# **Desire West Indies Charter Cruise Terms & Conditions**

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Thank you for choosing Original Cruises to plan your vacation and an unforgettable couples only Adventure. We strongly recommend you read our reservations terms and conditions below and buy optional insurance for your trip. Allianz Travel Insurance is available from Castaways Travel and Fox Travel (Fox Ascoli, Inc.) for residents of the United States..

In addition, Terms and Conditions of Castaways Travel and its parent company Fox Travel (Fox Ascoli Travel, Inc.) apply to you and your traveling companion occupying your cabin. These terms and conditions are posted in both websites for <u>Castaways Travel</u> and <u>Fox Travel</u>.

The following beverage package is Included in the price of your cabin:

Prestige Beverage Package\*

Cocktails / Spirits / Liqueurs / Beer Bottled still and sparkling water Wines by the glass during lunch and dinner Fresh squeezed juices / Non-alcoholic cocktails Premium Coffees and Teas Fountain sodas

**Note:** Rates listed are in \$USD, based on Double Occupancy. All Staterooms will have a one time additional charge of \$400.00 p/p, and all Suites \$450.00 p/p; this fee will be added in your payment plan to cover Port Charges, Taxes, Document Fees, Gratuities, Administration and Security Fees

#### "Itinerary: Desire West Indies Cruise 2026 (By: Desire Cruises) "8 Days/7 Nights Clothing Optional Conceptual Cruise" Cruise Line: Oceania Ship: Insignia (subject to change)

DAY	DATE	PORT
1	Feb 14, 2026	Bridgetown, Barbados
2	Feb 15, 2026	Fort-de-France, Martinique
3	Feb 16, 2026	Gustavia, St. Barts
4	Feb 17, 2026	Philipsburg, St. Maarten
5	Feb 18, 2026	At Sea
6	Feb 19, 2026	Castries, St. Lucia
7	Feb 20, 2026	Kingstown, St. Vincent
8	Feb 21, 2026	Birdgetown, Barbardos

\*\*\*\*Schedules, departure, arrival times and itinerary are subject to change. Times will be sent closer to the cruise sailing as the port authorities must confirm this information to the cruise line

\*Reservation Policy\* Please read this confirmation carefully, and follow the instructions found below. In case you need to make a change, cancel or in case of a no-show, this reservation policy will apply.

- The Initial deposit to guarantee a reservation is: Staterooms \$500 USD and Suites \$1,500 USD (Per Couple).

## Credit Cards Accepted: Visa, Mastercard & American Express:

- Visa and Mastercard charges will appear on your bank statement as: Fox Travel

- American Express charges will appear on your bank statement as: Fox Travel

#### **Important Notes:**

Please be advised that your bank might charge you a fee when using your credit cards (Master Card, Visa OR American Express) for international transactions.

#### \*Balance Payment Calendar:

Sept 02, 2024 - 25% Jan 13, 2025 - 25% May 12, 2025 - 25% Oct 20, 2025 - 25%

**Important Note:** If payment has not been received in accordance with the above payment calendar, the system will automatically cancel the reservation. The system will send an automatic reminder for upcoming payments 7 days prior to the due date as well on the day payment is due to the email registered with this booking. It is the sole responsibility of the client making the reservation to update Original Group with any contact information changes. We highly recommend you also add the balance payment dates to your calendar as a reminder and avoid the cancellation of your cabin due to failing to make the agreed upon payments.

# \*Cancellation Policy\* (In USD per person)

Cancellations between May 5, 2024 to Sept 02, 2024 - Penalty of \$200 (Staterooms) and \$500 (Suites) Cancellations between Sept 03, 2024 to Oct 20, 2025 - Penalty of \$500 (Staterooms) and \$1,000 (Suites) Cancellations after Oct 21, 2025 - No refund will apply.

**Important:** If your reservation includes travel insurance, the cost of the insurance is non-refundable Cancellations must be submitted in writing by e-mail. The subject line should read: Cancellation Request, the name of the cruise sailing you are cancelling. Submit in writing to: <u>Info@castawaystravel.com</u>

**Please note:** All guests must be checked-in and onboard the ship no later than 60-minutes prior to the published sailing time or they will not be permitted to sail

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**Name changes:** One name may be changed up to the last payment date listed above in the payment and cancellation policy, provided one of the original names remains on the reservation. After the final payment date, no name changes are permitted.

**Fare Guarantee:** Guests may be eligible for fare adjustment if the fare for their particular cruise sailing and same cabin category is reduced after they have made a booking and deposit has been received. A written request for a fare adjustment 60 days or more prior to their sailing date is required. Requests for reimbursement received 59 days prior, on or after the sailing date will be denied. The fare adjustment provided under this guarantee will be in the form of a onboard credit, future cruise credit or payment towards a cabin upgrade. The amount of fare adjustment the guests receive will be determined by the difference between the fare actually paid by the guest and the fare displayed on the company?s official website the day the request is received. The fare must be bookable and the same cabin category must be available. This fare adjustment is a one-time adjustment.

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

## VACCINE REQUIREMENT FOR SAILING:

All sailings are currently operating pursuant to CDC guidance. As the cruise line implements the CDC guidance, it is now required that all guests are fully vaccinated prior to sailing. This means that guests must have received all COVID-19 vaccine doses at least 14 days prior to embarking. Vaccines that are

fully approved or authorized for emergency use by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) or the World Health Organization (WHO) are accepted.

Please be aware that certain countries we sail from, or visit during a voyage, may require a specific vaccine, and only those travelers vaccinated with the requisite vaccine will be considered fully vaccinated. Be sure to review your departure country's requirements or consult our guest materials prior to sailing. All guests must be able to show proof of vaccine in its original form at the port during check in, and this will also be required prior to boarding. The cruise line is not accepting photos or photocopies of the original vaccination card. Certificate of Recovery(s) will not be accepted.

The health and safety of our guests is our, and the cruise line?s, highest priority. The cruise line continually evaluates the health and safety protocols and policies, including the requirement for COVID vaccinations as a condition to cruising.

## ATTENTION

Vaccination documentation can and will be shared with authorities in our ports of call. Misrepresenting yourself as vaccinated, falsifying documentation, acquiring fraudulent proof of vaccination, using fraudulent proof of vaccination, or unauthorized use of Government agencys seals constitutes crimes in many of our ports of call and destinations from where we sail. Sanctions against this type of fraud include fines and imprisonment. Suspicious fraudulent conduct will be reported to local authorities. The cruise line reserves the right to: (i) deny boarding; (ii) remove from the ship any guest whom we believe has submitted falsified vaccination documentation; and (iii) bring civil action against any guest who submits false vaccination documentation to recover all costs and damages caused by such fraudulent conduct, including, without limitation, legal fees.

The cruise line and the world health organizations will determine health protocols for cruise sailings.

The current ongoing global health and safety surrounding the impact of epidemics, pandemics and viral outbreaks and specifically, the COVID-19 outbreak, including its effect on the ability to operate a 100% full ship sailing may affect specific cabin categories on this charter. In the event the cabin category booked is affected and cannot be occupied the following options will be made available, A) Upgrade to an available cabin category paying the corresponding amount for such upgrade. B) Receive a Future Cruise Credit for a future Original Group Charter or C) Full refund of the monies paid for the cabin affected.

Due to evolving health protocols, imagery and messaging may not accurately reflect onboard and destination experiences, offerings, features, or itineraries. These may not be available during your voyage, may vary by ship and destination, and may be subject to change without notice.

Compliance with Government Orders and CDC Health Protocols:

Original Group/Desire Cruises and all Cruise Carriers shall have the absolute right and obligation, without any liability for compensation to the Guest of any kind, to comply with governmental orders, recommendations, or directions, including but not limited to those pertaining to health, security, immigration, customs and/or safety.

Guest hereby agrees to comply with any and all health, security, immigration, customs and/or safety requirement imposed, and hereby waives, releases and discharges Original Group/Desire Cruises and all Cruise Carriers from any legal action, claim, complaint and/or damage, present or future, that may arise from not complying with such requirements.

In the case of quarantine, the Guest agrees to bear all risks, losses and expenses caused thereby and will be charged for maintenance, payable day-by-day, if maintained on board the vessel for such period of quarantine. The Guest acknowledges and assumes all risks and losses occasioned by delay or detention howsoever arising.

Costs connected with embarkation or debarkation of Guests and/or baggage and costs of transfer between vessel and shore as a result of the circumstances enumerated but not limited in this paragraph

must be borne by the Guest.

\*Credit Card Safety\* At <u>www.originalcruises.com</u> we want you to feel safe and secure booking your trip with us online. For this very reason, we use Secure Socket Layer (SSL) technology to encrypt your credit card and other important information while making your reservation. The process of encryption prevents unauthorized viewing of your information, as it is securely transmitted over the Internet. Once received, your credit card information will not be transmitted over the Internet again.

\*Travel Documents\*: Passports with six months validity after the return sail date are mandatory to sail. Your final travel documents will be e-mailed to you approximately 30 days after your FINAL payment has been made. Please check your documents for accuracy immediately upon receipt. Call Original Cruises immediately if you have any questions. Original Cruises reserves the right to charge processing fees in the event of refunds, cancellations or additional services. Should a dispute occur, charge-backs will be reviewed on an individual basis. You will be charged/billed for all accumulated costs involved, taking into consideration our liabilities, policies & responsibilities.

\***Requirements**\* Due to new Government Regulations requiring cruise liners to submit final department manifests at least 60-minutes prior to sailing, guests are requested to complete their Online Check-in no later than 5-days prior to the cruise. Guests that have not completed their Online Check-in, will be required to complete this process at the pier, 2-hours prior to the published sailing time.

## \*Disclaimer of Liability\*

Original Group cruises to include (Temptation and Desire Brand cruises) are chartered cruises therefore the cruise line's website policies regarding refunds, Epidemics or pandemics refunds policy, credits, extras purchased online, cruise with confidence programs or any other promotions do not apply to this sailing. The above payment date and cancellation policy applies. Original Cruises is acting only as an agent for suppliers in selling travel related services, or in accepting reservations for services that are not directly supplied by Original Cruises (such as air & ground transportation, hotel accommodations, meals, tours, cruises, etc.).We strongly encourage to purchase Cruise Coverage as well as Travel Protection insurance.

**Original Cruises**, therefore, shall not be responsible for breach of contract or any intentional or careless actions or omissions on part of such suppliers, which result in any loss, damage, delay, injury or death to you or your travel companions or group members. Unless the term guaranteed is specifically stated in writing on your ticket, invoice or reservation itinerary, we do not guarantee any of such suppliers rates, bookings, reservations, connections, scheduling or handling of personal effects.

**Original Cruises** shall not be responsible for any injuries, damages or losses suffered by any traveler in connection with terrorist activities, social or labor unrest, mechanical or construction failures or difficulties, diseases, local laws, climatic conditions, criminal acts or abnormal conditions or developments or any other actions, omissions or conditions outside the control of Original Cruises

Travelers assume complete and full responsibility for, and hereby release Original Cruises, from any responsibility in: checking and verifying any and all Passports, Visas, vaccinations, or other entry requirements of each destination, and all safety or security conditions at such destinations, throughout the length of proposed travel. It is the policy of the Cruise Line being used for this charter that any traveler(s) who have been blacklisted from any of their cruises on any of their fleet will not be allowed to board this charter. It is the travelers responsibility to contact the reservations department at Original Cruises to verify the cruise line being used for this charter. Original Cruises will not refund any monies paid in the event the traveler has violated the cruise line or Original Groups policies.

For information concerning the possible dangers in international destinations, contact the Travel Advisory Section of the U.S. State Department.

For medical information, call the Public Health Service. By embarking upon his/her travel, the travelers voluntarily assume all risks involved in such travel, whether expected or unexpected.

Travelers are hereby warned of such risks and are advised to obtain appropriate insurance coverage against them. Traveler's retention of tickets, reservations or bookings after issuance shall constitute consent to the above, and an agreement on his/her part to convey the contents hereto to his/her travel companions or group members.

# Travelers should be aware of the following important cruise guidelines:

1. The Pool Area, Sun Decks and Playroom are the designated clothing-optional areas for your comfort and pleasure. As we approach the different ports-of-call the staff will give orders for all guests to be clothed due to local laws and authorities.

2. We have provided House Rules which include appropriate conduct policies for which each passenger is required to read and understand. The most updated information regarding these rules can be found on our website.