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# **Agenda of Meeting**

- Welcome: Cell phones off please
- Just 42 days away ©
- Travel visas and food allergies
- > Phone tree
- > Emails and updates
- Safety Matters
- > Travel Itinerary updates and flights
- Travel Declarations
- Day before departure meeting
- Hotels and hotel safety
- Meet our tour director
- Itinerary highlights
- Counting Groups and mug shots
- Aussie English and Travel-Tourist
- Keep sakes and souvenirs
- Rules and roles, and social media reminder
- Taking care of yourself, homesickness, and med updates
- > Travel- last minute packing reminders- Stacy
- > More tips and phones, debit cards, spending cash, etc...
- Traveler's Macarena
- > Emergency and "at home" forms
- May 18th Team Building
- > Calendar of upcoming events
- Questions, Comments, Freaking Outs ©











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# Travel Visas and Allergy Cards





- Thank you for providing the copies of your Visas
- Thank you for checking out your food allergy cards
- All items will be added to our traveler contact info and medical books we carry while on tour
- Any updates prior to travel send them to us ... accuracy matters
- While on tour we will carry your passport and Vax Cards
  - Buy a Vax Card Protector NOW/





# Group Emergency Phone Tree



Double check our phone tree to ensure we have your best <u>AT HOME</u> phone/emergency contact while we are overseas. This is a person, <u>in the USA</u>, who can relay a message if needed.



- It is very important to make sure you read all emails that relate to this trip
- Please notify us of email address changes or if you have additional ones to add to our list
- All traveling students should have an active email and check it regularly
- Action Required vs No Action Required
- Last call for new emails to be added to our email chain







- Explorica, State Department, CDC
  - Matthew and Jason don't decide when it is safe to travel ... we have a network of experts.
- We will re-evaluate every trip IF something arises in that area, region, etc.
- Seen it before...Japan and Tsunami, China and North Korea issues, France and train strikes, Turkey and security issues, Covid 19 pandemic.
- What happens if a new Covid surge arises
  - What if the trip cancels?
  - ➤ What if....



# **Itinerary Update**

- Only 42 Days Away!!!!!
  - (Departure date June 17)
- We will be riding a bus together to Seattle and are flying out from there





- Flights: Middle seats and we are spread throughout the plane
- Avoid the relationship dramaFocus on travel and the adventure



# When do we leave??

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- <u>IT IS VERY IMPORTANT:</u> Do not contact the airlines for any reason
- Pre Departure Meeting on 6-16-24 at 6pm at MMS in the band room
- Bus meeting time at MMS: 8am on 6-17-24 and bus will depart before 8:30am

# Split Flights

### Split 9

- 1. Matthew Haley
- 2. Jennifer Rouse
- 3. Gia Garrison
- 4. Ava Garrison
- 5. Ella Hansen
- 6. Kristen Hansen
- 7. Nathan Poler
- 8. Braden Uhrig
- 9. Josh Uhrig

This flight leaves
Spokane at 2:15pm

This Flight leaves
Spokane at 4:23

### Heading there:

- Depart Spokane on split flights
- Regroup in San Francisco and fly together to New Zealand
- > Internal flight: We all fly together from Aukland to Sydney
- > Heading Home:
  - We fly together from Sydney to Aukland then to LAX
  - Same group split from LAX back to GEG
  - > Then ride the bus back to MMS together (return to MMS around 12:30 am DO NOT PICK YOUR PEOPLE UP EARLY)

Split-40

- 1- Jason Albrecht
- 2- Minami Asato
- 3- Gillian Ballard
- 4- Emilia Ballard
- 5- Olivia Ballard
- 6- Brielle Beyer
- 7- Steven Beyer
- 8- Simon Cilley
- 9- Jack Fenley
- 10- Miranda Fenley
- 11- Nicholas Feigenbutz
- 12- Eija Sumner
- 13- Leta Sumner
- 14- Mia Rae
- 15- Brendan Ray
- 16- Ada Woodland
- 17- Nikki Woodland
- 18- Auvi Woodland
- 19- Ella Woodland
- 20- Nara Woodland

21-Stacy Albrecht

22-Alayna Weldon

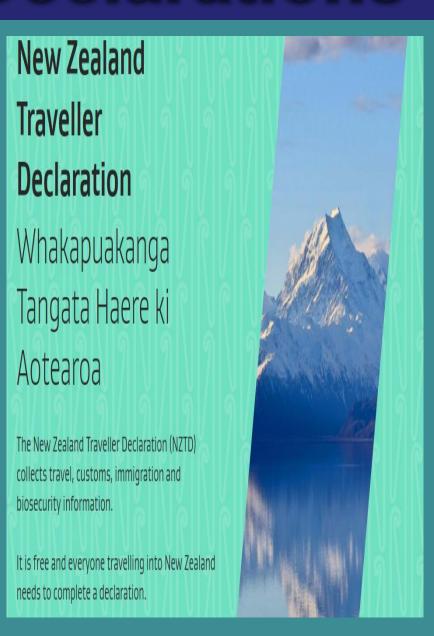
23-Levon Wells

- 24- Katherine Cummings
- 25- Mason Attebury-Marzoff
- 26-Ramirose Attebury
- 27- Evie Jutte
- 28- Wailea Keller
- 29-Chase Lambert
- 30- Rachel Lambert
- 31- Walker Morris
- 32-Emmelyn Quist
- 33- Lorie Quist
- 34- Isabella Schiavoni
- 35- Gemma Sorenson
- 36- Kari Sorreson
- 37- Kellan Wakefield
- 38- Mackenzie Waynant
- 39- Tiffany Skinner
- 40- Daniel Haley

# New Zealand Declarations



We will need to fill out a New Zealand Traveler Declaration but cannot do so until we take off for New Zealand



# Day Before Departure Meeting on JUNE 16

- > Meet at MMS at 6:00pm for pre-trip check-off
  - > All travelers and stay-at-home contacts must be there
- Bring your passport, luggage, and backpacks for weighing and tagging
- ➤ Hit the sack and get up EARLY! You need to be at MMS at 8:00 AM to catch the bus to Spokane
- "If you are not early ... you are late!"



## Hotels are booked

### **June 19-22nd**

Distinction Hotel 390 Fenton Street Rotorua, 3010 New Zealand





### **June 22-23**

Auckland City Hotel 157 Hobson Street Auckland CBD, 1010 New Zealand





### **June 23-26**

Ibis Budget Sydney East 191-201 William St Darlinghurst, 2010 Australia





**Note:** All hotels are subject to change prior to departure

# **Hotel Safety**

- ➤ Upon checking in, immediately review evacuation procedures that normally will be posted in your room and be sure to know where the emergency exit is in case of fire.
- When out of your room for the day, do not leave cash, passports, computers, or valuables in plain sight.
- ➤ If your hotel room has both a deadbolt and a latch, use both when you are sleeping.
- Remember any damages or missing hotel items will be charged directly to you and we will not leave the hotel until it is paid.
- ➤ Do not open the door unless you know who it is. We (your group leaders) will always announce that it is us when we do bed checks.

# **Meet our Tour Directors**

### Pauline Norrish

Pauline has worked in the group tour industry since 1979, for a number of years working and living in Canada, Denmark, USA and Australia. With many years experience in the industry and a wealth of personal travel knowledge, she takes pride in her services



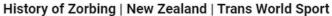
## Leanne Hayter

Lee has Sydney in her blood. She has volunteered as an "Aquarist" at the Sydney Aquarium, worked as a trainer at Taronga Zoo to teach employees about tour excellence, and developed and delivered tours focusing on Aboriginal and colonial heritage for the Paramatta City Council. She continues her work at Taronga Zoo conducting guided tours and assisting on educational programs for young people. As an active member of the Professional Tour Guide Association Australia (PTGAA) and Guiding Organization Australia (GOA), Lee has made it her life to introduce visitors to the wonders of Australia. When Lee is not guiding visitors around Sydney, she is rocking out with her bass guitar and her band Something Else Trio.



# **Itinerary Highlights:**

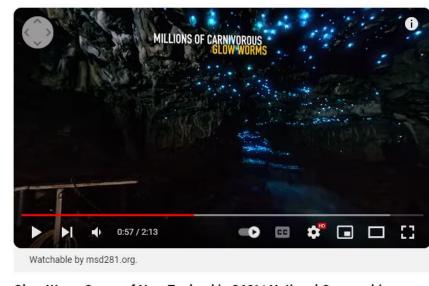








Tamaki Māori Village Rotorua New Zealand



Glow Worm Caves of New Zealand in 360° | National Geographic

# 2024 Travelers List

### **Jason and Stacy's Group**

### **Matthew and Daniel's group**

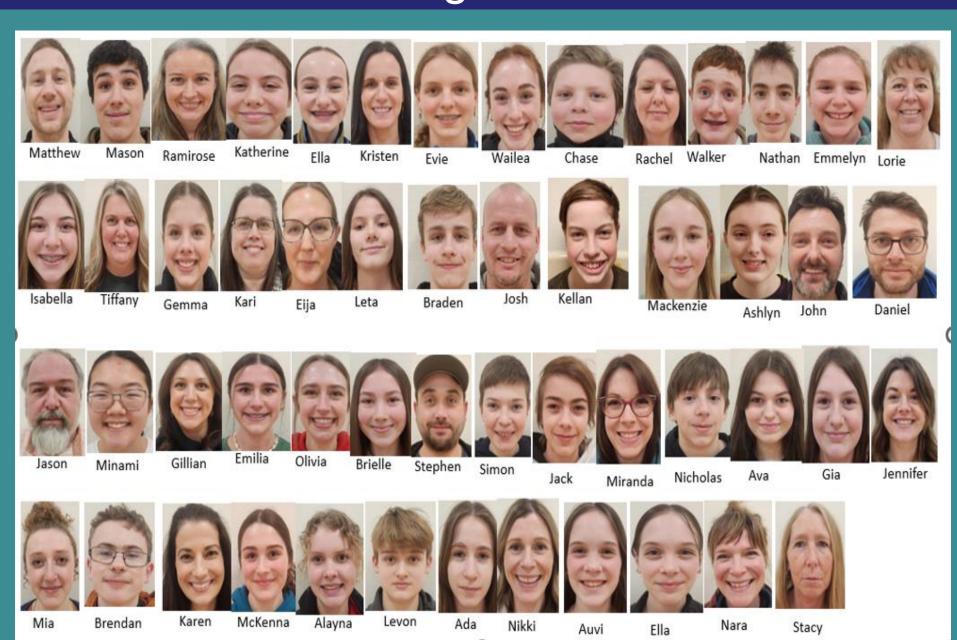
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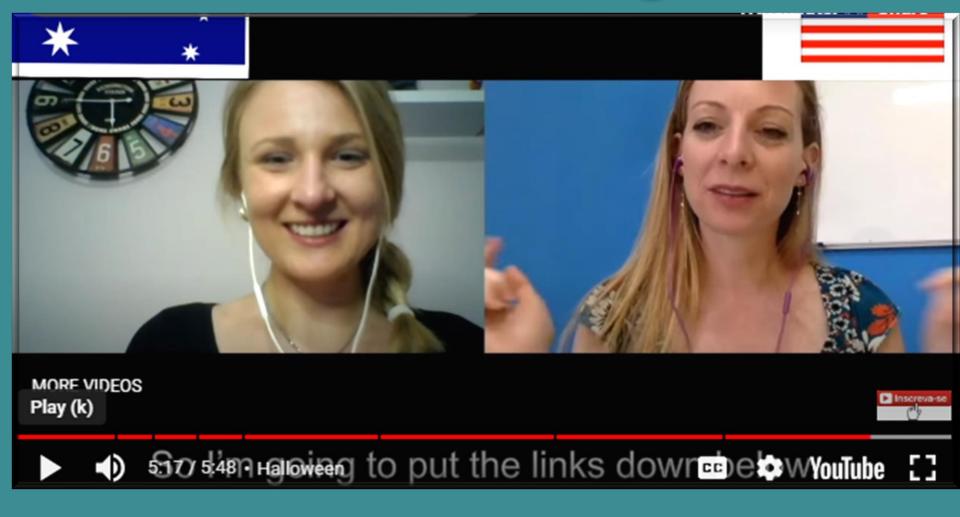
We ALWAYS travel in small groups of no less than FOUR

1	Mattthew Haley		
2	Mason Marzolf-Attebury		
3 4 5 6	Ramirose Attebury		
4	Katherine Cummings		
5	Ella Hansen		
6	Kristin Hansen		
7 8	Evie Jutte		
	Wailea Keller		
9	Chase Lambert		
10	Rachel Lambert		
11	Walker Morris		
12	Nathan Poler		
13	Emmelyn Quist		
14	Lorie Quist		
15	Isabella Schiavoni		
16	Tiffany Skinner		
17	Gemma Sorenson		
18	Kari Sorrenson		
19	Eija Sumner		
20	Leta Sumner		
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22	Josh Uhrig		
23	Kellan Wakefield		
24	Mackenzie Waynant		
25	Ashlyn Werner		
26	John Werner		
27	Daniel Haley		

# Mugshots



# Australian English



Hello is New Zealand is Kia ora Hello in Australian is G'day



### **OBSERVES**

Just there to look around and see the notable "must sees"



Separates themselves from the people and the local culture

### COMPLAINS

Constantly makes comparisons between here and home

### **OBLIVIOUS**

Doesn't pay attention to people or surroundings

### RESULT

A nice tan and a thinner wallet

### SOUVENIR

An overpriced gift shop trinket

### EXPERIENCES

Immerses themselves in the culture



### **BLENDS IN**

Makes friends and connections with the locals

### CURIOUS

Asks questions and explore with an open mind

### SENSITIVE

Aware and respectful of cultural norms



### GOAL

Values are shaped and lifetime experience is gained



### KEEPSAKE

A unique piece of physical culture

# 2 tips for avoiding the stereotypes:



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### BE YOURSELF

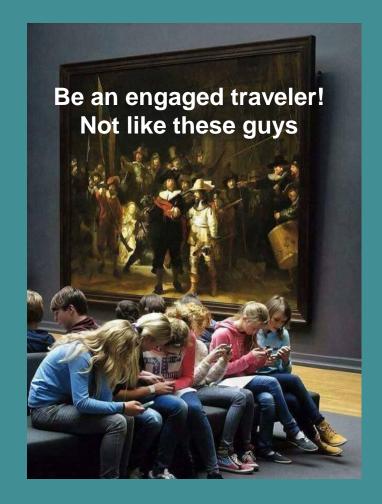
Don't disregard or disown your own identity. Stay true to yourself, while still acclimating to the present culture.





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# Remember we are guests in their country



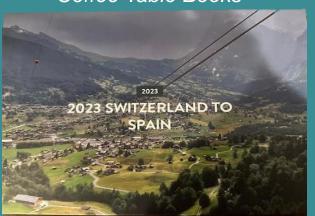
# Keepsakes vs. Souvenirs

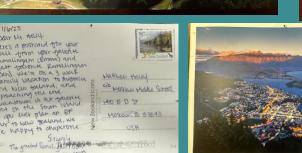
- A <u>keepsakes</u> is something you will treasure forever and a <u>souvenir</u> is something that you buy but has little sentimental value
- Bringing back <u>keepsakes</u> does not need to be expensive

Here are some great ways to save money and return with items you will value forever!!!!
Coffee Table Books
Sand or rocks in a

Brochure/ticket stub collages







Daily Journal or Postcard rewritings

Sand or rocks in a bottle or Jelly Jar ;)

# Rules and Roles

### GlobalXpeditions Travel Rules and Expectations

Travel Company's Role: The travel company we select is responsible for coordinating all logistical aspects of our travel adventure. They will plan our breakfasts and dinners, transportation, accommodations, excursion information, and much more. They will also provide local knowledge about our destination and will be available 24/7 to assist the group in any way that is needed.

Trip Advisors' Role: Our job as trip advisors is to set our behavioral expectations for the group (see below). We will also oversee all trip supervision and discipline (if needed) and we will stay behind in the rare case of an emergency (i.e., medical issue, a passport is lost or stolen, etc.). Lastly, we will ensure that every student and trip participant is fully supported while abroad.

Adult Role: All adult trip participants, besides the travel staff and the trip advisors, fall into this category.

- · The most important role of the adult participants is to be supportive and always encouraging to all students and ALWAYS model good behavior.
- Adults must act as strong role models for the student participant. Please adhere to the following rules while on the trip:
  - o All adults are expected to attend ALL group activities and programs unless otherwise approved trip advisors. No adult is to leave the group and venture out on their own while on tou
  - The use of substances that are illegal in Idaho are forbidden on this tour (To.) is legal in another country but is not allowed in Idaho, it is forbidden a alcohol or intoxication is also strictly prohibited.
  - While in the airports, our group will sit together and about 1 hour before takeoff, to ensure that g
  - o Everyone is required to be punctua crucial for us to keep our fag you are not early you are late!" Make sure as an adult you
  - including but not limited to money, medication, Everyone assports are held by Jason and Matthew.
- exible, and learn about a new culture.
- ent participants is to have fun, increase global understanding, and to create new friendships
  - o ensure that you accomplish this goal, please adhere to the following rules:
    - o All students are to participate in ALL group activities and shall understand that all group activities are mandatory to attend.
    - No person of the opposite sex is allowed into your room at any time.
    - o No individuals are allowed outside of their hotel at night. Each night after the group checks into the hotel rooms the advisors will set a reasonable time to be in rooms; these times are to be strictly followed.

- o Any smoking, drinking, or use of illegal substances are forbidden on this inappropriate materials, weapons, drug paraphernalia, etc. is also regardless of the laws within the countries we visit, if someta on this tour at any time.
- No one is allowed to invite people from out; round our group without the approval of an advisor.
- all adults, hotel staff, and any other Students are to be respectful s being respectful of all property.
- out the supervision of an adult or without notifying an
- ups of at least four people. This includes walking around the airports
  - orts, our group will sit together and meet at the gate 30 minutes prior to boarding, our before takeoff, to ensure that everyone is ready to travel.
  - Everyone is required to be punctual and make every bus, plane, checkout time, etc. Punctuality is crucial for us to keep our fast-paced trip schedule. Our rule is "if you are not early you are late!" Make sure as a student you model this concept.
- Everyone is to keep track of all personal items including but not limited to money, medication.
- o Above all, make good choices, remain flexible, and be safe and respectful! Remember you represent Moscow and our community. Make us proud and allow us to continue these trips in the future.
- Reminder of how we act on tour Please review the following: In accordance with our travel company's Student Responsibility procedure, any student who violates any of these rules will be at risk of serious disciplinary actions and can be sent home from the trip at the parent's expense. Parents, please talk to your child about your expectations and make sure they understand the importance of complying with these rules. An early exit from our trip would be terrible for everyone but will be done to ensure the safety and integrity of these trips.
  - If you can't be trusted at home and school than you may want to reconsider staying on this tour.
  - Breaking these rules could land you back on very expensive plane ticket home. Be Good! @

## Social Media and Photo Etiquette

### Think about *appropriate* times to take photos

- Hotel rooms and bathrooms are NEVER OK
  - Pictures in these settings should not be taken or share
- Think before you snap and reflect before you
  - If you need to ask if it is appropriate ... it is
- Reminder of how We act on tour a never OK to embarrass Always ask permission – It is ok someone
- We have a **Zero** Policy while on tour - which you signed already



# Keep safe and be prepared while on tour

Make sure you are prepared while on tour to help yourself when needed:



We have other items too but here are basic items for you to pack: Basic medical kit might include:

- Band aides, pills to consider: Ibuprofen/Tylenol, Pepto-Bismol, Dramamine (non-drowsy), cough drops/lozenges
  - ➤ If taking these items, please let our medical person know need help with dosages?

    We can assist!!!!



- > We do have a medical person available, but they are not a walking pharmacy if travelers need additional resources, they will need to purchase those while on tour help can be provided in purchasing these items if needed
- Prescription Medicines: Pack what you need: Make sure to include them on your emergency information form and carry them in their original containers
- Dramamine motion sickness CHEWADLE GOKIGS
- All travelers must be independent and competent in the taking of their own medications - Discuss dosages with your child before tour



# Keep safe and be prepared while on tour

## PREVENTION is always best – How to stay healthy:

Keep hydrated while on tour



Protect yourself from the sun – Sun hat and sunscreen

Everyone carries an airline "sick bag"







## Food Allergies while on tour:

Allergy table cards prevent food confusion – Make sure your allergies are known and updated
Food Allergy or Dietary Postriction Caller

This will be provided to you prior to the tour departure by your travel leaders



# Pickpocketing schemes and your best defense



Remember, take care of your money and valuables in a money belt and know that some people make a living trying to get your money. Be alert, but not afraid.







# Common pickpocketing schemes

- Spilling something on you
- Bump into you
- Distract you by dropping something
- People asking for a Euro.
- People launching things into the group
- Pick pocketers often work in teams.

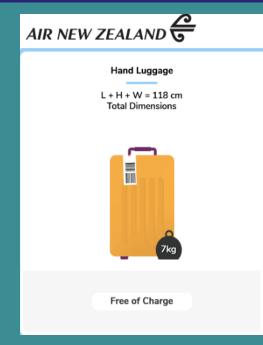


# Flights and Luggage requirements

### Luggage rules: To be considered carry-on only you get

- One piece of "carry-on baggage" (rolling luggage style) that must be less than <u>15lbs</u> and smaller than 118cm (46.5 inches) so <u>22 X 14 X 9</u> (55.88 x 35.56 x 22.86 cm) luggage or smaller is allowed (this includes wheels and handles)
  - ➤ I encourage you to aim for one size smaller than is allowed which is **20 X 13 X 9**

- One backpack, handbag, duty free bag, or laptop bag ) that must be less than 15lbs and smaller than 118cm (46.5in)
  - > Stick with your school backpack here and you are fine
- > TOTAL LBS for this trip are 30lbs between both items
- ➤ **GROUP NOTE:** We will check luggage on the way home since you will add while on tour





https://www.airnewzealand.com/carry-on-baggage

# Weather and Packing

### **WINTER (JUNE TO AUGUST)**

- While our winter days are not as cold as a lot of other countries, you can expect things to get a bit cooler during this time of year.
- ➤ The average daytime temperatures are around 17° (63°F) and nights can drop to around 8°C (46°F). We know... it's not exactly freezing! But still be sure to pack warmer clothing, including jackets and jumpers.
- > Despite these being the coolest months of the year in Sydney, it's still a super awesome time to experience the city as well as the beaches.
- ➤ Yep, you'll find people surfing and swimming at Bondi Beach 365 days of the year!
- > LIGHT RAIN IS COMMON TOO



# Packing Guru

Our Packing Guru is Stacy Albrecht!!! As the trip nears, have packing questions? Email Stacy directly at albrechs@msd281.org

- Know the luggage size and Rules of your airline
- Pack once, then remove 1/3 Pack light
- Light weight clothing/fabrics, layer are ideal, and packing bags help a
- Parents have the final say on what you pack
- Understand the 3 1 1 policy for liquids (3 oz bottles, 1 quart size bag, 1 bag only)
- Lost luggage pack your backpack with essentials ... just in case
- We are CARRY ON ONLY
  - One small carry-on plus one personal Item
- Pack an extra bag and send gifts home
- See our full packing list on our website for your travel



# Cell Phones, Debit Cards, & Internet

- Check your phones and know your phone company's policies for international travel!
- Check with your bank and let them know you will be traveling overseas!
- Check that your name is on YOUR bank card and know your NUMERICAL pin #. Practice prior to travel!
- We will stop at ATMS when we arrive in country and will give you an idea as to how much to get at that time.





 Follow Facebook to keep connected and expect a few emails from Matthew while on tour

# Passports and Luggage



Keep your possessions organized:

- Colored flagging tape on all luggage
- Use colored dots and your counting numbers on passports
- ❖ We carry all the passports "We'll never lose <u>one</u>, we might lose 50"
- Put a name tag on everything





# Traveler's Macarena



# When a traveler always checks to ensure they have their "items":

- Money belt/purse/wallet
- Cell phone/charging cords
- Passport and emergency contact sheet
- Before you leave anywhere ... do the traveler's MACARENA :)





On-tour clip

# Passport and Emergency Contact Sheet



### A traveler's best friend:

The ONE sheet everyone carries with them 24/7

### **This document includes:**

- Emergency instructions
- Color copy of their passport
- Flight and hotel information
- Your passport information for custom forms if needed

### Traveler Contact/Emergency Sheet

Note: If you ever get lost or turned around while traveling, stay calm and go ask a person (store clerks, policemen, etc.) to use their phone to call our Explorica Tour Guide Michael Wighton his number is NEVER PANIC ... you will be just fine. Here is all of the hotel and flight information for you to use as a point of reference.

### Team Advisors: ONLY WHILE IN THE US

Jason Albrecht Cell # 509-330-2182 (within the US) Matthew Haley Cell # 208-596-5592 (within the US) Stacy Albrecht Cell # 509-330-0231(within the US) Daniel Haley Cell # 208-301-5008 (within the US)

### Explorica United States' Contact:

1.617.210.6194 then follow the prompts for an "on tour emergency" and that will get you to a live person 24 hours a day 7 days a week.



### Accommodations Information

### June 16 - June 18

Hotel Ibis Aero Budapest Ferde u. 1-3: Budapest, 1091: Hungary

Phone Number: +36 13479700

June 21 - June 23 A&O Salzburg Fanny-von-Lehnert-Straße 4

Salzburg, 5020 Austria

# "At Home" Packet for Parents

✓ When you attend the June 16 departure meeting, we will be handing you a packet with the following Information:



- □Contact phone numbers
- ☐ Hotel and flight and Information
- □Copy of traveler's passport
- □Emergency Phone tree

# Team Building Saturday on May 18 at 9am-1pm at Phillip's Farm

- Critical team building for our group to be able to travel successfully
- Pack your own lunch so we can be split during lunch time

### **Team Goals**

- Learn names and faces
- Discuss and work on the dynamics of international group travel
- Promote flexibility in the post Covid traveling world



ALL travelers (Adult and Student) MUST attend... Mark your calendars now

## Australia-New Zealand 2024 Schedule of meetings/events

- ➤ May 6, 2024 Pre-travel information @ 7pm in the MPR
- May 18, 2024 Saturday Team Building Day #2 (pre-trip) 9am-1pm at Phillips
  Farm
- ➤ June 16, 2024 Night before departure meeting. Time 6:00pm MMS MPR
- ➤ June 17, 2024 Meet at 8:00am for 8:30 departure from MMS
- ➤ June 17-26, 2024 Our adventure is on!
- ➤ August 19, 2024 Reunion dinner at Gambino's TBD

All meetings and times are subject to change and you will be notified of any changes in advance. Please remember that all travel participants, including traveling adults, are required to attend at least 85% of all team meetings.

## Questions, Comments, and/or Freaking Outs





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