

Alpha Painting Holidays Covid-19 Key Points 2022

Covid-19 Safety Policy

Please read the attached document outlining our anticipated Covid-19 safety policy that may be needed for all holidays in 2022. Please be aware that government rules could change at any time. This document is also on our coronavirus web page.

Travel Insurance

Please note that all holidays exclude travel insurance and it is the responsibility of each guest to arrange for themselves. Alpha cannot be held responsible for any financial loss or cancellations you have made due to your inability to travel for whatever reason if you do not have the relevant travel insurance. Therefore, we strongly recommend you have sufficient travel insurance which covers you in the event of illness and in particular cover for Coronavirus.

Deposits & Final Balances

Please note that should your holiday be re-arranged as a result of Coronavirus restrictions or the threat/possibility of restrictions being implied we will transfer your deposit to the revised date. If this is not possible for you then you can transfer to any holiday later in 2022 or 2023. If none of these options are possible for you then we can refund your deposits less a £35 booking fee (£50 for Europe/Jersey)

Terms and Conditions

Please visit our website for our full Terms and Conditions.

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COVID19 – Safety Guidelines for UK Holidays

Introduction

We are aware that all legal restrictions have now been lifted since the 15th February. However, there are some guidelines that we at Alpha do not think are wise or safe for all concerned given the concerns of new variants and some people being unwilling to get vaccinated and that at the time of writing cases are still high. Clearly it is good news that much of the population is fully vaccinated and therefore people can feel more re-assured that they are protected.

Therefore, we want to get the right balance of having freedom. However, we need to be cautious and have consideration for those who still feel vulnerable within our groups.

Therefore, please note that during meetings and in the Studio we will be retaining mask wearing when moving around the room. Some hotels will continue with mask wearing whilst others are no longer doing so.

However, whilst the figures are still high it is expected that the trend is such that by the time of many of the holidays we will be in a much stronger position as a country. As always we will keep an eye on the figures and act accordingly.

Please also be aware that rules could be re-introduced before the start of your holiday as we have to be guided, as always, by the government's rules and restrictions at that time should these come into force again.

Hotel Requirements

Please note that each hotel will have different guidelines in place. As there are no laws governing covid-19 anymore neither we, nor the hotel can guarantee what rules will be followed by other guests as nothing can be enforced anymore. Within our group we are asking people to follow what we consider to be right and safe to do so.

- General hotel requirements

- Hand sanitiser will be available in all public areas. Please use them when moving from one area to another
- We think it a good idea to wear masks when walking around the hotel

- Dining: Food & Drinks

- When at the table we think it wise to continue to act sensibly, including limiting physical contact and sharing of cutlery etc. and to not face directly towards someone when talking

- Studio

- You will be seated a reasonable space apart where possible and you will not need to wear a mask whilst seated
- You will need to wear a mask when you get up from your desk

Lunches & Drinks

- As a result of there being no need to self-isolate if you test positive and no need to wear masks we have decided to return to having packed lunches and not eating in pubs and cafes for the time being.
- If cases drop we will resume having lunches in suitable pubs, restaurants and cafes that can accommodate groups safely.
- We are aware that some guests may not wish to eat inside like this and so a packed lunch will always be an option for guests wishing to sit outside in the fresh air where they feel more safe
- Please advise us on the holiday if you would prefer a packed lunch.

Transport

- We will try to keep car sharing to a minimum and so if you have come by car then we think it wise that you travel to the locations in your own car.
 - We will not expect anyone to car share but if you are happy to do so then that is fine
 - We are happy to car share with guests who have no transport and where previously agreed will collect guests from stations/airports etc.
 - However, we think it a good idea to not have full capacity in vehicles limiting numbers to 2 or 3 people in a car
 - Also, when car sharing, we expect all passengers to wear a mask and for windows to be open slightly due to the confined space within a car.
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- For those travelling by public transport as the cases are still high we will not be picking up guests from the station at the moment. We would then ask you to take a lateral flow test on arrival and if the result is negative then we are happy to give you a lift to the painting locations. The reason for this is because of the relaxation of all the rules including no mask wearing on public transport and no need to self-isolate if you test positive for covid-19. This not because of you, the guest, but who you might come into contact when travelling on public transport.

General

You will need to bring masks with you and it may be necessary for you to wear one when in enclosed spaces. We cannot provide masks. We hope to keep the wearing of masks to a minimum but we or the hotel need to reserve the right to expect everyone to do so irrespective of the government's recent relaxing of the rules.

We also think it wise to keep a reasonable distance from each other when socialising especially indoors.

If you develop symptoms before coming then you must stay at home and phone us at the earliest opportunity. If you arrive with symptoms you will not be permitted to stay in the hotel and will need to return home. If you develop symptoms whilst on holiday do not leave your room and ring reception who will advise and assist accordingly.

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