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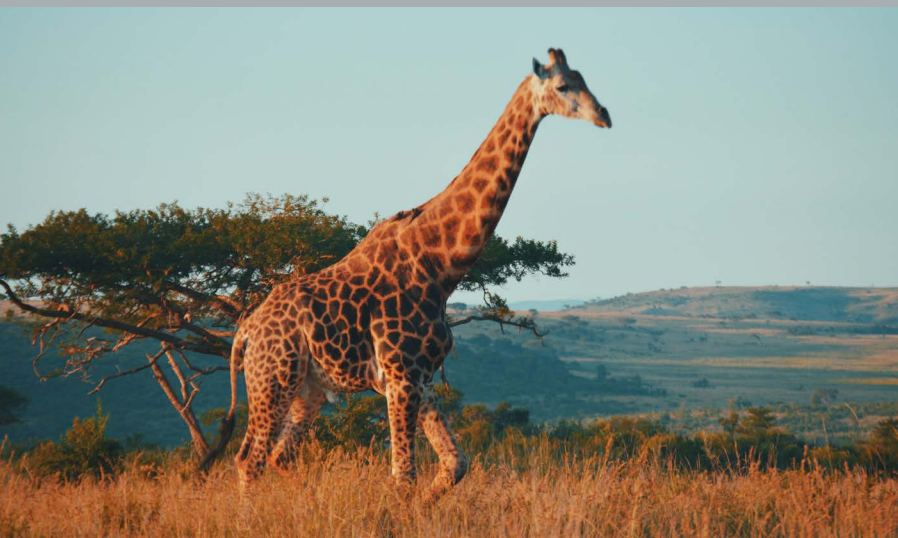


# *Human Origins in Africa*

Johannesburg ▪ Kapama Game Reserve ▪ Cape Town ▪ Mossel Bay

**November 26-December 7, 2023**

Faculty Host: : Dr. Jeremy DeSilva, Professor of Anthropology



Dear Dartmouth Alumni and Friends,

Join Dr. Jeremy DeSilva, Professor of Anthropology, on this amazing discovery of our human origins. This diverse South African adventure will feature fascinating paleontological localities; evocative historical sites and modern cities; sublime mountain, veld, and coastal scenery; wildlife viewing and photography opportunities; delicious cuisine; and 4- and 5-star accommodations. Travel from the lovely Magaliesberg Mountains to early human sites in the “Cradle of Humankind,” such as Sterkfontein Caves.

Visit Blombos Museum of Archaeology and Pinnacle Point Caves, with tours of both by a curator and a guest archaeologist, respectively. Spend two nights at a luxurious safari lodge to explore the Kapama Game Reserve, enjoying morning and afternoon game drives. Take guided tours of Johannesburg and Cape Town, meet with paleoanthropologists, and tour the Cape Winelands, where you will sample some of South Africa’s most renowned wines.

Dr. DeSilva and local guides will accompany you throughout, weaving together the threads of past and present that make up the rich tapestry of human evolution.

Space is limited, and we encourage you to reserve today by returning the enclosed reservation form.

Sincerely,

Robin Albing, Tu '81  
Director of Alumni Lifelong  
Learning and Advancement  
Special Projects

Alicia V. Wright, Ph.D.  
Assistant Director  
Alumni Lifelong Learning

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## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Travel with Dr. DeSilva to learn about our human origins.
- Go on a wild life safari in search of the 'Big 5'.
- Spend time in Johannesburg and Cape Town – two of Africa's most vibrant and dynamic cities.
- Savor some of South Africa's award-winning cuisines and wines.
- Learn about the culture and heritage of the 'Rainbow Nation'.



### Faculty Leader: Dr. Jeremy DeSilva

Jeremy DeSilva is Professor of Anthropology as well as Chair of the Department of Anthropology at Dartmouth College. He is a paleoanthropologist, specializing in the locomotion of the first apes (hominoids) and early human ancestors (hominins). His particular anatomical expertise – the human foot and ankle – has contributed to our understanding of the origins and evolution of upright walking in the human lineage. He has studied wild chimpanzees in Western Uganda and early human fossils in museums throughout Eastern and South Africa. From 1998-2003, Jeremy worked as an educator at the Boston Museum of Science and continues to be passionate about science education. He is the author of the 2021 book *First Steps: How Upright Walking Made Us Human*. Jeremy lives in Norwich, VT with his wife Erin and their twins Ben and Josie.



# PROGRAM ITINERARY

## November 26, 2023: Depart Home

Depart to Johannesburg, South Africa.

Early arrival accommodations can be arranged (\$285 per room per night). Please contact our Tour Operator at [info@immersionjourneys.com](mailto:info@immersionjourneys.com)/ (917) 686-2620 for booking arrangements.

## November 27: Arrive Johannesburg, South Africa

Arrive at Johannesburg's O.R. Tambo International and transfer to your hotel with views of the Magaliesberg Mountains, an ancient range with varied vegetation that attracted early humans. Enjoy an evening welcome dinner. *Overnight: Mount Grace Country House & Spa (B, L)*

## November 28: Malapa Tour

Embark on an unforgettable journey of storytelling as you walk in the footsteps of our hominin ancestors and learn more about the story of human origins. You will visit two world-famous fossil sites where you can learn about the geological interactions that led to the Cradle of Humankind. *Overnight: Mount Grace Country House & Spa (B, L)*

## November 29: Sterkfontein Caves | Maropeng Visitor Centre| Malapa

The fossil hominid localities of the "Cradle of Humankind" are recognized together as a UNESCO World Heritage site. Tour the Sterkfontein Caves, which have yielded more than 500 fossils and have become one of the world's leading sources of information about early human evolution. Continue on to the Maropeng Visitor Centre, an interactive exhibition tracing the development of humans over millions of years  
*Overnight: Mount Grace Country House & Spa (B, L)*

(B–Breakfast L–Lunch D–Dinner C–Cocktails)





### **November 30: Fly to Hoedspruit | Kapama Game Reserve**

Transfer to the airport for a group flight to Hoedspruit Airport . Upon arrival, we will be met and transferred to Kapama Southern Camp, your gateway to Kapama Game Reserve. Combined with the Kruger National Park, this area is one of the world's largest protected game areas and present unique game-viewing opportunities. Enjoy afternoon tea at the camp, followed by a late afternoon game drive.

*Overnight: Kapama Southern Camp (B, L, D)*

### **December 1: Kapama Game Reserve**

Enjoy a morning and afternoon wild life viewing, walking safaris or simply relaxing in pristine wilderness. *Overnight: Kapama Southern Camp (B, L, D)*

### **December 2: Fly to Cape Town**

Transfer to the Hoedspruit Airport and fly to Cape Town, the legislative capital of South Africa. Sandwiched between the slopes of iconic Table Mountain and the sapphire waters of Table Bay, the exceptionally scenic city is in a class of its own. Your hotel, located just outside the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront area dotted with restaurants and bars. *Overnight: Southern Sun the Cullinan (B)*

### **December 3: Cape Town: Robben Island & Bo-Kaap Tour**

This is a day of contrasts. Take a ferry to the infamous Robben Island prison where Nobel Laureate Nelson Mandela was imprisoned for his political views. Today, this prison is a landmark which showcases the extent of which the nationalist political party practiced segregation and apartheid to suppress the majority population. Return to the mainland and after a traditional Malay lunch, take a walking tour along the cobblestone streets of Bo-Kaap (Malay Quarter), one of the city's oldest residential areas with its colorful homes. *Overnight: Southern Sun the Cullinan (B, L)*

### **December 4: Cape Town: City tour & Cape Peninsula**

Get an overview of Cape Town in the afternoon on a guided city tour, motoring past famous landmarks such as the 17th-century Castle of Good Hope, the Edwardian City Hall, and St. George's Cathedral. Ascend to the top of Table Mountain by revolving cable car and marvel at a bird's-eye view of Cape Town and its beaches. Head to the southwestern tip of the Cape Peninsula which offers some of the most spectacular views in the world. The tour returns to Cape Town by way of Simon's Town where you visit the penguin colony at Boulders beach and Fish Hoek fishing village. There will be a lunch stop on the tour. *Overnight: Southern Sun the Cullinan (B, L)*



### **December 5: Blombos Museum of Archaeology | Mossel Bay**

Depart the hotel this morning after breakfast, and take a scenic, 4.5-hour drive to Mossel Bay along the Garden Route and coastal highway. Stop to visit the small but significant Blombos Museum of Archaeology, dedicated to presenting the prehistory of the area and specifically the findings from Blombos Cave, inhabited by early modern humans between 100,000 and 70,000 years ago. You will be guided through the displays, which provide context for the symbolic objects (the world's earliest) and ochre-processing "workshop" for which the cave is renowned. Continue on to Mossel Bay and check-in to our hotel in the afternoon. The balance of the day is at leisure.

*Overnight: Protea Hotel Mossel Bay (B, L)*

### **December 6: Pinnacle Point Caves | Dias Museum, Farewell dinner**

This morning explore the Pinnacle Point Caves which contain some of the earliest evidence for modern human behavior. (Please note that the only access to Cave 13B is via a series of steep wooden stairways and boardwalks, with some 200 steps in each direction.) Arrive at the hotel in Mossel Bay and, after an independent lunch, visit the nearby Dias Museum. Named after the famous Portuguese explorer Bartolomeu Dias, this museum depicts the history of the exploration and mapping of the southern African coastline and its importance in global trade as far back as the 1400s. Gather this evening for a farewell dinner.

*Overnight: Protea Hotel Mossel Bay (B, D)*

### **December 7: Fly to Johannesburg | Fly home**

After a morning at leisure you will be transferred to George Airport for a group flight to Johannesburg's O.R. Tambo International Airport (JNB). Connect with independent homeward flights or continue your adventure in Southern Africa (contact Immersion Journeys for assistance) (B)

### **TOUR COST:**

**\$7,995 per person** (*double occupancy*)

**\$2,195 Single Room Supplement**  
(*extremely limited and on first come basis*)

#### **Inclusions:**

- Accommodations in luxury hotels and lodges as indicated.
- 11 breakfasts, 8 lunches, 5 dinners (including welcome and farewell dinner). Welcome and farewell dinner include house wine, local beer and soft drinks.
- Airport transfers on day of arrival and departure.
- All domestic flights
- Full-time professional guide and all transport throughout the trip.
- All entry and park fees.

**Exclusions:** Tips and gratuities to guides, rangers, trackers, hotel/lodge luggage porters, hotel staff, international airfare into/ out of Johannesburg, visas and passport fees, laundry, gift shops, additional drinks during lunches and dinners (except welcome and farewell dinner).

# TOUR RESERVATION FORM

To reserve a space, please complete and return this form with your deposit of \$1,200 payable to *Immersion Journeys*. Mail or email to: Immersion Journeys, 455 Main Street, Suite 5M, New York, NY 10044. [info@immersionjourneys.com](mailto:info@immersionjourneys.com)

- Enclosed is my/our non-refundable deposit check of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (\$1,200 per person)
- Please charge my/our non-refundable deposit of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (\$1,200 per person) to my:  VISA  MasterCard  American Express
- Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code (4 digits for AMEX/ 3 digits for others) \_\_\_\_\_
- Authorized Card Holder Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**The balance of the trip is due on August 28, 2023. Payment by check or bank wire only (3.5% fee for credit card payments).**

## PASSENGER INFORMATION

**NAME 1 (as on passport):** \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME 2 (as on passport):** \_\_\_\_\_

Passport # \_\_\_\_\_ Nationality \_\_\_\_\_

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Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ (mm/dd/yy) Dartmouth Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

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Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

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Email (write clearly) \_\_\_\_\_

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I prefer single accommodations (*Limited to only 2 rooms and on first come basis ONLY.*)

I plan to room with \_\_\_\_\_  Double  Twin (*separate beds*)

I prefer to share accommodations (*if roommate is not available, I will pay the single rate*)

Emergency Phone # & Contact Name (during trip): \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate any special needs (diet, health, mobility etc): \_\_\_\_\_

*By submitting my/our deposit \$1,200 per person I am/we are registering for the 2023 Dartmouth Alumni Travel **Human Origins in Africa** travel program, and have read the Participants Agreement and agreed to the terms & conditions. I understand that portions of this trip will be strenuous, includes unpaved and steep muddy paths. I also agree to be in good physical shape and can walk without a walking aid or wheelchair. I am/ we are also taking responsibility for purchasing our own supplemental travel insurance including medical evacuation in order to participate in this travel program.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# PARTICIPANT'S AGREEMENT

By signing our tour reservation form, or otherwise indicating your assent in writing, you agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this document. These terms and conditions apply to the Tour, the itinerary for the Tour and payment for the Tour.

**1. INTRODUCTION:** These are the terms and conditions applicable to the tour packages provided by Immersion Journeys LLC, Dartmouth College (collectively "Immersion Journeys", "Dartmouth College" "we", "us" and "our"). The terms "client" "you" and "your" refer to each person who purchases and/or uses a tour package provided by Immersion Journeys.

**2. RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENTS:** A prepayment deposit \$1,200, along with a completed and signed Terms and Conditions, Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk [and Binding Arbitration] Agreement (Agreement) and Credit Card Authorization Form (if paying by cc) are required in order to confirm your reservation. Upon receipt of these forms and your deposit, we will confirm your trip. This Agreement, [the signed Reservation form and the signed Agreement, and the signed Credit Card Authorization Form are all part of your agreement with us.

The balance of your Tour cost is due of 90 days prior to departure.

**3. TRAVEL INSURANCE:** We strongly recommend that you purchase trip cancellation insurance. In the event that you must cancel your participation in a travel Tour, trip cancellation insurance may be the only source of reimbursement. Trip cancellation insurance is available for comprehensive coverage of such expenses in conjunction with cancellation due to illness or accident, and damaged or lost luggage. We will send you an application upon receipt of your reservation. In addition, medical evacuation coverage may be required as a condition of booking. **Due to the nature of this trip, purchase of supplemental travel insurance with medical evacuation is advisable. Please contact Dartmouth Alumni Travel at (603) 646-9159/ Dartmouth.Alumni.Travel@Dartmouth.edu.**

**4. CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY:** Our cancellation charges are based on the stringent payment policies of our suppliers of local services and therefore represent a reasonable estimate of our loss. Cancellation charges are expressed as a percentage of your total trip cost (excluding commercial airfare) and also depend on the day you cancel and the day of your scheduled departure from your home. Our cancellation charges are in addition to whatever the airline may charge you:

Penalty	Number of Days of Advance Written Notice
\$750	Ninety-one (91) or more
50 percent (50%)	Between ninety-one (91) and sixty (60)
One hundred percent (100%)	Less than sixty (60)

There is no refund for unused portions of a tour once it has commenced, and you are solely responsible for costs incurred by you due to missed, cancelled or delayed transportation. Your decision not to participate on the Tour due to State Department or Centers for Disease Control advisories or warnings, fear of travel, or for any other reason will be deemed a cancellation. If a flight or other delay for any reason prevents you from joining the Tour on the Tour start date, you will be considered a no-show. No refunds will be available, but you may join the Tour late if you wish.

Commercial airline tickets must be paid in full at the time of ticketing. Airline cancellation charges are set forth on the invoice.

**5. NOT INCLUDED:** Taxes; passport, visas and associated fees; personal expenses such as laundry, telephone calls and Internet access; accident/sickness, trip cancellation, and baggage insurance; gratuities to ship and hotel personnel; optional sightseeing excursions; baggage charges on aircraft; local departure air/airport tax(es); airfare and associated local taxes, airport facility and security taxes and federal inspection fees not listed as included in the travel Tour; transfers and baggage handling to/from airport/hotel/ship on day(s) of arrival and/or departure; any overnight on land due to flight schedule(s); meals, alcoholic or other beverages and all other services not specifically mentioned as included in the travel Tour

**AIRFARE:** Airfare is subject to change and availability and, depending on the fare basis, Immersion Journeys.

**BAGGAGE:** Luggage allowance policies are set by the airlines and may change without notice. Baggage is at owner's risk throughout the trip. Airlines, buses, vans and other modes of transportation may all have weight and size restrictions on luggage. It is your responsibility to comply with all baggage restrictions

**8. PRICE INCREASES:** Destination countries increase their VAT taxes from time to time. Some suppliers impose energy surcharges or other price increases. Prices are also subject to increase due to currency fluctuations. Any such increases will be applied to your total due at the time of final payment.



**9. PASSPORTS, VISAS, and OTHER ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:** International travel requires a passport valid 6 months beyond your intended return travel date. In most cases, you will also need to have multiple consecutive blank visa pages within your passport (the number varies depending on the destination(s)). Many destinations also require that visas be obtained prior to travel. If one parent or guardian plans to bring a minor child without the other parent or parents, some countries and airlines have strict documentation and permission requirements. Birth certificates may be required for children under 18. Some nations require proof of vaccinations for all travelers. Please speak with us if you are unsure about the visa requirements for your travel destination. You are solely responsible for complying with passport, visa, and other foreign entry requirements and vaccinations.

**10. RESPONSIBILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK:** Immersion Journeys, its employees, shareholders, subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors, successors, and assigns (collectively “Immersion Journeys”), do not own or operate any entity which is to or does provide goods or services for your Tour including, for example, lodging facilities, airline, vessel, or other transportation companies, safari or guide services, local ground or safari operators, providers or organizers of optional excursions, food service or entertainment providers, etc. All such persons and entities are independent contractors. As a result, Immersion Journeys is not liable for any negligent or willful act, failure to act, financial failure or other defaults of any such person, entity, supplier or any other third party.

In addition and without limitation, Immersion Journeys is not responsible for any injury, financial or other loss, death, inconvenience, delay, or damage to person or property in connection with the provision of any goods or services whether resulting from, but not limited to, acts of God or force majeure, acts or orders of government, acts of war or civil unrest, insurrection or revolt, bites from or attacks by wild or domestic animals, insects or pests, strikes or other labor activities, criminal or terrorist activities of any kind or the threat thereof, sickness, illness, epidemics or the threat thereof, the lack of availability of or access to medical attention or the quality thereof, overbooking or downgrading of accommodations, mechanical or other failure of airplanes, vessels or other means of transportation, or for any failure of any transportation mechanism to arrive or depart timely or safely. Further, I release Immersion Journeys from its own negligence and assume all risk thereof.

We have no special or unique knowledge regarding the financial condition of the suppliers of services, unsafe conditions, health hazards, weather hazards, or climate extremes at locations to which you may travel. For useful information regarding your destination, we strongly recommend reviewing the destination-specific information at [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov), and the Centers for Disease Control at [www.cdc.gov/travel](http://www.cdc.gov/travel).

If due to weather, flight schedules or other uncontrollable factors, you are required to spend an additional night(s), you will be responsible for your own hotel, transfers and meal costs. The right is reserved to decline to accept as a Tour participant, or remove from a Tour, without refund, any person Immersion Journeys judges to be incapable of meeting the rigors and requirements of participating in the activities, or who is abusive to other Tour participants, leaders or third parties, or who Immersion Journeys determines to detract from the enjoyment of the Tour by others. Specific room assignments are within the sole discretion of the lodge or hotel.

**Assumption of Risk of Exposure to COVID-19:** you agree to fully accept all known and unknown risks, including the potential risk of exposure to respiratory illnesses or other illnesses, diseases, or conditions, including but not limited to the coronavirus known as COVID-19. The coronavirus COVID-19 is primarily transmitted via exhaled respiratory droplets, most often through coughing, sneezing and breathing in close proximity to another person. These droplets can travel up to six feet and are more commonly transmitted between persons rather than from equipment to persons. You understand and agree that (a) COVID-19 is extremely contagious and there is an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 in any place where people are present; (b) no precautions, including the protocols that will be implemented as part of the trip, can eliminate the risk of exposure to COVID-19; (c) people of all ages and health conditions, including healthy young people, have been adversely affected by COVID-19; (d) certain people have been identified by public health authorities as having greater risk based on their age or underlying medical conditions; (e) exposure to COVID-19 can result in being subject to quarantine requirements, illness, disability, and other short-term and long-term health effects, including death, regardless of a person’s age or health condition. You understand and agree to hold the Immersion Journeys, its officers, vendors and suppliers harmless and not liable for any real or perceived symptoms of COVID-19 or any other disease, illness, or condition, nor for exacerbating any existing symptoms of any illness, disease or condition, and you fully agree to accept these and all other known and unknown risks of receiving services from Immersion Journeys.

**11. CANCELLATIONS AND POSTPONEMENTS BY IMMERSION JOURNEYS:** Immersion Journeys reserves the right to change the itinerary, the lodges or hotels utilized or any Tour features at any time and for any reason, with or without notice, and Immersion Journeys shall not be liable for any loss of any kind as a result of any such changes. Immersion Journeys may cancel or postpone a Tour (or an option) for any reason whatsoever. Seasonal changes (for example, from low to high season) may result in higher prices. In any event, for cancellations (or postponements) based upon acts of God or force majeure, acts or orders of government, epidemics or the threat thereof, pandemics, terrorism or the threat thereof, strikes or labor disturbances, demonstrations, riots or civil unrest, criminal activity, supplier default or insolvency, or other similar circumstances, its sole obligation is to issue credits in the full amount of moneys paid to Immersion Journeys, but only to the extent its suppliers are crediting Immersion Journeys with those monies paid by Immersion Journeys to them. Under no circumstances is Immersion Journeys obligated to refund the cost of any purchased travel insurance. Immersion Journeys is not required to cancel any Tour for any reason including without limitation, United States Department of State,

Centers for Disease Control, World Health Organization or other Warnings or Advisories of any kind. Immersion Journeys is not responsible for fees assessed by air carriers resulting from operational and/or itinerary changes, even if Immersion Journeys makes the flight arrangements or cancels the Tour. Immersion Journeys reserves the right to substitute lodges, hotels, vessels or attractions for those listed in the tour description if same is required by circumstances beyond its control or for the convenience or well-being of clients.

**12. OTHER TAXES AND FEES:** Some governments charge departure taxes and/or fees. These fees are the responsibility of each passenger traveling to the designated country and are not included unless stated.

**13. FORCE MAJEURE:** Immersion Journeys assumes no responsibility for any personal injury, property damage, financial or other loss, accident, delay, inconvenience, or irregularity which may be occasioned by reason of any matter beyond our control including but not limited to a delay or cancellation of a flight that causes you to miss all or any portion of the Tour, acts of God, acts or orders of government, epidemics, war, terrorist acts, riots, disaster, weather events, or strikes.

**14. INDEMNIFICATION:** You shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless Immersion Journeys, Dartmouth College and its officers, employees, directors, suppliers and agents, in their individual capacities or otherwise, from and against any Losses arising out of: (i) your negligence; (ii) your failure to comply with applicable law; or (iii) your failure to comply with these terms conditions.

**15. PHOTO RELEASE:** You consent to our use of pictures or video of you in our marketing materials without compensation.

**16. PHYSICAL ACCESSIBILITY:** All Tours require physical independence and mobility. Any physical or mental condition that may require special medical attention or physical assistance (for example, the need for a wheelchair) must be reported in writing when you make your reservation. Participants must be able to embark or disembark vans or motor coaches alone or with minimal assistance from your traveling companion and climb stairs and step over raised thresholds without assistance. Participants requiring assistance must travel with a companion who will be responsible for handling equipment. Please understand that the Americans with Disabilities Act does not apply outside the United States.

**17. CONDUCT DURING TOUR:** You are also responsible for respecting the authority and following the directions of the tour guide and the laws and health regulations of the countries in your itinerary. We may exclude you from participating in all or any part of the tour if, in our sole discretion, your condition or behavior renders you unfit for the tour or unfit for continuation once the tour has begun. Unfitness may include, without limitation, any behavior that, regardless of its cause, is inappropriate or offensive or interferes with the delivery of tour services, or may constitute a hazard or embarrassment. In such case, our liability shall be strictly limited to refund of the recoverable cost of any unused portion of the tour. Should you decide not to participate in certain parts of the tour or use certain goods included in the tour, no refunds will be made for those unused parts of the tour or goods.

**18. MEDICAL PROXY:** If you are unable to authorize your own medical attention and treatment, you authorize Immersion Journeys or its subcontractors or agents to authorize medical attention and treatment on your behalf. You agree to hold harmless and release Immersion Journeys from any liability for medical attention arranged or not arranged on your behalf. Immersion Journeys assumes no liability regarding provision of medical care or evacuation services.

**19. CHANGES:** Changes in this Agreement may be made only in writing, signed by an officer of Immersion Journeys.

**20. BINDING ARBITRATION:** Any dispute concerning, relating or referring to this Agreement, the brochure or any other literature concerning the Tour, or the Tour itself, shall be resolved exclusively by binding arbitration pursuant to the Federal Arbitration Act, 9 U.S.C. Sections 1-16, either according to the then existing Commercial Rules of the American Arbitration Association (AAA) or pursuant to the Comprehensive Arbitration Rules & Procedures of the Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Services, Inc. (JAMS). Such proceedings will be governed by substantive (but not procedural) State of New York law and will take place in New York City, New York. The arbitrator and not any federal, state, or local court or agency shall have exclusive authority to resolve any dispute relating to the interpretation, applicability, enforceability, conscionability, or formation of this contract, including but not limited to any claim that all or any part of this contract is void or voidable. Please understand that by agreeing to these terms and conditions, the participant and Immersion Journeys are waiving the right to a trial by jury. Any arbitration commenced against Immersion Journeys must be on behalf of only the signatory to this Agreement and his or her immediate family members who travelled with signatory, such as a spouse or child. Under no circumstances can participant be part of a class or other joint action.

**By signing the Tour Registration form, you agree to the terms of this Terms and Conditions, Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement. Your Agreement extends to any tour to which you may transfer. If your party includes a person under 18, then you represent that you are that person's parent or legal guardian.**

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