



Exploring the Earth's highest peaks!

Program Application

Domestic and International Departures

What our clients should expect!

Mountain travel can be extremely challenging yet profoundly rewarding. Mountain Gurus and Northwest Alpine Guides seeks to share with you our enormous passion for the mountains, faraway places and foreign cultures. As we travel to some of the earth's most remarkable destinations we encourage team work and a positive attitude. Our commitment is to help you live your dreams safely and enjoyably while opening the door to a life full of rewarding adventures. We offer programs of various skill levels and difficulty. Regardless which program you choose we expect our clients to be physically and mentally prepared for the demands of the journey. It is also our hope you will earn a lasting respect for the fragile environments you encounter, open opportunities to form new friendships and help guide you on the path to truly reaching your goals. Give us a call and we'll help prepare you for this upcoming adventure.

Complete the step by step program reservation:

1. Complete our MG Program Application
2. Send payment by mail or click Reserve Now! www.mountaingurus.com to make a deposit using a credit card.
3. Mail or Scan forms and send or email application materials. Please sign application materials.

What's Next!

Once we receive your application and deposit we'll email you a confirmation package containing pre-departure, gear list and travel information. In addition for international programs we will email you final itinerary and in-country contact information two weeks prior to departure. Our travel specialist will help answer all your questions relating to travel, equipment, training and overall expectations.

Travel Insurance

We highly recommend that all participants consider travel and trip cancellation insurance. Mountain Gurus does not insure you against these risks. For more info about current coverage plans and rates, [please visit](#).

Come explore with us....





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Trip Name: _____ Start Date: _____

Legal Name: _____ Preferred Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Country: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email: _____ Work Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Occupation: _____

How did you hear about Mountain Gurus? _____ Tee Shirt Size: _____ S, M, L, XL

International Travel

Passport Number: _____

Citizenship: _____ Date of Expiration: _____

I prefer to share accommodations I prefer single accommodations at additional cost

I am travelling with _____

Payment Information

- Domestic Departures:** I am making a \$500 deposit which includes a non-refundable reservation fee.
- International Departures:** I am making a \$700 deposit which includes a non-refundable reservation fee.
- Additional Departures:** I am making a \$_____ deposit which includes a non-refundable reservation fee.
- Full Payment option.** Amount enclosed: _____ Please send check for full payment.

Payment options: Check VISA/ Master Card/ AMEX

We accept credit card deposits through our secure online reservation option. Please visit our website at www.mountaingurus.com and click on **Trip Reservations**. Then click on **Reserve Now!** This option allows you to make a payment using PAYPAL. You don't need a PAYPAL account to make a reservation deposit using a credit card. If you prefer we can email you a PAYPAL invoice.

Rental Gear and MG Merchandise

Rental Gear is available for Northwest Climbs and Courses only:

Please reserve and pay for rental items in advance. Rental fee is non-refundable. Items are rented for the duration of the program. Nonreturned items are billed at replacement cost.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Axe: \$25 | <input type="checkbox"/> Trekking Poles: \$20 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crampons: \$35 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping Bag (0°F): \$45 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Helmet: \$20 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping Pad: \$15 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alpine Harness: \$20 | <input type="checkbox"/> Head Lamp: \$20 |

Additional items: <http://northwestalpineguides.com/gear-rental/>

Total Amount: \$ _____

Master Card, VISA, AMEX # _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Signature: _____

Mountain Gurus · Merchandise

MG Climbers tee: Size S M L XL \$20 _____

MG Exploring tee: Size S M L XL \$20 _____

MG or NWAG Logo Hat: \$20 _____

MG Sticker: \$1.00 _____

Total Amount: \$ _____

Cost does not include Shipping and Handling and WA State Sales Tax 9.5%. Credit Card Payments are accepted for Rental Gear and MG Merchandise. Or visit our online store.

www.mountaingurus.storenvy.com

Health and Fitness - Mountain Gurus, LLC

Legal Name: _____

Birth: _____ Sex: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____

Email: _____ Contact Phone: _____

Emergency Contact Information:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

Please answer each question in the Health and Fitness sections. Also attach additional information as necessary. Mountain Gurus screens participants to insure team members are placed on programs that fit their fitness level, experience and expectations. We reserve the right to decline or refuse service to any individual from participating on any program. Your signature on this form certifies that your statements below are true and that you understand and comply with the health and fitness requirements of the program. Please contact us if you have questions.

Fitness:

I can comfortably hike with a daypack? 4 hours 8 hours +12 hours I can easily jog? 1 mile 3 miles +5 miles

Please describe your fitness routine or physical activities?

How do you plan to prepare physically for this adventure?

What is the highest altitude you have reached, and where?

Please describe your outdoor, trekking, backpacking, mountaineering and/or technical climbing experience?

Please attach expedition climbing resume if applicable.

Health:

1. List any major accidents, illnesses or operations you have had in the past five years?

2. List any/all physical/mental limitations or medical conditions that may restrict your ability to participate on the program.

3. Have you ever experienced any form of altitude illness? No Yes Please explain?

4. Do you have back or knee problems? No Yes Please explain?

5. Do you Smoke? No Yes

6. Do you have any allergies to food or medication?

7. Please list medications taken regularly or medications you plan to bring on the program:

8. Dietary restrictions: No Vegetarian Other? _____

9. Health Insurance Provider Information: (optional) _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Terms and Conditions - Mountain Gurus, LLC

Domestic & International Departures Deposit and Trip Reservation:

- Deposit, due with application.*
- Domestic Departures: \$500.00 deposit which includes a non-refundable reservation fee.
 - International Departures: \$700.00 deposit which includes a non-refundable reservation fee.
 - 8000 meter Departures: \$10,000.00 deposit which includes a non-refundable reservation fee.
 - Custom and select departures have specific non-refundable reservation fees, see cost and service details.

Payments:

- All balances are due 90 days prior to departure date unless otherwise specified.
- We accept credit cards for deposit only, for international departures add 4% for credit card payments on the balance due.
- Participants whose balances are not received by the 90-day deadline as stated above, risk forfeiture of their place on the program. Overdue payments are subject to a \$100 late payment fee. International wire transfer fee: \$50

Due to operation costs, Mountain Gurus must adhere to a strict reservation, payment and cancellation/refund policy. Please read and understand the program cost and services prior to submitting your application. Since we value our clients and offer a personalized service, we reserve the right to waive any policies or fees.

Cancellation and Refund Policy:

- Full refunds, less reservation fee, will be provided 90-days prior to program start date.
- No refunds will be provided 89-days prior to program start date.
- If Mountain Gurus cancels or reschedules a program, all fees are refundable and/or transferable.
* Specific terms and conditions may apply, see program cost and services for details.

Date Change Policy:

- Since departures require a minimum number of participants, date change requests must be made by email and require Mountain Gurus and Northwest Alpine Guides approval. Date changes are made at the sole discretion of MG and are subject to all incurred expenses. An additional \$200 date change fee is required within 90 days of approval. Date changes are for credit only (are non-refundable) and valid for one year from Mountain Gurus acceptance.

Late Sign-Up Policy:

- Participation is subject to acceptance and availability. Full payment is due with application.

Trip Cancellation:

- MG reserves the right to cancel any trip due to insufficient participation, in which case, MG will provide a full refund.

Travel Insurance

- Mountain Gurus highly recommends purchasing travel and trip cancellation insurance for departures.

Conditions & Participant Responsibility

Mountain Gurus screens applicants to insure MG team members are placed on treks, courses and/or mountaineering expeditions that fit their experience, fitness level and expectations. MG reserves the right to accept, decline or refuse service to any individual from participating on any trek, course or expedition at any time. MG reserves the right to change the price of, cancel or withdraw any trek, course or expedition for any reason whatsoever prior to departure. After departure, MG reserves the right to change any part of the itinerary, to substitute hotels or leaders without notice and without allowance of refund, with liability for increased costs (if any) incurred by the trek, course or expedition members. MG assumes no responsibility or liability in connection with the operation or service of any aircraft, motor vehicle, other means of transport, inn, lodge or hotel which may be used wholly, or in part, for services to Mountain Gurus and its clients. MG, its operators, airlines and agents will not be responsible for any act, error, omission, nor for any injury, loss accident, delay, inconvenience, irregularity or damage which may be occasioned by any cause whatsoever. This includes acts of nature, civil disturbance, war, terrorism, government restrictions or failure of any means of conveyance to adhere to published schedule.

Trip participants are responsible for their own well-being. Participants are responsible for their health, cost of evacuation, physical conditioning, pre-departure planning, visa fees, international airfare, any incurred expense due to early departure, delay or trip cancellation, airport taxes, excess baggage charges, lost or damaged baggage, additional porter or transport charges, preparation of personal gear & clothing, items of a personal nature or any charges incurred as a result of delays beyond the control of Mountain Gurus. Participants give consent for MG to use their photograph or video to be used in its publications including its website.

In consideration of the services furnished me, and to be furnished me as a member of this trek, course and/or mountaineering expedition, I hereby release MG and all the members of the trek, course and/or mountaineering expedition from any and all damages, injuries, losses, or any cause of action which may result in me, my legal representatives or others purporting to exercise statutory or other rights arising out of, or in connection with this expedition. And I hereby assume each and every damage incident to my participation, and agree to indemnify and hold harmless MG and all members of the trek, course and/or expedition against any sums which they, or any of them may be subject to pay in consequence of any claim or demand by or through me, or resulting from my being a member of this trek, course and/or mountaineering expedition.

I have read the foregoing policies and conditions of Mountain Gurus, LLC, and in signing this application; I understand and accept these policies:

Signature: _____

Date: _____

**PLEASE READ AND UNDERSTAND THESE POLICIES BEFORE SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION TO MOUNTAIN GURUS, LLC
PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT, RELEASE, AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK**

In consideration of the services of Mountain Gurus, LLC, dba Northwest Alpine Guides their agents, owners, officers, volunteers, participants, employees, and all other persons or entities acting in any capacity on their behalf (hereinafter collectively referred to as "MG"), I hereby agree to release, indemnify, and discharge MG, on behalf of myself, my spouse, my children, my parents, my heirs, assigns, personal representative and estate as follows:

1. I acknowledge that rock and ice climbing, trekking, and/or mountaineering entails known and unanticipated risks that could result in physical or emotional injury, paralysis, death, or damage to myself, to property, or to third parties. I understand that such risks simply cannot be eliminated without jeopardizing the essential qualities of the activity.

The risks include, among other things: the hazards of walking on uneven terrain and slips and falls; being struck by rockfall, icefall or other objects dislodged or thrown from above; the use of climbing ropes and equipment; the forces of nature, including lightning, weather changes and avalanche; the risks of falling off the rock, mountain or into a crevasse; the risks of exposure to insect bites; the risk of altitude and cold including hypothermia, frostbite, acute mountain sickness, cerebral and pulmonary edema; my own physical condition, and the physical exertion associated with this activity.

Furthermore, MG employees have difficult jobs to perform. They seek safety, but they are not infallible. They might be unaware of a participant's fitness or abilities. They might misjudge the weather, or other environmental conditions. They may give incomplete warnings or instructions, and the equipment being used might malfunction.

2. I expressly agree and promise to accept and assume all of the risks existing in this activity. My participation in this activity is purely voluntary, and I elect to participate in spite of the risks.
3. I hereby voluntarily release, forever discharge, and agree to indemnify and hold harmless MG from any and all claims, demands, or causes of action, which are in any way connected with my participation in this activity or my use of MG's equipment or facilities, **including any such claims which allege negligent acts or omissions of MG.**
4. Should MG or anyone acting on their behalf, be required to incur attorney's fees and costs to enforce this agreement, I agree to indemnify and hold them harmless for all such fees and costs.
5. I certify that I have adequate insurance to cover any injury or damage I may cause or suffer while participating, or else I agree to bear the costs of such injury or damage myself. I further certify that I am willing to assume the risk of any medical or physical condition I may have.
6. In the event that I file a lawsuit against MG, I agree to do so solely in the state of Washington, and I further agree that the substantive law of that state shall apply in that action without regard to the conflict of law rules of that state. I agree that if any portion of this agreement is found to be void or unenforceable, the remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect.

By signing this document, I acknowledge that if anyone is hurt or property is damaged during my participation in this activity, I may be found by a court of law to have waived my right to maintain a lawsuit against MG on the basis of any claim from which I have released them herein.

I have had sufficient opportunity to read this entire document. I have read and understood it, and I agree to be bound by its terms.

Signature of Participant _____ Date _____ Print Name _____

**PARENT'S OR GUARDIAN'S ADDITIONAL INDEMNIFICATION
(Must be completed for participants under the age of 18)**

In consideration of _____ (print minor's name) ("Minor") being permitted by MG to participate in its activities and to use its equipment and facilities, I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless MG from any and all Claims which are brought by, or on behalf of Minor, and which are in any way connected with such use or participation by Minor.

Signature Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____ Print Name _____



Travel Insurance Acknowledgement

www.mountaingurus.com

Important

Your Decision About Travel Insurance

Please read carefully, sign and return

Mountain Gurus and Northwest Alpine Guides strongly recommends you purchase a travel protection plan (Travel Insurance) to protect your investment in travel, personal assets and health during your trip. This will eliminate much financial risk and decrease your need to worry about things beyond your control. We provide a recommended policy offering competitive insurance rates with a company that has proven reliable, fair and prompt in responding to claims. *It is important to obtain insurance immediately upon signing up for your trip in order for pre-existing conditions to be covered.*

We do not require you to purchase travel insurance, however we know many travelers who have benefited by doing so. The insurance carrier assumes risks that would otherwise be yours. Mountain Gurus, LLC dba Northwest Alpine Guides is not an insurance carrier and does not insure you against such things as theft, baggage loss, cancellation, emergency evacuation, medical treatment, flight delay or cancellation, airline or service provider bankruptcy, jury duty, personal or family sickness leading to cancellation, U.S. Department of State Travel Warnings about terrorism issued for your destination, or other risks as described in the insurance policy and in **Mountain Gurus and Northwest Alpine Guides Terms and Conditions**.

We do require you to sign and return this form:

By signing below, I (we) acknowledge and I (we) have been advised that a Travel Protection Plan is recommended and available at additional cost. I understand Mountain Gurus, LLC dba Northwest Alpine Guides will have no responsibility to compensate me for losses that may have been covered by the recommended Travel Protection Plan.

Traveler Signature: _____ Date: _____