather for a farewell meal in Harpa Hall. Overnight Reykjavik (B, L, D)

**FRIDAY 16 JUNE
DEPARTURE**

We transfer to Reykjavik airport today for onward flights or the Greenland extension. (B)

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### HOTELS

Throughout the tour we stay in 4-star and 4-star superior hotels in the city centres. The exception is Budir, which is relatively remote. The hotels combine modern comforts with easy access to major sites.

- Helsinki, **Radisson Blu Plaza** (3 nights)  
  www.radissonblu.com/plazahotel-helsinki

- Copenhagen, **Scandic Palace Hotel** (4 nights)  
  www.scandichotels.com

- Bergen, **Scandic Neptun** (3 nights)  
  www.scandichotels.com

- Reykjavik, **Hotel Reykjavik Centrum** (4 nights)  
  www.hotelcentrum.is

- Snaefells, **Hotel Budir** (2 nights)  
  www.hotelbudir.is

Images clockwise from top left: Norway’s mountains and Fjords, photo taken by Ann Turner on our 2015 Scandinavia & Iceland tour; a canyon filled with hot water at Pingvellir; coastal scenery at Arnarstapi, looking up to the base of Snaefellsjökull; traditional ‘turf roof’ buildings of the Old Farmhouse at Laufas; and Harpa Hall – a thrilling contemporary building, with complex steel and glass architecture and vast interior spaces
Included in the Tour Price

- All accommodation in selected four star hotels
- All breakfasts, 9 lunches/dinners, including three exceptional meals in leading restaurants and the hotel
- Wine with most meals
- Land travel by air-conditioned coach
- Three one-way economy class air flights: Helsinki to Copenhagen, Copenhagen to Bergen and Bergen to Reykjavik
- Background talks
- Services of Australian tour leader throughout tour
- All entrance fees to sites mentioned on itinerary
- Qualified local guides and museum lecturers
- Porterage of one piece of luggage at all hotels

Not Included

- International airfares (competitive quotes available)
- Travel insurance
- Meals and activities not stated as included in this itinerary
- Expenses of a personal nature

Air Travel Options

We suggest Qantas/Finnair codeshare flights to and from Helsinki, which offer good quality and competitive prices. Finnair flies to most major European capitals if you wish to extend your trip. Please contact us for the best possible prices on economy, business or first class fares. Transfers between airport and hotel are included for all passengers booking their flights through Academy Travel. These may be group or individual transfers.

Enquiries and Bookings

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Weather on Tour

The weather in Finland and Scandinavia in June should be very pleasant with long days and mild-to-warm temperatures. Expect daytime temperatures to range between 12 and 17 degrees and evenings that can drop into single digits requiring a warmer jacket and some light layering. Iceland is described as having a subarctic continental climate with cool summers and no dry season. Temperatures range between 7 degrees in the evening rising only marginally to an average of 12 degrees in the daytime. The weather can be highly changeable.

Fitness Requirements of This Tour

Grade Three ★★★

It is important both for you and for your fellow travellers that you are fit enough to be able to enjoy all the activities on this tour. To give you an indication of the level of physical fitness required to participate on our tours, we have given them a star grading. Academy Travel’s tours tend to feature extended walking tours and site visits, which require greater fitness than coach touring. We ask you to carefully consider your ability to meet the physical demands of the tour.

Participation criteria for this tour

This Grade Three tour is among our most physically demanding. To participate on this tour, you should be able to comfortably undertake up to seven hours per day, over several days. Activities may include travelling long distances, walking on difficult terrain, climbing stairs, embarking and disembarking trains and/or boats, exposure to high altitudes and long days of touring. These tours may include one night stops and early starts.

You should be able to:

- keep up with the group at all times
- walk for 5-7 kilometres at a moderate pace with only short breaks
- stand for a reasonable length of time in galleries and museums
- tolerate varying climatic conditions such as cold weather
- a reasonable level of physical and respiratory fitness
- tolerate a diet that can be significantly different from a typical Australian diet, and where some dietary requirements cannot be met
- walk up and down slopes
- negotiate steps and slopes on archaeological sites or mountain paths, which are often uneven and unstable
- get on and off a large coach with steep steps, train or boat unassisted, possibly with luggage
- move your luggage a short distance if required

A note for older travellers

We regret that we are not able to accept bookings on a Grade Three tour from people more than 80 years old, or with restricted mobility.

The snow cat on the Saefells volcano
GREENLAND EXTENSION

We are pleased to offer an extension to Greenland, well north of the Arctic Circle. Accommodation is in the village of Ilulissat, on the UNESCO World Heritage list, and beautifully situated at the mouth of a 40-kilometre ice fjord filled with large icebergs which are formed from the most productive glacier in the northern hemisphere – Sermeq Kujalleq.

Depending of flight schedules to Greenland, it may be necessary to spend one extra night in Reykjavik prior to the extension. Flight details will be known in early 2017.

COST OF EXTENSION

The extension will cost approximately $3,200 per person, to be confirmed in early 2017. The exact cost will depend on the excursion that you choose to take on the second day.

INCLUDED IN THE PRICE

- Transfers and return flights Reykjavik-Illulisat
- Two nights’ accommodation at the four-star Arctic Hotel
- One or two nights’ accommodation in Reykjavik
- Breakfasts and welcome dinner
- Guided walking tour of Ilulissat and midnight sailing cruise among the icebergs

ITINERARY

Day 1, Friday 16 June
The Scandinavia and Iceland tour ends this morning. Today may be a free day in Reykjavik, to rest and to enjoy the other sights the city has to offer. Your Scandinavia and Iceland tour leader will be available this morning to help you plan your independent sightseeing. (B) Overnight Reykjavik

Day 2, Saturday 17 June
There is a transfer to the airport this morning for the flight to Greenland. This afternoon there is a 2-hour guided walking tour of Illulisat, followed by dinner. (B, D) Overnight Illulisat

Day 3, Sunday 18 June
Today there are a range of options available. The final availability of your option(s) depends on a minimum number of participants. Optional excursions may include:
- Hiking to the old settlement at the Icefjord (2 hours)
- Icefjord and icebergs by boat (2.5 hours)
- Whale Safari in the Disco Bay (4 hours)
- Helicopter ride to remote glacier and icebergs (90 min)

Late this evening we take cruise among the icebergs of Illulisat. (B) Overnight, Illulisat

Day 4, Monday 19 June
This morning there is a transfer to Illulisat airport for your flight back to Reykjavik. Flights arrive in Reykjavik in the early evening. (B) Overnight, Reykjavik.

Day 5, Tuesday 20 June
There is a transfer to the airport early this morning for your outbound flights.

Greenland’s icebergs, glaciers and sheer remoteness are its key attractions. Photos (above and bottom) taken by Haydn Deere on the Scandinavia Iceland Greenland extension, June 2015

Below, colourful houses in Ilulissat
BOOKING FORM

A YOUR DETAILS

PASSENGER 1
Your title (Ms, Mrs, Mr, Dr etc): Your full name (as it appears on your passport):

Preferred first name: Date of birth:
Postal Address:

State: Postcode:
Email:
Phone: ( )
Mobile:
Passport number: Expiry date:
Frequent flyer number(s): Seating (Aisle or window)
Name of next of kin (not travelling with you):
Relationship to you: Contact number of next of kin:

I have previously travelled with Academy Travel

PASSENGER 2
Your title (Ms, Mrs, Mr, Dr etc): Your full name (as it appears on your passport):

Preferred first name: Date of birth:
Postal Address:

State: Postcode:
Email:
Phone: ( )
Mobile:
Passport number: Expiry date:
Frequent flyer number(s): Seating (Aisle or window)
Name of next of kin (not travelling with you):
Relationship to you: Contact number of next of kin:

I am travelling: on my own with a friend or family member. Name of friend or family member (if not passenger 2): We would like: a room for sole occupancy a twin-bedded room a double-bedded room

B YOUR SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

MEAL REQUIREMENTS/ALLERGIES
Please indicate below if you have any special dietary requirements. Appropriate meals will be requested for you on all flights and group meals based on this information.

PASSENGER 1
I do not have any specific dietary requirements or allergies
I have the following specific dietary requirements/allergies

PASSENGER 2
I do not have any specific dietary requirements or allergies
I have the following specific dietary requirements/allergies

MEDICAL CONDITIONS
Please indicate below if you have any serious health issue that may affect your travel insurance coverage, your physical capacity to undertake some activities on tour or may otherwise need to be considered by the tour leader/manager during the tour.

PASSENGER 1
I have no specific medical condition that Academy Travel needs to know about
Academy Travel needs to know about the following medical condition(s)

PASSENGER 2
I have no specific medical condition that Academy Travel needs to know about
Academy Travel needs to know about the following medical condition(s)
YOUR TRAVEL PLANS

- We wish Academy Travel to arrange air travel from Australia.
  - Economy Class.
  - Business Class.
- We will organise our own air travel.
- We are undecided about air travel. Please contact us to discuss the available options.
- I plan to leave Australia before the tour commences.
  - Planned departure date: 
- I intend to take part in the extension tour offered in the itinerary if applicable.

YOUR ACCEPTANCE OF BOOKING CONDITIONS

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND SIGN BELOW

DEPOSITS
A deposit of $500 per person is required to confirm your booking on a tour. Final payment of the tour fee, insurance and any additional travel will be due 60 days before departure.

CANCELLATION FEES
If you decide to cancel your booking the following charges apply:
- More than 60 days before departure: $500
- 60-45 days before departure: 25% of total amount due
- 44-15 days before departure: 75% of total amount due
- 14 days or less before departure: 100% of total amount due
  *This amount may be credited to another Academy Travel tour within 12 months of the original tour you booked.

UNUSED PORTIONS OF THE TOUR
We regret that refunds will not be given for any unused portions of the tour, such as meals, entry fees, accommodation, flights or transfers.

TRAVEL INSURANCE
Academy Travel requires all participants to obtain comprehensive travel insurance. We offer a comprehensive policy with a reputable insurer if required.

PASSPORT AND VISA
A valid passport is required for all international travel. If you do not hold an Australian passport you may require a re-entry permit. Some countries require a visa to be issued before you depart Australia. We will advise you of all passport and visa requirements, but it is your responsibility to ensure that you meet passport and visa requirements before you depart.

DEPOSIT PAYMENT
A non-refundable $500 deposit is required for each person listed on this booking form. Please indicate which method you have chosen to pay your deposit:

Number of passengers: 
Amount of deposit: $

- Paid directly by cheque (Please make cheques payable to Academy Travel)
- Paid by credit card (Please complete details below)
  - MasterCard
  - Visa
  - American Express

Card Number: 
Expiry date: 
3 or 4 digit security code: 
Name on card: 

WILL THE TOUR PRICE CHANGE?
If the number of participants in a tour is significantly less than budgeted, or if there is a significant change in exchange rates Academy Travel reserves the right to amend the advertised price. If this occurs you will be given the option of canceling your booking and obtaining a full refund. If an Academy Travel tour is forced to cancel you will get a full refund of all monies paid.

WILL THE ITINERARY OR AIRLINE CHANGE?
Occasionally circumstances beyond the control of Academy Travel make it necessary to change airlines, hotels or to make slight amendments to daily itineraries. We will inform you of any changes as soon as they occur.

FINAL PAYMENT
Full and final payment for the tour, airfare travel, insurance and any additional travel you book is due 60 days before departure. Payment may be made by bank deposit, cheque, cash or credit card. Please note there is a surcharge for payments made by credit card.

Academy Travel reserves the right to decline the booking or terminate the holiday of any traveller.

We accept the conditions on this booking form.

We have read the information about the physical requirements of the tour in the detailed itinerary and confirm that we are able to meet these requirements.

Signature: 
Date: 

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THIS TOUR?
Please select one or more where appropriate:

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- A friend recommended Academy Travel
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