

# *Bilikiki Cruises Ltd*



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## ***IMPORTANT NOTES***

**The following information about your trip is important.  
Please read it carefully.**

### **DOCUMENTS REQUIRED**

A Passport is required for your trip to Solomon Islands, and must be valid for at least six months from the end of your trip. You will need to carry your Diver Certification card and proof of current Evacuation Insurance, for example, your DAN card. If you have not already signed a Diver's Release form, you will be required to sign one on board.

### **BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE**

Many airlines worldwide are now reducing luggage allowance. Local or domestic flights may be particularly restrictive. Changes to luggage limitations can go into effect at any time. Some airlines are offering special "packages" for dive equipment. Please contact your ticket provider for up-to-date information regarding luggage allowance for your flights to Solomon Islands.

On flights with Solomon Airlines via Brisbane ONLY, Bilikiki has an arrangement with the airline that allows our guests 40 Kg (88 lbs) of checked baggage. Should the check-in agent be unaware of this arrangement please ask them to contact the Solomon Airlines representative. Please advise Bilikiki booking office if you are travelling on Solomon Airlines via Brisbane.

If time permits Bilikiki Cruises Baggage tags will be sent to you. These should be attached to your checked luggage on your flight into Honiara. These tags are to assist airline ground crew to sort and handle baggage destined for Bilikiki Cruises' vessels. Do not worry if time does not permit bagtags to reach you. They are not critical.

### **RECONFIRMING FLIGHTS**

Airlines customarily require that flights be reconfirmed 72 hours before departure.

The managers of the vessel will reconfirm your departure if you supply them with flight details when you board.

### **VOUCHERS**

You do not require a voucher for your cruise on board our vessels. However, if you have hotel or other bookings with other operators be sure to present your voucher at check in. Bilikiki Cruises is not responsible for costs incurred due to client's failure to present vouchers.

### **TRANSFER INFORMATION FOR HONIARA**

All passengers will be met at Honiara Airport by Bilikiki Cruises' staff and transferred to the ship if arriving on the sailing date, or to their hotel if staying one or two nights on shore prior to the sailing date. Please confirm transfer arrangements to the ship on your first meeting with Bilikiki Cruises' staff. If you arrive in Honiara earlier than two nights prior to sailing you will need to arrange your own transfer from the airport to your hotel.

After your cruise, Bilikiki Cruises' staff will transfer you to the airport, or to your hotel if you are staying on in Honiara. If your flight is within the next two days Bilikiki staff will transfer you to the airport for your flight out. If staying in Honiara longer than two nights you will need to make your own transfer arrangements to the airport.

On sailing day with flights arriving throughout the day we generally transfer guests to a hotel where they can relax and have a cool drink, or perhaps have a look around town before boarding the vessels between 4 and 5 PM. Luggage will be taken directly to the boat so there is no need to look after it. Bilikiki Cruises' office number is tel. 20412 if follow-up contact is required. The office is open Monday - Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM and on Saturday 8:30 AM to 12:00 Noon.

Please take the time to read the Welcome Aboard Notes sent to you when you originally booked your trip. Many of your questions will be answered in these few pages.

*Have a great trip*