

## **BLUE DOT TRAVEL GROUP TERMS & CONDITIONS FOR LINDBLAD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC GALAPAGOS EXPEDITION, DEPARTING 27 NOVEMBER 2025**

These terms and conditions should be read in conjunction with Lindblad National Geographic's (LNG) General Terms & Conditions of Sale posted on their website and Blue Dot Travel's (BDT) general terms & conditions posted on the Blue Dot Travel website.

### **BOOKING FORMS & PROCEDURES**

No booking is confirmed, and no cabin will be allocated until BDT receives and acknowledges a completed booking form and an initial \$1,000 deposit.

### **PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

All cabins are priced in Australian Dollars and must be paid in Australian Dollars. Three payments are required:

1. A non-refundable deposit of \$1,000 must be paid at the time of booking, but no later than June 30, 2024, to secure the cabin and the special deal.
2. A non-refundable interim payment of \$2,000 is due December 1, 2024, to secure the cabin and the special deal.
3. Final balance payment is due no later than June 20, 2025

In each instance above, BDT will issue you an invoice, and once received we will issue a receipt showing that payment has been made. If an instalment payment is not received by the due date, then your requested cabin allocation may be considered cancelled, and your cabin may be offered to the next person on our waiting list, unless we agree beforehand.

### **TRAVEL INSURANCE**

BDT insists each traveller must have adequate comprehensive travel insurance for this tour and any add-on or pre-tour. Please read our BDT terms and conditions published on our website regarding travel insurance.

### **WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED IN YOUR CRUISE**

- International airfares to Quito, Ecuador, which is the start and finish point of the tour
- Any ground services before and/or after the cruise other than the ones mentioned
- Any visa expenses and/or immigration reciprocity taxes if applicable
- Luggage handling
- Tipping
- Services on board the ship, which are at an extra cost, such as premium liquor, spa treatment and hair salon
- Laundry services
- Personal expenses, onboard medical consultations and medications
- Cancellation/luggage/assistance/repatriation/ medical insurance(s)
- Travel Insurance
- Diving fees

### **PASSPORTS & VISAS**

Passport must be valid for six months after your return date. It is the traveller's responsibility to check requirements for visas and health requirements with the relevant authorities in your country, including an International Covid vaccination certificate.

### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

All payments, including your deposit, interim payment and final payment, are 100% non-refundable but may be held in credit or part credit with Lindblad National Geographic, depending on the date you cancel, as outlined in the table below. Any out-of-pocket expenses due to your cancellation must be claimed through your travel insurer. Further, you must advise BDT in writing in the event

you are cancelling. BDT will assist with the required documentation for an insurance claim. Blue Dot Travel retains the right to re-sell any cancelled cabins.

KEY DATES	CANCELLATION PENALTIES
Deposit payment of \$1,000 per person due 30.06.2024 (or later if the special offer is not taken up).	<b>Cancellation before 01/10/2024:</b> Your \$1,000 deposit payment will be held as a credit towards any new expedition with Lindblad NG, valid for 12 months from the date of cancellation. This Lindblad NG Travel Credit may only be applied to the final payment on a future booking.
Interim payment of \$2,000 per person due 1.12.2024	<b>Cancellation before 20/06/2025:</b> Your \$1,000 deposit payment and \$2,000 interim payment will be held as a credit towards any new expedition with Lindblad NG, valid for 12 months from the date of cancellation. This Lindblad NG Travel Credit may only be applied to the final payment on a future booking.
Final balance payment due 20.06.2025	<b>Cancellation between 21/06/2025 and 30/08/2025</b> 50% of your prepayments (\$1,000 deposit and \$2,000 interim) will be held as a credit towards any new expedition with Lindblad NG, valid for 12 months from the date of cancellation*. This Lindblad NG Travel Credit may only be applied to the final payment on a future booking. Any out of pockets as a result of cancellation may be claimed through your travel insurer.
30.08.2025	<b>Cancellation after 30/08/2025</b> If you cancel on or after this date, 100% of your payment is non-refundable. You will need to make a claim against your insurance policy for out-of-pocket expenses because of cancellation.

#### PARTIAL CABIN CANCELLATION

Changes to cabin occupancy when one guest cancels and the other guest in the same cabin is still travelling will mean that the remaining guest is required to find a suitable replacement or, potentially, pay the single supplement fee. This fee will vary depending on the cabin selected but may be up to 100% of the cost of the cabin. BDT will assist in finding a second guest to share the cabin, but BDT cannot be held responsible for and cannot guarantee finding a suitable person.

#### SHARING CABINS

A booking may be accepted on a shared cabin basis on the condition that the person requesting the shared reservation agrees that we accept no responsibility for any incompatibility between the persons sharing. Regardless, no guarantee is given that a share room will be available. If there is no share cabin available, we reserve the right to refund your Galapagos advance payments in full.

#### HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

It is recommended that you contact your travel health professional for any specific medical advice relating to travel through these regions (including compulsory inoculations).

#### COMMISSION FROM SUPPLIERS

Blue Dot Travel may earn commissions from suppliers such as cruise operators. The amount of commission will vary from supplier to supplier depending on numerous factors, including, but not limited to, the volume of business placed with the supplier. If a tour is cancelled due to DFAT travel warnings, Blue Dot Travel is not obliged to refund any commissions earned. The commission system in travel is considered standard practice.