



OLD DOMINION AIR-VENTURES, LLC

Passenger Pre-Flight Briefing READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING

Thank you for choosing Old Dominion Air-Ventures for your balloon flight. Our first mission is to make sure your ballooning experience is safe. If at any time the Pilot in Command (PIC) feels there are risks that would compromise the safety of the flight, passengers, or crew, the flight will be cancelled.

Please review these pre-flight briefing instructions and sign at the end. This briefing will be reviewed by the PIC with all passengers before the balloon inflation. If you have any questions or concerns, please bring them to our attention immediately.

- Please notify us of any medical conditions or physical limitations prior to your scheduled flight day. Also ensure you clear this activity with your doctor if you have a medical condition or physical limitation. If you are pregnant, have had recent surgeries, back problems, recent broken bones still in casts, or similar disabilities, you will not be allowed to fly.
- The pilot in command is the sole authority for all operations related to the flight. His or her instructions must be followed precisely to ensure your safety.
- No Alcohol or Drugs are allowed to be consumed prior to or during the flight. Anyone showing signs of intoxication will not be allowed to fly and will forfeit any deposits.
- Dress for the conditions that exist outside when you depart for your flight. When it is cold, dress in layers so they can be removed if needed. Also, wear natural fiber materials if possible. Do not wear open toed shoes, skirts, or expensive jewelry.
- Pack video cameras or other personal belongings carefully. Protect them during landing. We are not responsible for personal items damaged during the flight.
- **NO SMOKING** in the balloon, on the launch field, or landing field.
- A gas-powered fan is used to inflate the balloon. Please always stay at least ten (10) feet away from the fan.
- Once inside the basket, **do not get out until the pilot tells you to do so**. You can move around (if there is room), but do not pull on any ropes or touch the burner or the area around the burner.
- Do not lean out of the basket or throw anything out of the basket during flight. Leaning out could cause you to fall. Throwing something out could cause serious injury or death to someone on the ground.
- Power lines are a significant concern. At any time during the flight, if you see powerlines, communicate your observation to the PIC.

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LANDING INSTRUCTIONS

- Your pilot will let you know their intentions during the approach to landing. Make sure you listen to and understand any last-minute instructions.
- If you see any power lines, light poles, or other obstructions, communicate those observations to your pilot.
- The impact at landing may be harder than you expect. For an inexperienced person, the impact with the ground can be very surprising. In little or no wind, the landing is often relatively gentle. However, the faster the wind blows, the harder the contact.
- Hold on tight and stay inside the basket. The basket is very sturdy and provides protection from the ground and obstacles. Assume the landing position, which will be explained to you by the pilot. Keep all parts of your body inside the basket during landing. Hold on tight with both hands to handles inside the basket. Do not get out of the basket until you are instructed to do so by the pilot. Stay low and bend your knees to absorb the shock. Do not sit on the floor or tanks. Again, stay inside the basket until the pilot instructs you to exit.
- If the wind speed is over 5 MPH, you will bounce more than once. If the landing is over 5 MPH (a brisk walk), we will contact the ground, rebound slightly, and may contact the ground a few more times. Depending on the wind speed, these additional impacts can be gentler or more severe than the original impact. In higher winds, you can expect the basket to tip on its side when landing. You will physically contact the other passengers and the sides of the basket. It is possible that the basket will drag before coming to a full stop. Remember, always keep all parts of your body well inside the basket, hold on tight with both hands, do not get out of the basket, and listen to all instructions from the pilot.
- Secure all personal belongings before landing. We cannot be responsible for your personal belongings, including but not limited to cameras, video recorders, binoculars, or eyeglasses. If you are holding these items in your hands, you cannot hold on adequately when landing. Stow these items inside your jacket, pocket, case that you brought with you, or on the floor of the basket before landing.

THE PASSENGER HAS READ AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS

Signed this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Passenger's Signature

Printed Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Printed Name

Witnessed

Printed Name