The Minnesota Landscape Arboretum in conjunction with Knowmad Adventures is proud to announce an incredible group trip “Crossing the Andes: An Exploration of Chile, Argentina and Patagonia.” This 14-day trip from November 5th to November 18th will highlight the landscapes of Chile and Argentina as well as the varied cultures throughout these regions. Travel through coastal Viña del Mar and Chilean wine country, then head south to Patagonia and across the Andes by way of fjords and glacial lakes into beautiful Bariloche, Argentina ending in vibrant Buenos Aires. From Buenos Aires you will have the option to extend your adventure and visit the magnificent Iguazu Falls.*

We will enjoy exclusive private garden visits curated by a variety of designers, architects, and garden owners.

**HIGHLIGHTS OF THE TRIP**

- Stay in the coastal city of Viña del Mar with its stunning white sand beaches.
- Meander coastal Valparaiso’s cobblestone streets and World Heritage architecture.
- Enjoy vineyard visits and tastings in the Casablanca Valley.
- Explore the Chilean-German countryside and take in the beautiful lake-side scenery.
- Traverse the Andes by boat through the volcanoes, turquoise lakes, temperate rainforest and mountain peaks of Patagonia.
- Eat, shop, and explore in Bariloche, Argentina the “Switzerland of South America.”
- Visit beautiful private gardens throughout and enjoy exclusive access.
- Experience dynamic and cosmopolitan Buenos Aires.
- Marvel at Iguazu Falls situated on the border of Argentina and Brazil.*
- Do it in style! This luxurious adventure highlights carefully selected accommodations in a variety of settings including modern, boutique, charming, historic, and lakeside.
- Trip escorted by Arboretum Operations Director Alan Branhagen.
- $300 tax-deductible donation to Arboretum included. Your donation helps less fortunate public gardens around the world in their conservation effort.
A ROUTE OVERVIEW

DAY 1  
Viña del Mar

DAY 2  
Viña del Mar/Valparaiso

DAY 3  
Wine Country

DAY 4-6  
Puerto Varas

DAY 7-9  
Bariloche

DAY 10-12  
Buenos Aires

DAY 13-15  
Optional Extension; Iguazu Falls*

HOST: ALAN BRANHAGEN

Alan Branhagen is Director of Operations and the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. Alan has a lifelong career in public gardens and natural resource management and has written 2 books, most recently Native Plants of the Midwest. He is an avid gardener, plantsman and naturalist specializing in birds, botany and butterflies.

PHOTOS OF EACH REGION & ACCOMODATION

VIÑA DEL MAR, VALPARAISO & CASABLANCA VALLEY
PUERTO VARAS
CROSSING THE ANDES: AN EXPLORATION OF CHILE, ARGENTINA & PATAGONIA

NOV 5 USA – Santiago
You will take an overnight flight from the U.S., arriving in Santiago the following morning.

NOV 6 Santiago – Viña del Mar
Upon your early morning arrival you will be met at the airport by a Knowmad Adventures representative and taken on the approximately 90-minute drive to the city of Viña del Mar, known as “the garden city” for its lush gardens and palm-lined boulevards. Enjoy lunch before visiting a private garden in the area. Here you will explore with the gardener by your side, learning about the flora of the zone and its distinct characteristics. Enjoy this opportunity to interact with your guide while taking in their unique garden. Afterwards, you will be taken back to your hotel to enjoy a relaxing evening at your leisure.
- L – Pullman San Martin or similar, Ocean View Rooms

NOV 7 Valparaiso
Today you will be met at your hotel and drive the short distance to neighboring Valparaíso, one of the first cities founded by the Spanish and one of the most interesting places in Chile. In 2003, it was declared a UNESCO World Heritage site for its architectural and cultural significance. The tour commences downtown, where you can learn about the history of ‘Valpo’ and its importance in South American trade and commerce. Century-old hillside ascensores (funicular railways) will transport you up into the city’s steep hills, where a labyrinthine maze of streets reveals brightly colored buildings, bohemian cafes, elegant restaurants and spectacular views of the harbor below. You are led through two of the most famous and eclectic neighborhoods, Cerro Concepción and Cerro Alegre. Return to Viña del Mar, passing the Reloj de Flores (flower clock) on your way to Fundación Jardín Botánico Nacional, Chile’s largest botanical garden responsible for conserving biodiversity, preserving flora and fauna as well as the country’s development of botanical science. It has a variety of collections and gardens with protected native flowers and Chilean palm trees. Here you will enjoy a cocktail with a tasting of various Chilean dishes. After your exploration you’ll be taken back to your hotel for a relaxing evening.
- B, L – Pullman San Martin or similar, Ocean View Rooms

NOV 8 Isla Negra & Casablanca Wine Valley
Following breakfast, you will be driven towards the coastal village of Isla Negra. Here, overlooking the sea, stands one of the three homes of Chile’s lauded poet, Pablo Neruda. Visit Neruda’s escape from the bustle of Santiago to experience what a day in the life was like for the writer, and examine his collections of antique bottles, masks, and nautical artifacts. After your visit to Isla negra you will head onwards to the Casablanca wine valley starting with a visit and lunch at Villard, Chile’s first family premium boutique wine company. Established in 1989, this family run winery takes their experience from all over the world to help make it recognized as one of the best producers of the Casablanca Valley. Continue your exploration of the Casablanca Valley at the beautiful Estancia El Cuadro. Here you will learn about the wines grown in the valley as well as the different Chilean traditions surrounding this process. Admire the stunning gardens while you have a tasting and explore the grounds. You will then return to Vina del Mar to enjoy the rest of the evening at your leisure.
- B, L, wine tastings – Pullman San Martin or similar, Ocean View Rooms

NOV 9 Viña del Mar – Santiago – Puerto Montt – Puerto Varas
This morning you will be taken by your Knowmad Adventures representative on the approximately 90-minute drive to Santiago. Here you will visit the Bicentennial Park, one of the largest parks in Santiago. Enjoy a guided tour learning about its different attractions such as the different flora & fauna, the sculpture park, its unique civil focus, the garden for the blind, and more. After exploring you will enjoy lunch at a restaurant.
inside of the park. In the afternoon, you will be transferred to the airport in accordance with your onward flight to Puerto Montt. Upon arrival you will be met by a Knowmad Adventures representative and taken on a short drive to the picturesque and historic town of Puerto Varas, where your hotel is located. Founded by German colonists, the town has distinct architecture, food and culture. Its unique flora, fauna and waterfalls make it a great destination for nature lovers. You will have the rest of the day to explore and enjoy your beautiful surroundings at leisure.

- B, L – Cumbres Puerto Varas or similar, Superior Rooms

**NOV 10 Puerto Varas**

Explore the coastline of Llanquihue Lake and the numerous villages along the shoreline passing by traditional wooden churches, Chilean farm houses, and thick Coigüe forests. The picturesque towns of Frutillar, Puerto Varas and Puerto Octay in particular are known for their strong influence of German colonists. Visit the sleepy town of Puerto Octay, taking in the old houses made from wooden shingles and the views of the lakes district below. Continue on to Frutillar, a special highlight for its charming, German-influenced architecture. This town is home to well kept gardens, colorful houses and charming tearooms. Visit to the German Colonial Museum to learn about the German settlers of the zone and their style of life. Enjoy a lunch in the area before heading back to Puerto Varas for the evening.

- B, L – Cumbres Puerto Varas or similar, Superior Rooms

**NOV 11 Puerto Varas**

Today you will get to know the other side of Lake Llanquihue. You will start your day of exploration with a beautiful drive along one of the gorgeous panoramic roads of Lake Llanquihue to arrive at Vivero Los Ulmos. This private park was created next to a seedling nursery of native trees to help conserve them. Learn about this park and the native species before heading on to Ensenada to enjoy lunch. Afterwards you will visit Parque Los Ulmos, a private conservation project placed on the slopes of Volcano Calbuco. After the eruption of the Calbuco in 2015, this area has become a focal point for scientists from the United States and Chile. Here you will be given a guided exploration of this park which will explain all about the native flora and the eruption’s effects on the ecosystem. Enjoy the breathtaking views of volcano Osorno as you explore the park.

- B, L – Cumbres Puerto Varas or similar, Superior Rooms

**NOV 12 Puerto Varas – Andes Lakes Crossing – Bariloche**

Following breakfast you will be picked up at your accommodations by your guide and transferred to the Cruce Andino pier to begin your adventure to Argentina. Note: Please have approximately $10 USD or equivalent pesos in cash with you this day, for non-pre-payable migration government fees. Today’s excursion and all transfers are in group basis, accompanied by Cruce Andino staff. Driving along the lake, you will enter Vicente Pérez National Park and see volcanically formed emerald waterfalls as well as sweeping vistas to the Osorno and Calbuco volcanoes. Continuing deeper into the park you will take a motor yacht cruise to a beautiful lodge on the shores of Lago Todos los Santos, where you will stop to enjoy the view and have lunch (to be paid direct by travelers). Crossing over the Andes you will stop to go through customs before you take another breathtaking boat ride. Upon arrival at the Puerto Pañuelo pier, you will be met by a private transfer and taken to your accommodations. Spend a relaxing evening at your accommodations or independently exploring all the city has to offer.

- B – Cacique Inacayal or similar, Superior Rooms

**NOV 13 Bariloche**

Today you will travel along the scenic Bustillo Road on the Nahuel Huapi lake shore towards the Arelauquen Golf & Country Club to enjoy the stunning views, gardens, and the polo house. Relax and enjoy before continuing on to a true garden to table experience at the charming Cassis Family House. Explore the
gardens as you learn about different Argentine culinary customs from Patagonia’s most outstanding chef. Enjoy the delicious dishes, experiencing the best flavors this region has to offer. After lunch you will continue on towards the Peninsula de San Pedro to visit various garden properties of the area. Included in this exploration will be Mr. Bullrich’s house, home to a beautiful garden designed by Josefina Casares and Martina Barzi, Machi Hue garden, and the garden of the Kelker family. Enjoy the flora of the zone before heading on to Llao Llao to take in the beautiful scenery and relax with the traditional drink, Mate. Learn about the traditions, myths, and forms of preparation of this unique beverage. After your day of exploration you will be taken back to your accommodations for the evening.

- B, L – Cacique Inacayal or similar, Superior Rooms

**NOV 14 Estancia Fortín Chacabuco**

This morning you will visit an important ranch known for its conservation efforts protecting the ecosystem of the zone and helping to promote sustainable grazing practices in the region. You will be met on-site by two of the biologists of the ranch; Marcela Ferreira and Silvina Alzogaray. Explore the property by their side, learning about the main characteristics of the Patagonian steppe and the conservation efforts of the ranch. You will also enjoy a delicious lunch near the river. Afterwards, visit the on-site museum to learn more about the ranch’s agriculture, cattle, and projects.

- B, L – Cacique Inacayal or similar, Superior Rooms

**NOV 15 Bariloche – Buenos Aires**

Enjoy the morning at leisure in Bariloche relaxing at your accommodations or exploring the city. In the afternoon you will be met at your accommodations by your Knowmad Adventures representative and transferred to the airport in accordance with your onward flight to Buenos Aires. Upon arrival in Buenos Aires, you will be met at the airport by your Knowmad Adventures representative and taken to your accommodations, centrally located in the Recoleta neighborhood.

- B – Loi Suites Recoleta or similar, Superior Rooms

**NOV 16 Buenos Aires**

Today you’ll begin the day with a guided exploration of one of the most interesting and dynamic cities in South America. The adventure highlights aspects of the city, through its history and culture: the historic development, the immigration process, specific cultural topics (soccer, tango music), its architectural heritage, Peronism and other interesting features of Argentine society. You will drive through both the narrow streets of the old city and the broad avenues that mark Buenos Aires’ modern growth. Soak in the unique architecture, beautiful plazas and colorful culture of this famed city as you see sights such as the Obelisco, the Cathedral, ornate governmental buildings, Plaza de Mayo, and the Casa Rosada which houses the mythical balcony from where Evita used to address the people.

Dive deep into its culturally rich neighborhoods. You’ll walk along the cobblestone streets of San Telmo, home to bohemians, artists and antique shops. Continue on to La Boca, a colorful and artsy neighborhood, and then to the beautiful rose garden and parks of the Palermo neighborhood. Enjoy the Recoleta district, one of the most fashionable parts of the city, which includes South America’s most opulent and extraordinary cemetery, the resting place of Eva Peron. Enjoy a lunch at the Croque Madame Café located at Museo de Arte Decorativo garden, a little corner of Paris in Buenos Aires.

To finish your exploration of Buenos Aires you will visit the private garden of Clara Billoch in the northern zone of the city. This professional landscaper has written various books and articles that make her well known in Argentina. Enjoy exploring through the garden learning about the different species of plants before heading back to your accommodations for the evening.

- B, L – Loi Suites Recoleta or similar, Superior Rooms
NOV 17 Buenos Aires – United States
This morning you will visit the beautiful zone of Tigre in the north of Buenos Aires. Escape from the big city of Buenos Aires to enjoy the unique flora of the Paraná-Delta as you explore the many channels filled with lush islands in your private boat. Arrive at the enchanting El Descanso Island, a large island filled with a diverse array of natural and cultural spaces. Enjoy the Tigre delta’s nature exploring the gardens with your naturalist guide and learning about the main qualities of the island vegetation. After a unique final lunch and your time in this unique ecosystem you’ll head in the evening to the airport for your onward overnight flight home. Those extending to Iguazu will take a late afternoon flight to continue on.

- B, L

NOV 18 Arrive home
COST DETAILS

LAND COST PER TRAVELER
$5,865* Land cost per traveler, double occupancy

$985** Single supplement

$1,800*** Estimated airfare costs. It is estimated international air, most likely on Delta, will be around $1,200 plus an additional $600 for your intra-South America flights

*Note: As currency exchanges and fluctuations vary, this is an approximate cost, which Knowmad reserves the right to adjust. This land-cost price is based on a minimum of 16 travelers. Knowmad reserves the right to adjust this price in order to accommodate fewer registrants should there be less than 16. Trip size is capped at 23 plus Tour Leader and Guide, but may be capped even earlier depending on number of single rooms booked.

**Note: This trip has a limit of 6 single rooms available for guests paying a single supplement. Reserve early to guarantee a single room. Once those 6 rooms are reserved, Knowmad Adventures will do its best to try and find a roommate for those still interested in joining, or you can be put on a waitlist for a single room.

INCLUSIONS
- 11 nights hotel accommodations
- 11 breakfasts, 10 lunches (B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner)
- Professional expert English-speaking guides throughout
- Personalized pre-departure support including Trip Information Packet (contains a packing list, details about regions, weather, etc.)
- Local excursions as indicated
- Airport transfers as indicated
- Field arrangements as necessary
- Ground transportation and support vehicles
- Entrance fees and permits as indicated
- Taxes and surcharges on excursions
- Escorted by Arboretum Director Alan Branhagen
- A $300 tax-deductible donation to the Arboretum
- Gratuities to guides, drivers & waitstaff for included meals.

NOT INCLUDED International and domestic airfare (see estimate for airfare cost guidance), passport, and departure/arrival fees; airline fees for luggage; trip insurance (trip insurance including cancellation coverage strongly recommended); meals not indicated in the itinerary; optional tips to hotel porters and maid service; personal items; alcoholic beverages
**PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

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PLEASE REFER TO REGISTRATION FORM FOR TERMS & CONDITIONS

****Exceptions to standard terms & conditions:
- Your $500 deposit is refundable up until 75 days prior to departure, should you choose not to travel. At 75 days, final payment is due and is non-refundable. If your deposit was paid by credit card, the refund will be minus 4% CC fees.
- Due to Covid-19, the trip’s ability to operate will be reassessed at 45 days prior to departure, and if the Arboretum, Knowmad, or the U of M determines travel not advisable, the trip will be postponed until November 2023 & participants will be automatically enrolled in that trip. If the trip is postponed, and it is not possible for you to travel in November 2023, you will have the option to cancel & be refunded at that time.

***AIRFARE INFORMATION***

Knowmad Adventures will assist in arranging your international airfare to and from Chile/Argentina as well as your domestic airfare within Chile/Argentina, but is not responsible if available flights exceed the price estimate. Once the trip is confirmed with the minimum number of travelers, Knowmad will be in touch with instructions on purchasing your flights via expert flight consolidator, Exito Travel. We strongly suggest waiting until that time to purchase flights. You may also purchase airfare independently, but please contact Knowmad prior to purchasing to ensure that the flight arrival and departure schedule work well with the itinerary. This trip is planned in accordance to an evening departure to Santiago November 5th (arriving morning Nov 6) and an evening departure from Buenos Aires on Nov 17th (if extending to Iguazu Nov 20).

Note, transfers to and from the airport will be arranged in accordance to the group flights sent by Exito & recommended by Knowmad. If you choose to purchase your flights independently, please purchase the same flights suggested. If you choose to purchase flights that have you arriving or departing on a different flight, we will put in place an additional transfer for you at an extra cost (approximately $100 to $150 pp depending on the number of travelers sharing that transfer).
IGUAZÚ EXTENSION: NOVEMBER 17TH TO 21ST

NOV 17 Buenos Aires – Iguazú
After your excursion you will be transferred to the regional airport in accordance with your onward flight to Iguazu. Upon arrival in Iguazu you will be met by your Knowmad Adventures representative and transferred to your accommodations to spend the rest of the evening at your leisure.

- B, L – Loi Iguazu or similar, Superior Rooms

NOV 18 Iguazú Falls (Argentine side)
Following breakfast you will be picked up by your guide and taken for a full-day exploration of the Argentine side of Iguazu. You will have the opportunity to walk a variety of trails and walkways near and around the falls with a variety of panoramic views. Even by Argentine standards - a country full of natural wonders - the Iguazu Falls are an extraordinary sight. It is said that Eleanor Roosevelt exclaimed: ‘Poor Niagara!’ when she saw the broad, tranquil river tumbling into the immense chasm of the Devil’s Gorge (Garganta del Diablo), surrounded by the emerald colors of the subtropical rainforest below, where butterflies dance and birds flit and dive. The Iguazú Falls (in Spanish: Cataratas del Iguazú) are located on the border between Brazil and Argentina. They were declared a Natural Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1984 and a Natural Wonder of the World in 2011. It is not strictly speaking a single waterfall, but a series of 275 waterfalls forming a natural rocky wall of about 1 mile. After exploring the falls, you will head on to visit a small garden, named the Jardin de los Picaflores (the Garden of the Hummingbirds), in downtown Puerto Iguazu. Here there are many wild colibries (hummingbirds) to be seen. Enjoy the views of these stunning birds as you relax in the garden. Afterwards you will visit the frontier landmark where Paraguay, Brasil, and Argentina converge at the confluence of the Parana and Iguazu River. After your day of exploration you will be taken to your accommodations to enjoy the rest of the evening at your leisure.

- B, L – Loi Iguazu or similar, Superior Rooms

NOV 19 Iguazú Falls (Brazilian side)
Departing after breakfast you will go with your guide across the border into Brazil and spend a half-day on this alternative side of the falls. From this side of the Argentine/Brazilian border, visitors enjoy a panoramic, postcard view of more than 270 waterfalls, in all their majesty. Here, the Iguazú River flows within a deep horseshoe shaped canyon and the views can be admired from a panoramic elevator and lookout point, experiencing the roaring thunder and majestic exuberance of the falls. You will enhance your visit to the Brazilian side of Iguazu Falls with a visit to the Chen Tien center in downtown Foz Do Iguacu. This impressive park, built by the international Buddhism order, has beautiful, panoramic views of Foz Do Iguacu. Enjoy the 17 hectares of meditation space with it’s beautiful gardens, more than 120 status, and main temple.

- B, L – Loi Iguazu or similar, Superior Rooms

NOV 20 Iguazú – Buenos Aires – USA
Enjoy the morning at leisure. Today you will be transferred to the airport in accordance with your onward flight to Buenos Aires. Upon arrival in Buenos Aires you will be met at the Aeroparque Jorge Newbury regional airport and be transferred to the Ezeiza International Airport for your international, overnight flight home.

- B

NOV 21 Arrive home
COST DETAILS

LAND COST PER TRAVELER
$1,350* Land cost per traveler, double occupancy

$485** Single supplement

$250 Estimated additional airfare costs to the core trip air estimate

*Note: As currency exchanges and fluctuations vary, this is an approximate cost, which Knowmad reserves the right to adjust. This land-cost price is based on a minimum of 8 travelers signing up for the extension. Knowmad reserves the right to adjust this price in order to accommodate fewer registrants should there be less than 8.

INCLUSIONS
- 3 nights hotel accommodations at 5 star Loi Iguazu
- 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches (B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner)
- Professional expert English-speaking guides throughout
- Personalized pre-departure support including Trip Information Packet (contains a packing list, details about regions, weather, etc.)
- Local excursions as indicated
- Airport transfers as indicated
- Field arrangements as necessary
- Ground transportation and support vehicles
- Entrance fees and permits as indicated
- Taxes and surcharges on excursions
- Escorted by Arboretum Director Alan Branhagen
- A $300 tax-deductible donation to the Arboretum
- Gratuities to guides, drivers & waitstaff for included meals.

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PAYMENT SCHEDULE

DUE UPON RESERVATION (PER TRAVELER) $250 per traveler
75 DAYS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE Full remaining balance

PLEASE REFER TO REGISTRATION FORM FOR TERMS & CONDITIONS

****Exceptions to standard terms & conditions:

- Your $250 deposit is refundable up until 75 days prior to departure, should you choose not to travel. At 75 days, final payment is due and is non-refundable. If your deposit was paid by credit card, the refund will be minus 4% CC fees.

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***AIRFARE INFORMATION

Knowmad Adventures will assist in arranging your regional flights to accommodate this itinerary. Do not purchase any other international flights other than those recommended by Knowmad without first checking those flights with Knowmad to be sure the international flights align with the itinerary and recommended regional flights.
READY FOR THE TRIP OF A LIFETIME?

Signing up is easy. Please fill out the Registration (pg. 1) & Payment (pg. 2) Forms, read the Booking Terms & Conditions and Liability Release (pg. 3 & 4) and sign on the bottom of pg. 2. Mail pages 1-2 to 2038 Ford Pkwy #459, St. Paul, MN 55116 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 info - please call 1 877 616 8747 to relay it verbally. We thank you for choosing to explore with Knowmad Adventures.

REGISTRATION FORM

If you’re more than 2 travelers, download additional forms at www.KnowmadAdventures.com/contact.html. Please print clearly in blue or black pen.

HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT KNOWMAD ADVENTURES?

TRAVELER ONE

NAME (Important: exactly as it appears on passport)

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

PHONE

EMAIL

GENDER  ○ male  ○ female

BIRTHDAY (mm/dd/yyyy)

OCCUPATION

PASSPORT NO.

EXPIRATION DATE

CITIZENSHIP

MEDICAL CONDITIONS/ALLERGIES

DIETARY RESTRICTIONS

ARE YOU VACCINATED AGAINST COVID-19?  ○ Yes  ○ No  *Vaccination is a requirement for entry into some South American countries and we need this information on file.

EMERGENCY CONTACT

PHONE

ACCOMMODATION INFO  I will share accommodations with

We prefer  ○ 2 twin beds  ○ 1 bed

TRAVELER TWO

NAME (Important: exactly as it appears on passport)

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

PHONE

EMAIL

GENDER  ○ male  ○ female

BIRTHDAY (mm/dd/yyyy)

OCCUPATION

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PHONE

ACCOMMODATION INFO  I will share accommodations with

We prefer  ○ 2 twin beds  ○ 1 bed

FLIGHT INFORMATION

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).

○ I would like assistance purchasing airfare through recommended flight provider Exito Travel.

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○ I will purchase all airfare on my own and will confirm with Knowmad Adventures before purchasing that the dates and times work with my itinerary.

*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 is subject to change without notice until tickets are issued.
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**DEPOSIT PAYMENT METHOD**

- **PERSONAL CHECK OR MONEY ORDER**
- **CREDIT CARD**
  - Visa
  - Mastercard
  - Discover

**CARD NUMBER**

3/4 DIGIT SECURITY CODE (on back of card)

**BILLING ADDRESS**

- Same as address listed on Registration Form.
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DATE

**NAME AS IT APPEARS ON CREDIT CARD**

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**30% OF TRIP COST**

MULTIPLIED BY NO. OF TRAVELERS =

TOTAL DEPOSIT AMOUNT IN USD

>> *Please refer to your trip proposal for costs, deposit amount and payment schedule. Generally, 30% of your trip cost is due to confirm with remaining balance due 45 days before departure, however deposit amounts, payment and cancellation schedules can vary because additional requirements set forth by local lodges, cruises, etc. take precedent. If your trip departure is within the next 45 days, full payment is due to confirm.

**KNOWING & VOLUNTARY EXECUTION**

The Registration Form, Payment Form, Liability Release and Booking Terms and Conditions are considered “the Agreement”. I have carefully read the Agreement, especially those sections 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. (“Knowmad Adventures”) and sign it of my own free will.

>> SIGNATURE OF TRAVELER ONE

DATE

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

>> SIGNATURE OF TRAVELER TWO

DATE

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

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RELEASE FROM LIABILITY
Knowmad Adventures 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 the trip described on the Registration Form ("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 ("Independent Contractors"). For myself and for all Authorized Travelers, I understand and agree that, neither Knowmad Adventures nor any Independent Contractor is liable for any act or omission arising out of or in connection with the Trip or this Agreement, including without limitation injury, loss, or damage to person or property, illness, 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 majeure, pandemics or epidemics, 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, condition of transportation, 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 or trip interruption in any way in case of a medical or other emergency, illness, pandemics, epidemics, or the threat thereof or for any other cause. For myself and for the Authorized Travelers, I release and hold harmless Knowmad Adventures and Independent Contractors from any and all claims and demands, including attorney’s fees arising out of or in connection with the Trip or this Agreement and assume all risk thereof.

PHOTOGRAPHY
For myself and on behalf of the Authorized Travelers, I grant Knowmad Adventures permission to take photographs and/or video ("Images") of me and the Authorized Travelers and irrevocably grant permission to Knowmad Adventures, its agents and representatives to use such Images and/or narrative for promotional or commercial purposes without review, payment or any compensation to participant.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK
For myself and on behalf of the Authorized Travelers, I am aware that adventure travel such as that I am and the Authorized Travelers are 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 acts or omissions of Knowmad Adventures, or other persons and companies known or unknown, or by conduct of third parties; that weather conditions may be severe, adverse and/or unpleasant and that medical services or facilities may not be readily available or accessible during some or all of the time during the Trip. In order to participate in this adventure travel trip, for myself and on behalf of the Authorized Travelers, I understand that participation in the Trip is voluntary and knowingly accept and assume full responsibility for any and all risks of illness, injury or death and release and hold harmless Knowmad Adventures, and any Independent Contractors.

ARBITRATION
I agree that in the unlikely event of any dispute concerning, relating, or referring to this Agreement, the brochure, knowmadadventures.com 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 Agreement be found invalid or not enforceable by a court of law, then the remaining portion shall continue to be valid and in force.

BOOKING TERMS & CONDITIONS

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
• Medical Insurance
• Any costs incurred due to Covid-19 or other pandemic- or epidemic-related testing or required quarantine
• 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 & PAYMENT SCHEDULE

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

Payment Schedule as follows:
Time of reservation............30% Deposit
45 days prior to departure........Balance

Deposit amounts and payment schedules may vary because of additional requirements of local lodges, cruises, etc. Specific deposit amounts and payment schedule outlined on your Trip proposal documents, sometimes called itinerary or detailed itinerary, supersede all other general information. Payment can be made in the form of credit card, cash, check, money order or bank transfer. If your Trip departure is within 45 days of booking, full payment is due to confirm. If your Trip departs within 15 days of booking, full payment is required by credit card.

CHANGES BY TRIP PARTICIPANTS
Knowmad Adventures does its best to accommodate all post-confirmation itinerary changes requested by the Trip Participants, however, due to the limited availability of accommodations and other itinerary constraints we cannot promise to fulfill every request. Itinerary changes requested by the Trip Participants post-confirmation are subject to a non-refundable administration fee of up to $250. We cannot accept changes requested by Trip Participants within 14 days of the trip start date. This includes, without limitation, booking additional accommodations, transfers, or excursions.

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CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS
Upon receipt of written notice that you must cancel your Trip, the following fees will apply based on the Knowmad Adventures Trip Cost per person/per Trip (all dates are from departure date):

Days Prior to Departure............. Processing Fee
From time of reservation until final payment due date..............Deposit
After final payment due date...........100% of Knowmad Adventures Trip Cost

Please note that some trips carry a different cancellation schedule which will be included in your Trip proposal documents, in which case, that cancellation policy supersedes the information above. You are strongly advised to purchase cancellation insurance at the time of booking, which may cover cancellation charges in certain circumstances. Payments due at the time of cancellation remain your responsibility. Knowmad Adventures cancellation policy supersedes that of its Independent Contractors.

UNUSED SERVICES
No refunds (full or partial) will be made for unused services, including hotel rooms, air or land transport, trekking or excursion days, or other sight-seeing excursions. Unused services also includes if you are unable to take your trip entirely; participate in any or all excursions and/or services if trip has already begun; or are required by government regulations (from either local country or country of residence) to extend, alter, or quarantine during your trip if trip has already begun due to epidemics, pandemics, or other illnesses or injuries as stated in the above Release from Liability section.

PRICES, SURCHARGES & BROCHURE VALIDITY
As we publish our prices more than a year in advance, we may occasionally be faced with cost increases due to factors over which we have no control. As such, Knowmad Adventures reserves the right to impose surcharges or price increases, for reasons including unfavorable exchange rates, increases in transport costs, taxes, increases in the cost of services, or if government action should require. If any surcharge results in an increase of more than 10% of the Trip cost excluding insurance premiums, you may cancel the Trip booking within 14 days of notification of the surcharge and obtain a full refund. Prices and dates on the website are only indicative. Trip proposal documents will control.

MEDICAL & HEALTH
Good physical and mental health is essential for the enjoyment of Trips. By forwarding the deposit, you certify that you and the Authorized Travelers do not have any physical or other conditions that would create a hazard for you, the Authorized Travelers or other persons. 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. For yourself and on behalf of the Authorized Travelers, you acknowledge that the nature of this type of travel requires significant flexibility and should allow for changes and agree 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, pandemics, epidemics, 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, you will be informed at the time of booking. If Knowmad Adventures makes a major change (a major change is defined as one that affects one or more days in a five day itinerary) after you have booked, we will notify you as soon as reasonably possible if there is time before the departure. If the major change is due to force majeure or unforeseen circumstances, including but not limited to pandemics, epidemics, natural disasters, or civil unrest, no refund or compensation is payable.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRIP PARTICIPANTS
Trip participants have certain responsibilities to Knowmad Adventures and other Trip participants. You and the Authorized Travelers 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 you or any Authorized Traveler 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 you or Authorized Travelers to leave the Trip without recourse to any refund.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS
You are responsible for obtaining and possession of a valid passport and all visas, permits, vaccination certificates, and proof of required medical tests (such as covid-19), and other documents or immunizations required for the entire Trip. Any information or advice given by Knowmad Adventures on visas, vaccinations, climate, clothing, baggage, special equipment, etc. is given in good faith but without responsibility or liability on the part of Knowmad Adventures.

CLAIMS & COMPLAINTS
If you or an Authorized Traveler has a complaint against Knowmad Adventures or any service provided, you must first inform the local guide/supplier while on the Trip so that the guide/supplier can attempt to rectify the issue.

INSURANCE
It is your responsibility and that of your Authorized Travelers to obtain insurance that covers you and the Authorized Travelers. Insurance must cover at a minimum, personal accident, medical expenses, air ambulance, evacuation, loss of effects, repatriation costs and all other expenses which may arise as a result of loss, damage, injury, delay, or inconvenience to you or the Authorized Travelers. All Trip participants must have travel related medical insurance. When travel insurance is arranged by Knowmad Adventures, you and you’re authorized Travelers acknowledge satisfaction with the levels of insurance arranged by us. The price of the Trip does not include any insurance. When obtaining travel insurance from a source other than that recommended by Knowmad Adventures, you should make certain that the insurer is aware of the type of travel that the Trip includes. 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 with your travel arrangements.

AIRLINES & FLIGHTS
All arrangements with Independent Contractors, including airline carriers, whether made by you, or by or with assistance from Knowmad Adventures for your convenience, are at your risk. Knowmad Adventures disclaims all liability for loss or damage of every kind and nature, including without limitation financial loss incurred for flights that do not align with the Trip itinerary, cancelled flights or seats or changed flight itineraries. You cannot cancel the Trip 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. If due to unforeseen circumstances your Trip should be delayed or cancelled, please bear in mind that many airlines have major restrictions and in many cases are nonrefundable; may only be valid on the carrier listed (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
To book the Trip, you must complete and sign the Agreement (either on behalf of all Authorized Travelers if you are authorized to do so, or each Authorized Traveler must individually sign the Agreement), and pay the required fees. You and all Authorized Travelers will be bound by the terms and conditions of the Agreement. All bookings are made with Knowmad Adventures, Inc., for the trips described in the Knowmad Adventures brochure and website. Only an officer of Knowmad Adventures, Inc. may vary the terms of the Agreement.