

ITINERARY

Holland: Birds & Art
Waterfowl Spectacle & Dutch Masters
December 1-8, 2019



*Although land reclamation has resulted in changes to the landscape of the Netherlands, there is still a great deal of habitat for wildlife. For example, here is a quintessential view of a Dutch windmill, with a flock of geese grazing in the foreground.
Photograph by guide Godfried Schreur*

We include here information for those interested in the 2019 Field Guides Holland: Birds & Art tour:

- a general introduction to the tour
- a description of the birding areas to be visited on the tour
- an abbreviated daily itinerary with some indication of the nature of each day's birding outings

Those who register for the tour will be sent this additional material:

- a detailed information bulletin with important logistical information and answers to questions regarding accommodations, air arrangements, clothing, currency, customs and immigration, documents, health precautions, and personal items
- a reading list
- a Field Guides checklist for preparing and keeping track of the birds we see on the tour
- after the conclusion of the tour, a list of birds seen on the tour

Large numbers of wintering waterfowl and waders of many species, a fine sampling of northern European landbirds, and visits to several renowned museums discovering the art and cultural riches of this wonderful country are the goal of this new itinerary in our "Birds & Art" tour series.

Tour guide Godfried Schreur has blended the perfect mix of exciting birding with arts and culture into this new tour. We'll begin at the marvellous island named Texel, the largest of the Wadden Islands and a magnet to birders from across Europe looking for rarities among the many different species present (it's often good for vagrants like Yellow-browed Warbler, redpolls, crossbills, and arctic gulls). We will continue with the Afsluitdijk (yes, we'll teach you how to pronounce

these and other Dutch names!) for waterbirds including Smew, Barnacle Goose, Red-breasted Goose, and Whooper and Bewick's Swans, as well as the possibility of White-tailed Eagle. In the National Park of de Hoge Veluwe we explore a beautiful woodland and heathland for the impressive Black Woodpecker and other landbirds, from Tawny Owl to Great Gray Shrike. We'll continue our trip birding at the famous IJsselmeer nature reserve, the Oostvaardersplassen, the "new wilderness". Then we will head to Amsterdam where we'll have the chance to delve into the famous Rijksmuseum to be awed by the works of Rembrandt, including his expansive and famous canvas, *The Night Watch*, and Vermeer. Furthermore we will visit the Van Gogh Museum, featuring the largest collection in the world of his works, including the *Sunflowers* series and numerous others. Moving further south, we'll bird an immense wetland created by the deltas of the Rhine and Waal rivers, where we'll look for Black Guillemot, Red-throated Loon, geese, Snow Buntings and Lapland Longspurs, check out the massive engineering works that keep the sea from invading these *nederlande* (the Netherlands, or low-lying lands). Finally, we will have the chance to see Vermeer's *Girl With a Pearl Earring* first-hand at the Mauritshuis in The Hague.

It will be a week rich in birding and art --join us!



*Greater Scaup breed in the far north, and winter along the coasts of western Europe, including Holland. We should get some good looks at these and other diving ducks such as Red-crested Pochard and Tufted Duck.
Photograph by guide Godfried Schreur.*

About the Pace & Purpose: Part of the appeal of birding in the Netherlands is the fact that many of the best habitats are within easy reach of good hotels, meaning we'll be spending much of our time birding and relatively little traveling from place to place. While many of the country's species are common and widespread, others are rare and/or very local, so we'll make repeated visits to some habitats to increase our chances of locating some of those less-common species. As the tour will take place in December there will be no very early starts and the days will be relatively short. Holland is famous for being very flat, that means that the terrain will be quite easy, with no elevational change at all. Most of our walks will be on well-maintained trails or paved roads. Finally, all of our accommodations are quite comfortable.

About the Birding Areas

Wadden Sea and Texel Island—The Wadden Sea (Waddenzee) is a vast intertidal zone that runs from the Netherlands north to the eastern coast of Denmark. It is an important area for breeding birds as well as for many migrants. Texel Island is the largest of the Wadden Islands, and is a well-known birding site. Texel is on a migratory route for many waders and waterfowl species. The Wadden Sea is an important area for wintering birds like Brant (Dark-bellied), Common Eider, Common Shelduck, Eurasian Curlew, Black-bellied Plover and Eurasian Oystercatcher.

Afsluitdijk and IJsselmeer—The Afsluitdijk is one of the dikes built to protect some of the lowland areas from flooding. This dam cut off an arm of the North Sea, creating a large freshwater lake called IJsselmeer. The 20-mile long dam

creates an interesting environment, with salt water on one side, and fresh on the other. Rough-legged Hawk, Peregrine Falcon, Whooper, Mute and Tundra Swan, Greater Scaup, Red-crested Pochard, Smew and large numbers of Eurasian Wigeon, Gadwall, Common Pochard and Tufted Duck can be found here.

de Hoge Veluwe National Park—This national park has several interesting habitats, including conifer and deciduous tree forests, heathlands and sand dunes. In addition to many bird species belonging to the Tits, Finches, Larks, Woodpeckers, Thrushes and Corvids, we'll have the opportunity to see Red Deer, Wild Boar and Mouflon. In the heart of the National Park a fine art museum is found. The Kroller Muller Museum was established in the year 1938 and is dedicated to modern art. It owns an important collection of paintings of Vincent van Gogh and is also famous for the extensive sculpture garden. De Hoge Veluwe is a wonderful example of symbiosis between nature and art.



Flevoland – Oostvaardersplassen— Flevoland was once part of the North Sea, but a major reclamation project created a polder with a landscape of agricultural land and canals surrounded by lakes. Flevoland is therefore the youngest province of Holland. Polders are areas of dry-land created when water is held back by the famous dikes. These polders are used for agriculture, however, the lowest area of the Flevopolder, was left aside for later cultivation. During the few years of "set aside", a huge reedmarsh developed, attracting thousands of birds. Consequently, the area called the Oostvaardersplassen was declared nature reserve, and it is now one of the most famous protected natural areas of the Netherlands. Some years ago, a movie was made about nature, life and death in the Oostvaardersplassen. This movie, named the *New Wilderness*, was very successful in the Dutch cinemas. The Oostvaardersplassen and other areas of Flevoland can be good for White-tailed Eagle, Bearded Reedling, Great Bittern, Short-eared Owl, etc...

South-western Delta— In the southwest of the Netherlands the bigger rivers like the Rijn and the Waal finish their course just before reaching the North Sea. An immense and dynamic wetland is created by the interaction of the rivers and the sea featuring salt water, brackish and fresh water bodies, tidal areas, and sandbanks. It is also the area with the most impressive hydraulic engineering works of Europe. After the fatal floods of 1953, the Dutch authorities decided that all the sea arms of the provinces of Zuid-Holland and Zeeland should be closed by dikes and dams in order to protect the land and the people against the sea. This delta holds an important wintering population of all kinds of shorebirds like loons, alcids, ducks, geese, swans and waders.

Itinerary for Holland: Birds & Art

Day 1, Sun, 1 Dec. Flight to Amsterdam, birding Texel. We will meet at 10:00AM at Café Rembrandt in Arrivals 1 at the Amsterdam Schiphol Airport. We will start driving north and make our first birding stop, getting familiar with the most common bird species like Great-Crested Grebe, Mute Swan, Greylag Goose, Barnacle Goose, Eurasian Wigeon, Tufted Duck, Common Shelduck and Northern Lapwing. After lunch, we will drive to Den Helder where we will take a ferry over to Texel. From the ferry we will be able to encounter gull species like Mew Gull and Black-legged Kittiwake and maybe some seals. Night in Texel.

Day 2, Mon, 2 Dec. Texel, Waddengebied. Texel is the largest Wadden-island and is becoming the birding island of the Netherlands. There are many different habitats, and the area is developed nicely for birders with numerous boardwalks, hides and visitor centres. The concentration of birders present on the island leads to the discovery of a lot of rarities, which attracts more birders, so updated information is crucial on Texel in order to find the best birds. Therefore, we will enjoy the services of an expert local guide who will help us find the places with the most interesting birds present.

Amongst the target species on Texel there are geese like Tundra and Taiga Bean Goose, Greater and Lesser White-fronted Goose, waders like Eurasian Curlew, Pied Avocet, and passerines like Eurasian Green Woodpecker, Crested Tit, Firecrest, Redwing, Fieldfare, Horned Lark and Snow Bunting. Night in Texel.

Day 3, Tue, 3 Dec. Afsluitdijk - IJsselmeer coast. We take the ferry from the island to the mainland and do some birding on the boat. Maybe we will see some Little Gulls and European Shag. Afterwards, we will make several interesting birding stops along the Afsluitdijk, which is the dike that separates the IJsselmeer, with fresh water, from the Waddenzee, with salt water. With the construction of the Afsluitdijk in 1933, the Zuiderzee (Southern Sea) was turned into the IJsselmeer (lake of the IJssel). That means that standing on the Afsluitdijk, we will be able to bird in the fresh water environment at the southern side of the dike and in saltwater environment at the northern side. In winter, good numbers of the most sought-after species can be found along the dike like Whooper Swan, Brant, Common Eider, Red-breasted Merganser, Common Merganser and Common Goldeneye. Following lunch, we will drive south along the western coast of the IJsselmeer. We will make birding stops at convenient places where we expect to see Tundra Swan, Smew, Red-crested Pochard, Greater Scaup amongst other waterfowl. Rough-legged Buzzard and Hooded Crow are also possible. Night in Soestduinen.

Day 4, Wed, 4 Dec. Hoge Veluwe - Kroller Muller Museum. In the morning, we will drive to the National Park of de Hoge Veluwe, where we will make a birding walk through a beautiful woodland and heathland. With the help of a knowledgeable local guide, we aim to see Crested, Coal and Long-tailed Tits, Goldcrest, Eurasian Nuthatch, Short-toed Treecreeper, Mistle Thrush, Brambling, Red Crossbill, Rook, Goshawk, Sparrowhawk and with a bit of luck the Great Gray Shrike. Eurasian Jay, Eurasian Wren and European Robin are common birds here. One of the most attractive birds that we might encounter is the Black Woodpecker. But the Middle-spotted Woodpecker is also possible. After lunch, we will visit the Hoge Veluwe - Kroller Muller Museum which houses the world's second largest collection of the paintings of Van Gogh. We'll enjoy these masterpieces, plus works by Claude Monet, Georges Seurat, and Piet Mondrian. In addition to the painting collection, the museum has a wonderful sculpture garden. Night in Soestduinen.



*The Short-eared Owl is a bird that prefers open habitats. We'll watch for them when we visit the Flevopolder region.
Photograph by guide Godfried Schreur.*

Day 5, Thu, 5 Dec. Flevoland – Oostvaardersplassen. In the morning, we'll bird the area known as the Oostvaardersplassen, in the province of Flevoland. We will make an excursion to reed-beds, lakes, canals, arable and grazing land in the Oostvaardersplassen, visiting some of the best points for the observation of birds. White-tailed Eagle, Eurasian Great Egret, Great Bittern, Eurasian Spoonbill and Bearded Tit are amongst the possibilities. We'll break for lunch, and in the afternoon, continue our visit to the Flevopolder hoping to find Short-eared Owl, Rough-legged Hawk, Smew, Eared Grebe, Stock Dove, Rock Pipit, Twite, etc... Night in Soestduinen.

Day 6, Fri, 6 Dec. Birding close to hotel - Amsterdam museums. After a birding walk around the hotel, with chance on Great and Blue Tit, Dunnock, Eurasian Bullfinch and Eurasian Siskin we will drive to Amsterdam. In the capital, we will

visit the most renowned museum of Holland, which holds the best collection of Dutch Masters of the 17th century. The Rijksmuseum exhibits artwork of Rembrandt, Vermeer and Hals, but also from Van Gogh. The most famous painting is the *Nachtwacht*, or *The Night Watch*, an enormous masterpiece of Rembrandt van Rijn. We will first have a guided tour through the museum, and afterwards you will have more time to spend on your own.

After lunch, we will visit the Van Gogh Museum, which owns the largest collection of paintings and drawings in the world of the famous Dutch painter Vincent van Gogh. Although not belonging to the Dutch Masters of the Golden Age, van Gogh is considered one of the most outstanding painters from Holland. The post impressionist painter suffered from mental illness and poverty during his life, but after his death was considered a genius and recognized as a founder of modern art. In the Van Gogh Museum we will be able to see paintings like the *Potato-Eaters*, *Sunflowers*, *Almond Blossoms*, and several self portraits. Following our museum visits, we will drive southwest to our next hotel. Night in Rockanje.

Day 7, Sat, 7 Dec. SW Delta (Haringvliet+Kwade Hoek+Brouwersdam). Today we will visit the Haringvliet and the Brouwersdam in the southwestern delta which are usually very good for seabirds, waders, loons, grebes, and seals. At the Kwade Hoek, we also have the chance to see Snow Bunting, Lapland Longspur, Twite or Horned Lark. After lunch, we will continue our excursion through the Delta and visit some agricultural areas that attract great numbers of geese and swans. Today we will search furthermore for species that we might have missed during the previous days like Short-eared Owl, White-tailed Eagle, Red-breasted Goose, Lesser White-fronted Goose, Tundra Swan, Common Scoter, Long-tailed Duck, Gray Partridge, Horned Grebe, Red-necked Grebe, Purple Sandpiper, Black Guillemot, Red-throated Loon, European Shag or Common Kingfisher. Night in Rockanje.

Day 8, Sun, 8 Dec. Visit to the Mauritshuis museum and departure. Following breakfast, we will visit the Mauritshuis in The Hague, the residential city of the government and the monarchs of the Netherlands. The Mauritshuis is a small but very interesting museum next to the governmental buildings. It conserves a superb collection of Dutch Masters, with the outstanding painting of the *Girl with a Pearl Earring* by Johannes Vermeer. The exhibition also includes paintings of Rembrandt van Rijn, Frans Hals, Jan Steen, Paulus Potter, and other Dutch painters. After the visit to the Mauritshuis we will drive to Amsterdam Schiphol Airport where you can catch your flights home. **Please schedule homebound flights after 4:30PM.**

Financial Information

FEE: \$3950 from Amsterdam Schiphol Airport

DEPOSIT: \$400 per person

FINAL PAYMENT DUE: August 3, 2019

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT (Optional): \$425

LIMIT: 12

About Your Guides

Godfried Schreur developed his interest in wild birds and nature at an early age and became involved as a volunteer in several Dutch naturalist associations. In 1991, after completing his Bachelor of Science studies in Nature and Landscape Management at the Van Hall Larenstein Institute (Velp, Netherlands), Godfried moved to Spain's Extremadura region for a stint of volunteer work with the conservation NGO ADENEX. Since 1994, Extremadura has been his permanent base, and there he co-founded the company ECOTUREX with Ana Cordero. He was one of the first specialized birding guides in the region, an activity that he continues to practice with great pleasure.

Godfried is a friendly guide with extensive knowledge and wide-ranging experience. He finds great satisfaction in sharing that knowledge and the beauty of nature with participants. He knows the geography of Extremadura and other interesting areas in Spain very well; he has also traveled, birded, and guided widely throughout Europe and parts of Africa. He is fluent in Dutch, Spanish, and English. Godfried also has a deep interest in other fauna (the study of bats is another specialty), flora, and humanity's role in landscape, culture, and history. Additionally, Godfried remains active in environmental causes to promote sustainable development and nature conservation.

Godfried Schreur added so much to this trip: it was a huge bonus to have someone so knowledgeable about local geography, history, food, and so forth... A.D., Spain: La Mancha, Coto Doñana & Extremadura

Jay VanderGaast was introduced to birding by his father, and his obsession with birds was evident by age seven when he memorized the plates in Peterson's eastern field guide. He went on to earn a B.S. in biology at university and briefly contemplated a career in research, but two years on the mosquito-infested arctic tundra watching ptarmigan do little other than occasionally getting eaten by Gyrfalcons soon put an end to that plan! Instead, he strapped on a backpack and a pair of bins and began roaming the world in search of birds.

His travels eventually led him to Costa Rica, where he stumbled into a job as a birding guide at Rancho Naturalista Lodge. Amazed that he was actually getting paid to watch birds, he jealously guarded his position there for six years. His career with Field Guides coincided with the dawn of the new millennium (if you believe that began in 2000!), and since then he has guided more than 100 tours on several continents.

“Jay VanderGaast was a delight to travel with...incredible at finding the birds and extremely helpful in getting us on the birds—which was much appreciated!he made the trip an exceptional experience which I will remember for the rest of my life.”
L.K., Costa Rica

Visit <https://fieldguides.com/guides> to see complete tour schedules for Godfried and Jay; just click on their photos.

Other Things You Need to Know

TOUR MANAGER: The manager for this tour is Christine Boilard. Christine will be happy to assist you in preparing for the tour. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call her!

ACCOMMODATIONS: Accommodations are comfortable throughout the trip, though rooms are cozy in typical European fashion. All rooms have en-suite bathrooms.

DOCUMENTS: A current passport valid at least six months beyond the planned departure date is required for US citizens to enter the Netherlands. If you are not a US citizen, please check with the Dutch consulate nearest you for entry requirements. Information about consulates and entry requirements is generally available online, or you can contact us and we will be happy to look this up for you. Passports should have an adequate number of blank pages for the entire journey and you will need **two blank pages** for the entry stamp to the Netherlands. Some countries require a blank page for their stamp, so as a precaution it is best to have one blank page per country you will visit or transit.

AIR ARRANGEMENTS: When departing from the US, an overnight flight will be necessary.

Field Guides is a full-service travel agency and your tour manager will be happy to assist you with flights to join this tour. Field Guides does not charge a service fee for these services to clients booking a tour. However, we understand that tech-savvy clients often prefer to shop online or that you may wish to use mileage to purchase tickets. Regardless of which method you choose, your tour manager will be happy to help with ticket prices and schedules, as well as with rental cars and extra hotel nights as needed.

Please be sure to check with your tour manager prior to purchasing your ticket to make sure the flights you have chosen will work well with the tour itinerary and that the tour is sufficiently subscribed to operate. Once purchased, most airline tickets are non-refundable and carry a penalty to change. Field Guides cannot be responsible for these fees. **Also, it is imperative that we receive a copy of your comprehensive flight itinerary—including any and all flights not covered in the tour fee—so that we may track you in the event of missed connections, delays, or other mishaps.**

LUGGAGE: Please be aware that many airlines have recently modified their luggage policies and may charge additional fees for checked bags. Updates could easily occur before your departure, so you may wish to contact your airline to verify its policy. Additional charges for bags on any flights will be the client's responsibility.

TOUR INCLUSIONS/EXCLUSIONS: The **tour fee** is \$3950 for one person in double occupancy from Amsterdam. It includes all lodging from Day 1 through Day 7, all meals from lunch on Day 1 through breakfast on Day 8, all ground transportation, entrance fees, and the guide services of the tour leader(s). Tipping for hotel staff and restaurant staff is included in your tour fee and will be handled for the group by your Field Guides leader(s). However, if you would like to recognize your Field Guides leader(s) or any hotel staff for exceptional service, it is entirely appropriate to give an additional tip. We emphasize that such tips are optional and not expected.

The above fee does not include your airfare to or from Amsterdam, airport taxes, visa fees, any checked or carry-on baggage charges imposed by the airlines, any alcoholic beverages, optional tips to local drivers, phone calls, laundry, or other items of a personal nature.

The **single supplement** for the tour is \$425. If you do not have a roommate but wish to share, we will try to pair you with a roommate from the tour, but if none is available, you will be billed for the single supplement. Our tour fees are based on double occupancy; one-half the cost of a double room is priced into the tour fee. The single supplement is calculated by taking the actual cost of a single room and subtracting one-half the cost of a double room (plus any applicable taxes).

TOUR LIMITS: Our limits are firm and we don't exceed the limit by one to accommodate a couple when only one space remains open.

TOUR REGISTRATION: To register for this tour, complete the Registration/Release and Indemnity form and return it with a **deposit of \$400** per person. If registering by phone, a deposit must be received within fourteen days, or the space will be released. **Full payment** of the tour fee is due 120 days prior to departure, or **by August 3, 2019. We will bill you for the final payment at either 120 days or when the tour has reached sufficient subscription to operate, whichever date comes later.** Since the cost of your trip insurance and airline tickets is generally non-refundable, please do not finalize these purchases until you have received final billing for the tour or have been advised that the tour is sufficiently subscribed to operate by your tour manager.

SMOKING: Almost all of our clients prefer a smoke-free environment. If you smoke, please be sensitive to the group and refrain from smoking at meals, in vehicles, and in proximity to the group on trails and elsewhere.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Refund of deposit and payment, less a \$100 handling fee, will be made if cancellation is received up to 120 days before departure. If cancellation occurs between 119 and 70 days before the departure date, 50% of the tour fee is refundable. Thereafter, all deposits and payments are not refundable.

This policy only applies to payments made to Field Guides for tour fees (and any services included in those fees). Airline tickets not included in the tour fee and purchased separately often carry penalties for cancellation or change, or are sometimes totally non-refundable. Additionally, if you take out trip insurance, the cost of the insurance is not refundable so it is best to purchase the policy just prior to making full payment for the tour or at the time you purchase airline tickets, depending upon the airlines restrictions.

The right is reserved to cancel any tour prior to departure, in which case full refund will constitute full settlement to the passenger. In case of emergency, we reserve the right to substitute another guide for the original one.

TRIP CANCELLATION & MEDICAL EMERGENCY INSURANCE: We strongly recommend you consider purchasing trip cancellation (including medical emergency) insurance to cover your investment in case of injury or illness to you or your family prior to or during a trip. Because we must remit early (and substantial) tour deposits to our suppliers, we cannot offer any refund when cancellation occurs within 70 days of departure, and only a partial refund from 70 to 119 days prior to departure (see CANCELLATION POLICY). In addition, the Department of State strongly urges Americans to consult with their medical insurance company prior to traveling abroad to confirm whether their policy applies overseas and if it will cover emergency expenses such as a medical evacuation. US medical insurance plans seldom cover health costs incurred outside the United States unless supplemental coverage is purchased. Furthermore, US Medicare and Medicaid programs do not provide payment for medical services outside the United States.

When making a decision regarding health insurance, Americans should consider that many foreign doctors and hospitals require payment in cash prior to providing service and that a medical evacuation to the United States may cost well in excess of \$50,000. Uninsured travelers who require medical care overseas often face extreme difficulties. When consulting with your insurer prior to your trip, please ascertain whether payment will be made to the overseas healthcare provider or whether you will be reimbursed later for expenses that you incur.

US citizens will receive from us a brochure regarding optional tour cancellation/emergency medical insurance. Our agent, CSA, will insure for trip cancellation and interruption, medical coverage, travel delay, baggage loss and delay, and emergency medical transportation. **Currently we are unable to offer CSA insurance policies to residents of New York and Hawaii.** We have had clients provide positive feedback after acquiring insurance with InsureMyTrip (www.insuremytrip.com) in the past, and would suggest that company as an alternative. Please let us know if you have any questions about this. If you purchase the insurance within 24 hours of making final payment for the tour, and cover all non-refundable parts of the trip (including any non-refundable flights), pre-existing conditions are covered. The CSA brochure includes a contact number; you may also purchase your CSA policy on-line by visiting our website at <https://fieldguides.com/travelinsurance.html> and clicking the link to CSA. Please note, once the insurance is purchased it is non-refundable, so please check with your tour manager prior to making the purchase to assure the tour will operate as scheduled. Citizens of other countries are urged to consult their insurance broker.

RESPONSIBILITY: For and in consideration of the opportunity to participate in the tour, each tour participant and each parent or legal guardian of a tour participant who is under 18 agrees to release, indemnify, and hold harmless Field Guides Incorporated, its agents, servants, employees, shareholders, officers, directors, attorneys, and contractors as more fully set forth in the Release and Indemnity Agreement on the reverse side of the registration form. Field Guides Incorporated acts only as an agent for the passenger in regard to travel, whether by railroad, motorcar, bus, boat, airplane, or other means, and assumes no liability for injury, damage, loss, accident, delay, or irregularity caused by defect in such vehicles or for any reason whatsoever, including the acts, defaults, or bankruptcies of any company or person engaged in conveying the passenger or in carrying out the arrangements of the tour. Field Guides Incorporated accepts no responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air or other services, sickness, weather, strike, war, quarantine, or other causes. The tour participant shall bear all such losses and expenses. Field Guides Incorporated reserves the right to substitute hotels of similar category for those indicated and to make any changes in the itinerary where deemed necessary or caused by changes in air schedules. Field Guides Incorporated reserves the right to decline to accept or to retain any person as a member of any tour. Baggage is at owner's risk entirely.

Participants should be in good health and should consult a physician before undertaking a tour. If you have questions about the physical requirements of a tour, please contact our office for further information. Participants should prepare for the tour by reading the detailed itinerary, the information bulletin, and other pertinent matter provided by Field Guides. Each participant is responsible for bringing appropriate clothing and equipment as recommended in our bulletins.

THE RECEIPT OF YOUR TOUR DEPOSIT SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE CONSENT TO THE ABOVE CONDITIONS. EACH TOUR PARTICIPANT AND EACH PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF A TOUR PARTICIPANT WHO IS UNDER 18 SHALL SIGN AND DELIVER THE RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION.

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