The holidays in this brochure are advertised and operated by Atkins Travel Limited trading as 'Prestige Travel', a fully bonded tour operator Our flight based holidays provide full financial protection by way of our Air Travel Organiser's Licence number (ATOL) 2509 issued by the Civil Aviation Authority, Gatwick Airport South, West Sussex, RH6 0YR, UK, telephone 0333 103 6350, email: claims@caa.co.uk, When you buy an ATOL protected flight or flight inclusive package from us you will receive an ATOL Certificate. This lists what is financially protected, where you can get information on what this means for you and who to contact if things go wrong. Please see our booking condition 17 for information, or for ation about ATOL go to: www.caa.co.uk. Atkins Travel Ltd is a member of ABTA and our package holidays that don't include a flight are protected by means of a bond held by ABTA The Travel Association, 30 Park Street, London, SE1 9EQ www.abta.com. In the unlikely event of our insolvency, the CAA or ABTA will ensure you are not stranded abroad or will arrange to refund any money you have paid to us for an advance booking. The contact details for Atkins Travel Limited are Office 11 Haviland House, 17 Cobham Road, Ferndown Business Park, Dorset BH21 7PE ('the Company's Office'),

uiry@prestigetravel.co.uk 01425 480 400. Our office hours are 09 00am 5.00pm Monday to Saturday.

- We want you to have an enjoyable holiday and so that there is no misunderstanding you should carefully read the following terms and conditions as these will apply to any contract you make with us.
- 2. We reserve the right to alter the price of any of the holidays shown in our brochure. You will be advised of the current price of the holiday that you wish to book before your contract is confirmed.
- 3 The contract is between Atkins Travel Limited ('the Company') and the person making the booking and/or the person(s) on whose behalf the booking has been made ('the Client').
- 4. In order to confirm a booking we will require you or our authorised

(a) send us the appropriate deposit, the amount of which will vary and this will be confirmed at the time of booking. See Clause 12(d).

(b) A contract will exist between the Company and you when you pay a deposit/full payment to the Company or its agent or the Company has verbally confirmed the booking and you confirm with the Company that you have the authority of all persons named to contract on their

- 5. The balance of the holiday price shall be paid by the date to be advised but in any event shall not be more than ten weeks prior to you
- travel arrangements. If the balance is not paid in time we shall retain your deposit.
- 7. Once you have booked, whatever happens to the value of the Pound. the price of your holiday will not be subject to any currency surcharges or refunds due to the bank contracts we have in place.

(a) The price of your holiday is, however, subject to surcharges or reductions on the following items: the price of the carriage of passengers resulting from changes to the cost of fuel or other powe sources, and the level of taxes or fees imposed by third parties including tourist taxes, landing taxes or embarkation or disemb fees at ports and airports. However there will be no change within 20 days of your departure. We will absorb and you will not be charged for any increase equivalent to 2% of the price of your travel arrange which excludes any amendment charges. You will be charged for th amount over and above that. If this means that you have to pay an increase of more than 8% of the price of your travel arrangements, you will have the option of accepting a change to another holiday if we are able to offer one (if this is of equivalent or higher quality you will not have to pay more but if it is of lower quality you will be refunded the difference in price), or cancelling and receiving a full refund of all monies paid, except for any amendment charges. Should you decide so within 14 days from the issue date on your final invoice. Should the price of your holiday go down due to the changes mentioned above, then any refund due will be paid to you. We will deduct from this refund our administrative expenses incurred. However, ple that travel arrangements are not always purchased in local currency and some apparent changes have no impact on the price of your travel due to contractual and other protection in place.

- 8. As we plan your holiday arrangements many months in advance we may occasionally have to make changes or cancel your booking and we reserve the right to do so at any time. You will be informed withou delay of a cancellation (for any reason) by the Company and on such on except where it occurs due to non payment by you, the Company will offer you the choice of an alternative holiday of at least comparable standard (if available) or a full refund of all monies, payable within 10 days of you requesting such refund. Compensation may be payable on a sliding scale. See No. 9 (c).
- 9. (a) A major change to the contract is one which would involve a significant change to the holiday (e.g. a significant change in resort).
- (b) If the Company makes a major change after it has confirmed the booking the Company will immediately inform you and offer the choice of an alternative holiday of at least comparable standard (if available) or cancelling and receiving a full refund of all mo payable within 10 days of you requesting such refund. Please read any notification of changes carefully and respond promptly as if you do not respond to us within the timescale given your booking may be
- (c) Subject to (d) below if the Company cancels, or makes a major change and you accept a refund rather than an alternative, after the date of payment of the balance of the holiday price it will in addition to the choice offered in sub-paragraph (b) of this clause compensate you as

Period before	Compensation due payable
departure date	per person
More than 70 days	NIL
70-29 days	£10
28-I5 days	£20
14-0 days	£30

- (d) The provisions of clause (c) will not apply in the event of a major nge or cancellation due to any cause beyond the Company trol, the consequences of which could not have been avoid even if all reasonable measures had been taken. The following shall be regarded as causes beyond the Company's control:
- (i) Act of God explosion flood fire or accident
- (ii) War, terrorism or any threat thereof, insurrection, civil disturbance
- (iii) Any government or local authority restrictions or regulations
- (iv) Strikes or other industrial actions (or threat thereof). (v) Weather conditions, epidemic or pandemic illness
- (e) We will confirm the airline/ferry company identity when you book
- If it changes we will advise you. This may be at the airport on the day of departure. A change of airline/ferry company is a minor change to your holiday, as is an alteration of less than 12 hours to the outward/return flight or change of accommodation to the same or higher standard.
- 10. (a) The Company will consider any reasonable request by you to amend or vary the terms of your travel arrangements but shall not be under any obligation to comply with such a request. Charges will be kept to a minimum, in some cases this may mean amendment or replacement cost of airline tickets. Any request for changes to be made must be in writing from the person who made the booking or your travel agent.
  - (b) In the event of a reduction by you in the number of persons taking a self contained apartment, cabin or hotel room (or hire car) the Company may need to charge for any beds, transfers or seats unused as a result of that reduction. Please ask for a price.
- (c) You can transfer your booking to another person, who satisfies all the conditions that apply to this booking, by giving us notice in writing as soon as possible and no later than seven days before departure. Both you and the new traveller are responsible for paying all costs we incur in making the transfer.
- I. (a) All reasonable steps to ensure that the holiday is not cancelled or altered as a result of overbooking by hotels will be made by the company.

(b) If the hotel is overbooked (despite the Company's reasonable efforts) and the Company is aware of such overbooking before your departure the Company will immediately inform you and offer the choice of an alternative holiday of at least comparable standard (if available) or of a full refund of all monies, payable within 10 days of you requesting such refund and compensation will be payable in cordance with Clause 9 (c)

- (c) If the Company does not know of the overbooking of the hotel before your departure you shall on arrival at your destination be offered alternative accommodation. If the alternative acco is inferior to that originally booked the Company shall also offer reasonable compensation for disturbance.
- 12. (a) You may cancel the holiday at any time. The Company will charge you the cancellation fees set out below. Please note the exceptions to these charges set out in (d) below. A cancellation by you must be in writing signed by the person who made the booking or sent the email acceptance and sent to the Company's Office and acknowledged by the company.
- (b) The Cancellation charges (expressed as a percentage of the confirmed holiday price) are as follows:

Period before scheduled departure date during which written cancellation is received by the Company:	Amount of cancellation charge	
More than 70 days	Deposit/initial payment	
70-31 days	50%	
30-15 days	75%	
14 or less	100%	
Also see (d) below.		

(c) You can cancel your booking without paying cancellation charges if the performance of your package, or the carriage of passengers to your destination, is significantly affected by unavoidable and for your booking to be terminated and for you to receive a full refund. vill observe advice provided by the UK Foreign & Commor

some rail companies may have different cancellation charges that will apply over and above the listed amounts here, we and you are therefore bound by their booking conditions, we will highlight this at the time of booking. Some may demand part or full payment even if a holiday is cancelled. Additionally if we have bought aircraft seats in from another tour operator or a public airfare for you once you con your intention to travel, we are committed to pay for those seats or rooms in full. If, therefore, you cancel your holiday at any time after booking, you will be/may be liable for the cost of those seats or hotel rooms in part or full. In these circumstances we, and therefore you, are bound by the booking conditions of the other supplier. We vill also require an increased deposit, the amount will be advised at the time of booking. We will remind you of any exception at the time of booking your holiday.

- 13. The Company shall not be obliged to claim compensation for nor to make any allowances or refund for lost or expired or unendorsed tickets, hotel coupons, or vouchers for any service or accommodation oked. But if any allowance or refund is obtained by the Company will pass the same on to you less any expenses reasonably incurred in
- 14. We will make your holiday arrangements with every care. We cannot. wever be responsible for any damage or loss of your luggage o other property unless caused by any of our staff or suppliers. We caused by the negligence of any of our staff or suppliers whilst on duty. You must inform us without undue delay of any failure to perform or improper performance of the travel services included in this package. If any of the travel services included in your package are not performed in accordance with the contract, or are improperly

the enjoyment of your travel arrangements, you may be entitled to be liable where any failure to perform or improper performance of the travel services is due to: you or another member of your party; or a third party unconnected with the provision of the travel services in the package and is unforeseeable or unavoidable; or unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances, which means a situation beyond our introl, the consequences of which could not have been avoided ever if all reasonable measures had been taken.

- 15. All arrangements made by or through the Company in connection with the booking are subject to the contractual terms of the suppliers providing the services that make up your booking. These terms are ncorporated into this contract and may limit or extinguish your right to compensation. Further, we are to be regarded as having the benefit of any limit on compensation contained in the relevant international ention. These limit liability for death, injury and loss or damage to baggage. Copies of the contractual terms and international s are available on request.
- 16. If you're in difficulty whilst on holiday and ask us to help we will provide appropriate assistance, in particular by providing information on health services, local authorities and consular assistance; and helping you to find alternative arrangements and any necessary phone calls/ei You must pay any costs we incur, if the difficulty is your fault.
- 17. We, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL Certificate, will provide you with the services listed on the ATOL Certificate (or a suitable alternative). In some cases, where neither we nor the supplier are able to do so for reasons of insolvency, an alternative ATOL holde nay provide you with the services you have bought or a suitable alternative (at no extra cost to you). You agree to accept that in those circumstances the alternative ATOL holder will perform those obligations and you agree to pay any money outstanding to be paid by you under your contract to that alternative ATOL holder. However you also agree that in some cases it will not be possible to appoint an alternative ATOL holder, in which case you will be entitled to make a claim under the ATOL scheme (or your credit card issuer where

If we, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL certificate, are unable to provide the services listed (or a suitable alternative, through an alternative ATOL holder or otherwise) for reasons of insolvency, the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust may make a payment to (or confer a benefit on) you under the ATOL scheme. You agree that in return for such a payment or benefit you assign absolutely to those Trustees any claims which you have or may have arising out of or relating to the non-provision of the services, including any claim against us, the travel agent (or your credit card issuer where applicable). You also agree that ny such claims may be re-assigned to another body, if that other body as paid sums you have claimed under the ATOL scheme

18. We do not run or control or have any other involvement in any excursions in our holiday destinations and we have not inspected ther in any way.

excursion(s) whilst on holiday, the contract will be between you and the excursion provider. The excursion(s) will not form part of the package or of your contract with us. We cannot accept any liability in relation to any excursion(s) and the acceptance of liability for contracted holiday arrangements in our booking conditions will not apply to them.

- 19. In the unlikely event of any dissatisfaction with the accommodatio or any of the services provided during your holiday the matter must nmediately to the local representative or agent of the Company AND the hotelier so that action can be taken to remedy blem. If we have not been given the opportunity to rectify the complaint at the time this may affect your rights. If the problem is not resolved satisfactorily during the holiday you should submit your complaint in writing to the Company at the Company's Office as soon as possible after your return home, ideally within 28 days, advising the Company of the action taken and the names of the people to whom he matter was reported. A written report must be obtained from our representative where we have one. Except in personal injury or ath claims, our liability shall be limited to three time holiday paid to the Company. We are a Member of ABTA, membership service to you by ABTA's Code of Conduct. We can also offer you ABTA's scheme for the resolution of disputes which is approve the Chartered Trading Standards Institute. If we can't resolve your complaint, go to www.abta.com to use ABTA's simple procedure Further information on the Code and ABTA's assistance in resolving isputes can be found on www.abta.com. You can also access the Arbitration Service offered by AITO - operated by Dispute Settlement Services (DSS), please ask for details. For injury and illness claims, you can request the ABTA Mediation Procedure and we have the option to
- 20. Every effort is made by the Company to give as accurate a description as possible for the hotels, guest houses, villas, apartments, motorhomes and ships in this brochure. All facilities mentioned in the escriptions are generally available for the duration of the brochure but in certain circumstances (particularly in the low and off seasons) eir provision may be limited e.g. weather conditions, maintenar etc. Please note that the provisions of these facilities and any charges mposed for their use are totally outside the control of the Company.
- 21. These conditions are subject to English Law and the jurisdiction shall rest with the English, Scottish or Northern Ireland court

wish to provide. We are delighted to offer advice at

### Hotel Facilities

Throughout this brochure Prestige Travel refers to facilities offered by hotels such as swimming pools, air-conditioning and other amenities. Obviously the availability of all facilities is under the day to day control of the hotel management. Some larger hotels do on occasions host conferences, of which we will be unaware; this may

Air-conditioning and pool heating are not usually on year round, and the dates they operate are subject to hotel management control. We will always try to advise you if any facility is not available. We feel sure you will understand that under these circumstances we cannot guarantee that any such facilities will be available during your stay. If you have a particular interest on holiday, such as tennis or golf, we will be very happy to verify that it will be available for you, before you book. Any charges are payable locally. Your needs are important tell us what they are.

### **Hotel Bedrooms**

All accommodation is sold on a room-only basis unless otherwise specified. Except where indicated otherwise, our rooms are allocated on a standard basis which means that they can be in any part of the hotel. Generally rooms will have one double bed and are sold on the basis of two guests occupying the room on a bed share basis. Rollaways may be available on request, payable locally. Images of hotel rooms are for illustrative purposes only and do not depict the actual room that you will be staying in.

Generally there is no charge for one or two children sharing a twin bedded room with two adults paying the twin occupancy price. Please ask us for the relevant age policies.

### Classification of Hotels

There is no universal accommodation grading system within Australasia. The grading system that we have applied is only an indication of hotel quality and standard and has been devised to assist you in making your accomn

Standards of hotels in the remoter parts of Australia & New Zealand may not necessarily be equal to those where a larger selection is available. Please ask if you require any further information about the suitability of any of our listed properties.

The major attraction of these properties are their special characteristics and by their very nature it is difficult to grade these types of accommodations - where applied it includes ar assessment of the overall holiday experience.

## Checking In & Out Times

Rooms are usually available after 3pm on arrival day with check-out around 11am. Many hotels have luggage storing facilities or you may be able to retain your room for a later check-out any charges levied by the hotel are payable locally.

A credit card imprint will be requested on checking in at your accommodation.

## Extra Charges

Some hotels charge for additional items such as car parking, telephone calls, pay-for-view TV channels, mini-bar usage etc. All such charges are payable locally.

Prestige Travel prefers wherever possible to use scheduled flights. This we believe reduces the chance of delays or cancellations and you travel as an individual. Some flights can only be altered in an emergency and only at the discretion of the airline, a charge will be imposed. Prepaid seat reservations may in exceptional circumstances have to be changed by the airline when the operating aircraft is altered. In the unlikely event of a flight delay, it is your airline's responsibility to care for you (once you have checked in) and keep you informed of the extent of the delay, meals and overnight arrangements (if applicable). We are required to collect passenger

Please read this information, only by doing so can both you and we contact details. In the event of a cancellation, a major delay or if you and are at your discretion. Please note that gratuities are not ensure that your Prestige holiday is everything you expect and we are denied boarding you may be entitled to compensation and/or a refund from your airline but not an automatic refund of holiday costs from us. For details go to www.caa.co.uk.

## Airlines/Aircraft

All airlines reserve the right to substitute carriers, aircraft type, configuration and classes on their flights and may even change the route to incorporate a touchdown at another airport prior to your final destination. Such changes, other than a 'downgrade' of prepaid services will not warrant a refund or claim for compensation.

### Meals & Alcohol

On long haul flights some type of meal service is usually provided. On domestic flights within Australia and New Zealand that is not always the case. Also some airlines may levy a charge for any drink, alcoholic or otherwise.

You must hold a valid passport with minimum six month validity. Please note that a visa may be required if you hold a non-UK passport. Please read Visa Information. It is now a requirement of most airlines to collect passport details from every passenger. If you are 16 or over and haven't yet got a passport, our recommendation is that you should apply for one at least 6 weeks before your holiday. The UK Passport Service has to confirm your identity before issuing your first passport and will ask you to attend an interview in order to do this.

### Destination Advice

For the latest travel advice from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office check www.gov.uk/travelaware

### Visa Information

To enter Australia, you must hold a valid passport and a valid visa. British citizens are eligible to transit through Australia for a maximum of 8 hours without a visa. British citizens can usually get the following types of electronic visitor visa:

- eVisitor visa. There is no visa application charge or service fee
- Flectronic Travel Authority (FTA) via the iOS App or Android App. There is no visa application charge, but a service fee of A\$20 may

Information on all other types of visa is available from the Department of Home Affairs, or from the Australian High Commission in London.

To enter New Zealand, you must hold a valid passport. You do not need a visa to enter New Zealand as a visitor for up to 6 months, but you will need to get a New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZeTA) before you travel. The NZeTA costs NZD \$17 if applying via the dedicated mobile app, or NZD \$23 if completed online via the Immigration NZ website. You will also need to pay an International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy (IVL) of NZD \$35 when you apply, allow up to 72 hours for processing. For more information about visas, visit the New Zealand Immigration website or contact the nearest New Zealand High Commission.

At time of writing no vaccinations are necessary for entry into Australia or New Zealand.

# **Building Works**

We will do our best to inform you, prior to your holiday, of any work being carried out at your actual hotels. However, we are not always notified and therefore will not accept responsibility for disturbance. This also applies to building works outside of your accommodation or within the city itself.

## Currency/Credit Cards

Credit cards are as common as currency and all hotels and car rental depots will ask for an imprint at time of check-in. Local currencies are: Australian Dollars and New Zealand Dollars and travellers cheques in these currencies will be accepted as cash in most restaurants and shops. However they often ask for proof of ID so ensure you have this with you

Tipping is a way of life; it is usual to add 10% of the bill to all service personnel. Tips to tour drivers and escorts are not usually included

included in most of our prices and therefore on a Cruise, Escorted Tour or Rail Journey etc you may wish to leave a suitable gratuity.

### National Parks

A National Park User Fee may be applicable in some national parks. Please note that if applicable this charge is not included in any holiday arrangement unless mentioned otherwise in this brochure. nor will be included on any quotation and is payable locally.

When taking a wildlife viewing excursion or tour you will be tering their natural habitat and sightings cannot be guaranteed. If on a tour your tour guide will do his best to ensure that sightings are made however, in the event that this does not happen, no refund will be given.

### **Unused Services**

No refund will be given for any portion of a pre-packaged itinerary, hotel night, car hire, transfer or excursion which is not used nor credit given for alterations made after the date of departure.

### Climate and Weather

Climate varies from region to region so please ensure you take appropriate clothing. Further details on weather conditions can be obtained from www. theweathernetwork.com

## **Booking a Prestige Holiday**

It's so easy! Use your local bonded travel agent, book online at prestigetravel.co.uk or call us on 01425 480400. It's best to book early but we are excellent at late bookings too. Full payment is needed for bookings within 10 weeks of travel.

### Our Confirmation

We will process your confirmation as speedily as possible and will then forward to you or your travel agent a full confirmation and invoice. It is useful to keep this handy, even when on holiday.

Please note that full payment is due 10 weeks before your departure. You can pay for your holiday using any credit card or debit card. For your and our protection and security we require the security numbers on the back of the card and the address the card is registered to.

If you make changes to your holiday arrangements after booking we will be obliged to pass on additional costs and make a small charge to cover any administrative expenses.

## Your Money

When you buy a flight-based holiday, all monies you pay to the travel agent are held by him on behalf and for the benefit of the rustees of the Air Travel Trust at all times. This is subject to the agent's obligation to pay it to us. In the extremely unlikely event of our insolvency, any money held at that time by the agent, or subsequently accepted from you by him, is and continues to be held on behalf of and for the benefit of the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust without any obligation to pay that money to us. When you buy a holiday not including a flight, all monies you pay to the travel agent are held by him on behalf of Prestige Travel at all times.

This brochure is issued on the sole responsibility of the tour operator. It does not commit the airline(s) mentioned therein, or any airline whose services are used in the course of the holiday(s).

We make every effort to ensure that the brochure is accurate to the best of our knowledge at the time of publication. In any case all information and prices may have changed by the time that you make your booking with us and some products may not be available. The images shown are used to give a general impression of the accommodation e.g. there are often many room types in a hotel of which the image may represent the standard available.

Remember to take out good holiday insurance cover.

## Licence To Trade

The law requires that we must provide financial protection in respect of monies paid to us for package holidays. To comply with this requirement we hold an AIR TRAVEL ORGANISERS LICENCE (ATOL) 2509 and have a bond lodged with ABTA

To process your booking and to ensure that your travel arrangements run smoothly and meet your requirements we and your travel agent need to use the information you provide (such as name, address, passport information, email address, mobile number, any cial needs/dietary requirements, etc.).

We take full responsibility for ensuring that proper security measures are in place to protect your information. We must pass the information on to the relevant suppliers of your travel arrangements such as airlines, hotels, transport companies, etc. The information may also be provided to public authorities such as customs/immigration if required by them, or as required by law

Additionally, where your holiday is outside the European Economic Area, controls on data protection in your destination may no be as stringent as the legal requirements in this country. We will only pass on your information to providers/suppliers responsible for the provision of your travel arrangements. This applies to any sensitive information that you give to us such as details of any disabilities, or dietary/religious requirements. In making this booking, you consent to this information being passed on to the

Please note where information is also held by your travel agent, this is subject to your agent's own data protection policy. We will hold your information, where collected by us, and may use it to inform you of offers in the future or to send you brochu

If you do not wish to receive such approaches in the future, please tell us. Our full privacy policy can be found on our website

# The Aito Quality Charter

Prestige Travel is a member of the Association of Independent Tour Operators. The Association represents Britain's leading independent tour operators and encourages high standards of quality and service. Prestige Travel abides by the Association's Code of Conduct and adheres to the AITO Quality Charter which can be viewed on w.aito.co.uk. Visit the website to find out more about the Association or call 020 8744 9280

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The air holiday packages and flights in this brochure are ATOL protected by the Civil Aviation Authority. Our ATOL number is 2509. Please see our booking conditions



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