



Premier World Discovery Travel Updates (as of 03MAR26)

Statement about Ecuador Unrest & our *Ecuador & the Galapagos Islands Cruise*

We are aware of the unrest that has happened in Ecuador, and we are monitoring the situation very closely. A 60-day state of emergency was declared in Ecuador on January 8, 2024 following a series of violent events. The safety of our clients is always our number one priority, and we will provide updates if any further developments happen. Currently, our tours to Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands departing in February are unaffected and are proceeding as planned. All airports remain open, and we will continue to monitor the situation on the ground to ensure the safety of our travelers and groups by following the advice of local authorities.

Statement about Middle East Conflict

The United States and Israel launched strikes inside Iran over the weekend, and in response, Iran retaliated with missile activity targeting Israel and military facilities hosting U.S. forces in Qatar, Kuwait, Bahrain, and the United Arab Emirates. At Premier World Discovery, our highest priority is the safety and wellbeing of our travelers and staff. Given we do not operate any tours in the Middle East, and all of our tours are operating. We are closely monitoring developments in the region for any potential impacts to our tours, and we will provide updates should anything change.

Statement about West Maui, Hawaii & our *Three Island Hawaii Adventure*

We are deeply saddened about the wildfires that have caused so much loss of life and destruction to the special town of Lahaina in Maui. We cherish our relationship with the people and islands of Hawaii. It is a magical destination and one that is highly sought out by our guests for its natural beauty, culture and unparalleled experiences. We are closely monitoring the situation in Maui, which impacts the west side of the island.

Regarding your travel plans to Maui, please keep in mind that the state of Hawaii needs travelers as part of their recovery efforts. "In order to recover, we need to strike the proper balance of rebuilding and recovering by continuing to welcome visitors to our shores," said Mufi Hannemann, president and CEO of the Hawaii Lodging & Tourism Association. "With the exception of Lahaina and West Maui area, the remaining resort destinations of Maui remain open, including Wailea, Kihei, Makena and Kahului." According to Tapani Vuori, the general manager of the Maui Ocean Center, "An employed Maui is a resilient Maui. Many of our local businesses depend on the visitor community, and as that dwindles, the hardships on our island multiply." The other islands in the state of Hawaii were not impacted by the fires and remain fully open for tourism. All 2024 departures are scheduled to operate as planned less the Lahaina visit.

Currently there are no restrictions affecting any of our other travel programs/destinations.

Our trips throughout the rest of the world are scheduled to operate as planned. Protests and other potential threats often come with conflict, and we are committed to working with our worldwide partners to keep our guests and staff safe.

What happens if a guest tests positive on tour for COVID-19?

Guests who test positive for COVID-19 on tour will not be able to continue with the tour group and will be asked to comply with CDC or destination guidelines regarding isolation and travel. Unplanned expenses incurred due to illness are the responsibility of the traveler and/or their travel insurance/post departure plan.

Premier World Discovery Vaccination Policy

The PWD Policy regarding a vaccination requirement on **INTERNATIONAL** programs (including Canada & European River Cruises **EXPIRED ON APRIL 30, 2023**).

The PWD Policy regarding a vaccination requirement on **UNITED STATES** programs **EXPIRED ON DECEMBER 31, 2022**.