ASTA Events - Terms and Conditions

IMPORTANT NOTE: Photographers and/or videographers may be present at the ASTA Event you are registering for. By completing the registration process, you acknowledge that fact and provide ASTA and its affiliates with permission to use any photos or videos you may appear in for promotional and marketing purposes including, but not limited to, use in printed publications, on websites or on social media platforms. ASTA and its affiliates also reserve the right to distribute photos or videos taken at the event to third parties, either with or without compensation, and by attending the event you expressly agree to release ASTA and its affiliates from any and all claims involving the use of your picture or likeness by ASTA, an ASTA affiliate or any such third party.

Making a reservation for an ASTA Event (Educational Journey (FAM Trip), Summit, Convention, Expo or Conference) is easy. Just read this information carefully and complete the reservation form in full and submit it to ASTA for processing.

- As an express condition of participation in the ASTA Event, all attendees will be required to sign a COVID-19 liability waiver. If you are unwilling to execute the waiver, please do not register for the Event.
- Reservations made online and paid via credit card will be charged the appropriate stated amount, plus any taxes, fees and/or port charges.
- Please note that on some sailings/events we will require proof of cruise sales revenue to qualify for the opportunity. If such documentation is needed, we will request it prior to confirming space.
- Payment made by check or money order should be noted on your reservation form. Please overnight your payment to our offices to secure your reservation. If space is available on your requested sailing and you are sending a check via next day air, we will hold the cabin for 48 hours. If payment has not been received in our office by that time, the cabin will be released back to our inventory. To overnight a check, please send it to: ASTA 675 N. Washington Street, Suite 490 Alexandria, VA 22314.
- ASTA is unable to assist with room or cabin share requests. We suggest that you find a suitable roommate on your own.
- Our room/cabin assignments and reservation numbers will not be available until within 14 days of departure. Departments at each cruise line/hotel or resort deal only with our headquarters office for information on reservations. Please do not call the cruise line/hotel or resort for information as they will simply refer you back to ASTA.
- Documents for ASTA Events are either electronic or Pier Pick Up unless otherwise noted. A valid passport is all you will need to check in at the pier once you are confirmed by ASTA.
- Please read the cancellation policies carefully when making your reservation request. We STRONGLY recommend the purchase of travel insurance. Please check the ASTA Supplier list for preferred vendors if you need to purchase your policy.

By participating in an ASTA Event, I acknowledge that I will be participating in a trip which may include, among other things, air travel, hotel accommodations, tours, attractions and/or other activities and some meals. By participating in the ASTA Event, I for myself, my personal representatives, successors, assigns, heirs, legal representatives, and next of kin agree to indemnify and hold harmless ASTA and its respective officers, directors, employees, and agents (collectively, “ASTA”) from and against any and all claims I may have for any loss or damage whatsoever arising out of or in any way related to, directly or indirectly, the ASTA Event.

Specifically, the foregoing waiver and release is intended to include, but not be limited to, any injuries, losses, or damages that may be caused by the negligence of ASTA in sponsoring and/or organizing the ASTA Event. This waiver and release is further intended to include, but not be limited to, any consequential damages which may result from
delays, cancellations, modifications of itineraries, or complaints that arise from transportation, accommodations, tours, or other planned or scheduled activities.

I further acknowledge that by organizing and otherwise participating in the booking of transportation or activities for the ASTA Event, ASTA is not acting as my agent. However, to the extent ASTA may be deemed to be my agent, I acknowledge that ASTA’s agency is limited to the arranging of transportation and/or activities, and that ASTA is not assuming liability for any injury, damage, loss, or accident that may be caused by the negligence of those persons or entities that are providing said transportation and/or activities.

I hereby certify that I am 18 years of age or older and that I have read this waiver and release and fully understand its contents. I understand that I am giving up rights by agreeing to it and without any inducement or assurance of any nature and intend it to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law. I understand and agree that this waiver and release will be construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia and the United States of America and that if any portion of this waiver and release is held to be invalid, the balance shall continue in full force and effect.

ASTA Events are available to all travel agents. A companion or spouse usually may attend with a registered advisor. Companions must be 18 years or older. Rates are based on double occupancy. Single rate availability and rates will be included as an option if applicable. Please note that ASTA members have priority over non-members and are offered to ASTA members before non-members. In an effort to accommodate our growing membership and each individual member's desire to experience this member benefit, from time to time we may limit participation to ensure that as many members as possible have an opportunity to experience these programs. We appreciate your understanding in this regard.

ASTA Events include cruise or hotel accommodations as noted. Rates do not include cost of airfare or airport transfers unless specifically noted. Prepaid gratuities are sometimes included, and each trip will detail this information. Port charges, taxes, and fuel supplements are separate fees that will be noted for each departure and are subject to change. Please note with respect to cruises that the category of stateroom is confirmed unless the cruise line makes a change prior to departure of the category, which is beyond our control. This is very unlikely, and ASTA will not be responsible for such changes. Please note that some Events do have unique inclusions and may (or may not) include port charges, gratuities, or other components. This information will appear with each specific offering as applicable.

Transfers from one sailing to another is based on availability and must be requested 90 days or prior to departure and are subject to availability. Transfers will be charged at a fee of $100.00 per person unless otherwise stated. All cancellations must be received in writing or sent via fax to ASTA at 703.739.8319. ASTA does not and cannot guarantee the services to be provided by any carrier and shall assume no responsibility for any actions beyond its reasonable control. Carrier changes to itinerary, sailings, or cabin assignment are not the responsibility of ASTA. ASTA assumes no responsibility for changes made by cruise lines or other tour providers. We always suggest the purchase of travel insurance from a major carrier who can offer a full policy for vacation travel.

Cancellation Fees: No refunds will be made for cancellations for any reason. Name changes may be considered cancellations and in such case will be subject to the same cancellation charges at the discretion of the supplier, unless otherwise noted on the reservation page for the Event.

ASTA reserves the right to cancel an Event in whole or in part if the group minimum is not met.