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## SEDUCED BY SOUTH AMERICA

**W**e never cease to be amazed by the diversity of this vast continent, with its snow-capped mountains, forests teeming with wildlife, long lost civilisations and fascinating modern cultures. There is something for everyone, from the sultry samba rhythms of Brazil and edgy restaurant scene in Lima, to the serene high-altitude deserts of the Atacama and the wetlands of the Pantanal. We highly recommend you slow down your holiday, and visit just two or three countries rather than trying to see too much.

To help guide and inspire you we've featured some sample itineraries on pages 6-9 of this brochure. On a three week holiday you could trek to the iconic ruins of Peru's Machu Picchu and cruise Ecuador's extraordinary Galapagos Islands. Alternatively, you could combine Chile and Argentina and navigate the pristine fjords and immense glaciers of southern Patagonia and Tierra del Fuego.

Choose from our amazing range of accommodation, including boutique hotels, wilderness eco-lodges, gorgeous riverboats, luxury yachts and romantic trains. Our specialists have travelled the length and breadth of the continent and will happily help you create your perfect, custom made South America adventure.

Feliz viaje (happy travelling)

Stephen and Sara Cameron - Founders

Weather Chart												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Atacama (Chile)	05 24	05 24	04 23	02 23	0 22	0 20	0 20	0 21	0 22	01 23	02 24	03 24
Belmopan (Belize)	20 28	21 29	22 30	24 31	25 32	26 32	25 32	25 32	25 32	24 31	22 30	21 29
Buenos Aires (Argentina)	18 30	17 29	15 26	12 22	09 18	06 15	06 15	06 16	08 18	11 21	13 25	16 29
Bogota (Colombia)	04 21	05 21	06 21	08 20	08 19	07 19	07 18	07 19	06 19	07 20	07 19	05 20
Cusco (Peru)	07 20	07 21	07 21	04 22	02 21	01 21	-1 21	01 21	04 22	06 22	06 23	07 22
Easter Island	19 26	19 27	20 26	18 24	17 24	16 20	15 20	15 20	15 20	15 22	17 23	18 25
Galapagos Islands	22 30	20 24	24 31	24 31	22 28	21 26	20 26	19 26	19 26	20 26	21 26	22 27
Guatemala City (Guatemala)	11 23	12 25	14 27	14 28	16 29	16 27	16 26	16 26	16 26	15 24	14 23	13 22
Havana (Cuba)	16 25	16 26	17 27	19 29	21 30	22 30	22 31	22 31	22 30	21 28	18 27	17 26
Iguazú Falls (Argentina/Brazil)	22 31	22 31	20 30	17 27	14 23	12 21	13 22	13 23	14 24	17 27	18 29	21 30
La Paz (Bolivia)	06 18	06 18	06 18	05 19	-4 17	03 17	01 17	03 17	03 18	05 19	06 19	06 19
Lima (Peru)	19 25	20 26	19 26	18 24	16 21	15 19	14 17	13 17	13 17	14 19	16 20	16 23
Managua (Nicaragua)	20 29	20 30	22 32	23 31	23 31	22 28	21 27	22 29	21 28	22 29	21 29	21 30
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Panama City (Panama)	22 31	22 32	23 32	24 30	24 30	24 30	23 31	24 30	24 30	23 29	23 30	23 31
The Pantanal (Brazil)	17 31	17 32	17 32	17 33	17 33	13 32	13 32	15 34	17 34	17 34	17 32	17 32
Punta Arenas (Chile)	07 15	07 14	06 13	04 09	02 06	01 04	01 03	01 04	02 07	03 10	04 12	05 14
Quito (Ecuador)	08 21	08 21	08 20	08 21	08 21	07 21	07 21	07 22	07 22	08 21	08 21	08 21
Rio De Janeiro (Brazil)	23 30	23 30	23 29	21 27	20 26	15 23	15 24	16 28	19 29	20 30	20 21	21 31
San Jose (Costa Rica)	14 24	14 24	11 26	17 26	17 27	17 26	17 25	16 26	16 26	11 25	16 25	14 24
Santiago (Chile)	12 29	11 29	09 27	01 23	05 18	03 14	03 15	04 17	06 19	07 22	09 26	11 28
Stanley (Falkland Islands)	06 13	05 13	04 12	03 09	01 07	-01 05	-01 04	-01 05	01 07	02 09	03 11	04 12
Ushuaia (Argentina)	05 14	05 14	02 11	0 10	-1 07	-2 05	-2 04	-1 06	0 08	01 11	02 11	03 12

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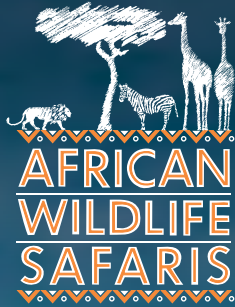
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# Let the sights of South America come to you.

Natural Focus, Worldwide Wilderness Journeys Your Way.

Natural Focus is a specialist travel company focusing on personalised itineraries to iconic wildlife and wilderness destinations. We are one of Australia's oldest independently owned travel companies, and for over 30 years with our parent company African Wildlife Safaris, have built up an enviable reputation for our in-depth expertise and professionalism. Our dedicated staff are all passionate travellers who between them have travelled to all our destinations, including South and Central America. Covering such a vast region, travel to South and Central America can seem a little daunting. That is where our expert team of specialised advisers can help. With their hands-on knowledge, they will help custom design the perfect itinerary, cruise or wilderness adventure that fulfills the South and Central America experience you're dreaming of.





## INDEPENDENT EXPERIENCES FOR THE DISCERNING TRAVELLER.

We believe that to fully experience a country, its wildlife, its culture and its natural beauty, you need to take your time and travel on your own terms. So rather than selecting a pre-packaged tour which may be rushed, inflexible and potentially full of incompatible personalities, we work with you to create a bespoke experience incorporating places you'd love to see, things you're keen to do and accommodation that suits your style and budget.

We pride ourselves on our ability to tailor a truly unique journey that immerses you in some of the planet's most spectacular places. Our philosophy is not just about putting together "a trip" – it's about creating your ultimate travel experience. Expect expert guides, small groups, personalised itineraries and all the security that booking with a reputable, accredited travel company entails.

### OUR BROCHURE

Our brochure is designed to be a starting point from which we can begin building your perfect journey. It features a selection of suggested itineraries and a wide range of carefully chosen accommodations. We can customise, combine, extend and upgrade to suit your budget and travel style – use our expertise to build your unique collection of lifelong memories.

### BEFORE YOU BOOK

The information contained in this brochure was correct at the time of publication. Since then, however, changes beyond our control could have occurred. Please refer to our Booking Conditions on page 107, in particular with respect to prices, itineraries, travel duration, standard of services, airfares and airline schedules. Before you book please check with us to ascertain if there are any alterations to the journey(s) you have selected.

### PRICING

All prices in this brochure are based on twin share accommodation for travel during the low season, and intended as a guide only. Please contact us for the best, most accurate and up-to-date pricing.

### QUESTIONS TO ASK

A successful itinerary needs your involvement. The more we know about what you want from your holiday the easier it will be to choose suitable arrangements. Here are some of the key questions to consider:

- Do you have a preference for a particular country or region?
- What time of year do you wish to travel?
- How long are you looking to travel for?
- How many people are travelling (any children)?
- Do you have any particular interests?  
Eg: birdwatching, walking tours, culture?
- Do you have an approximate budget?
- Do you prefer a particular style of tour?  
Eg: classic camping or a lodge tour?
- Would you consider paying more for a better located property or unique experience?  
Eg: a lodge in a prime location or your own personal guide?

## HOW TO BOOK YOUR TOUR

### A Seamless Travel Experience

As a licensed and professional travel company with over 30 years experience, Natural Focus and parent company African Wildlife Safaris can offer you all the services you need to plan and organise your holiday. All of our trips are entirely tailor made to suit, and our experienced staff know exactly how to put together the perfect holiday customised to your budget, interests, and travel timeframe.

Information about places you would like to visit has never been more accessible. This can make it both easier, and more challenging when it comes to booking a holiday. We advise that you take the following steps to ensure your travel experience is seamless, without any inconvenient or unexpected surprises.



#### 1. RESEARCH

Do you have a list of places you wish to go, and things you want to see? Read our brochure and website, then discuss your ideas with our experienced specialists as a starting point.



#### 2. PLANNING YOUR TRIP

A successful itinerary needs your involvement. The more we know about what you want from your visit, the easier it will be to help you design your perfect holiday. Are there particular regions you want to visit? What time of the year do you wish to travel? Do you have an approximate budget, and a preferred style of travel? Contact us to start planning today.



#### 3. BOOK YOUR TRIP (EARLY)

Once you are happy with your itinerary, it is time to book. We cannot stress enough the need to book early. There is immense pressure on accommodation and tours in almost all the destinations we offer. To secure your first choice and to avoid disappointment, PLEASE BOOK EARLY.



#### 4. SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCES

When you return home, don't forget to tell us about your experience. Our staff love hearing about their clients' experiences, or seeing photos and videos. And don't forget to share your memories with us on social media.



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World-famous Machu Picchu © Shutterstock

## SOUTH & CENTRAL AMERICA SAMPLE JOURNEYS

**T**he vast continent of South America offers a huge diversity of things to see and do. We are experts in tailor-made travel, and can design itineraries for both individual travellers and private groups. Here, we have put together a few sample journeys to help you start planning your ultimate South America and/or Central America experience. On these two pages is an epic sample itinerary, taking in five amazing countries: Argentina, Brazil, Peru, Bolivia and Chile. On pages 8 and 9 are four more examples.

Prices will vary depending on the standard of accommodation you choose, the season in which you are travelling and your modes of transport. Our experienced sales team have all travelled widely across the continent and they can help you create the perfect itinerary to suit your style and budget. Please call us on 1300 363 302 or (03) 9249 3777, or email [info@awsnfs.com](mailto:info@awsnfs.com)

### TAILORING YOUR TRIP

- ✓ All of our tours are tailor made to suit your interests and budget
- ✓ We can customise these sample itineraries to meet your specific requirements
- ✓ Any part of these itineraries can be amended
- ✓ Our experienced staff have travelled to all of our destinations, and know how to create special holiday experiences, rather than standard packaged tours
- ✓ Our specialists are your best guarantee for a seamless and unforgettable journey

## ICONS OF SOUTH AMERICA

25 days/24 nights  
Departs ex Buenos Aires

**T**his great adventure begins in Argentina, home of the fiery tango, legendary gauchos and captivating Iguazú Falls. Cross into Brazil for vibrant Rio de Janeiro and laid-back beach life. Then it's on to Peru for the incomparable Amazon Rainforest and incredible Machu Picchu. Bolivia offers rich indigenous culture, South America's largest lake - Titicaca - and plenty of well-preserved colonial architecture. Conclude your travels in Santiago, Chile, renowned for sophisticated dining and shopping.

### ITINERARY

#### Days 1-3 Buenos Aires, Argentina

Arrival transfer to the luxurious Recoleta Grand Hotel located in the upscale neighbourhood of Recoleta. Afternoon at leisure to explore this beautiful city. On Day 2 enjoy a private tour taking in popular Buenos Aires landmarks such as the historic Recoleta Cemetery and the colourful buildings of La Boca. In the evening, take in a glamorous tango performance at an elegant restaurant. On Day 3 choose from two unique

experiences: a full day at a traditional estancia, for an insight into typical gaucho (cowboy) life or a half-day tour of the idyllic Tigre Delta, which includes a relaxing boat cruise.

#### Days 4/5 Iguazú Falls, Brazil

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Puerto Iguazú. Admire the Argentine side of this natural wonder before checking in to the comfortable, central Viale Hotel in Foz do Iguazú on the Brazilian side. On Day 5 visit a bird park and view the most iconic perspective of the waterfalls from the Devil's Throat, a narrow chasm through which the river plummets. Free time in the afternoon for optional flightseeing or a boat cruise.

#### Days 6-8 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Fly to Rio (airport transfer incl). Your chic boutique hotel - the Arena Ipanema - is a short stroll to both Ipanema and Copacabana beaches. Activities on Days 7 and 8 include admiring the world-renowned Christ the Redeemer statue, ascending to the summit of Corcovado Mountain by rail, and taking a scenic cable car ride to yet another Brazilian icon - Sugar Loaf Mountain - for unsurpassed vistas of the city.

#### Days 9/10 Lima, Peru

Spend the morning of Day 9 exploring on your own. An afternoon flight takes you to Peru's



Iguazú Falls © Shutterstock



Ipanema Beach and spectacular Rio de Janeiro scenery © Shutterstock

SEE PAGES 8 & 9 FOR MORE SAMPLE JOURNEYS ACROSS SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA.

fascinating capital, Lima. The stylish Arawi hotel in the affluent neighbourhood of Miraflores is home for the next two nights. On Day 10 embark on a city tour that reveals Lima's attractive mix of architectural styles from different eras. Included is entry to the privately owned Larco Museum, which houses one of the world's finest collections of pre-Columbian art.

**Days 11-13 Amazon Rainforest, Peru**

Fly to Puerto Maldonado via Cusco and transfer to the jetty for a 45-minute boat ride to Inkaterra Reserva Amazonica. During your stay at this secluded eco-lodge adjacent to the lush Tambopata National Reserve, choose from a wide range of excursions from bird-watching at clay licks and boat rides to canopy walkways and night safaris.

**Days 14/15 Sacred Valley, Peru**

Following breakfast, depart the rainforest for your flight to Cusco. You are driven to the tranquil Sonesta Posadas del Inca Yucaj, a charming property occupying a restored 18th century monastery in the heart of Peru's magnificent Sacred Valley. On Day 15, browse a bustling market, before surveying the ruins at Pisac, as well as the ancient temples and stone agricultural terraces of Ollantaytambo.



**Day 16 Machu Picchu, Peru**

Take the train from Ollantaytambo Station to Machu Picchu, touring the world-famous ruins before retiring to El Mapi Hotel by Inkaterra in the nearby village of Machu Picchu Pueblo.

**Days 17/18 Cusco, Peru**

Visit the Lost City of the Incas once more or just spend a relaxed morning at your hotel on Day 17 before boarding the train to Cusco. Half-day exploration of this former capital of the Inca Empire on Day 18. Your hotel is the romantic Quinta San Blas in Cusco's evocative centre.

**Day 19 Puno, Peru**

Travel to Puno, on the shores of Lake Titicaca, by rail. Arrival transfer to the Casa Andina Premium, which offers fabulous water views.

**Day 20 Lake Titicaca Cruise**

Sail to the beguiling Uros Islands, fashioned from floating beds of totora reeds, before an overnight catamaran cruise.

**Days 21/22 La Paz, Bolivia**

Enter Bolivian waters and then transfer by road to the capital, La Paz. Your next two nights are in the quirky Casa de Piedra boutique hotel, set inside an elegant early 19th century stone mansion. On Day 22, spend a full day taking in the city's lively markets, fine colonial buildings and the serene Moon Valley. Also visit the interesting pre-Columbian archaeological site at Tiwanaku, about two hours outside La Paz.

**Days 23/24 Santiago, Chile**

Fly to Santiago, Chile. The next day, experience life as a "Santiaguino", sampling local cuisine and riding the subway to the city's many distinct neighbourhoods. The afternoon is your own. Accommodation is at the stunning Hotel Cumbres, located in Santiago's bohemian Lastarria Quarter.

**Day 25 Tour ends Santiago**

Transfer to Santiago airport, where your tour ends.



Lake Titicaca © Diana Havenhand



Macaws on a clay lick, Peruvian Amazon © Shutterstock



Buenos Aires, Argentina © Shutterstock

**ADD MORE NIGHTS**  
Travel in South America can cover long distances. We highly recommend adding more nights to these sample journeys to allow for a more relaxed travel experience.

# SOUTH & CENTRAL AMERICA SAMPLE JOURNEYS

## PERU & ECUADOR

19 days/18 nights

Departs ex Santiago, Chile

**T**ake in the highlights of two incredibly diverse nations on this comprehensive exploration which includes the famous ruins of Machu Picchu, the extraordinary wildlife of the Galapagos Islands and the magnificent Amazon Rainforest. Be as relaxed or active as you wish, with opportunities to trek, cruise and kayak on your journey.



### SAMPLE ITINERARY

- Day 1** Arrive Santiago and transfer to hotel.
- Days 2/3** Fly to Cusco and transfer to Sacred Valley for 2 nights.
- Day 4** Explore Machu Picchu.
- Days 5/6** Transfer to Cusco.
- Day 7** Fly Cusco/Lima (Peru) to Guayaquil in Ecuador.
- Days 8-14** Fly to Galapagos Islands and commence 7 night cruise.
- Day 15** Fly to Quito, historic capital of Ecuador.
- Days 16-18** Fly to Amazon eco-lodge (3 nights).
- Day 19** Fly back to Quito. Tour ends.

## PERU, BOLIVIA & CHILE

18 days/17 nights

Departs ex Lima, Peru

**H**istory, culture and natural wonders - this trip has them all. Travelling from fascinating Lima, Peru through to cosmopolitan Santiago in Chile, you'll ride a train from the Sacred Valley to Machu Picchu, sail across the highest navigable lake on the planet, see the world's largest salt lake and experience the breathtaking beauty of the Atacama Desert.



### SAMPLE ITINERARY

- Day 1** Arrive Lima and transfer to hotel.
- Days 2/3** Fly to Cusco and transfer to the Sacred Valley for 2 nights.
- Day 4** Train trip to Machu Picchu.
- Days 5/6** Train to Cusco for 2 nights.
- Days 7/8** Train to Puno for 2 nights. Cruise Lake Titicaca.
- Days 9/10** Transfer to La Paz for 2 nights.
- Days 11-14** Fly to Uyuni for 4 nights in the Salt Flats and Altiplano.
- Days 15-17** Transfer to Atacama Desert for 3 nights.
- Day 18** Fly to Santiago. Tour ends.

## CHILE & ARGENTINA

19 Days/18 Nights

Departs ex Santiago, Chile

**D**iscover the magic of Patagonia on this adventure, which includes opportunities to hike in the spectacular Torres del Paine National Park, navigate the fjords and glaciers of the isolated Tierra del Fuego and enjoy the stunning mountain scenery at El Chalten, a picturesque village which overlooks Los Glaciares National Park.



### SAMPLE ITINERARY

- Day 1** Arrive Santiago and transfer to hotel.
- Days 2-5** Fly to Punta Arenas and transfer to Torres Del Paine lodge for 4 nights.
- Days 6-9** Drive to Punta Arenas. Board M/V Stella Australis for a cruise through Patagonia and Tierra del Fuego regions.
- Day 10** Arrive Ushuaia.
- Days 11/12** Fly to El Calafate for 2 nights with visit to the Perito Moreno Glacier.
- Days 13-15** Drive to El Chalten. Spend 2 days exploring this scenic wonder on foot.
- Day 16-18** Transfer to El Calafate for flight to Buenos Aires. Enjoy a city tour, tango show and dinner.
- Day 19** Check out from Buenos Aires hotel. Tour ends.



# PANAMA, COSTA RICA & NICARAGUA

19 Days/18 Nights

Departs ex Panama City, Panama

Central America might be small but its appeal is immense - with cloud forests, volcanoes, coral reefs and Mayan ruins. This trip takes in the impressive Panama Canal, the idyllic Caribbean islands of Bocas Del Toro, the imposing Arenal Volcano and Omatepe Island, with its mysterious petroglyphs.



## SAMPLE ITINERARY

- Days 1-3** Arrive Panama City. Transfer to hotel. City tour and Panama Canal transfer.
- Days 4/5** Fly to David and transfer to Boquete for 2 nights.
- Days 6-8** Transfer to Almirante and get ferry to Bocas Del Toro archipelago.
- Days 9/10** Transfer to Guapiles and take boat to Tortuguero for 2 nights.
- Days 11/12** Transfer to Arenal. Hike to Arenal Volcano and soak in thermal springs.
- Days 13/14** Transfer to Monteverde. Enjoy a guided walk and Sky Tram ride.
- Day 15/16** Transfer to the Nicaraguan border, and take a ferry to Ometepe Island.
- Day 17/18** Ferry and road transfer to Granada.
- Day 19** Day at leisure in Granada. Tour ends.

## STYLE OF TRIP

Expect to be blown away by the beauty, history and diversity of South and Central America.



'Christ the Redeemer', Rio de Janeiro © Artyom Sharbatyan



Street market, Cusco © Luis Gamero/PromPeru

## CITY STAYS

From colonial architecture to modern museums and edgy restaurants, vibrant cities such as Buenos Aires, Rio de Janeiro, Quito and Lima deserve a few days' exploration.



Stunning jaguar encounter © Paul Goldstein

## HISTORY AND CULTURE

Discover amazing pre-Columbian sites such as Machu Picchu, Chichen Itza and Tikal. Visit the time-warp island of Cuba or experience Mexico's Day of the Dead.



MIC Ocean Spray © Haugan Cruises

## JUNGLE ADVENTURES

Experience the Amazon Rainforest and the sprawling Pantanal wetlands by riverboat or horseback. Encounter wildlife on guided excursions by skiff, canoe and on foot.



Exploring Torres del Paine, Patagonia © Chile Tourism

## CRUISES

Navigate the icy fjords of Patagonia by small cruise ship, sail as Charles Darwin did through the Galapagos Islands or cross the infamous Drake Passage to Antarctica.



The Vistadome Train © Peru Rail

## WILDERNESS TOURS

Explore the Amazon Rainforest, the Pantanal, Central America's cloud forests or Patagonia on foot, on horseback, by vehicle or canoe from a secluded eco-lodge.



Salkantay Trek to Machu Picchu © Mountain Lodges of Peru

## RAIL TOURS

Rail journeys are an experience in themselves. Travel from historic Cusco to Machu Picchu by train or traverse the Ecuadorian Andes via the epic Avenue of Volcanoes.



Creating lifelong memories © PromPeru

## TREKS

Hike through the spectacular Sacred Valley to the famous "Lost City of the Incas" or follow breathtaking trails through the iconic Torres del Paine National Park.

## FAMILY ADVENTURES

Wildernesses such as the Galapagos Islands and Amazon Rainforest will thrill kids of all ages, while sacred sites such as Lake Titicaca will capture young imaginations.



The endangered golden lion tamarin © Luciano Candisani



Blue-footed Booby, Galapagos © Shutterstock

## CONSERVATION

**A**s a specialist travel company focusing on the wildlife and wilderness areas of Central & South America, Antarctica, the Arctic, Africa, Canada & Alaska, Bhutan and India, Natural Focus is committed to helping preserve the natural environment. Over the years we have made significant contributions to conservation societies and research projects in the destinations we visit through our policy of giving clients the opportunity to contribute \$10 (or more) per person which we then match dollar for dollar. We don't charge an administration fee so 100% of contributions go to the nominated conservation project. Featured here are some of the projects we and our clients have contributed to.

### GALAPAGOS CONSERVANCY

The Galapagos Conservancy (GC) is dedicated exclusively to the long-term protection of the Galapagos Islands and works in partnership with the Charles Darwin Foundation and Galapagos National Park. Its work has resulted in the eradication of donkeys, pigs and goats from many of the islands and the restoration of their ecosystems. For more information please see: [www.galapagos.org](http://www.galapagos.org)



Galapagos tortoise, the world's largest © Shutterstock

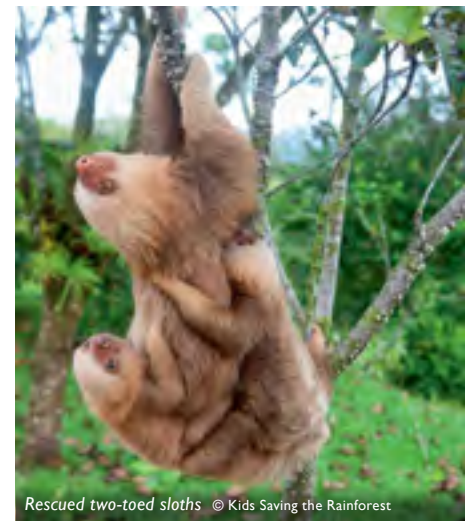
### GOLDEN LION TAMARIN CONSERVATION

Just a few decades ago the squirrel-sized golden lion tamarin monkey was critically endangered and reduced to a mere 200 animals in the wild. A conservation effort was begun to save the tamarin with a breeding program and initiatives to preserve their habitat in the Atlantic coastal rainforests of south-eastern Brazil. Their number has now rebounded to about 1,600 and the golden lion tamarin is an international symbol of success in conservation. If you would like to visit the tamarins, please see our tour on page 79.

### KIDS SAVING THE RAINFOREST

In 1999, two 9 year old girls established Kids Saving The Rainforest (KSTR) when they saw the impact rainforest destruction had on Costa Rica's mono titi monkeys. KSTR's Monkey Bridge initiative has more than doubled the population of these primates since 2008 and today, the organisation runs the only legal wildlife rescue centre in the country, taking in sick, wounded or abandoned native animals such as anteaters. Their Sloth Project aims to release three hand-raised two-toed sloths back into the wild - a Costa Rican first. To find out more or to donate, please visit [www.kidssavingtherainforest.org](http://www.kidssavingtherainforest.org).

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Rescued two-toed sloths © Kids Saving the Rainforest



Pristine natural environments © Shutterstock

## OUR SOUTH AMERICA SPECIALISTS

**O**ur team of specialists have travelled extensively in South America. Based at our office in South Melbourne, they have the knowledge to help you design the perfect holiday to suit your style and budget.



### Stephen Cameron

Company founder and CEO Steve Cameron has visited much of South America, and twice voyaged from southern Argentina to Antarctica. A wildlife enthusiast and keen photographer, Steve has travelled deep into the Amazon Rainforest where he searched for and found South America's largest predator - the jaguar. He has also been to Patagonia, the Atacama Desert, the Galapagos Islands, and travelled extensively throughout Africa, India, Canada and Alaska.



### Sara Cameron

Co-founder of Natural Focus, Sara has explored Chile, Brazil, Peru, Argentina, Antarctica, Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands. Some of the many highlights of her South American travels include trekking into the spectacular Torres del Paine, taking in the vast, rugged landscapes of the Atacama Desert and seeing the amazing animals of the Galapagos Archipelago. A passionate wildlife lover, Sara has also travelled widely in Africa and North America.



### Anne-Marie Zambelli

The General Manager of Natural Focus with over 30 years' experience in the travel industry, Annie loves the great wildlife and wilderness areas of the world. She has been all over Argentina, Chile and Ecuador, and cruised the Galapagos Islands, getting up close to penguins, seals and iguanas. She has also explored the remotely beautiful Ecuadorian highlands, escorted a group of clients to Antarctica, and is an expert on both Africa and India.



### Taleen Gaidzkar

Taleen has been in the travel industry for more than 30 years and is one of our most experienced travel specialists. She has travelled the world but South America holds a special place in her heart. Taleen has hiked the Inca Trail and the 'W Trek' in Torres Del Paine, journeyed from Bolivia's salt flats to Chile's Atacama Desert, sailed the Amazon, cruised the Galapagos and Chilean Fjords, visited Easter Island and journeyed to Antarctica. Recently she explored the wonders of Cuba.



### Kate Witton

During her 20-plus years in the travel industry, Kate (our Reservations Manager) has cruised the Amazon River, trekked the Inca Trail and mountain biked outside La Paz. To date, she has visited Argentina, Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador and Chile. She has also crossed the Drake Passage to Antarctica. Her most memorable South American experience so far: swimming with seals and turtles in the Galapagos Islands.



### Natasha Redondo

Tash spent 6 months exploring Brazil, living like a carioca (local) in Rio, cruising up the Amazon and sunbathing in Ilha Grande. She's also visited the Atacama Desert, Patagonia and Santiago in Chile, the historic cities of Colonia and Montevideo in Uruguay, as well as Buenos Aires in Argentina. A well-travelled music buff, Tash believes that Brazil's nightlife and intoxicating rhythms are amongst the best in the world.



### Rolf Huber

Rolf has travelled all over South and Central America, and believes this region has a cultural flavour like nowhere else in the world. The Caribbean gets a special mention for its natural beauty, while Buenos Aires, Rio De Janeiro and San Salvador rank amongst his favourite cities. Most recently Rolf travelled to the remote Pantanal in Brazil, and explored Argentina's breathtaking Los Glaciares National Park and the Perito Moreno Glacier.



### Georgia Cowling

Through her extensive travels Georgia has spent over 7 months navigating both Central and South America, traversing Bolivia's famous Uyuni Salt Flats and trekking Peru's renowned Inca Trail. Her impressive resume includes snorkelling with sea turtles from Ambergris Caye in Belize and exploring the old-world charm of Cuba. Above all else, her favourite place in the world is the stunning Torres Del Paine National Park in southern Chile.

## TESTIMONIALS

Don't just take our word for it. Here are what some of our clients had to say:

"There is so much to see in South America and we only just scratched the surface. Spending time with our daughter was, of course, an added bonus. All the accommodation was lovely and everything went as per itinerary. Patagonia in winter is so beautiful. We trekked through snow and there was plenty to see and do. There were so few other tourists at the time which made it even better. Thanks for all your assistance in planning our holiday." – James & Vicki Sykes

"We returned from our trip to South America last night after an outstanding 3 week holiday. We had no problems with flights, accommodation, guides or anything else for that matter. Everything went to plan and we had a fantastic time. Thank you for putting our trip together - great planning results in great trips. This was our third time travelling with Natural Focus Safaris and we will certainly be using you again. Well done!" – David & Wendy Graham

"Natural Focus organised an amazing 'bucket list' South American experience for us over 3 weeks. After an incredible time in Cusco, the Sacred Valley and Machu Picchu staying in extraordinary hotels, we spent eight days on a luxurious small boat touring the Galapagos Islands. It exceeded all our expectations. Every day brought new close up encounters with exotic wildlife on land and in the water. Finally, we spent a few days at an eco-lodge on Ecuador's Napa River where we were awed by the diversity of life in the jungle." – Nick Redgrave



## PERU

Peru is a mysterious land of ancient Inca ruins, flamboyant Spanish architecture, snow-covered mountains and lush Amazon jungle teeming with spectacular fauna and flora. Visit the ancient Inca capital of Cusco and travel by train along the beautiful Sacred Valley to the Inca citadel of Machu Picchu. View the mysterious Nazca Lines, sail to the floating islands of Lake Titicaca or explore Baroque churches in Cusco and Arequipa.

### Highlights

Machu Picchu, "Lost City of the Incas"; captivating Cusco; famous Inca Trail; ancient civilisations of the Northern Kingdoms; mysterious Nazca Lines; wildlife rich Ballestas Islands; Amazon Rainforest lodges; Lake Titicaca; Andean scenery of Colca Canyon.

### Climate

The dry season (May-Oct/Nov) is the best time to visit with sunny days and cool nights.



# MAGNIFICENT MACHU PICCHU

“ It was always a dream of mine to go to Machu Picchu.  
I had no idea how wonderful this  
experience would be.  
Seeing the stupendous Machu Picchu is  
something I will never forget.”

Anna Polzot



Plaza de Armas, Lima © Shutterstock

## LIMA CITY STAY

3 days/2 nights

From \$495 per person twin share

**E**xplore Peru's dynamic capital, a fascinating city of contrasts from colonial architecture and pre-Incan pyramids to modern shopping centres and world-class restaurants. Visit historic churches and museums, sample fine local cuisine and experience vibrant Peruvian culture.

### INCLUSIONS

Private airport/hotel arrival and departure transfers (day), 2 nights accommodation with breakfast and private half day colonial and modern city tour.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Ancient pre-Incan relics
- Charming Spanish colonial architecture
- Buzzy nightlife
- Fabulous dining scene
- Barranco, Lima's most Bohemian quarter

### ACCOMMODATION

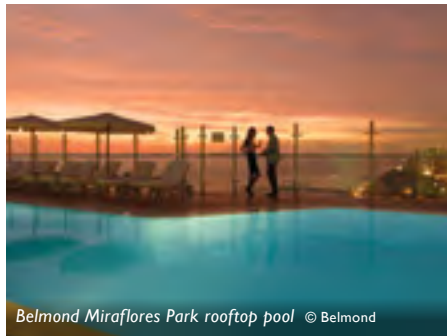
Price per person from:	Twin	Single
<b>Belmond Miraflores Park</b> (City View Junior Suite)	\$1077	\$2127
<b>Hotel B</b> (Standard Room)	\$1045	\$2065
<b>Country Club Lima</b> (Grand Class Rm)	\$765	\$1503
<b>Casa Andina Premium Miraflores</b> (Superior)	\$611	\$1161
<b>Arawi Lima Miraflores</b> (Deluxe Room)	\$519	\$1017
<b>Sonesta El Olivar</b> (Standard Room)	\$495	\$969

### OPTIONAL LIMA TOURS

Tour cost per person from:	Twin	Single
<b>Half day Larco Museum Tour</b> (Pvt w/lunch)	\$260	\$425
<b>Gastronomic Tour</b> (Scheduled)	\$186	\$186
<b>Half day Chocolate Museum - Workshop</b>	\$138	\$226



Try a delicious classic ceviche © PromPerú



Belmond Miraflores Park rooftop pool © Belmond

### BELMOND MIRAFLORES PARK

★★★★★

This luxurious hotel is located in an exclusive residential area and is renowned for its breathtaking views of the Pacific Ocean. It features 89 elegant suites, 2 restaurants, a bar, day spa, fitness centre, modern executive lounge and a beautiful rooftop infinity pool.



Country Club Lima Hotel © Country Club Lima Hotel

### COUNTRY CLUB LIMA HOTEL

★★★★★

The elegant Country Club Lima Hotel was built in 1927 and is considered a national monument. Its 83 rooms are all unique, with decor a harmonious combination of classic and contemporary styles. The hotel has a pool, gym, 2 bars and a restaurant serving Peruvian and international cuisine.

### SONESTA EL OLIVAR

★★★★★

The Sonesta is a comfortable modern hotel located in the attractive business and residential district of San Isidro close to boutiques, shopping centres and nightlife. This contemporary hotel has 134 guest rooms, a swimming pool and a restaurant.



Hotel B © Hotel B

### HOTEL B

★★★★★

This exquisite Relais & Chateaux hotel exudes luxury. Decor is a mix of modern and classic, with interiors featuring a fine collection of sculptures, paintings and antiques. There are 20 unique suites as well as a fantastic onsite restaurant and bar.



Casa Andina Premium Miraflores © Casa Andina

### CASA ANDINA PREMIUM MIRAFLORES

★★★★★

With its stylish modern design, cutting-edge technology and strategic location in Lima's affluent Miraflores district, Casa Andina Premium Miraflores is the top of its class in every respect. It offers 148 rooms and suites, complimentary Wi-Fi, a pool, gym, restaurant, bar and cafe.

### ARAWI LIMA MIRAFLORES

★★★★★

This boutique hotel is located in Lima's upscale Miraflores district, close to popular landmarks, eateries and handicraft markets. There are 30 plush guest rooms in total, whilst onsite amenities include a restaurant, bar and room service.



El Candelabro, Paracas © Shutterstock



Colca Canyon © PromPerú

## NAZCA, ICA & BALLESTAS ISLANDS

4 days/3 nights

From \$4208 per person twin share  
Departs daily ex Lima

Price per person from:*	Twin
<b>A</b> Casa Andina Nazca/Las Dunas/Libertador	\$4315
<b>B</b> Casa Andina Nazca/Las Dunas/Double Tree	\$4208

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Private transfers, 3 nights accommodation at selected hotels, meals and sightseeing with English speaking guide as per the itinerary, entrance fees and flight over the Nazca Lines (subject to weather).

**D**iscover the mysterious Nazca Lines from an aerial perspective and taste excellent local wines at Ica. Explore the ruins of Cahuachi and Pachacamac and view wildlife such as sea lion and penguin at Paracas and on the Ballestas Islands.

#### Day 1 Nazca

Depart to Nazca (approx. 8hrs) by private car. Remainder of day at leisure. Overnight in Nazca. L

#### Day 2 Ica

Transfer to local airport for flight over the Nazca Lines. Afterwards, travel west of Nazca to see the ruins of Cahuachi, once a major ceremonial centre of Nazca culture. Visit the Antonini archaeological museum, then drive to Ica. Overnight in Ica. BL

#### Day 3 Paracas

Enjoy a morning excursion to the Ballestas Islands followed by an afternoon at the Paracas National Reserve, a refuge for fur seals, Humboldt penguins and many other birds. Overnight in Paracas. B

#### Day 4 Tour ends Lima

Morning visit to Pachacamac, an ancient Incan complex of palaces, plazas and temples before returning to Lima by road. Tour ends. B

### STAY LONGER

With such great infrastructure, it is easy to combine the many highlights of Peru. Extend this trip with an Amazon Rainforest Lodge, trek in Machu Picchu, or cruise on Lake Titicaca. Please contact one of our South America specialists to start planning your Peru journey.

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## AREQUIPA & COLCA CANYON

5 days/4 nights

From \$1860 per person twin share  
Departs daily ex Arequipa

Price per person from:*	Twin
<b>A</b> Libertador Arequipa/Belmond Las Casitas	\$2902
<b>B</b> Casa Andina Premium/Colca Lodge	\$1860

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Private airport/hotel transfers in Arequipa, 4 nights accommodation at selected hotels, meals and private guided sightseeing as per itinerary, entrance fees.

**V**isit beautiful Arequipa, renowned for its colonial churches and graceful mansions built from white volcanic stone. Then travel through magnificent scenery and picturesque villages to the Colca Canyon, one of the deepest in the world.

#### Day 1 Arequipa

Arrive Arequipa and transfer to your hotel. Remainder of day at leisure.

#### Days 2/3 Colca Canyon

Transfer by coach to your lodge in Colca Valley. On Day 3 visit Condor Cross lookout, the picturesque villages of Cabanaconde, Maca and Yanque and the El Mirador de Antahuilque viewpoint. BLD

#### Day 4 Arequipa

Explore the villages of Coporaque, Uyu Uyu and Ichupampa. Lunch at Chivay. Return to Arequipa in the afternoon. B

#### Day 5 Tour ends Arequipa

Morning tour of Plaza de Armas, Arequipa Cathedral, La Compania and the 16th century Santa Catalina Monastery. Tour ends. B



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Ballestas Islands © Shutterstock



Plaza de Armas, Arequipa © Shutterstock



Machu Picchu © Shutterstock

## CUSCO & MACHU PICCHU

6 days/5 nights

From \$2254 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Cusco

Price per person from:*	Twin
<b>A</b> Belmond Rio Sagrado/ Belmond Sanctuary Lodge Machu Picchu/ Belmond Hotel Monasterio Cusco	\$4049
<b>B</b> Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba/ Inkaterra Machu Picchu/Casona Inkaterra	\$2924
<b>C</b> Sonesta Posadas del Inca Yucay/EI Mapi/ Casa Aninda Premium Cusco	\$2254

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

5 nights accommodation, meals, private tours and private transfers as per itinerary, first class train (Vistadome) Ollantaytambo/Machu Picchu Pueblo/ Cusco, round-trip bus transfer to Machu Picchu.

Please turn to pages 18-21 to find more information on the hotels we offer in Cusco, the Sacred Valley and Machu Picchu.

**D**iscover the wonders of the Inca Empire on this classic private tour of Cusco, Machu Picchu and the Sacred Valley. Explore the Urubamba Valley with its spectacular scenery, the picturesque market town of Pisac and the Inca ruins at Ollantaytambo. Visit amazing Machu Picchu, the ancient “Lost City of the Incas” and then return by train to Cusco, a living museum with magnificent buildings from the pre-Incan, Incan, Spanish colonial and Republican eras.

### Day 1 Sacred Valley

Arrive Cusco (3,400 metres above sea level) where you are met at the airport and driven directly to the lower altitude Sacred Valley of the Incas, bisected by the Urubamba River. Visit the Awanacancha weaving centre.

**Overnight at your selected hotel. Sacred Valley hotels are listed on page 20.**

### Day 2 Sacred Valley

During your stay in the Sacred Valley visit the charming market and ruins at Pisac as well as the ancient town of Ollantaytambo with its temples and steep stone agricultural terraces. The town’s narrow streets are unchanged since Incan times. BL

### Day 3 Machu Picchu Pueblo

Board the Vistadome train to Machu Picchu Pueblo and then take a bus to the mysterious city of Machu Picchu (2,430m). The site was believed to have been constructed in the 15th century. However, it was not until 1911 that the ruins were re-discovered, and no written record explaining the passing of this city survives. Enjoy lunch followed by a guided tour of the ruins (local guide). BLD

**Overnight at your selected hotel. Machu Picchu hotels are listed on page 21.**



### Day 4 Cusco

Morning at leisure. Optional second visit to Machu Picchu ruins (extra cost). If staying in Machu Picchu Pueblo, you will need to purchase another bus ticket to reach the site. Afternoon departure from railway depot at Machu Picchu Pueblo for the train back to Cusco. Arrival transfer to your hotel. B

**Overnight at your selected hotel. Cusco hotels are listed on pages 18-19.**



Cusco © Shutterstock





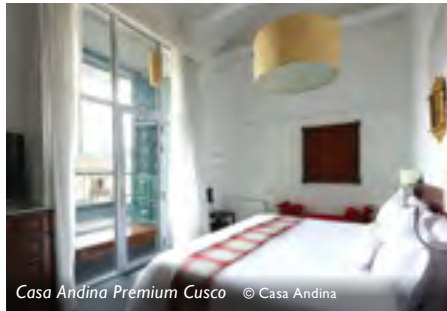
View of Ollantayambo from the fortress ruins © Shutterstock

**Day 5 Cusco**

Today, you will be collected from your hotel for a private half day tour of this atmospheric city, visiting the Koricancha Temple, Catedral del Cusco and the ruins of Sacsayhuaman fortress, Kenko and Tambomachay. B

**Day 6 Tour ends Cusco**

Your tour ends with a transfer to the airport. Extra nights may be booked at any point in this itinerary, subject to availability. B



Casa Andina Premium Cusco © Casa Andina

**STAY LONGER**

Spend additional time exploring the Sacred Valley, cross the Altiplano to Lake Titicaca, head down to the scenic Colca Canyon or add a couple of nights in cosmopolitan Lima. Please contact one of our Peru specialists to start planning your trip based on this itinerary, or to create a completely bespoke journey that suits your budget and interests.

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Quechua woman dyeing llama wool © Marcus Visic



Belmond Sanctuary Lodge open-air massage © Belmond

**TRAIN OPTIONS**

You can substitute the Vistadome train featured in this itinerary with a journey aboard the luxurious Belmond Hiram Bingham or the very comfortable Expedition rail service. Each train provides a very different onboard experience for passengers travelling between Machu Picchu Pueblo and Cusco. Please see page 24 for more details.



Sunrise at Plaza de Armas - Cusco © Shutterstock

## CUSCO CITY STAY

3 days/2 nights

From \$429 per person twin share

**C**usco is one of the oldest inhabited cities in the western hemisphere and the historic capital of the Inca Empire. It is a treasure trove of history with magnificent buildings from the pre-Incan, Incan, colonial and Republican eras.

### INCLUSIONS

Private airport/hotel arrival and departure transfers, 2 nights accommodation with breakfast in selected hotel, private half day city tour and nearby ruins with tourist ticket.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Gateway to Machu Picchu
- Extraordinary Inca ruins
- Vibrant, colourful markets
- Flower-filled colonial plazas
- An abundance of museums

### ACCOMMODATION

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
<b>Belmond Palacio Nazarenas</b> (Jnr Suite)	\$1349	\$2558
<b>Belmond Hotel Monasterio</b> (Superior Rm)	\$1083	\$2026
<b>Inkaterra La Casona</b> (Patio Suite)	\$851	\$1560
<b>Aranwa Cusco Boutique</b> (Deluxe Rm)	\$717	\$1296
<b>Casa Andina Premium</b> (Superior Rm)	\$607	\$1050
<b>El Mercado</b> (Superior Room)	\$575	\$1034
<b>Novotel</b> (Standard Room)	\$527	\$882
<b>Quinta San Blas</b> (Deluxe Rm)	\$429	\$710

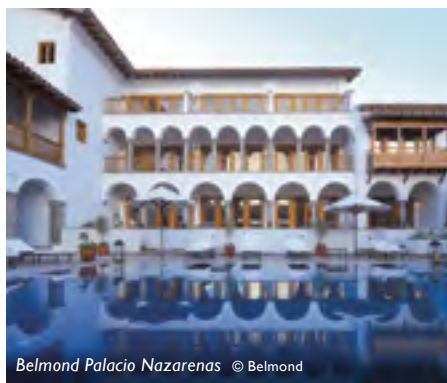
### OPTIONAL CUSCO DAY TOURS

Tour cost per person from:	Twin	Single
<b>Half day Cusco City &amp; Ruins tour</b>	Included	
<b>Half day Chinchero Market</b>	\$117	\$232
<b>Half day Maras &amp; Moray tour</b>	\$171	\$330
<b>Full day Pisac Market &amp; Ollantaytambo</b> (Includes lunch)	\$223	\$414

Further details for all tours on request.

## ALTITUDE SICKNESS

The high altitude of Cusco (3,400m), Machu Picchu (2,430m) and Lake Titicaca (3,812m) may cause symptoms of altitude sickness. We recommend spending your first few days at a lower altitude (e.g Sacred Valley or Arequipa) to acclimatise.



Belmond Palacio Nazarenas © Belmond

### BELMOND PALACIO NAZARENAS

★★★★★

This exclusive Belmond property is set within a carefully restored former convent in a tranquil plaza near Cusco's main square. The hotel features a stylish restaurant, day spa, the city's first outdoor heated pool and 55 oxygenated suites with private butler service.

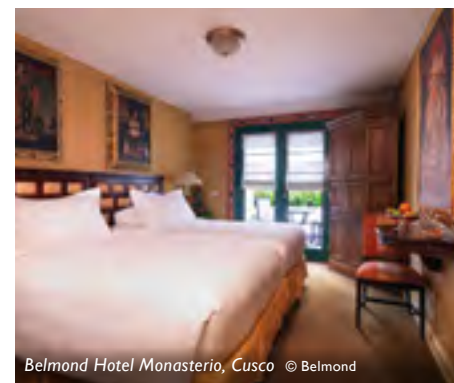


Inkaterra La Casona © Inkaterra

### INKATERRA LA CASONA

★★★★★

Formerly a colonial manor house, this atmospheric boutique hotel was the first Relais & Chateaux property in Peru. It offers 11 suites with modern amenities surrounding a gorgeous open-air courtyard. Facilities include a dining room, bar, central patio area and Yacu therapy room.



Belmond Hotel Monasterio, Cusco © Belmond

### BELMOND HOTEL MONASTERIO

★★★★★

Situated in a 400 year old former monastery, this 5-star hotel is ideally located steps from Cusco's central square. It features 101 rooms and 21 suites with ornate colonial-style interiors, 2 elegant restaurants, a bar, a massage suite and a beauty salon.



Aranwa Cusco Boutique Hotel Deluxe Room © Aranwa

### ARANWA CUSCO BOUTIQUE HOTEL

★★★★★

This charming establishment is just two blocks from Cusco's evocative main square. The 43 oxygen-infused rooms are elegantly decorated with local art, furnished with antiques and equipped with the latest amenities including Wi-Fi and flatscreen TVs.



The colours of Peru © Shutterstock



Friendly locals outside the Temple of the Sun, Cusco © Marcus Visic



Casa Andina Premium Cusco © Casa Andina

**CASA ANDINA PREMIUM CUSCO**

★★★★

This intimate boutique hotel is located in a renovated 16th century mansion a short stroll from Plaza de Armas. The 93 comfortable rooms and suites overlook two internal courtyards. Facilities onsite include a cosy lounge, bar, restaurant and Wi-Fi.



El Mercado © El Mercado

**EL MERCADO**

★★★★

Spanish for "Market", El Mercado occupies a former marketplace in the heart of Cusco's historic city centre. The 32 lovely ensuite guest rooms feature a charming combination of contemporary and classic colonial Peruvian accents. The hotel also has a 24-hour front desk and luggage storage facilities.



Cobblestone streets of Cusco © Shutterstock



Novotel © Novotel

**NOVOTEL**

★★★★

This 4 star hotel is set in a heritage colonial building in the heart of Cusco with a fantastic glass-covered courtyard. There are 99 spacious, ensuite rooms all with Wi-Fi access, cable TV, as well as a restaurant, bar and a relaxing patio area.



Quinta San Blas by Ananay Hotels © Ananay Hotels

**QUINTA SAN BLAS BY ANANAY**

★★★★

This enchanting small hotel in one of Cusco's oldest neighbourhoods offers 18 character-filled guest rooms with smooth timber floors, clean white walls and exposed ceiling beams. Enjoy buffet breakfasts, along with a selection of light a la carte meals served daily at the onsite cafe.



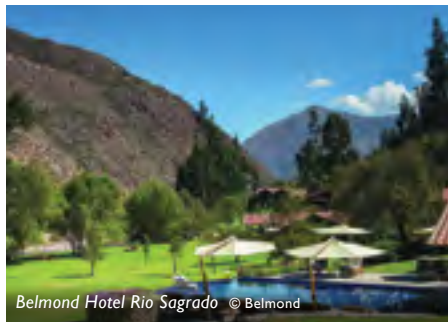
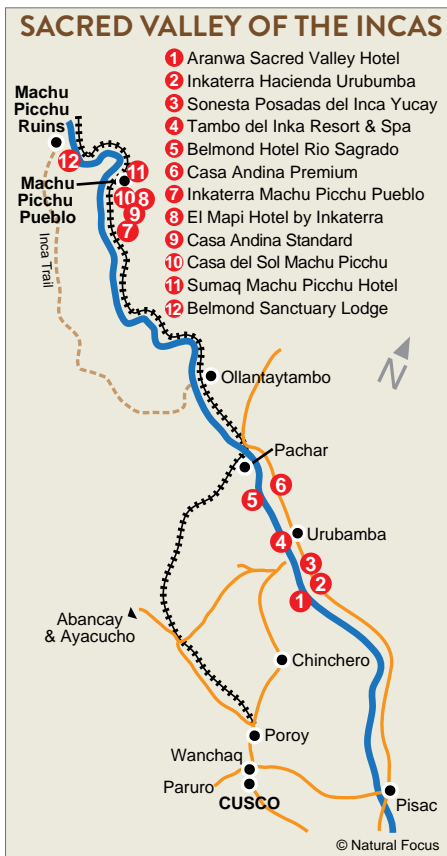


The captivating Sacred Valley © Shutterstock

## SACRED VALLEY

The spectacular Sacred Valley of the Incas or Valle Sagrado de los Incas is a patchwork of picturesque villages, Inca ruins and agricultural terraces. Cleaved by the Urubamba River, the valley runs from the village of Pisac with its famous market and ancient ruins, to Ollantaytambo, site of a large Inca fortress and gateway to the Inca Trail and Machu Picchu. Lying 500m below Cusco, the Sacred Valley is a great place to acclimatise to Peru's altitude.

See pages 16-17 for a sample itinerary.



Belmond Hotel Rio Sagrado © Belmond

### BELMOND HOTEL RIO SAGRADO

★★★★★

Located on the banks of the Urubamba River, this tranquil Belmond hideaway is built in the style of an Andean village. Guests are accommodated in 21 character-filled rooms or in 2 private villas. The hotel offers a pool, restaurant, bar and spa.



Casa Andina Premium Sacred Valley Hotel & Villa © Casa Andina

### CASA ANDINA PREMIUM SACRED VALLEY HOTEL & VILLAS

★★★★★

Set over 3 hectares in the heart of the Sacred Valley, this hotel offers 91 comfortable and cosy guest rooms with mountain views, whilst facilities include a day spa, restaurant, and an observatory.

### SONESTA POSADAS

★★★

Part of the upscale Sonesta portfolio of hotels, the Sonesta Posadas del Inca Yucay is located in a former monastery amid manicured gardens. It offers 88 charming ensuite guest rooms, a bar, coffee shop and two restaurants.



Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba © Inkaterra

### INKATERRA HACIENDA URUBAMBA

★★★★★

This luxurious 36-room Inkaterra hotel features contemporary decor with colonial inspiration in the heart of Urubamba Valley amongst mountains and trees. Delicious meals here are prepared with produce from the onsite organic farm.



Aranwa Sacred Valley Hotel & Wellness © Aranwa

### ARANWA SACRED VALLEY HOTEL & WELLNESS

★★★★★

This peaceful retreat occupies a 17th century colonial homestead on the Vilcanota River just 90 minutes from Cusco. It offers 101 rooms, 14 suites, 2 restaurants, a bar, day spa, pool and Jacuzzi.

### TAMBO DEL INKA

★★★

Nestled in the Sacred Valley, around 50km outside Cusco, this hotel has 128 elegant, spacious rooms and suites fitted with balconies and every modern amenity. Facilities include a restaurant, bar, and a private train station to Machu Picchu.



Llama watching over Machu Picchu © Shutterstock

## MACHU PICCHU

The 15th century "Lost City of the Incas" has one of the most impressive locations of any archaeological site in the world. Perched on a mountaintop above the Urubamba Valley, and often swathed in mist, Machu Picchu (meaning "Old Mountain") is 2,430m (7,979ft) above sea level. Below the mountain is the village of Machu Picchu Pueblo (also known as Aguas Calientes), which can be reached by rail or road from Cusco 80km away. A short bus trip (30 minutes) takes visitors to the Inca citadel itself.

The citadel is built in classic Inca style with polished dry stone walls. It contains a number of temples, royal houses, roads and agricultural areas. Once hidden in dense rainforest, the awe-inspiring site was re-discovered by the American explorer Hiram Bingham in 1911.



Magnificent view, Machu Picchu © Shutterstock



Belmond Sanctuary Lodge © Belmond

### BELMOND SANCTUARY LODGE

★★★★★

Situated at 2,400m, this is the only hotel within the sanctuary of the Machu Picchu Inca Citadel. It offers 31 rooms and suites with wonderful views of the surrounding landscape, a restaurant, bar, tranquil gardens and a wellness centre.



Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel © Sumaq Hotel Peru

### SUMAQ MACHU PICCHU

★★★★

Sophisticated, spacious Sumaq invites guests to unwind in luxurious comfort, with 59 premium guest rooms and 3 suites furnished with the finest lines and personal coffee-maker. The hotel also boasts a fusion restaurant, bar and fabulous day spa.

### EL MAPI

★★★★

This chic, light-filled hotel in the village of Machu Picchu Pueblo offers 122 comfortable rooms and 8 suites in a friendly down-to-earth environment. Delicious food is served in the airy onsite café, whilst the bar offers tapas and classic pisco sours.



Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel © Inkaterra

### INKATERRA MACHU PICCHU PUEBLO

★★★★★

Located in Machu Picchu Pueblo, this charming hotel offers a restaurant, spa and 83 whitewashed guest cottages set in 12 acres of lush gardens filled with orchids and colourful native birds. The famous ruins are a mere 3 kilometres away.



Casa Andina Standard Machu Picchu © Casa Andina

### CASA ANDINA STANDARD MACHU PICCHU

★★★

This friendly modern hotel is conveniently located in Machu Picchu Pueblo. There are 53 rooms equipped with cable TV and ceiling fans. Guests enjoy daily buffet breakfasts and free Wi-Fi in the lobby.

### CASA DEL SOL MACHU PICCHU

★★★

Located five minutes from the train station and opposite the bus depot in the village of Machu Picchu, this boutique hotel offers 30 beautifully decorated rooms. It also features a spa, free Wi-Fi and an onsite restaurant and bar.



Trekking the Inca Trail © Shutterstock

## PERU'S INCA TRAILS

**P**eru's famous trekking routes are possibly the most spectacular in the Americas. They combine breathtaking mountain scenery, lush cloud forests, subtropical jungles, and of course, magnificent Inca ruins. The Machu Picchu Sanctuary is inhabited by over 300 species of orchid and 400 species of bird including hummingbirds and the Andean Condor.

The routes include an impressive variety of altitudes up to 4,560m, diverse ecosystems, and conclude with a visit to Machu Picchu. The treks are rated moderate so you will need to be reasonably fit and in good health to cope with the conditions.

**Note:** Longer and shorter Inca trails available. Contact us for details.

### INCA TRAIL INFORMATION

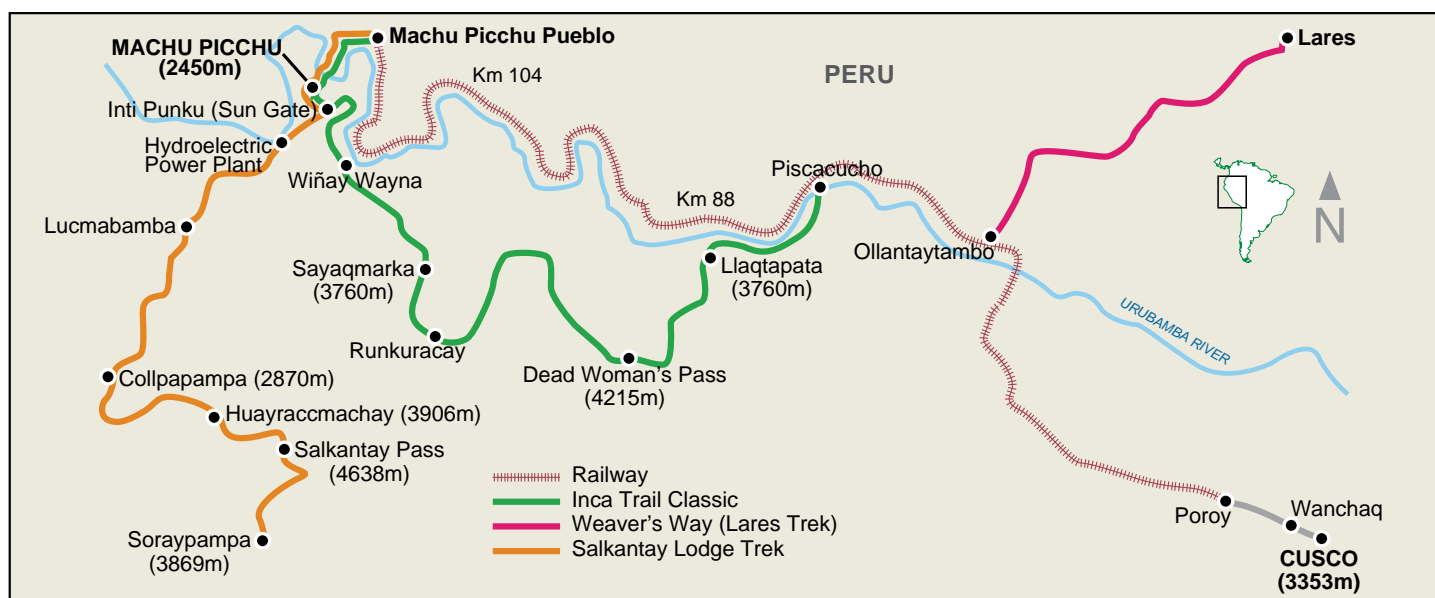
**Fair Treatment Porter Policy:** To comply with this policy clients are given a special bag for their belongings limited to 7kg.

**Permits & Bookings:** Only 500 permits are issued each day (porters & guides included). This means permits can often sell out months in advance so early booking is essential.

**Altitude:** We strongly recommend you spend 2 days at altitude before the trek so your body can adjust.



Lares Adventure to Machu Picchu © Mountain Lodges of Peru





## INCA TRAIL CLASSIC

4 days/3 nights from \$2147 per person twin share  
 Departs Mondays & Wednesdays ex Cusco (Jan & Mar-Dec)

### INCLUSIONS

3 nights accommodation in two-person tents, licensed English speaking guide, camping equipment, oxygen bottle, chef and assistant, portage, transport from Cusco to start of the trail, Inca Trail Permit, one-way Vistadome train ticket Machu Picchu Pueblo to Poroy, transfer Poroy train station to Cusco, sleeping bag.

This is the classic 4 day Inca Trail to Machu Picchu. You will need to be able to hike up to 10 hours a day, but the incredible views are worth the effort. Highlights include wonderful vistas of the Huayanay massif's snowy peaks from Warmiwañusca Pass (4,200m), the forested Pacaymayo Valley, as well as the Sayacmarca and Winay Wayna ruins. On the last morning arrive at Machu Picchu with plenty of time to explore the ruins before returning to Cusco by train. Please note the Inca Trail is closed in February.



## LARES TREK TO MACHU PICCHU

5 days/4 nights from \$2820 per person twin share  
 Departs ex Cusco

### INCLUSIONS

Transportation with pick up and drop off in Cusco, accommodation, meals (except breakfast on day 1 and dinner on the last day of the program), soft drinks, daily activities, guided visit of Machu Picchu Sanctuary (including entrance & transportation to the site and Huayna Picchu permit), guides, tips for staff at lodge (excluding guides).

This tailored trek allows you to choose your day-to-day experiences as you make your way from Cusco to the renowned Lost City of the Incas. Perfect for multi-generational groups, visit local communities and learn about their way of life, inspect ancient archaeological sites atop rugged mountains and trek through breathtaking scenery; all whilst enjoying the comforts of a beautiful hotel. Daily hikes are between 1-4 hrs and range from easy to difficult.



## SALKANTAY TREK TO MACHU PICCHU

7 days/6 nights from \$4440 per person twin share  
 Departs ex Cusco

### INCLUSIONS

6 nights lodge/hotel accommodation, meals (except breakfast on day 1 and dinner on the last day of the program), some non-alcoholic drinks, bilingual guide, portage, guided visit of Machu Picchu Sanctuary (includes entrance and transportation to the site and permits), trains from Hydroelectric station/Machu Picchu Pueblo & Machu Picchu Pueblo/Ollantaytambo, US\$50 gratuities for services staff (excluding guides).

Trek from lodge to lodge along the ancient Salkantay Inca Trail on your journey to Machu Picchu. Traverse diverse terrain with extraordinary views of towering snow-capped peaks and encounter the sacred Apu (mountain spirits) of local Quechua communities. Hiking varies from easy to challenging. At the end of each day you can relax in Mountain Lodges of Peru's comfortable, high quality accommodations and enjoy exquisite Peruvian cuisine.



## EXPLORA VALLE SAGRADO

5 days/4 nights from \$4110 per person twin share  
 Departs ex Cusco

### INCLUSIONS

Transfers between airport and Explora Valle Sagrado, full board accommodation, bar, daily explorations with English speaking guide as per program options and equipment, shared full day Machu Picchu tour including Vistadome train (round trip), a packed lunch and entrance fee to Machu Picchu.

With Explora, you can experience the beauty and history of the Sacred Valley without compromising on comfort. Your base is a stunning lodge on a corn plantation surrounded by mountain peaks. Choose from over 20 explorations – on foot, by van or bicycle. Discover the treasures of Cusco including the temple of Coricancha, upon which a convent was built, or visit Pisac, a remarkable city of hanging agricultural terraces. Of course, there is also a full day tour of Machu Picchu. Each night, enjoy inspired cuisine, quality wine and a sumptuous room designed for peace and privacy.



The Andean Explorer © PromPerú



The Hiram Bingham © PromPerú

## DISCOVER PERU BY RAIL

**T**ravel to Peru's most astounding wonders on board one of PeruRail's excellent trains. No matter which service you choose, each will offer an unforgettable experience. The romantic **Belmond Hiram Bingham** offers one of the world's best rail journeys, travelling between ancient Cusco and the Lost City of the Incas. The ultra-luxurious **Belmond Andean Explorer** sleeper train carries passengers in utmost splendour from the former Inca capital to the white city of Arequipa or to scenic Puno, on Lake Titicaca's shores. The premium **Vistadome** and comfortable **Expedition** are also very popular options with travellers to Machu Picchu, whilst PeruRail's **Titicaca** day service offers awesome scenic beauty and the highest levels of service between Cusco and Puno.



### BELMOND HIRAM BINGHAM

This exclusive luxury Belmond service between Cusco and Machu Picchu is named after the explorer who rediscovered the iconic Inca citadel. With its distinctive blue and gold livery, the Hiram Bingham carries up to 84 passengers. The carriages have warm and welcoming interiors in the style of elegant 1920s Pullman cars including two dining cars and an observation wagon with a bar.



### BELMOND ANDEAN EXPLORER

South America's first luxury sleeper train offers an overnight service between Cusco and Puno and a two night journey between Cusco and the UNESCO World Heritage city of Arequipa. Guest cabins are private sanctuaries, whose décor is inspired by the tones and textures of local fabrics and Alpaca wool. Sumptuous cuisine is served in the plush dining cars, whilst pisco sours can be enjoyed out on the open decks of the observation car.



### THE VISTADOME

This first class train is one of the most popular ways to reach or return from Machu Picchu. Passengers are invited to sit back in very comfortable, semi-reclining seats and enjoy unsurpassed views through the Vistadome's panoramic windows. Regular daily departures are available from three stations to Machu Picchu: Cusco (Poroy), Urubamba and Ollantaytambo. Snacks, drinks and souvenirs can be purchased on board.



### THE EXPEDITION

The Expedition is designed for value and comfort, with 48 semi-reclining passenger seats per car. The train also features large panoramic windows, air conditioning and heating, as well as snacks and beverages available for purchase on board. This service offers great convenience and flexibility as it departs every day of the week to Machu Picchu from three stations: Cusco (Poroy), Urubamba and Ollantaytambo.



### PERURAIL TITICACA

Passengers on this wonderful train enjoy plenty of leg room with their seats as well as on board traditional live music and dance performances. They also have access to an open-air observatory carriage where they can take in stunning Andean landscapes traversed on the 10.5 hour one-way journey between Cusco and Puno. Multi-course gourmet meals are served during the trip in two classic Pullman dining cars.



## TITICACA ISLAND EXPERIENCE

4 days/3 nights

From \$1141 per person twin share\*

Departs daily ex Puno

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Transfer from airport or train station to hotel in Puno, 1 night accommodation with breakfast, boat transfer to Suasi Island, 2 nights full board accommodation and activities at Isla Suasi, transfer to Juliaca airport on day 4.

**V**isit the highest navigable lake on earth, with its wide horizons, Inca burial tombs, ancient Andean culture and the reed 'islands' of the Uros. The nearest town, Puno, can be reached by car or by crossing the Altiplano aboard the **Belmond Explorer** luxury train. Travellers can also fly up to Juliaca if short on time.

#### Day 1 Puno

Arrive Puno or Juliaca Airport and transfer to Casa Andina Premium Puno for overnight.

#### Day 2 Suasi Island

After breakfast embark on a Lake Titicaca boat excursion, and visit the Uros Indians who build their homes on 'islands' of floating totora reeds. Continue on to the island of Taquile, renowned for its wonderful scenery and historic sites. Arrive at Isla Suasi, your home for the next 2 nights. BLD

#### Day 3 Suasi Island

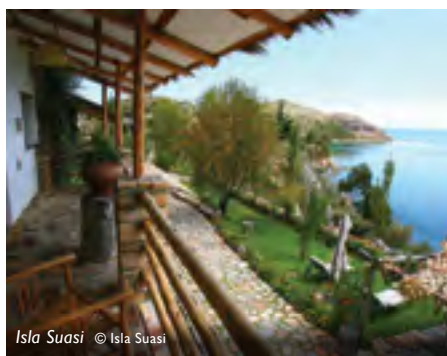
Today is at leisure. The island offers many activities including nature walks, canoeing or motorboat tours on the lake, sunset hikes and stargazing. Suasi also has a small museum and library where you can learn about the topography of Lake Titicaca, its history and culture. BLD

#### Day 4 Tour ends Puno or Juliaca

After breakfast, transfer by boat and/or road to Puno or Juliaca Airport.



Lake Titicaca © Titilaka



Isla Suasi © Isla Suasi

### ISLA SUASI

Located on the only private island on Lake Titicaca, this luxurious eco-lodge is the 106 acre island's only man-made structure. The 23 guest rooms are crafted from stone, adobe and thatch. All have panoramic lake views. Facilities include a restaurant, bar and cultural interpretative centre.

## TITILAKA

4 days/3 nights

From \$1914 per person twin share\*

Departs daily ex Puno

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Return transfers Puno/lodge, 3 nights full board accommodation, hotel activities and excursions with an English-speaking guide.

**L**ake Titicaca's most luxurious Getaway, Titilaka is an 18-suite Relais & Chateaux property situated on a private peninsula. Well-appointed rooms have heated floors and huge windows with water views. Guests can choose from a range of guided excursions including birdwatching, archaeological site visits and day trips to isolated communities. The hotel also offers gourmet cuisine and massage services.



Casa Andina Premium Puno © Casa Andina



© Natural Focus



Titilaka overwater deck and pavilion © Titilaka

### CASA ANDINA PREMIUM PUNO

On the shores of Lake Titicaca, this lovely Puno hotel offers accommodation in 45 comfortable guest rooms. The hotel has its own pier as well as a gourmet restaurant with views of the water.

### LAKE TITICACA

Lake Titicaca lies at an altitude of 3,812m, which can cause symptoms of altitude sickness, such as headaches and nausea. We recommend you acclimatise first at an intermediate altitude such as in the Sacred Valley, Machu Picchu or Arequipa.



Titilaka bedroom view © Titilaka



Delfin I Deluxe Master Suite © Delfin Amazon Cruises

## DELFIN AMAZON

5 days/4 nights<sup>^</sup>

From \$5049 per person twin share

Classic River Vessels

Departs ex Iquitos

Price per person from:\*

	Twin	Single
5D/4N Delfin I	\$7721	\$11582
5D/4N Delfin II	\$6237	\$9354
5D/4N Delfin III	\$5049	\$7573

### INCLUSIONS

Transfers between Iquitos and the vessel when arriving on recommended flights, park entrance fees, excursions, all meals onboard, non-alcoholic drinks and a selection of alcoholic drinks during meal times.

Age limit: No children under 7. Child rates on request.

<sup>^</sup>4 day cruises also available.

**C**ruise the Amazon with boutique operator Delfin, who have three luxury river boats, the Delfin I, Delfin II and Delfin III, and are members of the esteemed Relais and Chateau collection. View unique wildlife and explore the magnificent Pacaya-Samiria National Reserve, the world's largest protected flooded forest, on foot, by motorised skiff or in kayaks with expert guides before returning to your vessel for pisco sours and fine Peruvian cuisine.



Delfin II © Delfin Amazon Cruises



Delfin III © Delfin Amazon Cruises

### 5 DAY SAMPLE ITINERARY

#### Day 1 Onboard Delfin

Arrive at Iquitos Airport and transfer to Nauta (1.5hrs) to board. Enjoy dinner and a briefing by your guides as the cruise commences. D

#### Days 2-4 Pacaya Samiria National Reserve

Take guided excursions on foot and by motorised skiff on the waterways and lagoons. Activities depend on season, being more land-based in drier months (May-Nov). Look for iguanas, giant otters, monkeys, tiny pygmy marmosets, macaws and hummingbirds. Fish for piranhas and visit a riverside community. Activities are not physically demanding, but require passengers to be in good health BLD

#### Day 5 Tour ends Iquitos

Cruise back to Nauta with lunch and a visit to the village of Puerto Miguel en route. Disembark and return by bus to Iquitos Airport. Tour ends. BL

Note: The 4 day cruise follows a different itinerary. Please call us for more details. Activities are subject to weather conditions and seasons.

### DELFIN I

★★★★★

The exclusive 21m Delfin I accommodates just 12 passengers in 6 oversized suites with panoramic windows, king or twin beds, ensuite bathrooms and private terraces. Two of the suites are slightly larger (33m<sup>2</sup>) and have their own outdoor whirlpools - the ultimate indulgence. The ship has a dining room with views and a relaxing observation deck with a bar.

### DELFIN II

★★★★★

Offering a casual elegance, the 37m long Delfin II has 14 suites in total, 4 with wraparound windows and 4 which are interconnecting, ideal for families or groups travelling together. Shared spaces include a dining room, observation deck, dynamic lounge space that doubles as a lecture room, spa, gym and boutique that showcases local arts and crafts.

### DELFIN III

★★★★★

The largest and newest in the fleet, the tri-level Delfin III carries 43 passengers in utmost comfort. Guests enjoy the use of indoor and outdoor lounges, a sundeck, plunge pool, spa, gym and bar. Enjoy two daily excursions including kayaking creeks, fishing for piranha, trail walks, village visits and exploration by skiff. Optional early birdwatching is also available before breakfast.



M/V Cattleya © Latin Trails

## M/V CATTLEYA

5 days/4 nights<sup>^</sup>

From \$6237 per person twin share\*

Amazon Riverboat

Departs ex Iquitos

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Accommodation, all meals while onboard, non-alcoholic drinks, excursions, transfers between Iquitos and the vessel when arriving on recommended flights, park entrance fees.

<sup>^</sup>4 day cruises also available.

**P**erú's largest nature reserve, the Pacaya-Samiria National Reserve, encompasses 2 million hectares of virgin rainforest, gorges and lakes bordered by two large rivers – the Marañón in the north, and the Ucayali in the south. Experience the Peruvian Amazon's biodiversity with a cruise on the boutique M/V Cattleya, featuring 4 comfortable cabins with panoramic windows, king sized beds and air-conditioning.

### 5 DAY SAMPLE ITINERARY

#### Day 1 Onboard M/V Cattleya

Arrive at Iquitos Airport for a 2-hour road transfer to Nauta. Board the M/V Cattleya in time for an authentic Peruvian dinner while your guide conducts a safety briefing. D

#### Days 2-4 Onboard M/V Cattleya

Explore tributaries by skiff. This seasonally flooded forest harbours a wealth of wildlife including



M/V Cattleya cabin © Latin Trails



Aria Amazon © Aqua Expeditions

spider monkeys, giant river otters, capybaras and macaws. Pink river dolphins often also trail the boat. In the dry season (May-Nov), enjoy more land-based excursions. A traditional village visit lets you gain some insight into locals' lives. BLD

**Day 5 Tour ends Iquitos**

A leisurely journey upriver takes you back to Nauta, where a bus is ready and waiting to whisk you to Iquitos Airport. Tour ends. BL

Note: The 4-day cruise follows a different itinerary. Please call us for more details. All activities are subject to weather conditions and seasons.

**M/V CATTLEYA**

★★★★

Crafted in polished timber with two keels for added stability, the 23m M/V Cattleya accommodates a maximum of 8 passengers in 4 luxurious air-conditioned cabins. Ensuite bathrooms are equipped with a hot water shower, quality towels, plush bathrobes and organic toiletries. Enjoy pisco sours and delicious Peruvian meals on the scenic upper deck or soak up river sunsets from the open-air observation lounge.



**ARIA AMAZON**

5 days/4 nights<sup>^</sup>

From \$8018 per person twin share\*

Luxury Cruise Ship

Departs ex Iquitos

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

**INCLUSIONS**

Accommodation, all meals while onboard, drinks (non-alcoholic, wine and beer), all excursions, air-conditioned bus transfers to/from vessel when arriving on recommended flights, Pacaya-Samiria entrance fees. Age limit: No children under 7. Child rates on request.

<sup>^</sup>8 and 4 day cruises also available.

**A**qua Expeditions offers visitors the chance to explore the wild northern Amazon on their signature vessel – the **Aria Amazon**. Combining cutting-edge design and the latest eco-friendly technology, this ship hosts guests in oversized air-conditioned cabins with panoramic windows and private facilities. Daily itineraries include guided wildlife encounters, fishing and village visits.

**SAMPLE 5 DAY ITINERARY**

**Day 1 Amazon River**

Meet your guide at Iquitos Airport and transfer to your vessel. Enjoy a wonderful meal freshly prepared as the adventure begins. LD

**Days 2-4 On board Aria Amazon**

Experience 3 days cruising the Amazon on board the luxurious Aria Amazon. Each day's explorations take place within or en route to

the magical Pacaya-Samiria Reserve. Excursions in guided skiffs on the Amazon and its tributaries allow you to observe monkeys, sloths, giant river otters, colourful birds and fishermen in traditional canoes. There will also be opportunities to visit riverside communities, take jungle walks, fish for piranha and in the evening, view nocturnal creatures including caiman, frogs and tarantula on a spot-lit night safari. BLD

**Day 5 Tour ends Iquitos**

Morning skiff excursion (optional) before transferring by road to Iquitos. Tour the historic town and browse its vibrant Indian market, before boarding your onward flight (not included). B

**ARIA AMAZON**

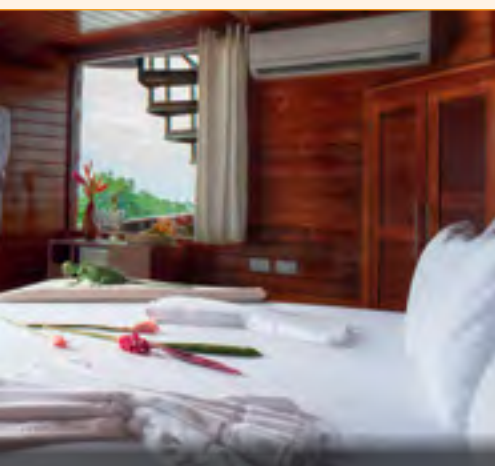
★★★★★

The 45m Aria Amazon offers an extraordinary level of comfort and sophistication for 32 passengers in 16 spacious suites, including 4 interconnecting suites for families. Low-key yet luxe, this cutting-edge vessel features a comfortable indoor lounge, bar, sundeck with a Jacuzzi, an exercise room and a wildlife reference library. The Aria Amazon's day-to-day itinerary varies by season.

**STAY LONGER**

Let us create a complete Peru experience for you, combining this cruise with a visit to Machu Picchu, Cusco, Colca Canyon, or an Amazon Rainforest eco-lodge. Please call one of our specialists to start planning your perfect Peru journey.

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Aria Amazon Suite © Aqua Expeditions

## PERU ECO-LODGES

5 days/4 nights or 4 days/3 nights

Lodges

Departs ex Puerto Maldonado

**E**xperience the wonders of Peru's Amazon Rainforest where monkeys call from high in the canopy and brightly coloured butterflies and tropical flowers light up the shady forest floor. Boasting extraordinary biodiversity, remote destinations such as the Manu Rainforest and the Tambopata wilderness allow you to closely observe hundreds of parrots and macaws at a clay lick, huge tapirs foraging on the riverbank and giant river otters frolicking in oxbow lakes. We have suggested 3 and 4 night itineraries here that can be shortened or extended. However, we highly recommend staying 5 days/4 nights for the best Amazon experience.

Price per person for all lodges on pages 28 & 29 include: Transfers by road and/ or boat, accommodation, all meals, activities and excursions at the lodge.

\*All prices based on two people sharing, singles on request.

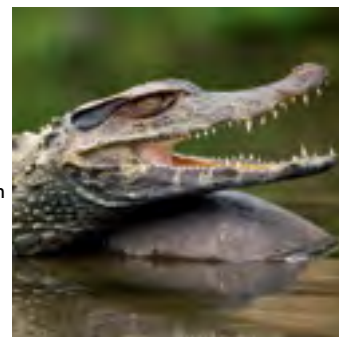


### SANDOVAL LAKE LODGE

5 days/4 nights from \$1269 per person twin share\*

4 days/3 nights from \$1003 per person twin share\*

Situated in the Tambopata National Reserve, Sandoval Lake Lodge is reached by a leisurely motorised canoe ride and a hike along a beautiful nature trail. Built using natural materials, the lodge overlooks the picturesque palm-rimmed, wildlife-rich Sandoval Lake and offers 25 ensuite rooms with daytime electricity and fans. Naturalist guides accompany small groups on forest treks, lake excursions and night walks.



### REFUGIO AMAZONAS

5 days/4 nights from \$1754 per person twin share\*

4 days/3 nights from \$1346 per person twin share\*

This authentic jungle lodge sits on a large private concession beside the superb Tambopata National Reserve. Decorated by local artists, the 32 guest rooms feature mosquito netting, private hot water showers and airy verandas. Activities include guided visits to famous macaw clay licks and catamaran cruises on an oxbow lake. Guests can also climb a 30m canopy tower, help discover a new species or enjoy a massage at the wellness centre. Children welcome.



### INKATERRA HACIENDA CONCEPCION

5 days/4 nights from \$1120 per person twin share\*

4 days/3 nights from \$823 per person twin share\*

Accessible only by canoe, Inkaterra Hacienda Concepcion offers adventure lovers an exciting rainforest experience. Situated by the edge of a lake on a 380 hectare private ecological reserve, the resort consists of a main lodge with dining area, bar, lounge and 25 individual cabanas. All feature traditional hand-woven thatched roofs and locally-crafted furnishings. Your tariff includes a choice of quarter and half-day excursions including night walks and river outings.





**MANU WILDLIFE CENTER**

5 days/4 nights from \$3027 per person twin share\*  
 4 days/3 nights from \$2545 per person twin share\*

Reached via a combination of road (4hrs) and shaded motor boat (3hrs) transfers, this famous lodge features 12 thatched ensuite bungalows, a central dining area, lounge and bar. The surrounding rainforest is inhabited by some 1,000 species of bird and 11 species of monkey. Naturalist guides lead excursions to soaring canopy towers, the world's largest known tapir clay lick, a renowned macaw lick and oxbow lakes frequented by rare giant river otters. Operates Mar-Dec only. Pre-night in Puerto Maldonado is required for 0600 transfer to lodge.



**INKATERRA RESERVA AMAZONICA**

5 days/4 nights from \$1154 per person twin share\*  
 4 days/3 nights from \$1056 per person twin share\*

Remote and pristine, yet easily accessible by riverboat, Inkaterra Reserva Amazonica is located adjacent to the lush Tambopata National Reserve, known as the "Biodiversity Capital of Peru". The 35 elegant, private thatched roof cabañas feature ceiling fans, warm water showers and low-impact electricity. Lodge facilities include the Inkaterra Canopy Walkway/ Inkaterra Canopy Tree House, day spa, raised walking platforms and an impressive dining pavillion. Expert guides lead a range of excursions including boating, canoeing as well as day and night walks.





**BOLIVIA**

Discover the extraordinary scenery, rich culture, bustling markets and undiscovered realms of Bolivia. Explore breathtaking Lake Titicaca, the lofty city of La Paz, the colourful Sunday Market at Tarabuco near Sucre, the medieval mines at Potosi, and Salar de Uyuni, the world's largest salt lake. The dry season (May-Oct/Nov) is the best time to visit.



Lake Titicaca © Shutterstock



La Paz © Shutterstock

**LA PAZ CITY STAY**

3 days/2 nights  
From \$399 per person twin share

**L**a Paz is the highest capital city in the world (3,650m) and home to the snow-capped mountain of Illimani. Explore this fast paced city on foot and wander through the many lively markets.

**INCLUSIONS**

Private return transfers airport/hotel with guide, 2 nights at hotel with breakfast, half day city tour including Moon Valley.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

- Tour the famous Witch Market
- See the amazing landscapes of the Moon Valley
- Explore the fine colonial buildings of Calle Jaen
- Visit handicraft stores and Pre-Inca ruins

**ACCOMMODATION**

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
Suites Camino Real (Suite)	\$643	\$1058
Casa Grande Hotel (Executive)	\$637	\$1072
Atix Hotel (Standard Room)	\$543	\$990
Stannum Boutique (Premium King)	\$485	\$874
Hotel Rosario (Standard Room)	\$399	\$702
Casa de Piedra (Standard Room)	\$399	\$648

**OPTIONAL DAY TOUR**

Tour cost per person from:	Twin	Single
Tiwanaku Pre-Inca Ruins (half day)	\$210	\$332



Witch Market, La Paz © Ian Cowe: flickr.com/iancowe

**PUNO TO LA PAZ**

2 days/1 night  
From \$838 per person twin share\*  
Departs daily ex Puno

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

**INCLUSIONS**

Road transfer from hotel in Puno to Copacabana and from La Chua to La Paz, 1 night catamaran crossing in lake view cabin with private facilities, meals and sightseeing as per itinerary.

**E**xplore mysterious Lake Titicaca (3,812m), sacred to the Incas, and according to Incan mythology, the birthplace of the first Inca King, Manco Capac. Discover its history and scenic beauty as you sail across the waters, visiting indigenous villages and Sun Island, where the Sun God was born.

**Day 1 Lake Titicaca**

Transfer by road to Copacabana and cruise to Sun Island. Visit the Inti Wata Cultural Complex, which includes a unique sailing experience on a huge Titikaka traditional reed vessel and the Pilkokaina Inca Palace. Dinner and overnight on board. LD.

**Day 2 Tour ends La Paz**

Enter a smaller section of the lake known as Winay Marca, where you tour the communities of Pariti, Kalauta and Patapatani. Inspect fine Tiwanaku ceramics, row amongst totorales (reeds) and explore a sprawling necropolis. Tour ends. BL

**OPTIONAL DAY TOUR**

Tour cost per person from:	Twin	Single
Inca Trekking on Sun Island	\$140	\$140



Catamaran on Lake Titicaca © Transturin



Spectacular Moon Valley © Shutterstock



Island of the Sun © Shutterstock



Colonial Sucre © Shutterstock



Uyuni Salt Flat © Shutterstock

## SUCRE CITY STAY

3 days/2 nights

From \$363 per person twin share

**V**isit Bolivia's first capital, the UNESCO World Heritage city of Sucre, home to a wealth of fine colonial buildings, quaint squares, charming churches and excellent museums. Learn how Bolivia became a republic, examine ancient dinosaur tracks and shop at the lively central market.

### INCLUSIONS

Private return transfers airport/hotel, 2 nights accommodation with breakfast, half day private city tour with bilingual guide and admission fees.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit museums including the House of Liberty
- People-watch at Plaza 25 de Mayo
- See the churches of San Lazaro and San Felipe de Neri
- Stroll Bolivar Park

### ACCOMMODATION

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
Parador Santa Maria (Std Room)	\$417	\$615
Mi Pueblo Samary Hotel Boutique (Std Room)	\$399	\$583
Hotel de Su Merced (Std Room)	\$363	\$481

### OPTIONAL DAY TOUR

Tour cost per person from:	Twin	Single
Tarabuco Sunday Market Tour	\$160	\$265



Convent of San Felipe de Neri © Shutterstock

## SALT FLATS & LAGOONS

5 days/4 nights

From \$2812 per person twin share\*

Departs daily ex La Paz ends Sucre

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Airfare La Paz to Uyuni (subject to change), 4 nights accommodation, meals and transfers as per itinerary, services of an English speaking guide and entrance fees.

**V**isit Bolivia's central highlands and the surreal landscapes of Salar de Uyuni, the world's largest salt lake, stretching for hundreds of kilometres. Explore the picturesque city of Potosi, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with its cobblestone streets and baroque colonial architecture.

### Day 1 Uyuni/Ojo de Perdiz

Fly La Paz to Uyuni. On arrival, you are met and transferred to Ojo de Perdiz, via the train cemetery, the villages of Alota and Kulpina K, the mining town of San Cristobal and the Valley of Rocks. Overnight Hotel Tayka del Desierto. L

### Day 2 Ojo de Perdiz

Depart for the Eduardo Avaroa Andean Fauna National Reserve, crossing the Siloli Desert to the Red Lagoon, home to abundant flamingo. View the impressive Green Lagoon beneath the Licancabur Volcano. Overnight Hotel Tayka del Desierto. BL

### Day 3 Uyuni Salt Flat/Colchani

Visit the iconic Uyuni Salt Flats, stopping at the Galaxy Caves and Incahuasi Island, with its giant cacti. In the wet season (Nov-Mar), the itinerary may vary. Overnight at Luna Salada. BL

### Day 4 Potosi

Leave for Potosi, one of the highest cities in the world, and famous for its baroque churches, monuments and grand colonial architecture. Overnight at Hostal Colonial. B

### Day 5 Tour ends Sucre

Transfer from Potosi to Sucre. Tour ends. B

### STAY LONGER

Following your exploration of Bolivia's famous Uyuni Salt Flats, it's easy to add on a visit to Chile's breathtaking Atacama region. The Atacama Desert offers surreal landscapes of mountains, dunes, gorges and vast lagoons. Please call one of our specialists to start planning your South America journey.

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Flamingo on the Altiplano © Shutterstock



Stunning Laguna Verde © Shutterstock



## ECUADOR

Most famous for the Galapagos Islands, mainland Ecuador also has spectacular scenery, wildlife, history and Andean cultures. Straddling the Equator, from which comes its name, this tiny country is easy to explore, from the Pacific Coast to the towering snow-capped volcanoes of the Andes and then down again to pristine Amazon Rainforest. The towns of Quito and Cuenca are jam-packed with rich architecture, magnificent churches, convents, museums and wonderful crafts.

### Highlights

The wildlife-rich Galapagos Islands; UNESCO World Heritage city of Quito; famous Indian markets of Otavalo; unspoilt rainforests, picturesque Andean scenery.

### Climate

Ecuador is a year-round destination. Generally speaking, it has two seasons, wet and dry, but local weather patterns vary greatly depending on geography. The Amazon is hot and humid and rain can be expected at any time. Average temperatures range from 20°C to 28°C. In Ecuador the rainforest is drier Nov to Feb and wettest Jun to Sep.



A large tortoise, likely a Galapagos tortoise, is the central focus of the image. It is resting on dark, volcanic soil. The tortoise's head is turned to the left, and its shell is a dark, textured grey. The background is a blurred view of the same dark soil and another tortoise's shell.

# GLORIOUS GALAPAGOS

“ “ We spent a week sailing on a beautiful catamaran through the Galapagos Islands, experiencing wildlife and nature exactly as David Attenborough had described!

This truly was a once-in-a-lifetime adventure. ” ”

Jacqui & Hayden Morris



Quito's Old Town © Paúl Margraff



Otavalo Market © Klein Tours

## QUITO CITY STAY

3 days/2 nights

From \$645 per person twin share

**F**ounded in the 16th century on the ruins of an Inca city, historic Quito (2,850m), with its colonial churches, plazas and boulevards is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Visit the Church of La Compania, the Monastery of San Francisco and the Old Town.

### INCLUSIONS

Private airport/hotel arrival and departure transfers, 2 nights accommodation, breakfast, private half day city & middle of the world tour.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Discover beautiful colonial architecture
- Wander the atmospheric Plaza Grande
- Browse local markets for snacks and souvenirs
- Explore charming districts such as Mariscal

### ACCOMMODATION

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
Casa Gangotena (Luxury Rm)	\$1285	\$2477
Illa Experience Hotel (Luxury Rm)	\$1097	\$2097
Hotel Plaza Grande (Royal Back Suite)	\$955	\$1817
Patio Andaluz (Duplex)	\$731	\$1365
La Casona de la Ronda (Std Room)	\$677	\$1199
Wyndham Quito Airport Hotel (Dlx)	\$645	\$1139

### OPTIONAL DAY TOURS

Tour cost per person from:	Twin	Single
Mindo Cloud Forest Tour (8hrs)	\$244	\$416
Cotopaxi Tour (8hrs)	\$242	\$453
Otavalo Market Tour (8hrs)	\$204	\$367

### DAY TOURS INCLUSIONS

Private transportation with services of English speaking guide and sightseeing.

#### Mindo Cloud Forest Tour

Just 2.5 hours north of Quito, this amazing forest contains more than 500 bird and 40 butterfly species. Visit a butterfly farm, wander an orchid garden and swim in a waterfall.

#### Cotopaxi National Park Tour

See one of the world's highest active volcanoes, Cotopaxi. Also explore the lush endemic flora and fauna of the area, and visit Limpiopungo Lake.

#### Otavalo Market Tour

Traverse scenic valleys en route to the colourful Otavalo Market. Bargain for ponchos and handicrafts produced by local villagers.



Casa Gangotena - In Quito's old town © Casa Gangotena

### CASA GANGOTENA

★★★★★

This lovely restored heritage mansion is in the heart of Quito's old town overlooking Plaza San Francisco. It offers 31 luxury suites, complimentary Wi-Fi, a bar, restaurant, and rooftop terrace with striking views.



Hotel Plaza Grande © Hotel Plaza Grande

### HOTEL PLAZA GRANDE

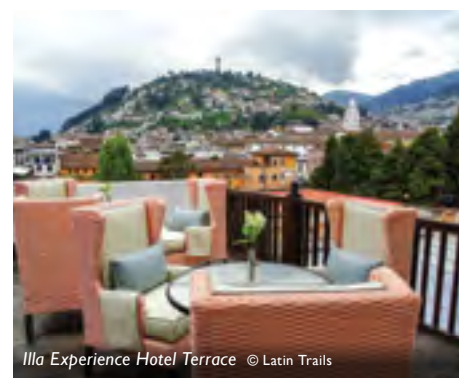
★★★★★

Located in the heart of the historic old city, the gracious Hotel Plaza Grande faces Quito's central square. This 5-star boutique hotel offers just 15 elegantly appointed suites, 2 restaurants, a wine cellar, day spa, gym and sauna.

### LA CASONA DE LA RONDA

★★★★★

Situated on one of the oldest streets in historic Quito, La Casona de la Ronda offers 22 character-filled ensuite guest rooms and a restaurant that serves both local and international cuisine.



Illa Experience Hotel Terrace © Latin Trails

### ILLA EXPERIENCE HOTEL

★★★★★

A short stroll to Quito's historic centre, this exquisite small hotel is located in the traditional neighbourhood of San Marcos. It has 10 rooms styled to showcase key periods from the city's past, a wine cellar, rooftop bar, fitness centre and spa.



Patio Andaluz © Patio Andaluz

### PATIO ANDALUZ

★★★★★

This charming 4 star boutique hotel is in the ancient heart of Quito surrounded by churches and museums. The hotel has 32 welcoming rooms featuring colonial style decor, a bar, patio restaurant and gift shop.

### WYNDHAM QUITO AIRPORT HOTEL

★★★★★

Conveniently located at Mariscal Sucre International Airport, this 150-room Wyndham hotel offers comfortable, contemporary accommodation, a fitness centre, indoor hot tub, restaurant and bar.

## PATHWAY THROUGH THE ANDES

4 days/3 nights

From \$2073 per person twin share

Departs ex Quito

**Price per person from:**

	Twin	Single
Private departures (Departs daily except Sun)	\$2073	\$3758

### INCLUSIONS

Bed & Breakfast accommodation, entrance fees to museums and Cotopaxi National Park, train journey, transfers and sightseeing as per itinerary. English speaking guide.

**E**xperience the best of Ecuador travelling along the famed Avenue of Volcanoes marvelling at amazing volcanic mountains, local cultures and handicrafts, archaeological sites and historical haciendas. Highlights of this wonderful tour include descending the Devil's Nose Pass by rail and exploring the Devil's Cauldron waterfall.

#### Day 1 Riobamba

Depart Quito and drive toward Cotopaxi National Park. View the impressive Cotopaxi Volcano before heading to the Devil's Cauldron waterfall where you will view the falls from a suspension bridge. Ascend to Riobamba and overnight.

#### Day 2 Alusí / Cuenca

This morning visit La Balbanera, the country's first Spanish Church, before boarding a train to ride through the spectacular Devil's Nose. In the afternoon drive to the ancient Incan archaeological site at Ingapirca. Overnight in Cuenca. BL



Cotopaxi Volcano, the highest active volcano in the world © Shutterstock

#### Day 3 Cuenca

Explore this beautiful colonial city, a UNESCO World Heritage site, marvelling at the Cathedral, Francisco and Santo Domingo churches and the museum – home to countless Ecuadorian wonders. This afternoon, tour a Panama hat factory. Overnight Cuenca. B

#### Day 4 Tour ends Guayaquil

Depart Cuenca for the four hour drive to Guayaquil through El Cajas National Park. Tour ends Guayaquil. B



Cuenca Cathedral © Shutterstock



## MASHPI LODGE

4 days/3 nights from \$2992 per person twin share\*

Departs ex Quito

### INCLUSIONS

Return road transfers from Quito main hotels, full board accommodation, non-alcoholic drinks, scheduled lodge excursions and English speaking guide.

### EXCLUSIONS

Alcoholic drinks, gratuities, activities outside the reserve. \*Price based on two people sharing, singles on request.

This exceptional eco-lodge is just 2.5 hours by road from Quito and has been built with the latest techniques in sustainability. Blending beautifully into its natural surroundings, Mashpi has 23 generously sized suites, communal lounges with large windows and a relaxing day spa. Guests here enjoy gourmet meals prepared fresh daily with expert chefs drawing inspiration from the land. Activities on offer range from easy nature walks and Sky Bike rides to more challenging hikes. Children 5+ welcome. For Sky Bike and Gondola activities adult supervision is required.



## ECUADOR ECO-LODGES

5, 4 or 3 days

Departs ex Quito

Lodges

**D**iscover the natural wonders of the Amazon jungle while staying in comfortable but low-impact eco-lodges. These lodges offer a range of activities including guided walks through the forest to look for tropical birds, different species of monkey, reptiles, frogs and sloths. Float by canoe across quiet lakes, home to giant otters or caiman (alligators), and climb observation towers into the forest canopy for breathtaking bird's-eye views.

### INCLUSIONS

Return transfers as follows: Napo, La Selva: air/road/canoe transfer from Quito airport to lodge; Mashpi Lodge: road transfers Quito main hotels to lodge; English speaking guide; activities and excursions; full board accommodation; non-alcoholic drinks (Mashpi only); park/community fees (Napo only); loan of rubber boots in average sizes approx. 34 to 47 (EU) and ponchos.

### EXCLUSIONS

Drinks and gratuities, park fees when visiting Parrot Clay Lick (La Selva), activities outside the reserve (Mashpi).

\*All prices based on two people sharing, singles on request.



### LA SELVA AMAZON ECO-LODGE

5 days/4 nights from \$2623 per person twin share\*

4 days/3 nights from \$2194 per person twin share\*

La Selva is around 2½ hours by canoe down the Napo River from Coca.

Situated on the shores of Garzacocha Lagoon, the lodge offers accommodation in 19 sublime eco-suites fitted with private balconies, panoramic windows, large bathrooms and exclusive rainforest showers. Facilities include a lounge, bar and dining area with lake views, restaurant and a new spa complex featuring a range of relaxing massage therapies. Activities include wildlife viewing from the 38m-high observation tower, day and night jungle walks and canoe excursions.

Departs daily except Sun. Children 5+.



### NAPO WILDLIFE CENTER

5 days/4 nights from \$2900 per person twin share\*

4 days/3 nights from \$2454 per person twin share\*

Built and run by the local Kichwa Añangu community the property nestles in dense rainforest at the edge of the remarkably biodiverse Yasuni National Park. It is reached by motorised boat (2hrs) from Coca plus a 1 to 2 hour journey by canoe. The complex has 20 luxurious private cabanas with gorgeous lake views, a central dining room, bar, lounge, comprehensive reference library and an impressive 36m-high observation tower. Activities include guided hikes, canoe trips, bird-watching & parrot clay licks; whilst for those looking for a more cultural focus, the sister property Napo Cultural Center is an excellent option. Children of all ages welcome.





Canopy Observation Tower © Anakonda Amazon Cruises



M/V Manatee © Anakonda Amazon Cruises

## ANAKONDA AMAZON CRUISES

8,5 or 4 days

From \$3017 per person twin share

Amazon Cruise Vessels

Departs ex Coca on selected days

**N**avigate the remote waterways of Ecuador's Amazon Basin aboard a comfortable river cruise vessel. Both the Manatee and Anakonda offer travellers the chance to explore Ecuador's incredible biodiversity hotspots without compromising on comfort. On naturalist-guided excursions, discover untouched rainforests, climb canopy towers, cruise jungle streams, walk forest trails and meet Amazon indigenous communities.

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>M/V Manatee</b>		
8D/7N Departs Fri & Mon	\$5841	\$8654
5D/4N Departs Mon	\$3717	\$5473
4D/3N Departs Fri	\$3017	\$4420
<b>M/V Anakonda</b>		
8D/7N Departs Sun & Wed	\$7194	\$10625
5D/4N Departs Wed	\$4563	\$6710
4D/3N Departs Sun	\$3694	\$5412

### INCLUSIONS

Accommodation, all meals while onboard, water, coffee & tea, all excursions, kayaking, transfers to/from vessel when arriving on recommended flights, Community and Wildlife Reserve entrance fees.

Child rates on request.

### 8 DAY SAMPLE ITINERARY

#### Day 1 Board Vessel

Arrive Coca Airport (flight not incl.) and transfer to the river for a motorised canoe ride downstream (1hr). Board your riverboat. Night rainforest walk after dinner on board.

#### Days 2-7 Cruising

Every day is filled with exciting activities. Experience the noise and colour of parrot clay licks or kayak lush tributaries of the Napo River in search of caiman, anaconda and otter. Climb a 30m-high tower for views over the rainforest, and seek out some of the 500 bird and 9 primate species recorded in the Pañacocha Biological Corridor.

Other highlights include a visit to Indigenous communities and explorations of the fascinating Yasuni National Park, home to a completely wild ecosystem of waterways rich in species including pink river dolphin, hoatzin and piranha. Paddle, trek or swim at leisure if conditions permit.

#### Day 8 Cruise ends Coca

Return to Coca (about 1.5hr) and transfer to the airport. Tour ends.

**Please note:** The itinerary is a guide only and will depend on water levels, weather conditions, wildlife behaviour and accessibility.

#### M/V MANATEE

★★★★★

The newly built Manatee has 10 beautifully appointed standard suites and 4 deluxe suites. All are air-conditioned and feature private balconies. The onboard restaurant and bar offer fabulous panoramic views, whilst the ample rooftop observation deck and outdoor hot tub allow passengers to unwind beneath the stars.



M/V Manatee Suite © Anakonda Amazon Cruises



#### M/V ANAKONDA

★★★★★

This riverboat pioneered luxury in the Ecuadorian Amazon and continues to set the gold standard. It offers 18 spacious, air-conditioned suites with floor-to-ceiling windows and private bathrooms, a fine dining restaurant with panoramic views, spa facilities, a bar, large outdoor sun deck with a Jacuzzi and a shaded al fresco lounge area.



M/V Anakonda Suite © Anakonda Amazon Cruises



M/V Anakonda © Anakonda Amazon Cruises

**GALAPAGOS**

Remote and starkly beautiful, this precious archipelago of volcanic islands lies along the Equator 1,000km west of Ecuador. Filled with many strange and unique species, the Galapagos are one of the most fascinating places on earth and a protected UNESCO World Heritage Site. Charles Darwin visited here in 1835 and his observations helped him to formulate his groundbreaking theories on the origin of earth's species. Made up of 13 main islands and hundreds of small rocks and islets, 97% of the Galapagos is protected by national park and uninhabited. A cruise by small ship or yacht is the best way to see the islands. All shore visits and marine excursions are accompanied by experienced guides. To reduce the impact of tourism, the national park authorities control the itineraries for all Galapagos cruise operators. Each vessel offers a cyclical itinerary that repeats fortnightly.



Zodiac landing © Latin Trails

**THE ISLANDS OF THE GALAPAGOS ARCHIPELAGO EACH OFFER UNIQUE ATTRACTIONS:**

**SANTA CRUZ**

Land iguanas at Dragon Hill, Tortoise Reserve, Great Frigatebirds, Giant Tortoise Breeding Program, Charles Darwin Research Station, The Highlands and the Twin Craters.

**SOUTH PLAZA**

Colonies of sea lions and land iguanas, marine iguanas, cliffs full of nesting seabirds, such as Swallow-tailed Gulls, Red-billed Tropicbirds, Audubon's Shearwaters, Nazca Boobies.

**SANTA FE**

A scenic island with marine iguanas, Great Frigate Birds, endemic Santa Fe land iguana, Galapagos snake, endemic Santa Fe rice rat, and many endemic subspecies of cacti.

**SAN CRISTOBAL**

An inhabited island with an airport, Interpretation Center, a sea lion colony, Great and Magnificent Frigate Birds, plus Blue-footed and Nazca Boobies at spectacular Kicker Rock.



© Natural Focus

**ISABELA**

The largest island with plentiful volcanoes. Home to giant tortoises, land and marine iguanas, bachelor sea lions, Darwin's finches, Galapagos Penguins and Blue-footed Boobies.

**SANTIAGO & BARTOLOME**

Fascinating lava flows near Sullivan Bay, the amazing fur seal grottos at Puerto Egas, a turtle nesting site at Espumilla Beach and striking Pinnacle Rock on nearby Bartolome.



Exciting Galapagos kayaking © Shutterstock



Giant tortoise © Shutterstock



Blue-footed Boobies © Shutterstock

**ESPANOLA**

Amazing wildlife! Step over sea lions at Punta Suarez, see endemic mockingbirds, lava lizards, Waved Albatross (Apr- Dec), marine iguanas and giant tortoises.

**FLOREANA**

Fascinating human history at Post Office Bay. A green sand beach, Flour Beach, flamingos at Punta Cormorant, and turtles, coral, sea lions and birds at Devil's Crown.

**FERNANDINA**

Pristine with an active volcano and rich marine life. Lava Herons, Flightless Cormorants, Great Blue Herons, penguins and a large colony of marine iguanas.

**GENOVESA**

With a crater lake and steep cliffs Genovesa is renowned for birdlife such as Blue-footed, Red-footed, Masked and Nasca Boobies, Great Frigate Birds, Swallow-tailed Gulls and many more.

**NORTH SEYMOUR**

Crawling with land and marine iguanas, North Seymour also has Blue-footed Boobies and the largest colony of Frigatebirds. The nearby islet of Mosquera has a huge population of sea lions.

**RABIDA**

A small island with a reddish colour, Rabida has sea lions, brown pelicans, Galapagos hawks, finches, doves, flamingos, and a marine site good for snorkelling.



Blue-footed Booby © Shutterstock



Onshore seal encounter with the Coral I & II in the background © Klein Tours

## DARWIN'S GALAPAGOS

8 days/7 nights<sup>^</sup>

From \$5870 per person twin share

Departs ex Baltra or San Cristobal

**E**xplore the miraculous world of the Galapagos aboard one of three expedition ships, the Coral I, Coral II or the Galapagos Legend. Cruise amongst the islands, dropping anchor in quiet inlets to visit beaches crowded with birds, sea lions and iguanas, swim with sea turtles, walk through colonies of Great Frigatebirds and visit a tortoise breeding centre. These cruises are a fantastic way to explore the diversity of the Galapagos.

Price per person from:*	Twin
<b>Galapagos Legend</b>	\$6041
(Departs Mon & Thu)	
<b>Coral I/Coral II</b>	\$5870
(Departs Sun & Wed)	

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

**4, 5, 11 & 15 day cruise options available.**

Airfares ex Quito or Guayaquil available on request.

Child rates on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Transfers between airport and boat, all meals onboard, accommodation, excursions to islands conducted by naturalist guides, use of snorkelling equipment, Galapagos Park Fee and Immigration Control Card.

### EXCLUSIONS

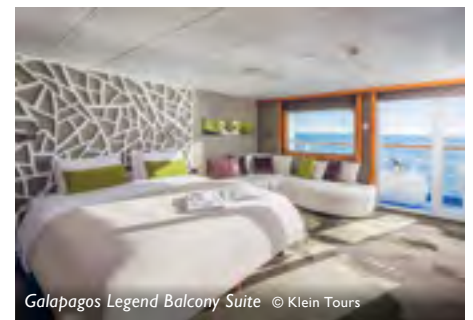
Flights, wetsuits, bar and gratuities.



Snorkel with Galapagos sea turtles © Klein Tours



Coral Junior Cabin © Klein Tours



Galapagos Legend Balcony Suite © Klein Tours

### CORAL I

Coral I is a comfortable 36 passenger, first class vessel with 18 spacious outward-facing cabins. Spread across three decks, all feature air-conditioning, television, and private bathrooms – while some have the ability to connect making them ideal for families. Onboard facilities include a dining room, library, boutique, Jacuzzi, barbecue area and observatory. Every voyage is accompanied by 3 naturalists and 11 crew ensuring high levels of service throughout your journey.

### CORAL II

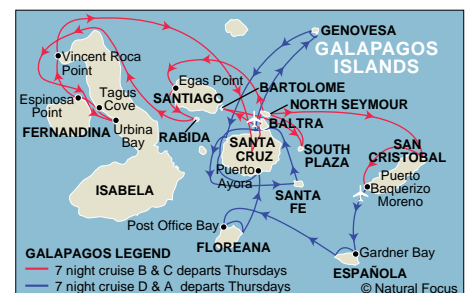
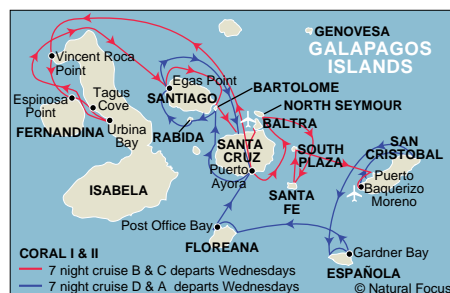
Similar in style to its twin sister but much more intimate in atmosphere, the superb Coral II accommodates a maximum of 20 passengers in 11 cabins. All are equipped with air conditioning and private bathrooms. There are also spacious lounge and dining areas spread across this four-level vessel, with a whirlpool and a sun terrace on the top deck. Guests are looked after by a friendly 9-person crew and 2 bilingual naturalists who lead snorkel, kayak and walking excursions throughout the expedition.



Galapagos Legend © Klein Tours

### GALAPAGOS LEGEND

The 91m Galapagos Legend has all the facilities of a cruise liner, yet it is still small enough to guarantee intimacy of the experience. Recently renovated, it can accommodate a maximum of 100 passengers in comfortable, air-conditioned rooms (52 outside and 3 inside) featuring 18 luxurious balcony suites, all with private ensuite facilities. Other features include observation decks, al fresco dining areas, spacious lounge, bar, library, kids' corner, fitness centre and an onboard swimming pool.



Itinerary maps intended as a guide only. Shorter and longer cruise options are available. Please contact us for more information.



Land iguana © Shutterstock



M/Y Letty (right) © Ecoventura

## LEGENDARY GALAPAGOS

8 days/7 nights

From \$7168 per person twin share

Departs Sundays ex San Cristobal

**D**iscover the miraculous world of the Galapagos as you cruise amongst the islands, anchor in quiet inlets and explore beaches crowded with birds, sea lions and iguanas. The M/V Origin and newly built M/V Theory offer a truly high-end cruise experience whilst the M/Y Letty offers more casual comfort. All itineraries include kayaking, snorkelling, Zodiac excursions and guided nature walks.

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
M/V Origin & Theory	\$11845	\$20583
M/Y Letty	\$7168	\$12402

Airfare ex Quito or Guayaquil available on request.  
Child rates on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Transfers between airport and boat, all meals onboard, non-alcoholic drinks, house wine and local beer with dinner (open bar - MV Origin & Theory only, except premium alcoholic beverages), excursions to islands conducted by naturalist guides, use of snorkelling equipment, sea kayaks and wet suits, Galapagos Park Fee and Immigration Control Card.

### EXCLUSIONS

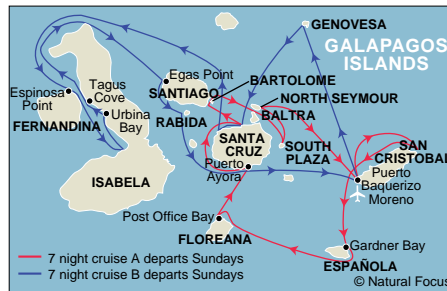
Flights, alcoholic drinks (other than mentioned) and gratuities.



M/Y Letty © Ecoventura

### M/Y LETTY

This fantastic tri-level yacht is custom built for Galapagos small-group expedition cruising, accommodating a maximum of 20 guests in 10 comfortable ensuite outside-facing cabins. All are air-conditioned and fitted with a window and porthole. Shared spaces include a dining room, well-stocked bar, welcoming lounge area, library and partially shaded sundeck furnished with loungers. All ships carry Zodiac boats, snorkelling equipment, full wetsuits and kayaks.



M/V Theory Stateroom © Ecoventura

### M/V ORIGIN & THEORY

In September 2018 the M/V Origin became the first luxury yacht in the Galapagos to join the esteemed Relais & Châteaux collection. 2019 will see the introduction of new sister yacht the M/V Theory grace the waters of the Galapagos, replacing the M/Y Eric. Both yachts are identical and guests will be assigned to the most suitable yacht. Each vessel offers 10 superbly appointed en suite cabins furnished with premium bedding and luxury amenities such as in-room espresso machines. These fabulous vessels also feature an elegant dining room, a bar, spacious sundeck, hammocks, day beds and hot tub. With 14 crew on board including two expert naturalist guides, these yachts have some of the lowest guest-to-guide ratios in the Galapagos.



M/V Origin Stateroom © Ecoventura



Dolphin viewing on a Zodiac excursion © Ecoventura



Little 'n large © Ecoventura





Galapagos Tortoise viewing © Shutterstock



Playful seals on a beach © Shutterstock

## ULTIMATE GALAPAGOS

8 days/7 nights  
From \$10201 per person twin share  
Departs ex Baltra

**E**xperience the unique diversity of the Galapagos Islands on a luxurious cruise aboard the mega catamaran **Petrel** or the **Ocean Spray**. Guided by experienced naturalists, these intimate cruises provide you with the opportunity to admire a huge variety of wildlife including **Blue-Footed Boobies**, **giant tortoises**, **iguanas**, **manta rays** and **sea turtles**. Activities include **snorkelling**, **short hikes** and **kayaking**.

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>M/C Petrel</b> (Departs Fri)	\$10201	\$10201 <sup>^</sup>
<b>Ocean Spray</b> (Departs Sat)	\$10201	\$10201 <sup>^</sup>

<sup>^</sup>Dedicated single cabin (subject to availability) - all other cabins for single use attract a supplement.

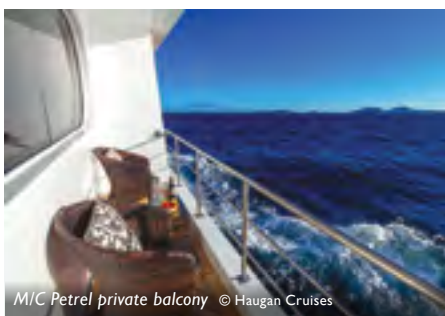
Airfare ex Quito or Guayaquil available on request.  
Child rates on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Transfers between airport and boat, all meals onboard, non-alcoholic drinks, accommodation, excursions to islands conducted by naturalist guides, use of snorkelling equipment, wet suits and kayaks, Galapagos Park Fee and Immigration Control Card.

### EXCLUSIONS

Flights, alcoholic drinks and gratuities.



M/C Petrel private balcony © Haugan Cruises



M/C Ocean Spray © Haugan Cruises



M/C Petrel © Haugan Cruises



M/C Ocean Spray Double Cabin © Haugan Cruises

### M/C PETREL

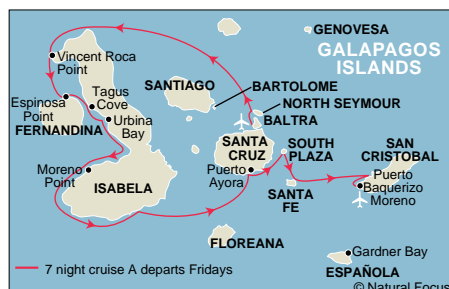
One of the newest vessels in the Galapagos, the Petrel is a 35m catamaran with three decks, 7 staterooms and 2 spacious suites, all with private balconies, accommodating a maximum of 16 passengers. Like its namesake, the Petrel is sleek, swift and nearly silent as it moves across the water. It has a comfortable lounge, fitness area, sundeck and outdoor Jacuzzi. Like its sister ship, the M/C Petrel is twin-hulled for maximum stability and its wide base translates to bigger cabins and larger shared spaces.

### M/C OCEAN SPRAY

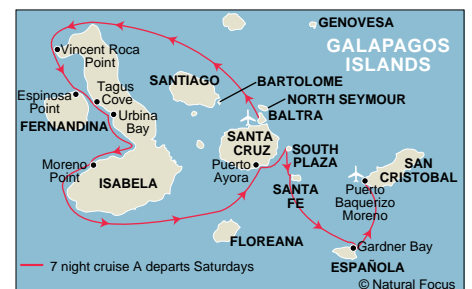
The Ocean Spray is a state-of-the-art mega catamaran, designed to cruise the Galapagos Islands in style. Catering for just 16 passengers, the 9 cabins are generously sized and spread across the quiet main and upper decks. All are comfortable with private ensuite bathrooms and balconies. Onboard facilities include a sundeck, Jacuzzi, dining area and lounge. This elegant vessel is unrivalled for its speed, stability and safety standards. All activities while aboard are escorted by experienced Galapagos guides.



M/C Petrel sundeck with outdoor Jacuzzi © Haugan Cruises



7 night cruise A departs Fridays © Natural Focus



7 night cruise A departs Saturdays © Natural Focus

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Galapagos Penguins © Latin Trails



Incredible photographic encounters © Latin Trails

## REGAL GALAPAGOS

8, 6 or 5 days

From \$5462 per person twin share

Departs ex Baltra or San Cristobal

**T**he Galapagos Islands can be explored without relinquishing on luxury when travelling aboard the Galapagos Sea Star Journey or the Galapagos Seaman Journey. Both vessels offer Galapagos explorations with a very small number of fellow travellers and a range of quality facilities onboard. Admire the amazing wildlife including giant tortoises, iguanas, flightless cormorants as well as extraordinary marine species.

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
Galapagos Sea Star Journey - 6D/5N <sup>^</sup>	\$8183	\$16178
Galapagos Seaman Journey <sup>#</sup>		
8D/7N	\$8588	\$14888
5D/4N	\$5462	\$9419

<sup>^</sup>Departs selected Tue & Thu ex Baltra or San Cristobal. 5, 10, 11 & 15 day cruise options available.

<sup>#</sup>5D cruise departs selected Mon ex San Cristobal & 8D cruise departs Fri ex Santa Cruz. 4, 11, 12 & 15 day cruise options available.

Airfare ex Quito or Guayaquil available on request.  
Child rates on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Transfers between airport and boat (Galapagos), all meals onboard, accommodation, excursions to islands conducted by naturalist guides, use of snorkelling and kayaking equipment, Galapagos Park Fee and Immigration Control Card.

### EXCLUSIONS

Wetsuit hire, flights, bar and gratuities.



Sea Star Journey Sea Star Suite © Boyd Henrikse



M/C Galapagos Seaman Journey © Latin Trails



M/Y Galapagos Sea Star Journey © Latin Trails



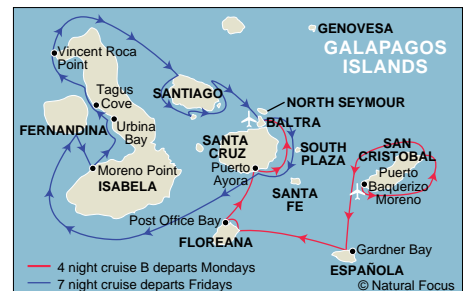
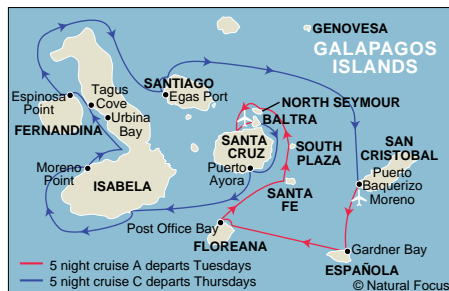
M/C Galapagos Seaman Journey Twin Cabin © Latin Trails

### M/Y GALAPAGOS SEA STAR JOURNEY

The sleek M/Y Galapagos Sea Star Journey is the ultimate luxury vessel for exploring the Galapagos. Comfortable and private, the 8 spacious suites all afford amazing views through panoramic windows, and are equipped with private bathrooms, air conditioning and in-suite televisions. Onboard facilities include a mini-library, a restaurant, two Jacuzzis, shaded alfresco dining area and a spacious sundeck with plenty of sun loungers. Snorkels and kayaks are available at no extra charge.

### M/C GALAPAGOS SEAMAN JOURNEY

An alternative to the M/Y Galapagos Sea Star Journey, the M/C Galapagos Seaman Journey is a luxurious Catamaran equipped with state-of-the-art technology accommodating 16 guests in 8 ensuite cabins. The vessel offers a bar and has spacious indoor and outdoor lounge areas providing the perfect place to relax. On board you will enjoy an almost 1 to 1 crew to passenger ratio, freshly prepared meals and exciting shore excursions including snorkelling and kayaking.



Walk amongst seals on island shores © Latin Trails

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# GALAPAGOS SPLENDOR

8, 7 or 6 days

From \$6417 per person twin share

Departs ex Baltra or San Cristobal

**T**he islands of the Galapagos brim with unique species of wildlife and superb scenery. Discover this paradise on board the exclusive M/Y Galapagos Odyssey, M/C Archipell I or M/C Treasure of Galapagos. Guided by experienced naturalists, you can swim with seals, visit the archipelago's most iconic sights or just enjoy your stylish surrounds.

**Price per person from:** Twin Single  
**M/C Treasure of Galapagos - 7D/6N\*** \$7457 \$9272  
 (Departs selected Sat ex Baltra)

**M/C Archipell I - 8D/7N\*** \$6714 \$11934  
 (Departs selected Mon ex Baltra or San Cristobal)

**M/Y Galapagos Odyssey - 6D/5N\*** \$6417 \$6417^  
 (Departs selected Tue & Thu ex Baltra or San Cristobal)

\*Shorter and longer cruise options also available.

^Dedicated single cabin (subject to availability) - all other cabins for single use attract a supplement.

Airfare ex Quito or Guayaquil available on request.

Child rates on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Transfers between airport and boat (Galapagos), all meals onboard, accommodation, excursions to islands conducted by naturalist guides, use of snorkelling equipment, Galapagos Park Fee and Immigration Control Card.

### EXCLUSIONS

Wetsuit hire, flights, bar and gratuities.



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Galapagos Frigate Bird © Shutterstock



M/C Treasure of Galapagos balcony © Andean Travel Company



M/C Treasure of Galapagos © Andean Travel Company



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M/Y Galapagos Odyssey © Andean Travel Company

### M/C TREASURE OF GALAPAGOS

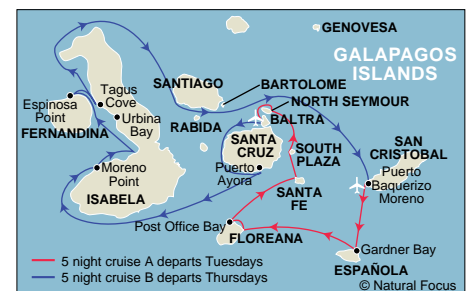
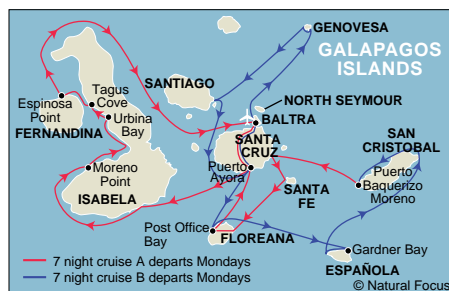
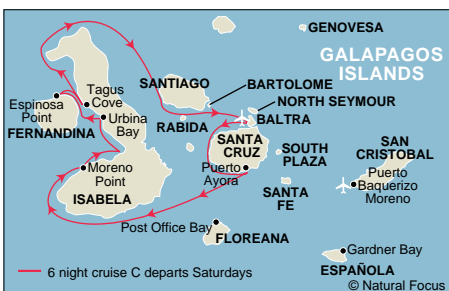
This 124-foot wide catamaran has 9 large ensuite cabins with balconies. Cabins are spread across the quieter Upper and Main Decks, guaranteeing a very comfortable cruise experience. Shared spaces include an air-conditioned indoor dining and lounge area with picture windows, two shaded outdoor decks plus an al fresco bar, sun loungers and an open-air Jacuzzi. The experienced crew of 10 includes a knowledgeable naturalist guide who will lead all excursions on the voyage.

### M/C ARCHIPPELL I

A very comfortable catamaran in the Galapagos, the Archipell I accommodates 16 passengers in 8 air-conditioned double cabins with private bathrooms and hot water. All offer ocean views, as does the generous furnished sundeck on the roof of this vessel. Other facilities include a bar area, lounge, dining room and small reference library. Zodiacs, sea kayaks and snorkelling equipment are carried on board for island activities.

### M/Y GALAPAGOS ODYSSEY

Featuring just 9 suites in total, this small first class yacht has been designed for cruising the Galapagos in style. All cabins have large windows, air conditioning, a small desk, sofa, as well as private ensuite bathrooms. Facilities include a Jacuzzi, sundeck, plus spacious indoor and al fresco dining areas. While on board you will enjoy freshly prepared meals and activities including kayaking and hikes accompanied by trained naturalists.



Itinerary maps intended as a guide only. Shorter and longer cruise options are available. Please contact us for more information.



Coastal exploration © Metropolitan Touring

## UNIQUE GALAPAGOS

7 days/6 nights<sup>^</sup>

From \$8084 per person twin share

Departs ex Baltra or San Cristobal

**D**iscover the magic of the Galapagos Islands on one of these three excellent yachts. Choose from 4 or 6 night itineraries that each offer unique perspectives of the islands made famous by Charles Darwin. These three vessels offer a wide range of both land and marine excursions, giving you flexibility and choice. Snorkel with sea lions or kayak with dolphins, observe prehistoric iguanas and giant tortoises as you explore the islands with a professional naturalist guide.

<b>Price per person from:*</b>	Twin
<b>Yacht La Pinta</b> (Departs Fri)	\$9928
<b>Santa Cruz II</b> (Departs Fri)	\$8672
<b>Yacht Isabela II</b> (Departs Tues)	\$8084

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

**45 & 7 day cruise options available.**

Airfares ex Quito or Guayaquil available on request.

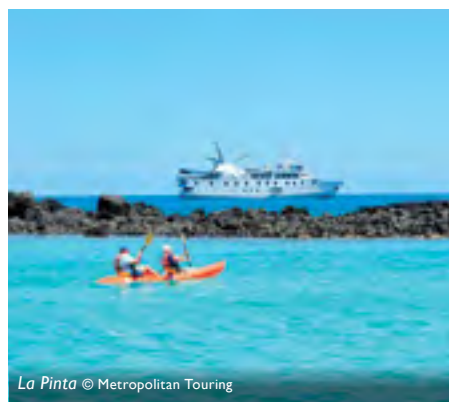
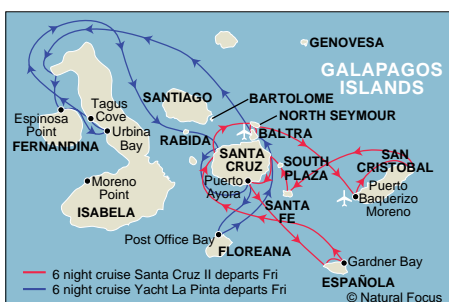
Child rates on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Transfers between airport and boat, all meals onboard, accommodation, excursions to islands conducted by naturalist guides, use of snorkelling equipment, Galapagos Park Fee and Immigration Control Card.

### EXCLUSIONS

Flights, wetsuits, bar and gratuities.



La Pinta © Metropolitan Touring

### YACHT LA PINTA

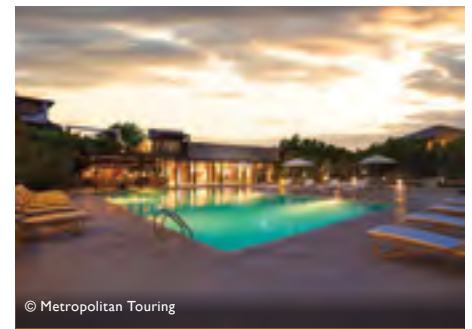
This state-of-the-art vessel designed for luxury cruising, La Pinta offers accommodation in 24 large air-conditioned cabins all with ensuite facilities and large floor to-ceiling-windows. The yacht has a small gym and Jacuzzi onboard as well as snorkelling equipment, wetsuits, sea kayaks and a glass bottom boat for naturalist-guided excursions. There are also a number of interconnecting rooms perfect for families, whilst the ship boasts a restaurant, observation deck, lounge and bar.



Special encounters © Metropolitan Touring

### YACHT ISABELA II

The fully air-conditioned Isabela II presents an elegant yet relaxed atmosphere and offers spacious cabins with private bathrooms for 40 guests. The vessel has a bar, dining room, library and a lecture room where naturalists will talk about the geology and history of the islands. Isabela's trained chefs prepare a superb selection of a la carte meals. Guests can relax on the sundeck which features a bar, observation area and Jacuzzi.



© Metropolitan Touring

## FINCH BAY GALAPAGOS HOTEL

4 days/3 nights

From \$2212 per person twin share

Departs ex Baltra or San Cristobal

<b>Price per person from:*</b>	Twin
Finch Bay Room	\$2212

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Shared airport transfers, accommodation on B&B basis, 1 full day island yacht exploration, snorkel hire, Galapagos Park Fees and Immigration Control Card

### EXCLUSIONS

Flights, bar and gratuities.

**T**his stunning hotel on Santa Cruz is a member of National Geographic's unique lodges of the world. Climb aboard the hotel's private yacht and go in search of marine iguanas and sea lions. Kayaking, biking and hiking are also available. The island is home to the Giant Tortoise Breeding program and the Charles Darwin Research Centre. After a day's adventure return to the hotel and unwind by the pool with drink in hand as you look out across the pristine island landscape.



M/V Santa Cruz © Metropolitan Touring

### SANTA CRUZ II

The biggest vessel in the Metropolitan fleet, the Santa Cruz II accommodates up to 90 passengers in comfortable Swedish-designed cabins. Cabin arrangements are flexible with a number of interconnecting cabins, ideal for groups, and single cabins available. Onboard facilities include a restaurant, lounge, bar, outdoor terrace, gym and sundeck.



Isabela II Classic cabin © Metropolitan Touring

# GALAPAGOS ISLAND HOPPING

8 or 6 days

From \$3342 per person twin share

Departs ex Baltra or San Cristobal

**F**or a different experience of the Galapagos Islands, consider island-hopping, which is the only other way to see this captivating archipelago if you aren't on a cruise. These land-based tours may work out to be more cost-effective as they allow you to choose which optional excursions to participate in during your travels. Additionally, you are able to select from three different standards of hotel accommodation to suit your personal preference throughout the journey.

Island hopping may also be better suited to travellers who want more flexibility over their daily itinerary and for people who are prone to seasickness. All programs utilise private speedboat transfers. Selected activities, the services of an English and Spanish-speaking naturalist guide and the use of snorkelling equipment are all included. It is possible to combine both cruising and island-hopping on a single visit to the Galapagos; however, departure dates will need to be carefully coordinated.

Price per person from:*	Twin
<b>Charles Darwin Path (8D/7N)</b> - Departs Fri	
<b>A</b> Golden Bay/Red Mangrove/Santa Maria/Iguana Crossing	\$7486
<b>B</b> Galapagos Sunset/Ikala/Santa Maria/Casa de Marita	\$5627
<b>C</b> Blue Marlin/Fiesta/Santa Maria/Volcano	\$4993

The Galapagos Loop (6D/5N)	Departs Sun	
<b>A</b> Red Mangrove/Santa Maria/Iguana Crossing		\$4995
<b>B</b> Ikala/Santa Maria/Casa de Marita		\$3603
<b>C</b> Fiesta/Santa Maria/Volcano		\$3342

\*Minimum 2 people. Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

Airfares ex Quito or Guayaquil available on request.

Child rates on request.

## INCLUSIONS

Return transfers between airport to hotel, accommodation in selected hotels with breakfast, selected meals, excursions conducted by naturalist guides, use of snorkelling equipment, private speedboat, Galapagos Park Fee and Immigration Control Card, flight from San Cristobal to Santa Cruz (8D/7N programme only).

## EXCLUSIONS

Flights, beverages & gratuities.



Exploring the exquisite clear waters of Los Tuneles, Isabela © Geo Reisen



Kayak with sea lions © Geo Reisen



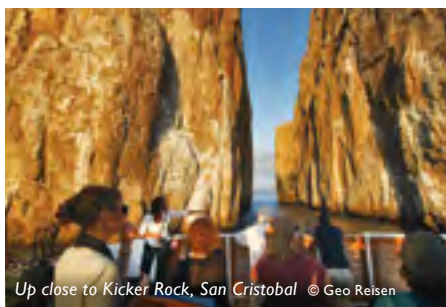
Galapagos Tortoise encounter © Geo Reisen

## CHARLES DARWIN PATH - 8D/7N

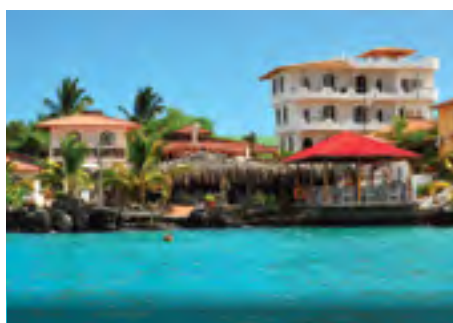
This is an in-depth exploration of five incredible islands, starting with San Cristobal, home to scenic Frigatebird Hill, which is well worth a hike. At Espanola, search for endemic birdlife at Punta Suarez and snorkel with marine animals such as sea lions, marine iguanas and turtles. Santa Cruz is ideal for viewing Darwin's finches and giant tortoises. Unravel fascinating human history at Floreana, where the first person in the Galapagos was born. Following a volcano climb on Isabela, consider an optional lava tunnel excursion. Conclude your adventure at the Charles Darwin Station and Tortoise Breeding Centre.

## THE GALAPAGOS LOOP 6D/5N

Visit three islands on this circuit. Diverse Santa Cruz is your first stop, where you'll get the chance to search for Vermilion Flycatchers and giant tortoises. Transfer to Floreana for snorkelling at La Loberia, a site favoured by breeding sea lions. You may possibly also meet members of the Wittmer family, who settled the island in 1932. Tour a pirates' cave before heading to Isabela to enjoy a volcano trek and the island's beautiful beaches. Walk to a flamingo lagoon and learn more about Galapagos tortoises at a breeding centre. Your final destination is the famous Charles Darwin Station in Santa Cruz.



Up close to Kicker Rock, San Cristobal © Geo Reisen





## CHILE

A narrow strip of land between the high Andes and the Pacific Ocean, Chile stretches an incredible 4,300km from north to south. It is a land of spectacular geography and diverse scenery, including harsh deserts, fertile valleys, breathtaking icefields and towering peaks. Chileans exhibit a fascinating blend of European and Latin American cultures.

### Highlights

The beautiful Lakes District; the mountains, fjords and icefields of Patagonia including the famous Torres del Paine National Park; the high altitude mountains, valleys and lakes of the Atacama Desert; and mysterious Easter Island, 3,700km off the Chilean mainland.

### Climate

Chile's climate varies with latitude. The Atacama is dry and sunny, hot in summer and cold at night in winter. The central region has a pleasant Mediterranean climate whilst southern Patagonia has cool summers, cold winters and receives plenty of rain.



# AWESOME ATACAMA

“Dramatic mountains, vast deserts,  
gorges, geysers and salt flats.

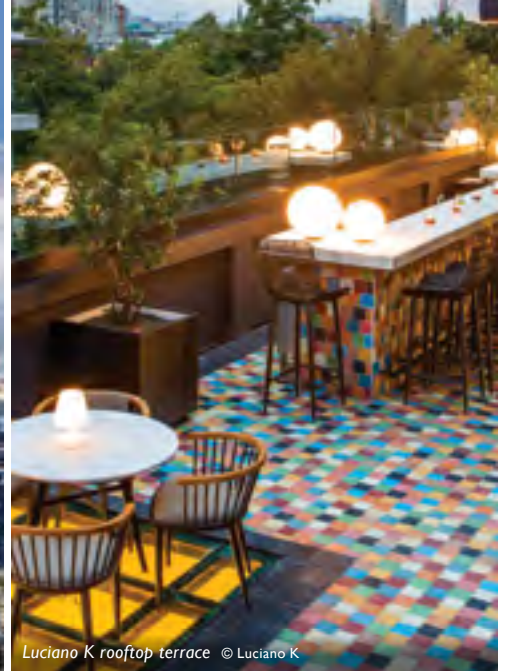
I have never experienced a destination  
of such otherworldly landscapes.

Atacama was both a delight and a privilege to visit.”

Janet Collins



Santiago - where a modern skyline meets the ancient Andes Mountains © Shutterstock



Luciano K rooftop terrace © Luciano K

## SANTIAGO CITY STAY

3 days/2 nights

From \$535 per person twin share

**S**topover in Chile's capital, Santiago, an energetic metropolis with a mix of modern and Spanish colonial architecture, excellent shopping and sophisticated restaurants. A half day city tour includes San Francisco Church, Plaza de Armas and Cerro San Cristobal, a hilltop park which offers superb views. Sandwiched between the snow-capped Andes mountains and the Pacific Ocean, Santiago is also the gateway to great hiking opportunities in the east and beaches to the west.

### INCLUSIONS

Private airport/hotel arrival and departure transfers, 2 nights accommodation on a B&B basis and private half day city tour.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- An array of wonderful museums and galleries
- Exquisite neo-classical architecture
- The excellent Mercado Central
- The interesting Cementerio General
- Vibrant cafe culture and great restaurants

### ACCOMMODATION

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
The Singular Santiago (Classic Room)	\$823	\$1559
The Ritz-Carlton (Deluxe Room)	\$799	\$1585
Casa Bueras Boutique (Superior Rm)	\$699	\$1383
Le Reve Boutique Hotel (Std Room)	\$623	\$1231
Hotel Cumbres Lastarria (Std Room)	\$589	\$1139
Luciano K (Standard Room)	\$535	\$1059

### OPTIONAL TOURS

Tour cost per person from (Min 2): <sup>A</sup>	Per Person
Valparaíso Like a Native full day tour (includes lunch)	\$320

Valparaíso and Viña del Mar full day tour (Private)\* \$313

Santiago Like a Native (6hrs) \$214

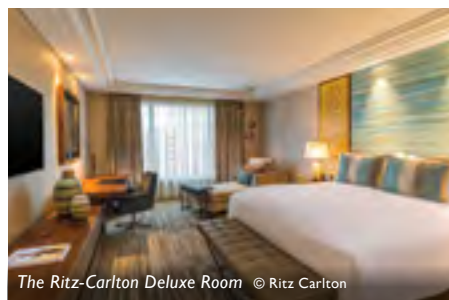
<sup>A</sup>Single prices available on request

\*Seat in bus tour (i.e. not private) available at reduced rates.

### DAY TOUR INCLUSIONS

Private transport to/from hotel, private tour as indicated.

Further details on request.

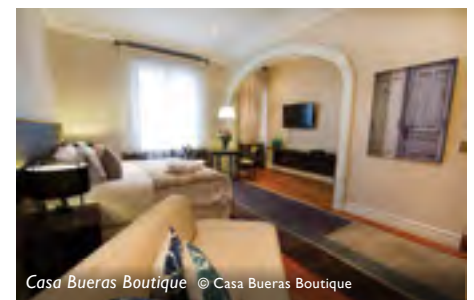


The Ritz-Carlton Deluxe Room © Ritz Carlton

### THE RITZ-CARLTON, SANTIAGO (EL GOLF)

★★★★★

The elegant 5 star Ritz-Carlton is located in one of Santiago's most prestigious neighbourhoods and offers 205 guest rooms overlooking the city. The hotel has an exceptional restaurant, bar, lounge and an expansive rooftop health and fitness facility offering spa treatments, a pool and stunning views.

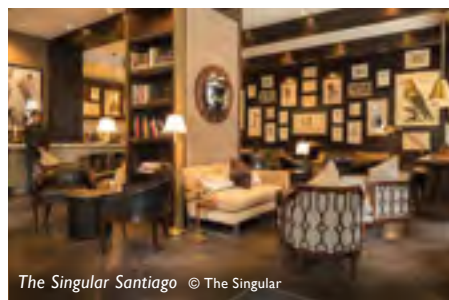


Casa Bueras Boutique © Casa Bueras Boutique

### CASA BUERAS BOUTIQUE HOTEL (LASTARRIA)

★★★★★

This masterfully renovated 1927 mansion is tucked amongst bohemian Lastarria's best galleries, shops and restaurants. Inside this atmospheric hotel, you'll find 14 bright and spacious suites, a wonderful restaurant, bar, a massage room and a swimming pool set in lush gardens.



The Singular Santiago © The Singular

### THE SINGULAR SANTIAGO (LASTARRIA)

★★★★★

The Singular Santiago combines the enduring style of the early 20th century with every modern convenience in an exciting, ultra-chic space. Located in the popular Lastarria neighbourhood, it offers 62 rooms, Wi-Fi, an acclaimed restaurant specialising in modern Chilean cuisine, a rooftop pool and spa.



Le Reve Boutique Hotel © Le Reve Boutique Hotel

### LE REVE BOUTIQUE HOTEL (PROVIDENCIA)

★★★★★

This romantic hotel is located in the very upscale district of Providencia. Its 31 charming guest rooms feature French influences throughout. The hotel also has cosy shared living areas and a Parisian-style courtyard garden, where breakfast is served in summer.

### LUCIANO K HOTEL (LASTARRIA)

★★★★★

The tallest building in Chile in the 1920s, this art deco jewel now contains 38 impeccable guest rooms. The grand ground floor houses a restaurant and sauna while the scenic rooftop terrace boasts a bar and heated outdoor pool.

### HOTEL CUMBRES LASTARRIA (LASTARRIA)

★★★★★

Located in beautiful Lastarria close to museums, galleries and restaurants, this stylish hotel has just 70 ensuite rooms and suites. All rooms are air-conditioned and feature flat screen TV's. The hotel offers a restaurant, bar, lounge and outdoor pool.



# VALPARAÍSO & VIÑA DEL MAR

3 days/2 nights

From \$1198 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Santiago

**V**isit the vibrant and unique port city of Valparaíso, famous for its colourful hillside neighbourhoods. Also see the enchanting coastal town of Viña del Mar, known as the 'Garden City'.

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>Zero Hotel (Color Room)</b>	\$1358	\$2524
<b>Palacio Astoreca (Standard Room)</b>	\$1334	\$2478
<b>Fauna Hotel (Standard Room)</b>	\$1198	\$2211

## INCLUSIONS

Private transfers, 2 nights accommodation on a B&B basis, lunch on day 3, sightseeing as per itinerary.

### Day 1 Valparaíso

Transfer from Santiago to Valparaíso, declared a World Heritage Site in 2002. Valparaíso's colourful houses by the sea and steep hills create an amazing urban landscape. Overnight Valparaíso.

### Day 2 Valparaíso

Tour Valparaíso's vibrant neighbourhoods and the downtown area including the Plaza Sotomayor, the cathedral and the harbour. Travel north along the coastline to the elegant seaside town of Viña del Mar. Return to Valparaíso for overnight. B

### Day 3 Tour ends Santiago

Journey back to Santiago via Valle de Casablanca, one of Chile's best-known wine regions. Enjoy a visit to a winery including lunch. Arrival transfer to your hotel or the airport. Tour ends. BL



Colourful Valparaíso © Shutterstock

## VIK CHILE

4 days/3 nights

From \$3093 per person twin share\*

Departs daily ex Santiago

## INCLUSIONS

Return transfers from Santiago, accommodation on a full-board basis, selected wine with meals and activities.

\*All prices based on two people sharing, singles on request.

**T**his ultra-luxurious retreat is located on the world-famous VIK vineyard, 2.5 hours from Santiago. Perched on a hill top the art-filled Vik Chile has stunning 360 degree views over the 11,000 acre plantation. Each of the 22 suites is completely unique and boasts floor-to-ceiling windows.

Fine dining and wine tastings are a cornerstone experience at Vik Chile. Explore the world-renowned vineyard and spend an afternoon tasting exquisite Chilean wines in the cellar. Enjoy mouth-watering Chilean dishes in the onsite restaurant with accompanying wines. Mountain biking, hiking and horseback riding are also available.



© Vik Chile



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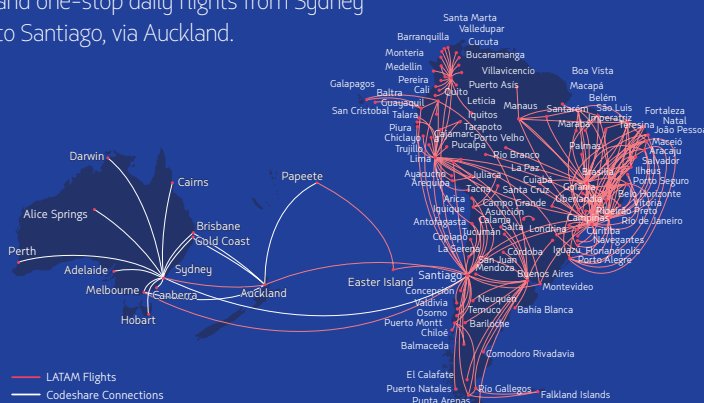
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## SAN PEDRO DE ATACAMA

4 days/3 nights

Departs daily ex Calama

Hotel/Lodge

**E**xperience the natural and archaeological wonders of Chile's Atacama Desert from your base in the charming oasis village of San Pedro. The surreal landscape of Atacama, located at an altitude of 2,400m above sea level, offers astounding contrasts, from stark deserts with sweeping dunes and steaming geysers to dramatic wind sculpted mountains and gorges, vast lagoons and salt flats. This breathtaking destination of extraordinary colours and textures is easily experienced from the quaint village of San Pedro which is close to a magnificent chain of Andean volcanoes, the Moon Valley, flamingo reserves, Altiplanic villages and the famous Atacama salt flats, one of the largest in the world.

### INCLUSIONS

Return airport (Calama) /hotel transfers, all excursions and accommodation on a full board basis with open bar (excludes premium wines and spirits).

\*All prices based on two people sharing, singles on request.



## EXPLORA ATACAMA

4 days/3 nights from \$2698 per person twin share\*

The elegant Explora Atacama offers 50 comfortable, television-free rooms fashioned from organic materials.

Also on its 42 private acres are a fine dining restaurant, convivial bar, open-air barbecue area, spa with four pools, a sauna and hot tubs as well as horse stables and an observatory with a telescope for stargazing. Guests can choose from around 40 different explorations, ranging from gentle to challenging. Excursions run between 2 hours and a full day, with travel done on foot, by horseback, mountain bike or car.



## HOTEL CUMBRES SAN PEDRO

4 days/3 nights from \$2032 per person twin share\*

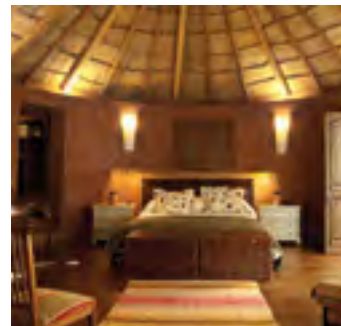
This hotel is a luxurious oasis at the edge of the world's driest desert. The 60 stylish rooms are generously sized, with private terraces, outdoor showers and climate control. There is free Wi-Fi, a safe and satellite TV. Typical of the Cumbres brand, service and facilities are top notch; the property has a concierge, restaurant, two bars, gym, day spa, three heated outdoor pools and two Jacuzzis. Explore the Atacama's impressive geysers, lakes and lagoons on guided treks, bicycle rides or drives across the salt flats.



## AWASI

4 days/3 nights from \$4009 per person twin share\*

This small, very exclusive Relais & Châteaux hotel is situated on a walled ancient site which once housed shepherds and herders. There are just 10 premium suites, constructed out of adobe, timber and thatch, complete with their own vehicle and guide. Guests can choose from a range of private excursions in the surrounding area, or relax in the wonderful onsite pool and outdoor lounge. Awasi's restaurant offers a taste of the Altiplano, with a sophisticated menu showcasing local seasonal ingredients.





**TIERRA ATACAMA HOTEL & SPA**

4 days/3 nights from \$3267 per person twin share\*

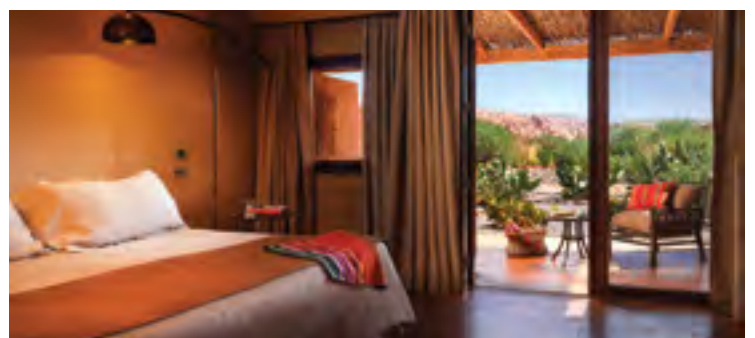
Seamlessly combining outdoor adventure with indoor comfort, this eco-retreat features ultra-chic adobe architecture, sleek modern interiors, unique hand-made textiles and fine local art. Formerly an old cattle corral, its entrance incorporates the structure's ancient walls. Within, guests will find a restaurant, bar, lounge, library and 32 rooms with private terraces and views of Licancabur Volcano. Guests can relax by the pool or in the spa, and choose from a range of excursions led by experienced guides, ranging from easy tours of the Tatio Geysers and Altiplanic lagoons to more challenging outings on mountain bikes or on foot.



**ALTO ATACAMA DESERT LODGE AND SPA**

4 days/3 nights from \$2450 per person twin share\*

Alto Atacama is an enchanting 42-room desert hideaway that blends perfectly into its natural surroundings. Rooms are spacious and have been carefully decorated to reflect local culture. Each room boasts large comfortable beds as well as private terraces, some with views of the Cordillera de la Sal. The hotel also features a full-service spa, six swimming pools, a large lounge with a fireplace, indoor and al fresco dining areas, a bar as well as an open-air observatory for stargazing. There are more than 30 guided excursions on offer ranging from cultural and contemplative tours to more adventurous trekking, mountain biking and even volcano climbs.





**EASTER ISLAND**

Easter Island (Rapa Nui) is the most isolated place on earth, lying 3,700km off the coast of Chile. It is a remarkable and mysterious destination, with immense volcanic craters, lava formations, white sand beaches and of course, the gigantic and enigmatic stone statues called "moai". The exact significance of these sculptures is unknown, but they are thought to have been carved by the Rapa Nui Polynesian people between 1250 and 1500.

A mild year-round climate provides ideal conditions for exploring the island on foot or by bicycle.



Moais at Ahu Tongariki, Easter Island © Shutterstock



Easter Island exploration © explora

**EXPLORA  
EASTER ISLAND**

7, 5 or 4 days  
(Duration subject to flight availability)  
From \$3306 per person twin share  
Departs ex Hanga Roa

explora Rapa Nui	Varua Room	Raa Room
Price per person from:	Twin Single	Twin Single
7 day/6 night	\$5784 \$6651	\$7758 \$8923
5 day/4 night	\$4188 \$4819	\$5616 \$6458
4 day/3 night	\$3306 \$3802	\$4434 \$5099

**INCLUSIONS**

Transfer between Easter Island airport and explora Rapa Nui, full board accommodation, bar (excludes premium wines & spirits), daily explorations in groups of max. 8 people with bilingual guide, equipment and Easter Island entrance fee.

**T**his Polynesian island, a special territory of Chile, is one of the most remote inhabited islands in the world. Its nearest inhabited neighbour is Pitcairn Island, over 1,770km away, and it lies 3,700km off the coast of Chile.

Named by a Dutch explorer who first encountered the island on Easter Sunday in 1722, this remarkable destination is best known for its moai – 887 basalt statues

that dot the landscape or lie half-buried in the Rano Raraku quarry. Raised on "ahus" most have their backs to the sea, silently watching the island's inhabitants.

Explore iconic sites like Ahu Tongariki with its 15 massive moai, or Rano Kau, a volcano which was significant to the Bird Man cult. With its blissful off-the-grid remoteness, the island is perfect for exploring on foot and the seas offer magnificent snorkelling and diving.

**Days 1-3/4/6 Easter Island**

Arrive Hanga Roa (flight not incl.), Easter Island where you are met and transferred to explora Rapa Nui.

Over the next few days, discover the island with an expert guide. Choose explorations that suit your personal interests and physical ability. Just some of the sites you can visit include the Rano Kau volcanic crater, Orongo - formerly the ceremonial site of Tangata Manu (Bird Man) worship - and the many "ahus" or ancient rock platforms which support the moai. You may stop for a picnic lunch at scenic locations. BLD

**Day 4, 5 or 7 Tour ends Easter Island**

Morning at leisure before your flight (not included). Tour ends. B



explora Rapa Nui Raa Suite © explora



© Natural Focus



explora Rapa Nui © explora



Rano Kau volcano crater © explora

## RAPA NUI

4 days/3 nights

From \$1288 per person twin share

Departs ex Hanga Roa

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>Hangaroa Eco Village &amp; Spa</b> (Kainga) \$1759	\$2406	
<b>Hotel Puku Vai</b> (Superior Rm) \$1315	\$2208	
<b>Altiplánico Rapa Nui</b> (Superior Rm) \$1288	\$2253	

### INCLUSIONS

3 nights accommodation (B&B), Easter Island airport/hotel transfers, private sightseeing with box lunch as per itinerary and entrance fee to Easter Island.

**E**xplore the archaeological highlights of Easter Island on this comprehensive tour visiting **Ahu Akivi, where seven large moai face out to sea, the spectacular Rano Kau Volcano, Ahu Akahanga with its massive toppled moai, and the Rano Raraku quarry, in which lies a number of incomplete statues.**

#### Day 1 Hanga Roa

Arrive Hanga Roa and transfer to your hotel.

#### Day 2 Hanga Roa

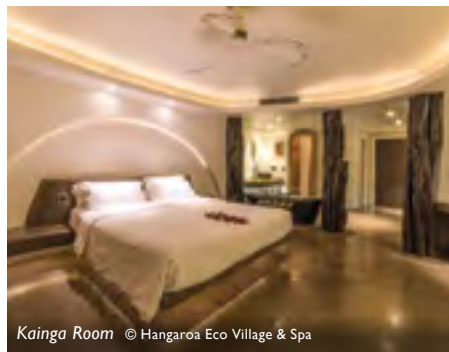
Morning tour including the Rano Kau Volcano and the ceremonial site of Orongo, with its rock drawings of the birdman "Tangata Manu" and the gods, Make Make and Komari. Return to the hotel for lunch before an afternoon tour of Ahu Akivi with its enigmatic moai - the only ones on the island facing out to sea. Overnight at hotel. B

#### Day 3 Hanga Roa

Full day tour with picnic lunch to Ahu Akahanga with its fallen moai as well as other sites of interest including Rano Raraku quarry and Ahu Tongariki with its 15 immense statues. Also visit Anakena Beach. Return to the hotel for overnight. BL

#### Day 4 Tour ends Hanga Roa

Transfer to the airport. Tour ends. B



Kainga Room © Hangaroa Eco Village & Spa

### HANGAROA ECO VILLAGE & SPA

★★★★★

Blending into its surrounding environment the hotel has stunning panoramic ocean views. Situated on the main promenade of the town it offers 75 serene rooms and suites, two restaurants, bar, swimming pool and professional day spa.



Hotel Puku Vai © Hotel Puku Vai

### HOTEL PUKU VAI

★★★

Designed to reflect the natural textures of Easter Island's volcanic landscape, this stone-and-timber hotel has 13 rooms with direct access to the pool, gardens, a bar, restaurant and free Wi-Fi.



Altiplánico Rapa Nui © Hotel Altiplánico

### ALTIPLÁNICO RAPA NUI

★★★★★

Located a short drive from Hanga Roa with sweeping views of the shoreline, this hotel's architecture is inspired by traditional motifs. It has 16 airy, inviting guest rooms, a restaurant, bar and swimming pool.



Rano Raraku quarry moai © Shutterstock

**ARGENTINA**

This fascinating country offers everything from stunning wilderness and ancient Inca sites to sophisticated European-style cities. Argentina is easy to travel in, so enjoy famous local wines in the beautiful region of Mendoza, stroll through stylish Buenos Aires and charming colonial Salta, or visit the mighty Iguazú Falls. Cruise or hike the mountainous wonderland of Patagonia, with its gorgeous fjords and famous glaciers, or experience the life of a gaucho at a traditional estancia. Nature lovers can stay in an eco-lodge and look for exotic wildlife in the forests.



Colourful La Boca, Buenos Aires © Shutterstock



The National Congress, Buenos Aires © Shutterstock

**BUENOS AIRES CITY STAY**

3 days/2 nights

From \$484 per person twin share

**R**enowned as the most elegant and cosmopolitan city in South America, Buenos Aires is made up of 47 fascinating neighbourhoods (barrios), each with their own distinct personality. Founded in 1580 on the Rio de la Plata, today it is a vibrant city of 12 million people offering fabulous nightlife, tango, culture, sports, shopping, delicious beef and excellent wines.

**INCLUSIONS**

Private airport/hotel transfers, 2 nights hotel accommodation with breakfast, private half day city tour.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

- The fiery, passionate tango
- Fantastic restaurants, great wine and barbecue
- Character-filled barrios including La Boca
- The historic La Recoleta Cemetery
- Traditional gaucho life

**ACCOMMODATION**

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>Palacio Duhau Park Hyatt Buenos Aires</b> (Park Dlx Rm)	\$1114	\$2226
<b>Alvear Palace Hotel</b> (Palace Premier Rm)	\$946	\$1890
<b>Sofitel Buenos Aires Recoleta</b> (Superior Rm)	\$676	\$1354
<b>Alvear Art Hotel</b> (Studio Rm)	\$652	\$1306
<b>Loi Suites</b> (Studio Junior Rm)	\$574	\$1148
<b>Recoleta Grand Hotel</b> (Dlx Jnr Rm)	\$566	\$1128
<b>Mine Hotel</b> (Classic Rm)	\$556	\$1116
<b>Intersur Recoleta</b> (Executive Rm)	\$484	\$974

**STAY LONGER**

It's easy to visit the iconic Iguazú Falls from Buenos Aires. If you are interested in wildlife, choose an eco-lodge set in rainforest close to the falls, or stay in the pristine Ibera Marshes. Alternatively, fly south into the unspoilt Patagonian wilderness or cross the border to Brazil or Uruguay. Contact one of our Argentina specialists to start planning your journey today.

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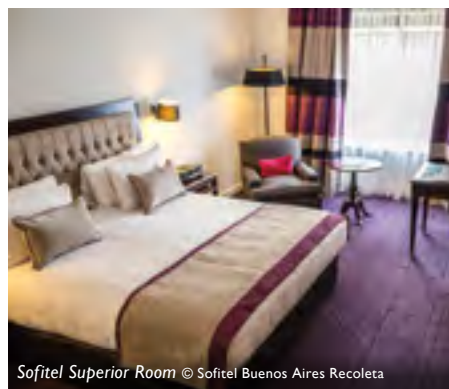


© Palacio Duhau Park Hyatt Buenos Aires

**PALACIO DUHAU PARK HYATT BUENOS AIRES (RECOLETA)**

★★★★★

A stunning Belle Époque palace unveils uncommon experiences in this Buenos Aires luxury hotel. Enjoy a sense of retreat at this coveted address in Recoleta with fine dining at on-site restaurants, holistic spa rituals and a distinguished service amid secluded lush gardens and terraces.



Sofitel Superior Room © Sofitel Buenos Aires Recoleta

**SOFITEL BUENOS AIRES RECOLETA (RECOLETA)**

★★★★★

This glamorous boutique hotel in classy Recoleta is ten minutes' walk from famous landmarks including Teatro Colon and the Recoleta Cemetery. It has 175 beautifully appointed guest rooms, a pool, fine dining restaurant and cocktail bar.

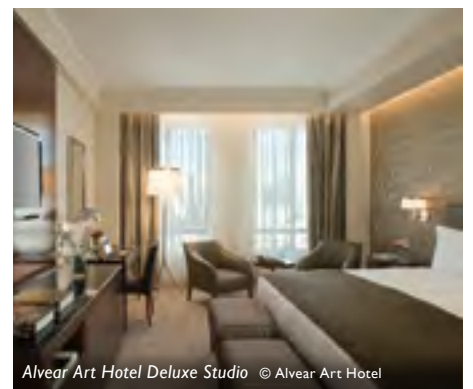


Alvear Palace Hotel © Alvear Palace Hotel

**ALVEAR PALACE HOTEL (RECOLETA)**

★★★★★

Located in stylish La Recoleta, this hotel has grand French-inspired public areas, with 192 guest rooms decorated in Empire and Louis XV style. The recently renewed top floors feature an indoor pool, solariums and 15 spacious, beautifully designed suites with exclusive access to a lounge.



Alvear Art Hotel Deluxe Studio © Alvear Art Hotel

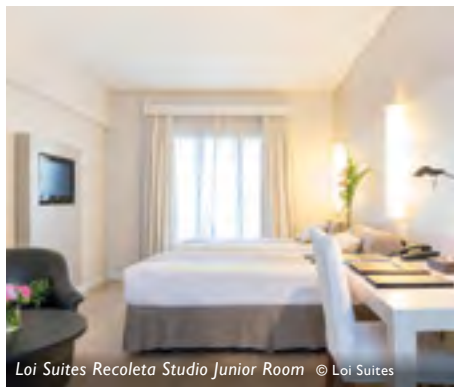
**ALVEAR ART HOTEL (RECOLETA)**

★★★★★

This hotel sits in the very heart of the downtown near many of the city's best sites. The 139 stylish rooms are air-conditioned whilst the bathrooms are fitted with Jacuzzi and shower box. The hotel offers a restaurant and bar, fitness centre and spa with panoramic views of the city.



Experience an Evening Tango Show © Stephen Cameron



Loi Suites Recoleta Studio Junior Room © Loi Suites

**LOI SUITES RECOLETA HOTEL (RECOLETA)**

★★★★★

Situated in the exclusive Recoleta district, this chic 112-room hotel seamlessly combines modern minimalist style with comfort. The hotel has two restaurants, a sauna, gym and heated pool. Walk to Recoleta Cemetery or browse the many art galleries, museums and shops nearby.



Recoleta Grand Hotel Deluxe Suite © Recoleta Grand Hotel

**RECOLETA GRAND HOTEL (RECOLETA)**

★★★★★

The smart, boutique Recoleta Grand Hotel is just steps from the many museums and landmarks of Buenos Aires' affluent Recoleta neighbourhood. It comprises 88 well-appointed guest rooms, a restaurant serving creative international cuisine, full-service day spa and gym.



Mine Hotel © Mine Hotel

**MINE HOTEL (PALERMO SOHO)**

★★★★★

This award-winning, eco-friendly boutique hotel is located in the heart of fashionable Palermo Soho. It has 20 modern, comfortable guest rooms, a pretty garden with an outdoor swimming pool and free Wi-Fi access. Buffet breakfast is served daily onsite.



Hotel Intersur Recoleta Executive Room © Eurotur

**HOTEL INTERSUR RECOLETA (RECOLETA)**

★★★★

Located in Recoleta, one of the best suburbs in Buenos Aires, the Intersur Recoleta is walking distance to many restaurants, shops and sights. It offers a range of comfortable rooms and suites, a bar, restaurant, sundeck, fitness centre and spa.

**BUENOS AIRES DAY TOURS**

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
Half day Buenos Aires City tour	Included	Included
Colonia, Uruguay full day tour	\$681	\$946
Fiesta Gaucha full day tour (SIB)	\$239	\$478
The Argentine Experience	\$263	\$326
Dinner & Evening Tango Show	\$153	\$199

**INCLUSIONS**

Private transport to/from hotel, private tours (except Fiesta Gaucha Tour seat in bus).

**Half day Buenos Aires City tour**

Highlights include the Plaza de Mayo, Monserrat, San Telmo, La Boca, Puerto Madero, fashionable Palermo and elegant Recoleta including the famous La Recoleta Cemetery.

**Colonia, Uruguay full day tour**

Travel to the quaint town of Colonia in Uruguay, a World Heritage Site, and wander old cobblestone streets and squares lined with colonial buildings.

**Fiesta Gaucha full day tour**

Experience traditional gaucha life at an estancia outside Buenos Aires, with a typical Argentine barbecue, gaucha music and horsemanship displays.

**The Argentine Experience**

Learn the basics of Argentine cuisine such as how to close an empanada and order a steak, before a dinner party with plenty of fine local wines.

**Dinner & Evening Tango Show**

Enjoy a glamorous evening of tango at one of Buenos Aires' famous tango restaurants. Dinner included.





Walkway to a lookout point down into the Devil's Throat, Iguazú Falls © Shutterstock

## IGUAZÚ FALLS

3 days/2 nights

From \$536 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Iguazú or Iguazu

### EX ARGENTINA

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>Gran Meliá Iguazú</b> (Meliá Jungle View Rm)	\$958	\$1774
<b>Loi Suites</b> (Studio Junior Room)	\$791	\$1416
<b>Mercure Iguazú Hotel Iru</b> (Std Rm)	\$607	\$1048

### EX BRAZIL

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>Belmond Hotel das Cataratas</b> (Superior Room)	\$1213	\$2291
<b>Wish Resort Foz do Iguazu</b> (Premiere Room)	\$680	\$1152
<b>Hotel Viale Cataratas</b> (Luxury Room)	\$536	\$884

### INCLUSIONS

Private airport transfers and tours as per itinerary, 2 nights accommodation with breakfast, naturalist guide, entrance fees to National Park.

### OPTIONAL TOURS

<b>Tour cost from:</b>	Per Person
<b>The Great Adventure (ex Arg)</b>	\$137
<b>Helicopter Tour (ex Brazil)</b>	\$486
<b>Macuco Safari (ex Brazil)</b>	\$269
<b>Bird Park (ex Brazil)^</b>	\$73

Shared tours. Please contact us for details.

^Bird Park includes entry fee to park only.

**O**ver 70m high with 275 cascades, the Iguazú Falls are amongst the largest, most stunning waterfalls in the world. Spread in a horseshoe shape over 2.7km of the Iguazú River, which forms the Argentina/Brazil border, two thirds of the falls lie on the Argentine side, while the most iconic view – the Devil's Throat – can be savoured from Brazil. You can explore the Iguazú Falls from either country - both provide unique viewpoints of this natural wonder. Another attraction of this landmark is its unspoilt rainforest setting, which teems with exotic birds and wildlife.

#### Day 1 Iguazú Falls

Arrival transfer from Iguazú (Argentina) or Iguazu (Brazil) airports to your chosen hotel. The remainder of the day is free to relax.

#### Day 2 Iguazú Falls

Argentina: Experience a full day tour of the falls, where you can hike forested cliffside paths and feel the tremendous spray. B

**OR**

Brazil: Enjoy a half-day walking tour with spectacular vistas of Devil's Throat. B

#### Day 3 Tour ends Iguazú

Day at leisure or optional visit to Argentinean or Brazilian side of the Falls (additional cost). Transfer to airport. Tour ends. B



Iguazú Falls lookout point © Shutterstock



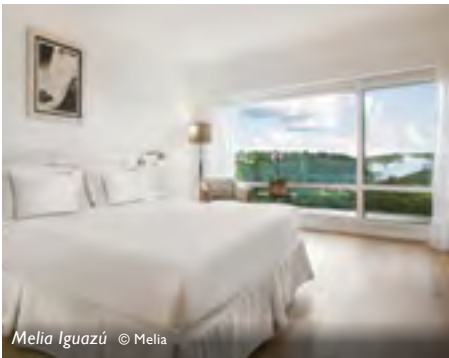
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Iguazú Falls - 'The Great Adventure' © Shutterstock

## ACCOMMODATION - ARGENTINA



Melia Iguazú © Melia

### GRAN MELIÁ IGUAZÚ

★★★★★

Formerly the Sheraton Iguazú, this renowned hotel has recently re-opened after a complete renovation featuring modern, comfortable rooms with views of famous Iguazú Falls. Located within Iguazú National Park, the hotel has a restaurant, 2 bars (one pool-side), infinity pool, tennis court and day spa.



Loi Suites © Loi Suites

### LOI SUITES IGUAZÚ HOTEL

★★★★★

Hidden in the jungle 15 minutes from Iguazú Falls, the Loi Suites' 159 rooms have smooth timber floors, sleek ensuite bathrooms and gorgeous views of their tropical surroundings. The hotel has a restaurant, a pool bar, a fabulous outdoor pool, day spa, gym and kids' playground.



Mercure Iguazú Hotel Iru lobby © Mercure

### MERCURE IGUAZÚ HOTEL IRU

★★★★★

Situated in the heart of Iryapú Jungle just 5km from Puerto Iguazú, Mercure Iguazú Hotel Iru offers 100 spacious and elegant air-conditioned rooms. The hotel also features an outdoor swimming pool, restaurant, fitness centre including sauna and spa, as well as Wi-Fi.

## ACCOMMODATION - BRAZIL



Belmond Hotel das Cataratas © Belmond

### BELMOND HOTEL DAS CATARATAS

★★★★★

The only hotel within the national park on the Brazilian side of the falls, this former Portuguese-colonial summer residence is surrounded by verdant gardens and has 193 plush guest rooms, a pool, 2 restaurants, a bar, tennis court and day spa.



Wish Resort Foz do Iguazu © Wish Resort Foz do Iguazu

### WISH RESORT FOZ DO IGUAÇU

★★★★★

This family-friendly resort is located on an 18-hole golf course in Foz do Iguazu. It has 215 spacious, inviting guest apartments, 3 restaurants, an outdoor pool, a fitness centre, tennis court and kids' club.



Hotel Viale Cataratas © Viale Hotels

### HOTEL VIALE CATARATAS

★★★★★

A cosy hotel in the heart of Foz do Iguazu, the Viale Cataratas accommodates guests in 199 non-smoking rooms with air-conditioning and timber floors. Facilities include an onsite restaurant, gym and an outdoor swimming pool.



Awasi Iguazú © Awasi

## AWASI IGUAZÚ

3 days/2 nights  
From \$3992 per person twin share\*  
Departs ex Iguazú

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Return transfer by road from Iguazú Airport to Awasi Iguazú, full board accommodation, drinks and activities. Children 10+.

**L**ocated a mere 20 minutes from the Iguazú Falls, Awasi Iguazú offers 14 sophisticated guest villas, carefully positioned for privacy amid pristine rainforest, yet within easy reach of the main lodge. All are raised on stilts to minimise environmental impact and feature personal plunge pools and generous furnished sundecks.

Like all other Awasi properties, meals, beverages and activities are included throughout your stay. Guests are able to craft their own experiences with the support of their very own private guide and vehicle. Cuisine is inspired by the bounty of the surrounding wilderness, and served in the central restaurant and bar.

#### Day 1 Awasi Iguazú

Private transfer from Puerto Iguazú Airport to the lodge. Check into your villa before enjoying dinner at the restaurant. D

#### Day 2 Awasi Iguazú

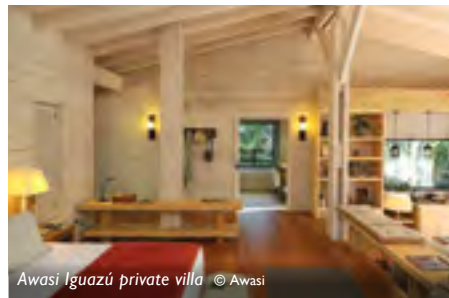
Choose from jungle trails, ancient Jesuit ruins, boat cruises, bird-watching and tribal community visits - excursions at Awasi Iguazú go well beyond simply admiring the famous waterfalls. BLD

#### Day 3 Tour ends Iguazú

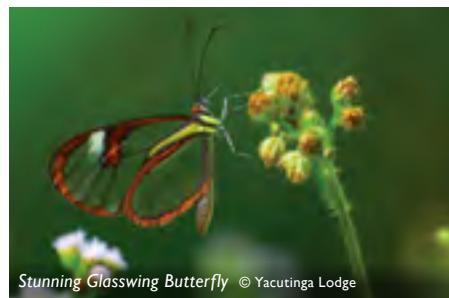
Depart the lodge for Iguazú Airport where your tour ends. B



© Natural Focus



Awasi Iguazú private villa © Awasi



Stunning Glasswing Butterfly © Yacutinga Lodge



Guided rainforest exploration © Yacutinga Lodge

## YACUTINGA LODGE

3 days/2 nights  
From \$1114 per person twin share\*<sup>^</sup>  
Departs ex Iguazú

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Return transfer by road from Iguazú to Yacutinga Lodge & Wildlife Reserve, full board accommodation (excl. drinks), guided walking and boat excursions.

Children 5+ during winter & 8+ during summer.

<sup>^</sup>The lodge is closed 24 Apr-05 Jul & 24-25 Dec.

**E**xperience Argentina's amazing biodiversity at Yacutinga, a remote eco-lodge nestled in luxuriant rainforest just 80km from Iguazú Falls. Designed to blend into the natural environment, Yacutinga's lounge, restaurant, bar, 20 colourful guest rooms and 1 suite are dispersed across just 10 of the property's 1408 acres. With the help of local guides, guests tour the pristine private reserve surrounding the lodge to spot creatures such as butterflies, toucans and hummingbirds, learning about the many exotic species native to the area.

#### Day 1 Yacutinga Lodge

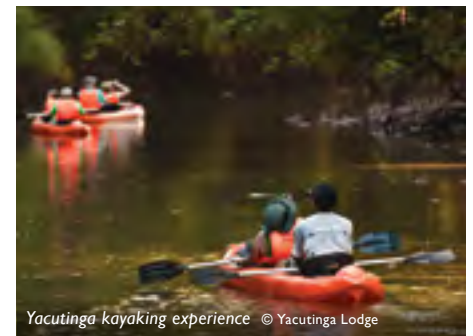
Transfer by road from vibrant Iguazú to the lodge. The 80km road journey takes you through sleepy small towns and virgin rainforest. D

#### Day 2 Yacutinga Lodge

Start early and travel by kayak into the heart of the nature reserve, observing bird, plant and animal life. Spend the afternoon at the pool, scaling observation towers or following forest trails before embarking on an interpretive guided walk. BLD

#### Day 3 Tour ends Puerto Iguazú

After breakfast, enjoy leisure time before returning to Iguazú by early afternoon. B



Yacutinga kayaking experience © Yacutinga Lodge



Yacutinga Lodge © Yacutinga Lodge

# IBERA MARSHES, IGUAZÚ & WILDLIFE

6 days/5 nights

From \$3694 per person twin share

Hosteria or Posada/Hotel

Departs ex Posadas Airport

<b>Price per person from:*</b>	<b>Twin</b>
<b>A</b> Posada Aguape/Mercure Iguazu	\$4214
<b>B</b> Rincón del Socorro/Mercure Iguazu	\$3694

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

## INCLUSIONS

5 nights accommodation, meals, private transfers and activities with local English speaking guide as per itinerary.

**T**his journey will take you from the vast, wildlife-rich savannas and wetlands of the Ibera Marshes to the ruins of an ancient Jesuit Mission and the amazing Iguazú Falls. Accommodation includes the **Hosteria Rincón del Socorro**, in a 120,000 hectare private nature reserve on the edge of the vast **Esteros Del Iberá**, or **Posada Aguape** which is located within the **Ibera Natural Reserve**.



Jesuit ruins © Shutterstock



Ibera Marshes caiman © Shutterstock

## SAMPLE ITINERARY

### Day 1 Ibera

Depart Posadas Airport with your driver/guide. Drive to your accommodation in the Ibera Marshes, a vast wilderness with incredible birdlife and animals such as otter, caiman, marsh deer, capybara and the endangered maned wolf. D

### Day 2 Ibera

Explore the unspoilt nature reserve on horseback with a local guide. Learn about the behaviours and migratory patterns of the many bird species that inhabit this area. Return to your hotel. BLD

### Day 3 Ibera

Set out on a boat excursion of the lagoon, take a walk along one of the nearby trails or paddle a canoe through the marshes, keeping a look out for the many different species of bird, animal and aquatic life that reside in the area. Return to your accommodation for overnight. BLD



Capybara family © Rincón del Socorro

### Day 4 Puerto Iguazú

4WD transfer to the ruins of the San Ignacio Mini mission, a World Heritage Site built by the Jesuits in the 17th and 18th century. After lunch, continue on to Puerto Iguazú, gateway to the Iguazú Falls. BL

### Day 5 Puerto Iguazú

Enjoy a full day excursion to the Argentine side of the Iguazú Falls. Encounter an amazing variety of ferns, orchids and butterflies on the surrounding forest trails. Included is a short boat ride to the San Martin waterfalls, and a jungle safari by 4WD along the Macuco Trail. Return to hotel for overnight. B

### Day 6 Tour ends Puerto Iguazú

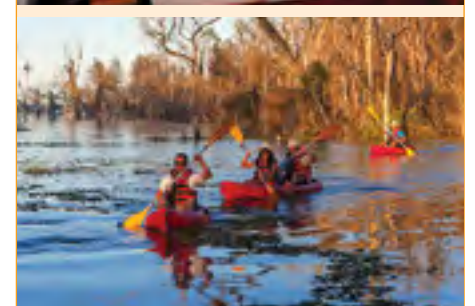
Morning visit to the Brazilian side of the falls. Transfer to the airport. Tour ends. B

## PUERTO VALLE

A short flight from Iguazú Falls, Puerto Valle provides visitors with exclusive access to the many unspoilt lagoons and marshes of the enormous Ibera Natural Reserve. Established in 1868, this working ranch has 13 well-appointed guest rooms overlooking the Parana River and a refreshing outdoor pool. Activities at Puerto Valle include horseback riding, monkey trails, kayaking, bird-watching and wildlife boat safaris in the Ibera wetlands. Return each day to delicious meals and fine Argentine wines.



Incredible birdlife of the Ibera Marshes © Edwin E. Harvey: www.flickr.com/eeh





The Hill of Seven Colours, Purmamarca © Shutterstock

## SALTA & CAFAYATE

6 days/5 nights

From \$2048 per person twin share

Hotels/Estancias

Departs selected days ex Salta

Price per person from:\*

Twin

**A** Legado Mito/Grace Cafayate

\$2235

**B** Villa Vicuna/Vinas de Cafayate

\$2048

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Private return airport/hotel transfer in Salta, 5 nights accommodation at selected hotels in Salta and Cafayate on a B&B basis and private sightseeing as per itinerary.

**F**rom historic Salta explore Argentina's most impressive and beautiful landscapes - the Calchaqui Valleys, scattered with ancient pre-Columbian ruins. Visit the lovely village of Cafayate, taste the local wines, and explore picturesque colonial towns.

#### Day 1 Salta

Transfer to hotel. Afternoon walking tour of Salta's wonderful Spanish architecture, the best preserved in all of Argentina.

#### Day 2 Cafayate

Depart for Cafayate via quaint villages, dramatic mountain passes and Cuesta del Obispo with its majestic valley views. Wander the town of San Jose de Cachi, known for its colonial architecture. On arrival in Cafayate, visit a wine cellar and enjoy a tasting. Overnight Cafayate. B

#### Day 3 Cafayate

Explore the enchanting 17th century colonial town of Cafayate, renowned for its quality wines, well-preserved historic monuments and spectacular landscapes of grapevines set against a backdrop of soaring mountains. B

#### Days 4/5 Salta

Drive through gorgeous valleys and along Quebrada de las Conchas with its curious rock formations to Salta visiting small townships along the way. On Day 5 cross breathtaking highlands, visit pre-Incan remains and explore charming colonial towns including Purmamarca with its Hill of Seven Colours, Humahuaca (2,939m) with its mud houses and cobblestone streets, the pre-Columbian fortress and museum of Inca art at Tilcara and the historic churches at Uquia and San Salvador de Jujuy. Overnight Salta. B

#### Day 6 Tour ends Salta

After breakfast, transfer to the airport. Tour ends. B

### STAY LONGER

Extend this incredible experience in northwest Argentina to include the stunning desert landscapes, volcanoes, lagoons, quaint villages and famous salt flats across the border in Chile's Atacama region. Contact one of our South America specialists to start planning your journey today.

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### BOUTIQUE SALTA

Ask us about these boutique properties: the romantic ranch-style House of Jasmine; the idyllic El Manatial del Silencio at Purmamarca set in stunning scenery, and the luxury retreat Patios de Cafayate.



Patios de Cafayate

## MENDOZA

4 days/3 nights

From \$1126 per person twin share

Hotel/Estancia

Departs daily ex Mendoza

<b>Price per person from:*</b>	<b>Twin</b>
<b>A</b> The Vines/Park Hyatt Hotel	\$2428
<b>B</b> Posada Salentein/Sheraton Salta	\$1126

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Return private transfers airport/hotel, 3 nights accommodation, meals as per itinerary, Mendoza private city tour with English speaking guide.

**N**estled between arid mountains and desert, Mendoza produces 70% of Argentina's wines. It is also the gateway to Aconcagua, the highest peak in the Andes and a wonderful base to explore vineyards, sample locally grown produce and visit pre-Columbian ruins.

### Days 1/2 Uco Valley

Arrive Mendoza and drive to the enchanting Uco Valley - a region famous for producing high quality wine. Enjoy winery visits (additional cost), hikes and sightseeing. D/BD



Posada Salentein © Posada Salentein

### Day 3 Mendoza

Drive to Mendoza and check into your hotel. Afternoon tour of this interesting city founded over 400 years ago by the Spanish. B

### Day 4 Tour ends Mendoza

Breakfast at the hotel before transfer to the airport. Tour ends. B

**Note:** This tour can easily be extended with extra nights in Mendoza, or stay at the prestigious Cavas Wine Lodge, a Relais & Chateaux retreat with gourmet restaurant and fine wine cellar 30 minutes from Mendoza. Prices on request.



Mendoza - Argentina's wine capital © Shutterstock

## WESTERN VINEYARDS OF URUGUAY

4 days/3 nights

From \$2450 per person twin share\*

Departs ex Buenos Aires

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Hydrofoil ticket Buenos Aires to Colonia return, private transfers and tours as per itinerary, 1 night accommodation in Colonia, 2 nights accommodation in Carmelo, meals as per itinerary.

**E**xplore the World Heritage city of Colonia del Sacramento as well as some of Uruguay's beautiful vineyards in the fertile west of the country. En route you will experience ancient wine and gastronomic heritage, stretching back 250 years to the first Spanish, Italian and Swiss immigrants. Stop at wineries and farms to taste the famous "Tannat" wines.

### Day 1 Colonia del Sacramento

Depart Buenos Aires by hydrofoil to Colonia del Sacramento. Enjoy an afternoon tour of the cobblestone Barrio Histórico, lined with buildings from its time as a Portuguese settlement.

### Day 2 Carmelo

After breakfast transfer to Carmelo. Visit Jesuit ruins where the Uruguayan history of wine began, as well as boutique family-run wineries for tastings, and depending on the season, to see harvesting and bottling. Afterwards continue to Narbona Wine Lodge for the night. BLD

### Day 3 Carmelo

Morning at leisure. Enjoy a picnic lunch amongst grape vines and indulge in a wine and cheese tasting. Take a sunset cruise along the Uruguayan coast. BL

### Day 4 Tour ends Buenos Aires

Transfer to Colonia's port for return hydrofoil journey to Buenos Aires. Tour ends. B



Picturesque street scene, Colonia, Uruguay © Shutterstock



Loading grapes on to a Model T Ford © Lares Tours



## PATAGONIA

Located in **Argentina and Chile**, Patagonia is a natural wonderland that occupies the southernmost reaches of South America. It is an extraordinary landscape of dramatic mountains, gigantic glaciers that calve into icy lakes, cascading waterfalls, crystalline streams and beech forests. It is also an area rich in wildlife such as seals, humpback whales, pumas, condors and guanacos. The best time to visit Patagonia is between **October and April**.

### Highlights

Spectacular Perito Moreno Glacier; scenic wonders of Los Glaciares National Park; unforgettable landscapes of Torres del Paine; breathtaking scenery of the Lakes District.

### Climate

The weather is at its warmest and the hours of daylight at their longest (18 hours) during the summer months of Nov-Mar. This is also the windiest and busiest time of year. Winter provides clear skies, less windy conditions and fewer tourists; however temperatures can be extremely cold.



# PRISTINE PATAGONIA

“Torres Del Paine National Park in Patagonia was incredible! I had never seen anything like it before. This was one of the most awesome trips I have ever been on.”

Maria-Luisa Scala



Breathtaking Perito Moreno Glacier © Shutterstock

## PERITO MORENO GLACIER

4 days/3 nights

From \$805 per person twin share

Departs daily ex El Calafate

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>Xelena</b> (Standard Room Lake View)	\$1063	\$1582
<b>El Quijote Hotel</b> (Standard Room)	\$962	\$1423
<b>Imago</b> (Std Room)	\$910	\$1279
<b>Rochester Hotel Calafate</b> (Hills View)	\$805	\$1063

### INCLUSIONS

Airport/hotel private transfers, bed and breakfast accommodation in El Calafate, shared excursions as per itinerary (some excursions season dependent), park fees, services of English speaking guide.

**E**xplore the wonders of Los Glaciares National Park where the famous Perito Moreno Glacier calves huge chunks of ice into the lake below. Cruise amongst cobalt icebergs and travel by boat to the spectacular Upsala Glacier.

#### Day 1 El Calafate

Arrival transfer from the airport to your hotel. Afternoon 4WD excursion to Cerro Frias.

#### Day 2 El Calafate

Full day exploration of the Perito Moreno Glacier with a nautical safari for a completely different perspective of the glacier from the waters of the Rico Arm. Alternatively, enjoy an optional mini ice-trekking activity on the glacier (additional cost). Overnight at your hotel. B

#### Day 3 El Calafate

Transfer to Puerto Punta Bandera for a boat trip to the Upsala and Spegazzini Glaciers. After lunch, return to your hotel for overnight. B

#### Day 4 Tour ends El Calafate

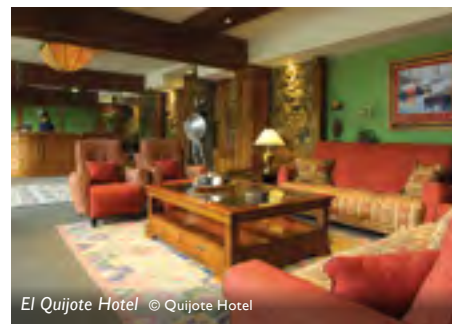
Transfer to the airport for your onward flight. B



Xelena Hotel exterior © Xelena Hotel & Suites

### XELENA HOTEL & SUITES

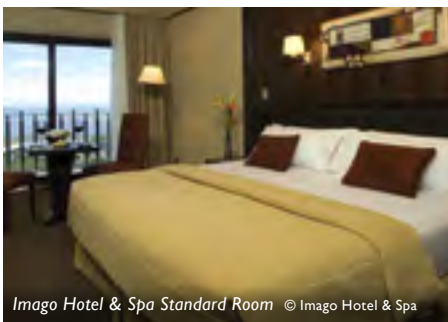
Set on the shores of Lake Argentino this friendly hotel offers unparalleled views of its captivating surrounds. All 70 rooms feature private Jacuzzis whilst guests enjoy access to a cafe, restaurant, bar, heated indoor pool, gym and spa complete with dry sauna and treatment rooms.



El Quijote Hotel © Quijote Hotel

### EL QUIJOTE HOTEL

Centrally located in El Calafate, this family operated hotel is decorated in the charming style of a traditional mountain ranch. It offers 118 bright ensuite rooms with Wi-Fi access, cable television and minibars. Other amenities include a bar, cafe and room service.



Imago Hotel & Spa Standard Room © Imago Hotel & Spa

### IMAGO HOTEL & SPA

Conveniently close to the Los Glaciares National Park, this stylish hotel has 54 ensuite guest rooms with sweeping views of Lake Argentino and the surrounding hills. Facilities include a swimming pool, fitness centre, spa, bar and restaurant.



Rochester Hotel Calafate © Rochester Hotels

### ROCHESTER HOTEL CALAFATE

Just 40 minutes from where cruises depart to the region's glaciers, this hotel has a wide range of well-appointed ensuite rooms, free Wi-Fi, a restaurant, wine cellar and bar. Free shuttle transfers are available to downtown El Calafate, 3.5km away.



Ice-trekking, Perito Moreno Glacier © Shutterstock



Spegazzini Glacier boat excursion © Shutterstock





The extraordinary scenery of Los Glaciares National Park © Shutterstock

## LOS GLACIARES EXPERIENCE

6 days/5 nights

From \$883 per person twin share Hotel/Estancia

Departs daily ex El Calafate

Season: October - April

Price per person from:\*

	Twin
<b>A</b>	Xelena Hotel/Destino Sur \$1315
<b>B</b>	Imago/Senderos Hosteria \$1090
<b>C</b>	Rochester Hotel/Las Piedras \$883

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Scheduled airport transfers in El Calafate, shared transfer El Calafate to El Chalten, accommodation on a B&B basis, shared transfer El Chalten to El Calafate Airport, shared tours as per itinerary, entrance fees to National Park, services of English speaking guide.

**E**xplore the scenic wonders of Argentina's Los Glaciares National Park, home to 47 spectacular glaciers including the renowned Perito Moreno Glacier, one of the largest in South America. Take day hikes through stunning mountain scenery near El Chalten, with dramatic views of the towering granite spires of Monte Fitz Roy and Cerro Torre.

#### Day 1 El Calafate

Arrive El Calafate, gateway to the World Heritage Site of Los Glaciares National Park. Afternoon free to explore the town. Check into your hotel for 2 nights.

#### Day 2 El Calafate

Full day tour to the Perito Moreno Glacier, which can be viewed from several vantage points. Sometimes huge chunks of ice break off and fall into Lake Argentino. Overnight El Calafate. B

#### Day 3 El Chalten

Take a shared bus across the steppes of Patagonia to the picturesque village of El Chalten (220km) at the foot of the mighty Monte Fitz Roy in the northern part of Los Glaciares National Park. Overnight at your lodge. B



Impressive peaks of Cerro Torre © Shutterstock

#### Days 4/5 El Chalten

Enjoy a guided hike within the National Park with views of Monte Fitz Roy. Day 5 at leisure Overnight El Chalten. B

#### Day 6 Tour ends El Calafate

After breakfast return to El Calafate by shared bus. Tour ends. B



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Perito Moreno Glacier © Shutterstock



Eolo Lodge © Eolo Lodge

## USHUAIA CITY STAY

2 days/1 night

From \$314 per person twin share

**S**ituated on the famous Beagle Channel at the southern tip of Argentina, Ushuaia is the world's southernmost city. Against the dramatic backdrop of the majestic Martial Mountains, the city is surrounded by nature and is perfect for wildlife and eco adventures. Ushuaia is also the starting point for most cruises to Antarctica. Not to be missed is the Tierra del Fuego National Park, which can be reached by the End of the World Train.

### INCLUSIONS

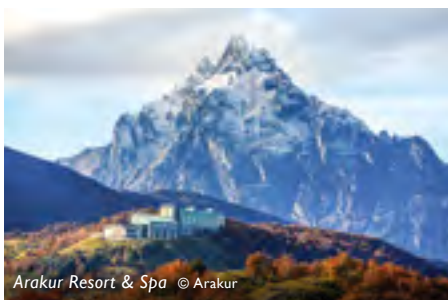
Shared transfer airport to hotel, 1 night accommodation with breakfast and half day shared National Park tour with End of the World Train, entrance fee.

### ACCOMMODATION

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
Los Cauquenes (Std Mountain View Rm)	\$405	\$556
Arakur Resort & Spa (Standard Rm)	\$384	\$485
Hotel Albatros (Standard Rm)	\$314	\$412

### LOS CAUQUENES RESORT + SPA + EXPERIENCES

Just 15 minutes from Ushuaia, this exclusive resort is located on the shores of the Beagle Channel with snow-capped mountains as a backdrop. The hotel offers personalised service and 54 inviting guest rooms with water or mountain views. Facilities include a restaurant, wine bar, spa, pool, gym and private beach access.



Arakur Resort & Spa © Arakur

### ARAKUR RESORT & SPA

This impressive 117-room hotel sits inside a Private Nature Reserve surrounded by mountains and native forest close to Ushuaia city centre. The property has a restaurant, bar, indoor and outdoor pools, hot tubs and gym, with stunning scenic views.



Hotel Albatros © Hotel Albatros

### HOTEL ALBATROS

This comfortable hotel is situated on the waterfront in Ushuaia close to shops and restaurants. It offers cosy ensuite guest rooms, room service, an onsite lounge/bar, Wi-Fi access, a hot tub, gym, spa and sauna.



Los Cauquenes Resort + Spa + Experiences © Los Cauquenes

## EOLO LODGE

3 days/2 nights

From \$1534 per person twin share\*

Departs daily ex El Calafate

Closed 02 May-30 Sep

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Return transfer El Calafate airport to Eolo, full board accommodation (breakfast, lunch, lunch boxes for excursions, tea and dinner), non-alcoholic drinks, use of lodge amenities, guided outdoor excursions on estancia and internet.

**D**iscover the spirit of Patagonia at the renowned Eolo Lodge, situated on a 4,000 hectare estancia between El Calafate and the Perito Moreno Glacier. Built in traditional style but fitted with modern amenities, this spacious country lodge offers panoramic views and a range of excursions conducted by professional guides.

### Days 1/2 Eolo

Arrival transfer from El Calafate Airport to Eolo. The lodge offers 17 suites with central heating and ensuite bathrooms, a main living room overlooking the valley, gourmet restaurant, bar, library, indoor pool and sauna. Experienced staff make your stay special with a program of activities including discussions on glaciology, regional flora and fauna and indigenous customs.

Enjoy excursions on the estancia including trekking, mountain biking and birdwatching. Other activities available at extra cost include tours to Perito Moreno Glacier or El Chaltén, an Upsala Glacier cruise, horseback riding and 4WD trips to Mt Frias. LD/BLD

### Day 3 Tour ends El Calafate

Transfer to El Calafate Airport. Tour ends. B



Stunning sunset at Eolo Lodge © Eolo Lodge



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## BOUTIQUE BARILOCHE

3 days/2 nights

From \$522 per person twin share

Daily ex Bariloche

**T**he “Switzerland of Argentina” Bariloche has magnificent scenery, world class accommodation and excellent skiing. Ramble, cycle or horseback ride through the alpine scenery or simply relax and enjoy the lodge facilities.

### INCLUSIONS

Return private transfers airport to hotel, 2 nights accommodation with breakfast.

### ACCOMMODATION

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
Llao Llao Hotel & Resort	\$702	\$1402
El Casco Art Hotel	\$758	\$1516
Alma del Lago Suites & Spa	\$522	\$1044

### LLAO LLAO HOTEL & RESORT

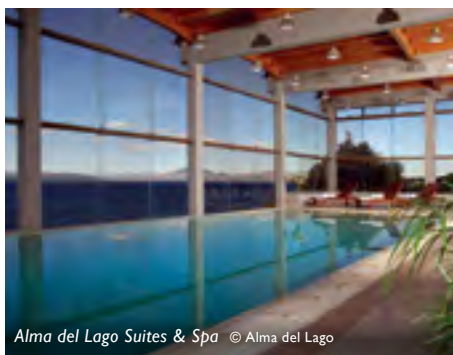
This famous 1940s resort is situated on a hill with views over Lake Nahuel Huapi. It has 205 rooms across two distinct wings, 4 restaurants, a bar, lounge, fitness centre, pool, golf course, watersports, mountain biking, hiking and yoga.

### EL CASCO ART HOTEL

Located 15 minutes from Bariloche, this luxurious lakefront hotel is home to a collection of over 400 Argentine paintings and sculptures. Each of the 33 guest rooms is decorated with work from a different artist. Guests can enjoy gourmet cuisine in the restaurant, or a delightful cocktail at the bar.



El Casco Art Hotel © El Casco Art Hotel



Alma del Lago Suites & Spa © Alma del Lago

### ALMA DEL LAGO SUITES & SPA

Set on Lake Nahuel Huapi's scenic southern banks, this hotel first opened its doors in the early 20th century. Today, it comprises of 95 modern guest rooms, a restaurant, full-service day spa, gym, sauna and an excellent indoor pool with views of the lake.



Llao Llao Hotel & Resort © Shutterstock

## CROSSING THE LAKES

5 days/4 nights

From \$1589 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Puerto Montt to Bariloche or v.v.

Price per person from:*	Twin
<b>A</b> Enjoy Puerto Vartas/Petrohué Lodge/ Hotel Llao Llao	\$1988
<b>B</b> Hotel Cumbres/Petrohué Lodge/ Hotel Nahuel Huapi	\$1671
<b>C</b> Hotel Solace/Petrohué Lodge/ Kenton Palace	\$1589

\*Minimum 2 people. Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Airport/hotel transfers, hotel accommodation with breakfast (Full board at Petrohue Lodge), transfers and excursions as per itinerary, entrance fees, local English speaking guide.

**E**xperience the breathtaking scenery of the Lakes District as you cross by boat and bus from Chile to Argentina via a necklace of pristine lakes. Traverse snow-capped mountains and virgin forest to Bariloche - an adventurer's paradise.

### Day 1 Puerto Varas

Arrival transfer from Puerto Montt through the wild Chilean Lakes District to Puerto Varas with views of Osorno Volcano and the Llanquihue Lake.

### Days 2/3 Petrohué Lodge

Drive to the charming and comfortable Petrohué Lodge, situated inside Chile's Vicente Pérez Rosales National Park, on the shores of Lake Todos los Santos. Over the next 2 days choose from a range of optional activities such as kayaking, fishing, hiking, rock climbing and excursions to landmarks such as the wonderful Petrohué Falls. BLD

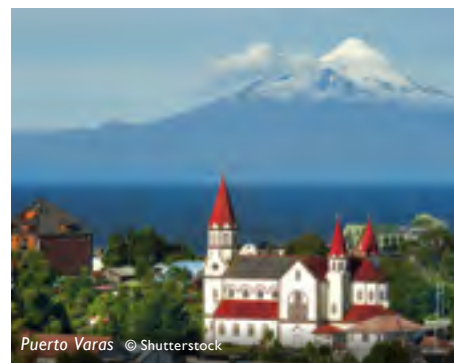
### Day 4 Bariloche

Cross Todos los Santos Lake by catamaran into Argentina with magnificent views of the Osorno, Puntagudo and Tronador volcanoes. Disembark in Peulla and after lunch (own account) board a bus to Puerto Frías. Here, take a boat across Lake Fria to the village of Puerto Alegre, from where you will continue by road through beautiful Andean larch forest to Puerto Blest. Once more, board a catamaran for your last lake crossing to Puerto Pañuelo. Arrival private transfer to your hotel in Bariloche. Overnight in Bariloche. B

### Day 5 Tour ends Bariloche

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel. Tour ends. B

**Note:** During winter (May-Aug) a night in Peulla is recommended, doing the lake crossing in 2 days.



Puerto Varas © Shutterstock



Beautiful Bariloche © Shutterstock



Hacienda Hotel Vira Vira main building © Hotel Vira Vira

## VIRA VIRA - RELAIS & CHATEAUX

4 days/3 nights

From \$3052 per person twin share\*

Departs ex Temuco

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Return scheduled transfers from Temuco airport, accommodation in Suite, all meals, house wine, daily activities and excursions with bilingual guides.

**D**esigned to capture the 'Elegance of Adventure', this secluded retreat offers guests the chance to enjoy exciting excursions, view breathtaking landscapes and gain eye-opening insight into rural Patagonian life, before retiring each night to a lavish suite. The gourmet restaurant features an evolving menu of dishes created from farm-sourced produce accompanied by fine Chilean wines. Each day, guests have the choice of a wide range of activities, many of which are included in the tariff.

#### Days 1-3 Vira Vira

Transfer from Temuco Airport to Vira Vira. Settle into your room, relax in the cosy guest lounge or decide on the excursions you will undertake during your stay.

Excursions are graded 'easy' to 'difficult' according to the level of physical activity required. A range of excursions are included in



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your tariff, and you can consult with Vira Vira staff to decide the best choice of excursions for you, based on your interests and level of fitness. Options include leisurely exploring the surrounding area by river raft, visiting local artisans or making cheese at the hotel's very own dairy. Venture further afield with walks in nearby national parks, horseback riding through ancient forests, sailing on Villarrica Lake or cycling at the foot of the Villarrica Volcano. BLD

#### Day 4 Tour ends Temuco

After breakfast, enjoy your last hours at Vira Vira before your transfer back to Temuco Airport. B



Hotel Vira Vira Suite © Hotel Vira Vira

## TIERRA CHILOÉ

4 days/3 nights

From \$3193 per person twin share\*

Departs ex Puerto Montt

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Return scheduled transfers by road and ferry from Puerto Montt, accommodation, all meals, open bar (excluding premium drinks), daily activities and excursions with bilingual guides.

**T**he cutting edge architecture of Tierra Chiloé provides alluring contrast to the wild, rugged island on which it sits. With only 24 rooms, this exclusive resort in northern Patagonia offers unrivalled space and boundless opportunities to explore Chiloé's cultural and natural treasures. In true Tierra style, your stay is inclusive of all meals and activities.

#### Days 1-3 Tierra Chiloé

Transfer by road and ferry from Puerto Montt to Tierra Chiloé (Approx 3.5hrs). The friendly staff are always on hand to help you choose each day's experiences. The enchanting Chiloé Archipelago brims with wild rivers, peaceful coves, traditional villages and historic churches that are World Heritage Sites. Discover its magic on half and full day explorations, with options including horseback riding, cycling, trekking, cultural excursions and cruises on Tierra Chiloé's very own boat, the Williche. Back at the lodge, enjoy fresh regional cuisine in beautifully styled living and dining spaces, as well as access to an expansive day spa with an outdoor pool overlooking the Pacific Ocean. BLD

#### Day 4 Tour ends Puerto Montt

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your return flight to Puerto Montt. Tour ends. B



Tierra Chiloé Living Area © Tierra Hotels



Tierra Chiloé © Tierra Hotels

# THE SINGULAR PATAGONIA

4 days/3 nights

From \$3631 per person twin share\*

Departs ex Puerto Natales

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

## INCLUSIONS

Return scheduled transfers from Puerto Natales or Punta Arenas, accommodation, all meals, house wine, daily activities and excursions with bilingual guides.

Closed 29 Apr-26 Sep 2019.

**S**et within a former cold storage plant built in the early 20th century, The Singular Patagonia absolutely lives up to its name. Original period features are expertly incorporated into minimalist modern design at this hotel, which also maximises its spectacular surrounds with liberal use of full length windows.

The hotel's 57 rooms and suites exude simple luxury, providing comfort and style without pretence. Guests can indulge in outstanding views and exciting regional gastronomy at the bar and restaurant, having worked up an appetite exploring the captivating mountains and plains of Patagonia.

### Days 1-3 The Singular

Transfer from Puerto Natales to The Singular, which is ideally located to reach many of southern Patagonia's most impressive sites including the Torres del Paine National Park, Balmaceda Glacier, Grey Glacier and the Mylodod Caves. Trek through primeval forests or to a condor lookout, cycle the broad Patagonian steppes and even kayak across a pristine fjord - outdoor opportunities here are endless. Excursions are graded from 'easy' to 'difficult' and your guide will help you choose ones that best match your abilities and interests. Back at the lodge, enjoy the many first-class facilities, including the wellness spa, which boasts a huge range of rejuvenating treatments, and the renowned restaurant which offers gourmet meals and an exceptional wine list. BLD

### Day 4 Tour ends Puerto Natales

After breakfast, prepare to leave The Singular. Transfer back to Puerto Natales. Tour ends. B



## TORRES DEL PAINE • CHILEAN PATAGONIA



## BALMACEDA GLACIER & TORRES DEL PAINE

7 days/6 nights

From \$6229 per person twin share\*

Departs daily ex Puerto Natales

Operates Oct-Mar

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

## INCLUSIONS

6 nights accommodation, scheduled transfers and meals as per itinerary, entrance fees, land and boat excursions, English speaking guide.

**T**his exciting adventure takes an alternative route to the Torres del Paine National Park, travelling by boat along the Ultima Esperanza Fjord to the Balmaceda and Serrano glaciers, and then by Zodiac up the Serrano River. Once in the park you will explore this amazing landscape by road, boat and on foot, visiting glaciers and other wonders.

### Days 1/2 Puerto Natales

Transfer Puerto Natales Airport to The Singular Patagonia for overnight. On Day 2 enjoy some of the many activities on offer at this stunning lodge (see column 1). D/BLD

### Day 3 Torres del Paine NP

Board the 21 de Mayo cutter for your journey along the Ultima Esperanza Fjord with the chance of viewing sea lions and other marine life. Visit the Serrano and Balmaceda glaciers, and then continue by Zodiac up the Serrano River on a 3-hr adventure to Torres del Paine NP. Transfer by mini bus to the Hotel Las Torres in the heart of the park (please see p70 for hotel description). BLD



### Days 4-6 Torres del Paine NP

Spend the next 3 days enjoying the optional half day and full day activities on offer at Hotel Las Torres. BLD

### Day 7 Tour ends Punta Arenas/El Calafate

Transfer to Punta Arenas or El Calafate. Tour ends. B



## TORRES DEL PAINE

5 days/4 nights or 4 days/3 nights

Departs daily ex Puerto Natales

Hotel/Lodge

**D**iscover the splendour of Chile's jaw-dropping Torres del Paine (Towers of Paine) National Park, dominated by three immense granite spires who gave the reserve its name. While most visitors come to see these rock pinnacles, there are plenty of other noteworthy attractions within the park. These include the immense Grey Glacier, which calves enormous cobalt icebergs into a terminal lake, scenic trails flanked by alpine forests teeming with rare birds such as the ostrich-like rhea, pretty open steppes grazed by guanaco and pristine rushing waterways fed by snowmelt. Hiking is the best way to experience the park's many attractions, while sightseeing cruises are available to the Grey Glacier. Trekking the elusive puma, the world's largest mountain lion, is also a fantastic option – and one that rivals any Big-Cat Safari around the world. For further information refer to page 72.

### INCLUSIONS

Return transfers from Puerto Natales, full board accommodation, open bar (except premium brands), excursions, park fees and English speaking guides.

\*All prices based on two people sharing, singles on request.



### HOTEL LAS TORRES PATAGONIA

5 days/4 nights from \$3177 per person twin share\*

4 days/3 nights from \$2628 per person twin share\*

Located in the heart of the park amongst breathtaking scenery, this rustic, authentic lodge is perfectly situated for hiking, horseback riding and vehicle excursions. The lodge offers 74 simple yet comfortable ensuite rooms in earthy colours, decorated with charming local artworks. Enjoy meals and drinks at the onsite restaurant and bar, reserve a tour with Guest Service or relax after a long day outdoors with a massage at the spa. Closed May-Mid Sep.



### AWASI PATAGONIA

5 days/4 nights from \$6682 per person twin share\*

4 days/3 nights from \$5346 per person twin share\*

This Relais & Chateaux hotel occupies a bucolic setting in a private reserve, with sweeping vistas over forests, meadows, mountains and lakes. There are just 14 secluded guest villas at this Awasi property, inspired by low-impact mountain shelters in design, yet containing luxuries such as hot tubs, wood-burning stoves and large living rooms with amazing views over Lake Sarmiento, mountains or the Patagonian Steppe. Cuisine is inspired by the land, created with homegrown ingredients, whilst explorations of the local area are led by personal guides in your very own vehicle. Closed May-Sep.





### EXPLORA PATAGONIA

5 days/4 nights from \$3320 per person twin share\*

Immerse yourself in the breathtaking beauty of Torres del Paine National Park at this superbly sited hotel on the shores of turquoise Lake Pehoe. Designed to take full advantage of the surrounding silence and space, the 49 rooms at Explora Patagonia have huge windows but no televisions or Wi-Fi - these amenities are available only in the common areas. Decor within guest rooms and throughout the lodge is simple, so as not to detract from the scenery, and features plenty of local timbers. The restaurant offers light, healthy cuisine and excellent Chilean wine, while the well-stocked bar is where the next day's explorations are planned. Embark on hikes and horseback rides, or simply unwind in the spa.

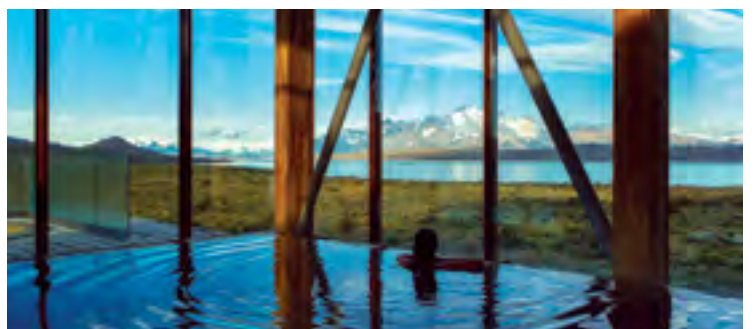


### TIERRA PATAGONIA

5 days/4 nights from \$4381 per person twin share\*

4 days/3 nights from \$3415 per person twin share\*

Situated on sparse lowland pampas overlooking Lake Sarmiento on the eastern border of Torres del Paine National Park, this architecturally striking lodge presides over the spectacular wilderness. The 40 generously sized guest rooms and suites boast sweeping views of the mountains, and are elegantly decorated with locally sourced textiles and handcrafted furniture. Daily excursions are all about outdoor adventure - be it hiking, cycling, horseback riding or kayaking. Relax afterwards at the spa, in the swimming pools, library, central lounge or at the restaurant. Closed Jun-Sep.





Beautiful Patagonian scenery © Cascada Expediciones



The elusive puma © Quasar Expeditions

## ECOCAMP

7, 6, 5 or 4 days

From \$2715 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Punta Arenas

Closed 06 May-06 Sep

Price per person from:\* 7D/6N 6D/5N 5D/4N 4D/3N  
Suite Domes \$4355 \$3852 \$3301 \$2715

\*Prices for Superior Domes, Standard Domes & single travellers on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Scheduled return transfers from Puerto Natales, Punta Arenas or El Calafate (regular bus) to EcoCamp, accommodation in twin bed Suite Dome, all meals, house wine during dinner, optional daily excursions (easy & active), entrance fees.

**E**xperience a Patagonian wildlife safari in Chile's renowned and extraordinary Torres del Paine National Park, declared a biosphere reserve by UNESCO in 1978. Accompanied by experienced guides explore waterfalls, glaciers and pristine forests as you search for unique wildlife including guanacos, pumas, flamingos and hawks.



Comfortable Suite Dome interior © Cascada Expediciones

### ECOCAMP

This certified eco-friendly hotel is built entirely of igloo-style tents consisting of a dining, bar, lounge and yoga domes. Accommodation is in cosy standard, superior or suite domes – standard with shared facilities, and superior and suite with heating and ensuite bathrooms. The hotel also offers loft suite domes perfect for families. It is the perfect place to explore this fragile paradise with trekking, multisport adventures and wildlife watching all on offer.

## TORRES DEL PAINE W TREK

7 days/6 nights or 5 days/4 nights

Departs Mondays (7D) and Sundays

(5D) ex Punta Arenas

From \$2133 per person twin share

Closed 30 Apr-06 Sep (approx.)

Standard Domes & Refugios

Price per person from:\* 7D/6N 5D/4N  
\$2921 \$2133

\*Single travellers will be matched in a shared dome (with somebody of the same gender).

### INCLUSIONS

Scheduled return transfers from Puerto Natales, Punta Arenas or El Calafate (regular bus) to EcoCamp, 4/3 nights accommodation at EcoCamp (Standard Domes) and 2/1 night accommodation in mountain refuges, park fees, English speaking trekking guide, sleeping bag (if required), luggage transport within park, all meals.

**T**he trails in between the famous Torres del Paine Mountains offer world-class trekking. Featuring breathtaking views, natural attractions such as glaciers, rivers, forests as well as abundant wildlife including Andean condor and guanaco, this amazing trek offers a genuine wilderness experience. Accommodation is at EcoCamp in standard domes and in 'refugios'; typical mountain huts with bunk beds and shared facilities. Treks are led by an experienced guide. Please contact us for full details.



Torres del Paine base view © Cascada Expediciones

## PUMA TRACKING

6 days/5 nights

From \$9279 per person twin share

Departs ex Punta Arenas

Fixed departure dates: 23 Feb, 19 Mar, 11 & 18 Apr.

Hotel Las Torres \$9279

Flexible departure dates: 01 May-14 Sep.

Explora Patagonia (Gold) \$11978

Hosteria Pehoe (Silver) \$9736

**E**xplore the breathtaking scenery of Torres Del Paine National Park by 4WD or on foot with a tracking team in search of the world's largest mountain lion – the impressive, yet elusive puma. Enjoy twice daily excursions during the early morning and late afternoon for fantastic photo opportunities. Though October to February is the most popular time to visit Patagonia, the best time to search for pumas in the park is May to August – making Patagonia a year-round destination.

### Day 1 Torres del Paine

Transfer to Puerto Natales where you will meet your guide before continuing on to your lodge.

### Day 2-5 Puma Tracking

Over the next 4 days enjoy early morning and late afternoon puma tracking excursions. Guides will take you to areas where pumas have been regularly seen. Return to your lodge in the late morning where you can relax during the middle of the day. Other activities are available (extra cost) including kayaking and horseback riding.

### Day 6 Tour ends Punta Arenas

Enjoy an optional early morning game drive before departing for Punta Arenas. Tour ends.





# SKORPIOS II CRUISE

Chonos Route

6 days/5 nights

From \$3224 per person twin share

Departs Puerto Montt

selected Saturdays Sep-Apr

Departs Saturdays ex Puerto Montt:

Price per person twin:\*

Skorpios II	Acropolis Deck	Athens Deck
Low Season	\$3373	\$3224
High Season	\$3669	\$3522

**Low Season:** 14 Sep, 05, 12, 19 & 26 Oct, 02, 09, 16, 23 & 30 Nov, 07 & 14 Dec 2019, 29 Feb, 07, 14, 21 & 28 Mar, 04, 11, 18 & 25 Apr 2020

**High Season:** 21 & 28 Dec 2019, 04, 11, 18 & 25 Jan 2020, 01, 08, 15 & 22 Feb 2020

**Additional pre-cruise package:†** \$194p.p.

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

†Passengers who arrive the Friday before departure have the option of accommodation onboard ship with Tepual Airport/Skorpios terminal transfer, welcome drink, dinner with wine and soft drinks and Saturday breakfast included.

## INCLUSIONS

Return coach transfers from Tepual Airport to Skorpios Terminal in Puerto Montt, 5 nights accommodation onboard ship, all meals and drinks from the open bar, excursions during boat trip, English-speaking guide.

**D**iscover the beauty of the immense **San Rafael Glacier**, sail through **spectacular archipelagos**, navigate icebergs and encounter wildlife on motorboat excursions. **Skorpios II** is a spacious **106-passenger vessel with 53 ensuite cabins and an ample dining room.**

### Day 1 Cruising

Transfer from the airport to the Puerto Montt Skorpios terminal. Commence cruising through wild archipelagos, stopping to visit a picturesque town on the fascinating island of Chiloé. LD

### Day 2 Chonos Archipelago

Tour the charming fishing village of Puerto Aguirre on foot before exploring one of the largest bird colonies in Chile. BLD

### Day 3 San Rafael Glacier

Enter the San Rafael Lagoon, dropping anchor close to the impressive San Rafael Glacier. Take a motorboat to see the glacier up close (weather permitting). Set sail for Quitalco Fjord. BLD

### Day 4 Quitalco Fjord

Soak in Quitalco's thermal pools or explore the fjord by boat, before returning to Chiloé. BLD

### Day 5 Puerto Montt

Cross the Leucayec Channel and Gulf of Corcovado where there is possibility of sighting humpback and blue whales. Skirt the coast in small boats to observe seabirds and Magellan penguins. Enjoy a farewell dinner tonight. BLD

### Day 6 Tour ends Puerto Montt

Disembark and transfer to the airport. Tour ends. B



M/V Skorpios II amongst glaciers and icebergs © Skorpios



M/V Skorpios III © Skorpios

# SKORPIOS III CRUISE

Kaweskar Route

4 days/3 nights

From \$2817 per person twin share

Departs Puerto Natales

selected Tuesdays & Fridays Oct-Apr

Departs Tuesdays or Fridays\* ex Puerto Natales:

Price per person twin: ^

Skorpios III	Acropolis Deck	Athens Deck
Low Season	\$3004	\$2817
High Season	\$3255	\$3071

**Low Season:** 15, 18\*, 22, 25\*, 29 Oct 2019

01\*, 05, 08\*, 12, 15\*, 19, 22\*, 26 & 29\* Nov 2019

03, 06\*, 10, 13\*, 17 & 20\* Dec 2019

03, 06\*, 10, 13\*, 17, 20\*, 24, 27\* & 31 Mar 2020

03\*, 07 & 10\* Apr 2020

**High Season:** 24, 27\* & 31 Dec 2019

03\*, 07, 10\*, 14, 17\*, 21, 24\*, 28 & 31\* Jan 2020

04, 07\*, 11, 14\*, 18, 21\*, 25 & 28\* Feb 2020

**Additional pre-cruise package:†** \$520p.p.

^Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

†Passengers who arrive the day before departure have the option of accommodation onboard ship (Thursday accommodation is at Remota hotel or similar and only occasionally onboard the ship), dinner and breakfast included. On cruise departure day, enjoy a morning tour of Torres del Paine National Park and Milodon Cave with lunch.

## INCLUSIONS

Return coach transfer Punta Arenas Airport/Puerto Natales, 3 nights accommodation onboard ship, all meals and drinks from the open bar, excursions during boat trip, English speaking guide & park fees.

**E**xplore the southern hemisphere's **most spectacular collection of tidewater glaciers. The M/V Skorpios III accommodates 90 passengers in 45 cosy suites with private facilities. The route takes you through a labyrinth of craggy fjords, colossal glaciers and picturesque waterways filled with ice.**



### Day 1 Cruising

Transfer to the Puerto Natales Skorpios terminal to board your ship. Enjoy a welcome dinner and drinks. D

### Day 2 Amalia Glacier / Calvo Fjord

Cruise through narrow channels that are inhabited by dolphins and many species of bird. Admire the stunning Amalia Glacier from a nearby beach, before touring the impressive Calvo Fjord on a smaller motorboat. BLD



M/V Skorpios III Acropolis Deck cabin © Skorpios



Unforgettable wildlife encounters © Skorpios

### Day 3 Southern Ice Fields

View Montanas Fjord's four impressive glaciers and go ashore (weather permitting) hiking to an iceberg-filled lagoon. Tonight, celebrate your journey with a farewell party on board as the ship returns to Puerto Natales. BLD

### Day 4 Tour ends Puerto Natales

Disembark and transfer to the airport. Tour ends. B



Shore excursion to a Magellanic Penguin colony © Australis



Get up-close to the glaciers © Australis

## AUSTRALIS FJORDS OF TIERRA DEL FUEGO

5 days/4 nights

From \$2439 per person twin share

Punta Arenas to Ushuaia

M/V Stella Australis	DECK B	DECK A	DECK AA	DECK AAA	SINGLE
Promotion - 21, 29 Sep 2019	\$2439	\$3265	\$3423	\$3513	\$4840
Low Season - 07, 15, 23, 31 Oct 2019 & 15, 23, 31 Mar 2020	\$3025	\$4005	\$4170	\$4293	\$5950
High Season - 08, 16, 24 Nov, 02, 10, 18, 26 Dec 2019, 03, 11, 19, 27 Jan, 04, 12, 20, 28 Feb & 07 Mar 2020	\$3794	\$4832	\$5070	\$5246	\$7190

M/V Ventus Australis	DECK B	DECK A	DECK AA	DECK AAA	SINGLE
Promotion - 04 Apr 2020	\$2439	\$3265	\$3423	\$3513	\$4840
Low Season - 11, 19, 27 Oct 2019 & 19, 27 Mar 2020	\$3025	\$4005	\$4170	\$4293	\$5950
High Season - 04, 12, 20, 28 Nov, 06, 14, 22, 30 Dec 2019, 07, 15, 23, 31 Jan, 08, 16, 24 Feb & 03, 11 Mar 2020	\$3794	\$4832	\$5070	\$5246	\$7190

### INCLUSIONS

4 nights accommodation onboard ship, all meals, open bar, daily zodiac excursions, English speaking guide, port taxes, exit fee and National Park fee.

**E**njoy an unforgettable cruise through the Patagonia and Tierra del Fuego regions, exploring the Magellan Strait, Beagle Channel and Pia Glacier. Take daily excursions on foot or by Zodiac to view Magellanic Penguins, elephant seals and many other species, and to see amazing glaciers up close. Choose from either the 100 cabin M/V Stella Australis, or the recently launched M/V Ventus Australis. Each Australis ship is custom built to navigate this scenic region's tempestuous waters and all passenger cabins feature huge windows for excellent views. Enjoy the ships' first class service, facilities and fine cuisine.



M/V Stella Australis AAA cabin © Australis

### Day 1 Cruising

Board your vessel for an evening departure. D

### Day 2 Ainsworth Bay & Tuckers Islets

Sail through Almirantazgo Sound to Ainsworth Bay to view majestic Marinelli Glacier. Enjoy Zodiac excursions to subpolar forests, an elephant seal colony and Tuckers Islets - home to colonies of Magellanic penguins. BLD

### Day 3 Pia Glacier & Glacier Alley

Enter Pia Fjord in the heart of the Darwin Mountains and disembark near Pia Glacier. After an excursion to the spectacular lookout point, cruise along the northwest arm of the Beagle Channel, exploring "Glacier Alley". BLD



M/V Ventus Australis © Australis



Incredible scenery of Tierra del Fuego © Australis

### Day 4 Cape Horn & Wulaia Bay

Cross Nassau Bay to explore Cape Horn National Park (weather permitting). This afternoon, traverse Murray Channel and drop anchor at historic Wulaia Bay. BLD

### Day 5 Tour ends Ushuaia

Arrive at Ushuaia, the world's most southerly city for disembarkation. Tour ends. B



Magellanic Penguins © Australis



M/V Stella Australis © Australis

## AUSTRALIS PATAGONIA EXPLORER

5 days/4 nights

From \$2439 per person twin share

Ushuaia to Punta Arenas

M/V Stella Australis	DECK B	DECK A	DECK AA	DECK AAA	SINGLE
Promotion - 25 Sep 2019 & 04 Apr 2020	\$2439	\$3265	\$3423	\$3513	\$4840
Low Season - 03, 11, 19, 27 Oct 2019 & 19, 27 Mar 2020	\$3025	\$4005	\$4170	\$4293	\$5950
High Season - 04, 12, 20, 28 Nov, 06, 14, 22, 30 Dec 2019 & 07, 15, 23, 31 Jan, 08, 16, 24 Feb & 03, 11 Mar 2020	\$3794	\$4832	\$5070	\$5246	\$7190

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### INCLUSIONS

4 nights accommodation onboard ship, all meals, open bar, daily zodiac excursions, English speaking guide, port taxes, exit and National Park fee.

**Journey to the "End of the World", taking in the icy beauty of Patagonia and grandeur of isolated Tierra Del Fuego. This 5 day cruise departs from Ushuaia in Argentina and rounds Cape Horn, traversing the Beagle Channel and Strait of Magellan before docking in the Chilean city of Punta Arenas. Marvel at imposing glaciers, look for seals and penguins and hike through subpolar forests of astounding beauty.**

#### Day 1 Cruising

Board your vessel in time for a pre-dinner welcome cocktail. Cross the frigid Beagle Channel tonight, entering Chilean waters. D



#### Day 2 Cape Horn & Wulaia Bay

At daybreak, see Cape Horn, the notorious promontory that marked land's end for centuries in maritime history. Anchor at Wulaia Bay to visit a museum and explore woodland on foot. BLD

#### Day 3 Pia & Garibaldi Glaciers

Enjoy a morning shore excursion to explore stunning Pia Glacier. Continue along the Beagle Channel, dropping anchor near Garibaldi Glacier for another shore excursion walking through Magellanic forest to a spectacular viewpoint. BLD

#### Day 4 De Agostini Sound & Aguila Glacier

Zigzag through brilliant fjords and channels to reach De Agostini Sound, flanked by saw-toothed peaks and ice floes. Enjoy a shore excursion to the base of the cobalt blue Aguila Glacier before continuing on to view Condor Glacier by Zodiac. BLD



Guided shore explorations © Australis



Elephant seals © Shutterstock

#### Day 5 Tour ends Punta Arenas

Stop at Magdalena Island to visit an immense colony of comical Magellanic penguins. If these birds have migrated elsewhere, divert to Marta Island to observe South American sea lions. Disembark 1130 at Punta Arenas. Tour ends. B



Beautiful Cape Horn © Australis



## BRAZIL

Vibrant and fascinating Brazil is home to a rich mosaic of peoples, cultures and landscapes. Beautiful Rio de Janeiro lies on a coastline famous for its beaches, chic resorts, unspoilt islands and picturesque colonial towns like Parati. Wildlife abounds in the lush immensity of the Amazon Rainforest and the seasonal wetlands of the Pantanal.

### Highlights

Vibrant Rio de Janeiro; Ilha Grande - forests, islands and beaches; UNESCO World Heritage listed Parati; Iguazú Falls; eco-lodges showcasing Brazil's biodiversity; the exotic wildlife of the Northern Pantanal; the wildlife haven of the Southern Pantanal; cruises into remote areas of the Amazon.

### Climate

The vast size of Brazil means that the climate varies greatly from region to region. The coastal cities of Rio de Janeiro, Buzios and Salvador are tropical for most of the year with a dry winter and a humid summer, whilst Brazil's north including the Amazon and Pantanal regions have rain from Dec-Jun and a dry season from Jul-Nov.

# BEAUTIFUL BRAZIL

“As an avid wildlife photographer, the focus of my trip was to encounter and photograph a jaguar. Incredibly, I saw not just one, but six jaguar in our time there!

The Pantanal is absolutely thrilling and is most definitely for the adventure lover.”

Ian Llewellyn





Rio de Janeiro © Shutterstock



'Christ the Redeemer', Rio de Janeiro © Shutterstock

## RIO DE JANEIRO CITY STAY

3 days/2 nights

From \$760 per person twin share

**G**orgeous Rio nestles between dramatic mountains, tropical forest and an alluring Atlantic Ocean coastline. Its beaches have attracted visitors since the early 20th century and the city is presided over by an open-armed statue of Jesus Christ, visible from almost every part of Rio. Music and soccer are virtually a way of life for locals, who are known as 'cariocas'.

### INCLUSIONS

Private return airport transfers, 2 nights accommodation with breakfast, private full day tour to Christ the Redeemer statue & Sugar Loaf.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Photogenic Ipanema and Copacabana beaches
- Iconic Sugarloaf Mountain and its cable cars
- The statue of Christ the Redeemer
- Vibrant nightlife and sultry samba music
- Home of the world-famous 5-day Rio Carnival

### ACCOMMODATION

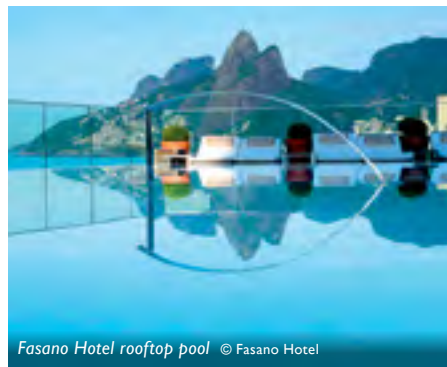
Price per person from:	Twin	Single
Fasano Hotel (Superior Rm)	\$1498	\$2884
Belmond Copacabana Palace (City View)	\$1208	\$2298
Hilton Rio de Janeiro (Ocean View)	\$978	\$1782
Sol Ipanema (Standard Rm)	\$852	\$1584
Miramar by Windsor (Superior Rm)	\$846	\$1574
Arena Ipanema (Standard Rm)	\$784	\$1452
Windsor Excelsior (Superior Rm)	\$772	\$1426
Arena Leme Hotel (Standard Rm)	\$760	\$1400

### OPTIONAL RIO DAY TOURS

Tour cost per person from:	Twin	Single
Full Day Golden Lion Tamarin w/Lunch*	\$570	\$1078
Full Day Petropolis w/Lunch	\$422	\$774
Rio by Night with Rio Scenarium	\$295	\$553
Scheduled Half Day Favela Tour	\$95	\$191

### DAY TOUR INCLUSIONS

Private tours to/from hotel unless specified.  
\*Operates selected days only.



Fasano Hotel rooftop pool © Fasano Hotel

### FASANO HOTEL (IPANEMA)

★★★★★

A member of the 'Leading Hotels of the World' consortium, this stylish hotel is the ultimate in vintage chic. The 89 rooms feature retro designer furniture by Philippe Starck and Sergio Rodrigues, as well as private balconies. The rooftop pool boasts sensational views over Ipanema Beach.

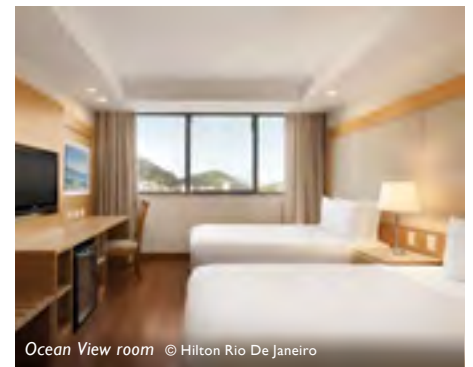


Belmond Copacabana Palace © Belmond

### BELMOND COPACABANA PALACE (COPACABANA)

★★★★★

This landmark Art Deco hotel faces Rio's celebrated Copacabana Beach. It offers 239 rooms and suites in total, furnished with fine period furniture and original works of art. Facilities include three restaurants, a piano bar, outdoor pool, tennis court and fitness centre.



Ocean View room © Hilton Rio De Janeiro

### HILTON RIO DE JANEIRO (COPACABANA)

★★★★★

Located on the beachfront of Copacabana, this property offers 545 guest rooms and a plethora of amenities including two swimming pools, full-service spa, restaurants, bars and fitness centre. The rooms are all elegantly designed with large windows providing sweeping beachfront and city views.



Sol Ipanema rooftop © Sol Ipanema

### SOL IPANEMA (IPANEMA)

★★★★★

This beachfront hotel has 90 smart, ensuite guest rooms with air conditioning, smooth timber floors and Wi-Fi access. Selected rooms also feature ocean views. Onsite amenities include 24-hour room service, a restaurant, gym and rooftop outdoor pool.



Rio de Janeiro mountainside favela © Shutterstock



Rio Carnival parade © Riotur



Miramar Hotel by Windsor © Windsor Hotels

**MIRAMAR HOTEL BY WINDSOR (COPACABANA)**

★★★★★

At the southern end of Copacabana Beach, this upmarket hotel enjoys an idyllic seaside setting. The property has 200 elegant guest rooms with on-call butler service, a Euro-Brazilian fusion restaurant and a stunning infinity pool flanked by comfortable sunloungers.



Arena Leme Rooftop © Arena Leme

**ARENA LEME HOTEL (COPACABANA)**

★★★★★

Located at the far end of Copacabana Beach, the hotel offers contemporary beachfront accommodation in one of Rio de Janeiro's most relaxed neighbourhoods. The property has 164 rooms and suites, restaurant, bar and rooftop pool with breathtaking views.

**RIO CARNIVAL**

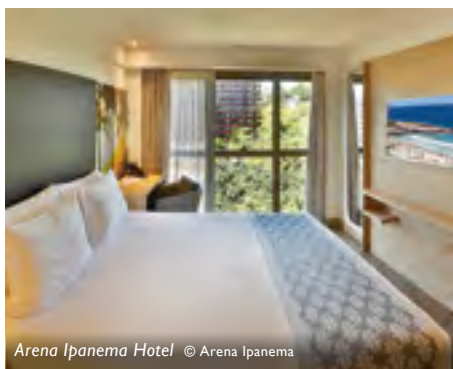
5 days/4 nights  
From \$2072 per person twin share\*  
ex Rio de Janeiro  
21-26 Feb 2020

**T**he Rio Carnival is the biggest party in the world. Held in February at the peak of the Brazilian summer, it is a fantastic spectacle of colour, music, and the spirit of the Brazilian people. Attracting visitors from all over the globe, the main carnival parade takes place in the Sambadrome, with colourful floats, costumes and hot samba rhythms, whilst all of Rio comes alive with street parties.

**INCLUSIONS**

Private return airport transfers, 4 nights accommodation with breakfast, 1 ticket to carnival parade sitting in the grandstand at the Sambadrome including transfers (SIB).

\*Rates are provisional and subject to change. Single travellers on request.



Arena Ipanema Hotel © Arena Ipanema

**ARENA IPANEMA (IPANEMA)**

★★★★★

This chic small hotel is located opposite a large leafy park, just a short stroll from Rio's famous Ipanema Beach. The 136 well-appointed guest rooms are light, bright and very modern, whilst shared spaces include a restaurant, gym, rooftop pool, bar and sundeck.



Windsor Excelsior Hotel Superior Room © Windsor Hotels

**WINDSOR EXCELSIOR HOTEL (COPACABANA)**

★★★★★

Centrally located on world-renowned Copacabana Beach, the upscale Windsor Excelsior Hotel has 233 comfortable, air-conditioned rooms with Wi-Fi connectivity and cable TV. Guests enjoy convenient access to a restaurant, outdoor pool, gym and sauna.



**GOLDEN LION TAMARIN TOUR**

The striking squirrel-sized Golden Lion Tamarin is one of the most endangered primates on earth, with just 1,600 individuals left in the wild. You can support the Golden Lion Tamarin Conservation Program (GLTCP) by visiting their educational centre and forest trails a mere 2-hour drive from Rio de Janeiro. On this full day tour, you will explore the tamarins' natural habitat of lowland Atlantic rainforest and enjoy a Brazilian regional meal.



Picturesque Parati Bay © Shutterstock

## BUZIOS

3 days/2 nights

From \$488 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Rio de Janeiro

**J**ust 2.5 hours' drive north of Rio, Buzios is renowned for its idyllic beauty, unspoilt beaches, sophisticated boutique hotels and chic restaurants and bars. Relax by the emerald waters, take a schooner cruise or explore the area by jeep.

### INCLUSIONS

Scheduled return airport transfers Rio/Buzios/Rio with driver guide, 2 nights accommodation with breakfast and HD schooner excursion.

### ACCOMMODATION

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>Casas Brancas Pousada (Std Rm)</b>	\$864	\$1566
<b>Pousada Byblos (Std Rm)</b>	\$488	\$816



Seaside cobblestone street, Buzios © Shutterstock



Pristine coastline of Ilha Grande © Shutterstock

## ILHA GRANDE

3 days/2 nights

From \$657 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Rio de Janeiro

**I**lha Grande is an unspoilt island paradise approximately 150km from Rio. With protected Atlantic forest, beautiful beaches and small fishing villages, it is perfect for hiking, diving, snorkelling or just relaxing at one of the intimate hotels.

### INCLUSIONS

Scheduled return road and ferry transfers Rio to Ilha Grande, luggage handling, 2 nights accommodation with breakfast, boat tour to Blue Lagoon and beaches or regular taxi boat to Lopes Mendes Beach.

### ACCOMMODATION

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>Pousada Asalém (Std Rm)</b>	\$979	\$1851
<b>Pousada Naturalia (Std Rm)</b>	\$657	\$1153

### POUSADA ASALÉM

Located on the spectacular Bay of Abraão, Pousada Asalém features 6 airy rooms and a hilltop chalet with magnificent bay views. All feature comfortable lounge areas, hammocks and large floor-to-ceiling doors that open out onto a furnished outdoor terrace.

### POUSADA NATURALIA

Designed to relax both body and mind, Pousada Naturalia offers 12 rustic suites with no technological distractions, close to Abraão village. The property is a mere 60 metres from the beach and a short walk into town, with the dense Mata Atlântica rainforest in its backyard.

## PARATI

3 days/2 nights

From \$586 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Rio de Janeiro

**S**urrounded by magnificent mountains and tropical coast, the picturesque town of Parati is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with some of the finest 18th century colonial architecture in Brazil. All motor traffic is forbidden inside the city to preserve its tranquil ambience.

### INCLUSIONS

Scheduled return airport transfers Rio/Parati/Rio, 2 nights accommodation with breakfast, schooner excursion to islands near Parati including lunch.

### ACCOMMODATION

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>Pousada Literaria (Apartment)</b>	\$954	\$1550
<b>Pousada do Sandi (Standard Rm)</b>	\$610	\$866
<b>Porto Imperial Pousada (Standard Rm)</b>	\$586	\$782

### POUSADA LITERARIA

Tucked inside an immaculately restored colonial townhouse, this boutique hotel offers 23 stunning suites, individually styled and full of character. All-day breakfast is available, while staff will happily assist with arranging spa treatments or optional tours.

### PORTO IMPERIAL POUSADA

Set in a former merchant's mansion, Porto Imperial Pousada is located in the historical heart of Parati. All 43 air-conditioned suites at this charming hotel have access to a shared lounge area, outdoor pool, jacuzzi, sauna and peaceful manicured grounds.

### POUSADA DO SANDI

Nestled within a building that once housed the Parati Mint, this hotel has 28 colourful rooms, a restaurant, English pub, day spa, gym and large garden.

### OPTIONAL PARATI DAY TOURS

<b>Tour cost per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>Guided Walking City Tour (2hrs)</b>	\$75	\$151
<b>Half Day Waterfall &amp; Cachaca Tour</b>	\$70	\$70

### DAY TOUR INCLUSIONS

Private (city tour) or scheduled (waterfall and Cachaca tour) to/from hotels.



Colonial architecture, Parati © Shutterstock



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Blue and Yellow Macaw © Shutterstock



Pelourinho district, Salvador © Shutterstock

## SALVADOR DE BAHIA CITY STAY

3 days/2 nights

From \$428 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Salvador

**A** UNESCO World Heritage Site, Salvador is affectionately known as the cultural centre of Brazil. Its pretty cobblestone streets will lead you past historic churches and brightly painted buildings to the picturesque beaches that dot the edge of the bay. Local culture is evident in the many displays of dance, music and the Brazilian martial art of Capoeira that can be seen around the city. Passionate and fun, Salvador has strong African influences illustrated by the many vibrant festivals that occur here throughout the year.

### INCLUSIONS

Private return transfer from airport to hotel, 2 nights accommodation on a B&B basis, private half day historic city tour.

### ACCOMMODATION

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>Villa Bahia (Deluxe Room)</b>	\$660	\$1337
<b>Pestana Convento do Carmo (Dlx Rm)</b>	\$434	\$883
<b>Pousada do Pilar (Standard Rm)</b>	\$428	\$785

### VILLA BAHIA

This chic, boutique hotel consists of two adjoining 17th and 18th-century colonial homes located in the centre of Salvador's quaint Pelourinho district. There are 17 quiet, elegant rooms with Wi-Fi access, a restaurant, bar, pool and a roof terrace.

### PESTANA CONVENTO DO CARMO

In the historic Santo Antonio neighbourhood, this luxury hotel occupies a former 16th century convent. It offers 79 guest rooms furnished with antiques and 21st century amenities, an acclaimed restaurant, a fitness centre, sauna, pool and library.

### POUSADA DO PILAR

This atmospheric hotel overlooks the Bay of All Saints. Décor is colourful, with all 12 guest rooms featuring spacious ensuite bathrooms and private balconies or patios. The onsite café has a large terrace with splendid views.



Pestana Convento do Carmo © Pestana Convento do Carmo

### OPTIONAL SALVADOR DAY TOURS

<b>Tour cost per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>Santana Show<sup>^</sup></b> (Daily except Tue & Sun)	\$155	\$261
<b>Capoeira Traditional Experience<sup>^</sup></b>	\$153	\$252
<b>Half day African Heritage Upper City Tour<sup>^</sup></b> (Mon-Fri)	\$126	\$232
<b>Full day Schooner Cruise<sup>*</sup></b>	\$240	\$388

<sup>^</sup>Private tour.

<sup>\*</sup>Shared tour.

### MIGUEL SANTANA SHOW

Experience an incredible display of Afro-Brazilian traditions through the language of music and dance as performed by the Bahia Folklore Company, one of the most respected folklore dance troupes in the world.



Miguel Santana Show © Bahia Folklore Company

### CAPOEIRA EXPERIENCE

Take part in a 1 hour Capoeira lesson and learn some of the history behind the Afro-Brazilian martial art that incorporates acrobatics and dance.

### HALF DAY AFRICAN HERITAGE UPPER CITY TOUR

Visit Pelourinho, the African centre of Bahia. Includes the Afro-Brazilian Museum and the Church of Our Lady of the Rosary of Black People.

### FULL DAY SCHOONER CRUISE

Board a schooner for a sightseeing cruise of the Bay of All Saints. This scheduled departure includes a swim at Itaparica, the bay's biggest island.



Beautiful beaches in the Salvador area © Shutterstock



Pantanal water lilies © Shutterstock



Amazon toucan © Shutterstock

## MANAUS CITY STAY

2 days/1 night

From \$411 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Manaus

**O**n the northern bank of the Rio Negro, Manaus is a cosmopolitan city at the edge of the Amazonian jungle. Founded in 1669 by the Portuguese, the city still bears testaments of its colonial past including the Amazonas Opera House. The town is 10km from the extraordinary “Meeting of the Rivers”, where the black waters of the Rio Negro meet the clear waters of The Rio Solimoes but never mix. Manaus is the perfect starting point for an Amazon River cruise or for a rainforest ecolodge adventure.

### INCLUSIONS

Private airport/hotel arrival and departure transfer, 1 night accommodation on B&B basis and half day city tour including opera house (not available Sundays).

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Gateway to the Brazilian Amazon Rainforest
- Home to fascinating relics of the “Rubber Boom”
- Upriver of the “Meeting of the Waters” phenomenon

### ACCOMMODATION

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
Hotel Villa Amazonia (Standard Rm)	\$435	\$753
Holiday Inn Manaus (Classic Rm)	\$411	\$689

### HOTEL VILLA AMAZONIA

Steps from the iconic Opera House, this exclusive boutique hotel has a stylish bistro and 30 beautiful guest apartments which face the courtyard garden and gorgeous central pool.

### HOLIDAY INN MANAUS

A block from the Amazon River, the Holiday Inn has 238 comfortable guest rooms with free Wi-Fi. There is also an onsite restaurant, a fitness centre and swimming pool with city views.



Manaus © Embratur

## THE THREE ECOSYSTEMS

9 days/8 nights

From \$6060 per person twin share\*

Departs daily ex Cuiabá

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Shared transfers and activities with bilingual guides, full board accommodation in eco-lodges with private facilities: 2 nights Park Ecolodge, 3 nights Cristalino Lodge and 3 nights Araras Lodge, conservation fees.

**B**razil is renowned for its biodiversity and has three major biomes all with distinctive landscapes home to a diverse range of animals and plants; the Amazon Rainforest with its famous parrot-filled clay licks, the Cerrado’s tropical savannas and the Pantanal – a massive wetland home to the world’s highest density of jaguars. Stay at three unique and remote properties in each of these pristine ecosystems and discover the wonders of Brazil for yourself.

### Days 1/2 Chapada dos Guimaraes

Depart Cuiabá and drive 60km to Park Eco Lodge in the Chapada dos Guimaraes NP. Explore the mystical “Stone City” and hike to the Veu de Noiva Falls. D/BLD

### Days 3-5 Southern Amazon

Return to Cuiabá, fly to Alta Floresta (not incl.) and transfer to riverside Cristalino Lodge. Take guided walks and river excursions in search of birds, saki and spider monkeys. Climb the two 50m-tall canopy towers, swim in the river, go rappelling and night caiman spotting. BLD



Giant anteater © Shutterstock

### Days 6-8 North Pantanal

Return flight to Cuiabá (not incl.) and drive to Araras Eco-Lodge in the Pantanal wetlands, home to 154 mammal, 98 reptile and 656 bird species. Choose from a range of wildlife viewing activities on foot, by horseback, canoe or safari truck. BLD

### Day 9 Tour ends Cuiabá

Travel the famous Transpantaneira Road back to Cuiabá Airport where the tour ends. B



Tapir reflection time © Marcelo Isola



### STAY LONGER

Complement your exploration of Brazil's wilderness with an Amazon river cruise or a visit to Iguazú Falls. Enjoy some beach time in Rio de Janeiro or combine Brazil with neighbouring Argentina. Contact one of our Brazil specialists to start planning your journey today.

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# THE AMAZON RAINFOREST

4 days/3 nights

Venture deep into the heart of the largest rainforest on earth, a mosaic of different vegetation types including seasonally flooded forests known as varzea and savanna plains. On this page, we've featured 3 authentic eco-lodges that offer a range of activities to uncover some of the thousands of fish, bird, mammal, reptile and amphibian species which inhabit this incredibly diverse ecosystem. These include capybara, anaconda, giant river otter, tapir, macaw and capuchin monkey. Enjoy eye-opening nature walks by day or by night, view birds and primates that live in the tree canopy at eye-level from lofty observation towers, cruise life-filled lagoons by canoe and visit indigenous communities that call this vast wilderness home.

## INCLUSIONS

Return transfers to and from lodge, 3 nights full board accommodation (beverages excluded), activities with local guide and conservation fees where applicable.

\*Prices are based on two people sharing, singles on request.



## CRISTALINO LODGE

4 days/3 nights from \$3084 per person twin share\*  
Departs daily ex Alta Floresta

Selected by National Geographic Traveller as one of the world's best eco lodges, Cristalino Lodge is nestled in a reserve around 1.5 hours by 4WD and boat from Alt Floresta. Accommodation is in airy rooms and bungalows, with access to a central restaurant, bar and deck. Excursions include guided walks through unspoilt rainforest, boat excursions down the Cristalino River to spot kingfishers and monkeys or climb the lodges two 50m-high observation towers.

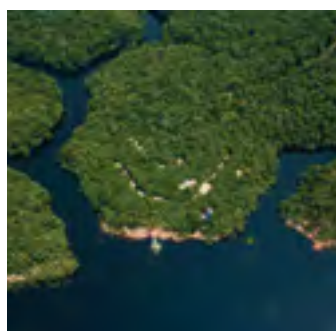


## ANAVILHANAS JUNGLE LODGE

4 days/3 nights from \$1857 per person twin share\*<sup>^</sup>  
Departs daily ex Manaus

This small, exclusive eco-lodge is located in dense rainforest 2.5hrs from Manaus and close to the world's largest freshwater archipelago - the Anavilhanas. There are 16 standard chalets and 6 larger bungalows with balconies, air conditioning and hot running water. Facilities include a dining room, bar, pool and floating deck, while activities include encounters with pink river dolphin and piranha fishing.

<sup>^</sup>3, 5 and 6 day packages also available.



## UAKARI LODGE

4 days/3 nights from \$1186 per person twin share\*<sup>^</sup>  
Departs Tuesdays ex Tefé

Built entirely upon floating wooden platforms, the isolated community-run Uakari Lodge is 2hrs by speedboat from Tefé in the vast Mamiraua Reserve. There are 10 simple but comfortable thatched chalets with hot running water, main lodge and observation tower. Bilingual naturalist guides lead activities including jungle walks, canoe and boat excursions and local village visits.

<sup>^</sup>5 and 8 day packages also available.



## THE AMAZON RIVER

From 4 days/3 nights  
 Departs selected days ex Manaus

The lifeline of the Amazon Rainforest is the river which shares its name. Largest in the world by discharge and one of the planet's longest waterways, the Amazon River has over 1,100 tributaries including the black-water Rio Negro that runs through the World Heritage-listed Anavilhanas Archipelago, eventually joining the clear, sandy Rio Solimoes, at the "Meeting of Waters", close to the city of Manaus. The best way to explore the Amazon River and its surrounds is by riverboat. On this page are a selection of premium vessels that offer personalised explorations of the jungle and its wild waterways by canoe or on foot. All visit local caboclo communities, navigate the wildlife-rich Anavilhanas Archipelago and explore the 6km-long confluence of the Negro and Solimoes where the two rivers run side-by-side, their contrasting waters never mixing.

### INCLUSIONS

Accommodation on board cruise boat, all meals (excluding drinks), services of an English speaking guide, selected activities.

\*Prices are based on two people sharing, singles on request.



### M/V DESAFIO

4 days/3 nights from \$2128 per person twin share\*<sup>^</sup>  
 Departs selected Thursdays

The Desafio is a magnificent masted sailing ship which carries a maximum of just 24 passengers in 12 comfortable ensuite cabins. Feast on delicious meals in the dining room which offers fantastic views. Motorised boats take visitors to forested islands in the Anavilhanas on daily excursions. You also have the opportunity to interact with local communities, search for pink dolphins, spotlight for caiman and admire gigantic Amazon water lilies.

<sup>^</sup>3 and 6 day cruises also available.



### M/V PREMIUM

6 days/5 nights from \$3024 per person twin share\*<sup>^</sup>  
 Departs Mondays

This upscale riverboat has 16 outside-facing ensuite cabins, a dining room and rooftop sundecks with panoramic forest views. Aside from day and night canoe safaris within the Anavilhanas, travellers have the opportunity to swim and sunbathe on the white sand beach at Praia Grande, fish for piranha and visit a local community and see how these traditional families live in this tranquil freshwater archipelago.

<sup>^</sup>3 and 4 day cruises also available.

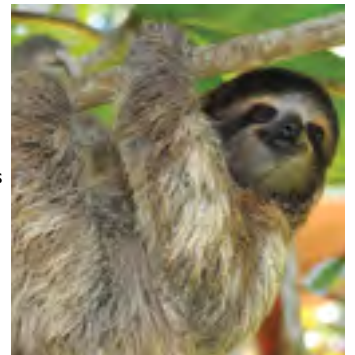


### M/V TUCANO

5 days/4 nights from \$2599 per person twin share\*<sup>^</sup>  
 Departs selected Mondays

This traditional flat-bottomed boat is designed to navigate shallow channels inaccessible to modern vessels. Its 9 ensuite cabins have large opening windows so guests can immerse themselves in the surrounding environment. Take nocturnal excursions to spot caiman and sloths, cruise to the Xiborena Peninsula, which divides the Rio Negro from the Amazon and look for collared anteaters in the amazing Lago Janauari Ecological Park.

<sup>^</sup>7 day cruise also available.





Pantanal jaguar © Shutterstock

## JAGUAR ENCOUNTERS

6 days/5 nights

From \$4672 per person twin share

Lodge

Departs ex Cuiabá

Price per person from:\*<sup>A</sup> Twin  
Araras Eco-Lodge/Baiazinha Lodge \$4672

\*Minimum 2 people. Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

<sup>A</sup>Baiazinha Lodge programs depart Mon only, and operate Jul-Oct. Please contact us for details.

### INCLUSIONS

Scheduled transfers from/to Cuiabá, 2 nights full board accommodation at Araras Eco-Lodge (beverages excluded), 3 nights full board accommodation at Baiazinha Lodge, activities with bilingual guide and conservation fees.

**E**ncounter the most powerful predator in the Americas – the jaguar. The 195,000km<sup>2</sup> Pantanal is home to an estimated 4,000-6,000 jaguars. The Pantanal jaguars are known to be some of the largest in the world, many weighing much more than a male leopard. The best way to search for these jaguars is from a comfortable base at the edge of the remote Pantanal wilderness. Baiazinha Lodge offers daily skiff excursions with excellent bilingual naturalists so you can navigate the waterways in search of jaguar and other wildlife.

### Days 1/2 Araras Eco-Lodge

Depart Cuiabá along the fauna-rich Transpantaneira Highway to Araras Eco-Lodge. Built in harmony with its surrounds, this rustic property offers a range of activities including trekking, horseback rides and canoeing. On Day 2 enjoy a safari to discover the northern Pantanal's many endemic species. D/BLD



Baiazinha Lodge © Baiazinha Lodge

### Days 3-5 Baiazinha Lodge

Depart early for the drive to Cáceres to reach the riverside Baiazinha Lodge. On the afternoon of your arrival, and for two further days, enjoy river safaris in skiffs from your hotel base, travelling along the river and its tributaries in search of the elusive jaguar and other wildlife such as giant river otters. Excursions and wildlife tracking will take place in motorised skiffs. BLD

### Day 6 Tour ends Cuiabá

After breakfast return to Cuiabá. Tour ends. B

## JAGUAR EXPRESS

5 days/4 nights

From \$4087 per person twin share

Lodge

Departs ex Cuiabá Jul-Oct

**S**pend 5 days at Araras Eco-Lodge and enjoy a full day tour searching for jaguars and other creatures along the Cuiabá River's banks. Jaguar Express is the perfect option for those who would love to encounter a jaguar in the wild, but prefer to overnight at a lodge. See page 86 for more information on Araras Eco-Lodge. Please contact us for details.

### BAIAZINHA LODGE

On the banks of the Paraguay River, this isolated lodge is reached by road transfer (5hrs) followed by a scenic boat ride downriver from Araras Lodge. There are only 6 air-conditioned rooms equipped with private hot water showers. Facilities include a dining and lounge room, swimming pool and Wi-Fi. Children 8+.



Giant river otters © Marcelo Isola



Thrilling jaguar sighting © Jacare Houseboat

"The jaguar sightings were the highlight. We saw nine jaguar in five days, but the sheer diversity of wildlife was extraordinary".

- Geoff Putland



Caiman in the Northern Pantanal © Shutterstock



Jaguar in motion, Northern Pantanal © Shutterstock

## NORTHERN PANTANAL

4 days/3 nights

Departs ex Cuiabá

### INCLUSIONS

Scheduled return transfers to and from lodge, 3 nights full board accommodation (beverages excluded), activities with bilingual guide and conservation fees where applicable.

\*All prices based on two people sharing, singles on request.

**W**hilst the Amazon Rainforest is better known to most travellers, the Pantanal is a far easier place to observe wildlife. A vast area of open wetlands covering some 195,000km<sup>2</sup> of central South America, the Pantanal's fantastic array of wildlife simply don't have thick foliage to hide behind. The northern section of the Pantanal is accessible from Cuiabá, capital of the state of Mato Grosso, driving along the scenic Transpantaneira Park Road. Home to some 698 bird, 80 mammal and 50 reptile species, the Pantanal is also one of the best places on earth to see jaguar in their natural habitat. The lodges on this page have been handpicked for their biodiversity, sustainable design and environmental projects. They offer a wide range of explorations led by local guides.

### STAY LONGER

We recommend adding a Jaguar Encounter (p85) for the best chance to view these big cats. You could also visit the Amazon Rainforest or Southern Pantanal. Contact our Brazil travel specialists for more information.

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### ARARAS ECO-LODGE

4 days/3 nights from \$1711 per person twin share\*

Departs daily

Situated on a private 28,000 hectare reserve around 2.5hrs from Cuiabá along Transpantaneira Park Road, Araras Eco-Lodge is renowned for its conservation projects involving the Hyacinth Macaw and giant river otter. There are 19 air-conditioned ensuite rooms with solar heated showers, a central swimming pool, large verandas with hammocks, a bar, restaurant and over 20km of trails. The lodge offers a range of guided activities including hikes, day or night jeep safaris, horseback riding and canoeing.

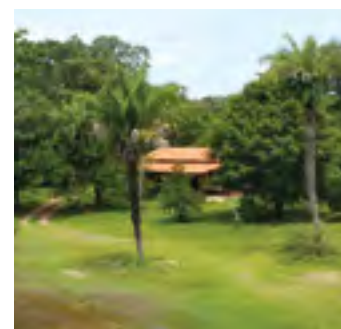


### POUSO ALEGRE LODGE

4 days/3 nights from \$1625 per person twin share\*

Departs daily

Set on 8,000 hectares of private land 2 hours' drive from Cuiabá, Pouso Alegre is both a working ranch and a haven for some of the Pantanal's most celebrated wildlife. Accommodation is in 13 basic but comfortable rooms with screened windows, fans and ensuite bathrooms. Surrounding the property is a mosaic of savanna, wetland and rainforest, home to monkeys, anacondas, deer and the magnificent Hyacinth Macaw. Enjoy nature walks, horseback safaris, canoeing and fishing.





Posing armadillo © Shutterstock



Incredible sunset - Southern Pantanal © Shutterstock

## SOUTHERN PANTANAL

4 days/3 nights

Departs ex Campo Grande

### INCLUSIONS

Return transfers to and from lodge, 3 nights full board accommodation, non-alcoholic drinks (Caiman Ecological Refuge only), activities with bilingual guide and conservation fees where applicable.

\*All prices based on two people sharing, singles on request.

**E**xperience Brazil's best kept secret from Campo Grande, capital of Mato Grosso do Sul, a cosmopolitan city far larger than Cuiabá up north. This part of the Pantanal is where wide grassy plains are left behind at the end of the rainy season, whereupon rice and cattle farmers move in. Discover 'campeiro' (cowboy) culture which has thrived in the area for 200 years, and learn how agriculture and livestock coexist with nature in this beautiful part of the world. Guided excursions include treks through wetlands and forests, photographic safaris, barge and canoe rides along the many waterways and piranha fishing. Birding is exceptional, with species such as aracari and Hyacinth Macaw common, while elusive creatures such as giant anteater, armadillo, ocelot, and jaguar may also be seen.

### STAY LONGER

For a comprehensive Brazil wilderness experience, combine lodge stays in both the Northern and Southern Pantanal, as well as in the Amazon. Contact our Brazil travel specialists to start planning your journey today.

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### CAIMAN ECOLOGICAL REFUGE

4 days/3 nights from \$2782 per person twin share\*<sup>^</sup>

Departs daily (9 Jun - 8 Sep departs Thursdays only)

A scenic 4hrs by road from Campo Grande, this working cattle ranch of 53,000 hectares doubles as a sanctuary for the Hyacinth Macaw, giant anteater, ocelot and jaguar. On this property are four individual lodges featuring a combined total of 26 comfortable rooms. Activities available here are diverse, including spotlighting, horseback riding, jeep and canoe safaris. Learn about "campeiro" (cowboy) culture, participate in ongoing research projects, look for caiman in and around waterways and stargaze.

<sup>^</sup>5 day packages also available.



### POUSADA AGUAPE

4 days/3 nights from \$1563 per person twin share\*

Departs daily

Located 195km from Campo Grande, this birdwatcher's paradise is home to over 300 recorded species plus capybara, armadillo and anteater. Accommodation is in 15 apartments fitted with hot water showers, ceiling fans and air-conditioners, whilst recreational facilities include a swimming pool and volleyball court. A central restaurant serves traditional meals prepared with ingredients grown on the surrounding farm. Activities here include horseback riding, boating, trekking, nocturnal tours and fishing.





**COLOMBIA**

Stunningly diverse, Colombia's natural scenery includes a Caribbean and Pacific coast, tropical Amazon Rainforests and two mountain ranges. Complementing this are its warm welcoming people and a wealth of striking colonial towns including the capital Bogotá, Medellín and Cartagena.



Cartagena des Indias © Colombian Journeys



Street vendor © Colombian Journeys

**HIGHLIGHTS OF COLOMBIA**

8 days/7 nights

From \$1957 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Bogotá

<b>Price per person from:*</b>	Twin
<b>A</b> Hotel Sofitel Victoria Regia/ Hotel Casa San Carlos/ Hotel Sofitel Santa Clara	\$2927
<b>B</b> Hotel Cite/Hotel Hacienda Szagua/ Hotel Boutique Ananda	\$2380
<b>C</b> Hotel B3 Virrey/Hotel Hacienda Castilla/ Hotel Don Pedro de Heredia	\$1957

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

**INCLUSIONS**

7 nights accommodation in selected hotels on a B&B basis, private tours and transfers as per itinerary.

**D**iscover the natural and historic treasures of Colombia on this fantastic journey. Tour the gracious classical buildings and fabulous museums of the capital, Bogotá, see the impressive Salt Cathedral at Zipaquirá and follow the journey of a coffee bean from tree to cup in the Central Andes. You'll also visit the enchanting Valle del Cocora and spend time exploring Cartagena, a fascinating coastal city with a wealth of Spanish colonial architecture.

**Days 1/2 Bogotá**

Private transfer from El Dorado Airport to your hotel. On Day 2, spend half a day in La Candelaria, where you'll find numerous sites of significance including Plaza de Bolivar, The Cathedral, Capilla del Sagrario and The Capitol. View works of modern art at the excellent Botero Museum. B (Day 2 only)

**Day 3 Bogotá/Zipaquirá**

Depart for the salt mines at Zipaquirá around 1.5hrs away, where the amazing Salt Cathedral stands. Inside are astounding sights including an enormous salt cross. Enter a mine-turned-auditorium and experience the visual effects of water on carved saline rock. B

**Day 4 Pereira**

Morning transfer to airport for flight to Pereira (not included). On arrival, you are driven to your hotel. Half-day tour of a typical Colombian coffee plantation, providing a detailed insight into bean production. B

**Day 5 Pereira/Valle del Cocora**

Spend a full day in the central mountains of Colombia, where you can marvel at the Quindian wax palm, Colombia's national tree, known to reach a staggering 60m in height. Hummingbirds and endangered palm parrot also live in this spectacular valley. In the afternoon, visit the traditional town of Salento with its colourful, photogenic balconies and handicraft shops before returning to your hotel. B

**Days 6/7 Cartagena**

After breakfast on Day 6, transfer to the airport for a flight to Cartagena (not included). On Day 7, see the sights of this picturesque town including the impressive San Felipe Fortress and evocative Ciudad Vieja (Old City). Afternoon at leisure. B

**Day 8 Tour ends Cartagena**

Transfer to airport. Tour ends. B



Hummingbird, Valle des Cocora © Shutterstock



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Willy's Jeep - Typical vehicle of the Coffee Triangle © Colombian Journeys





Valle del Cocora © Shutterstock



Wall collages and murals are a popular form of expression in Medellín © Colombian Journeys

## CLASSIC COLOMBIA

12 days/11 nights

From \$2594 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Bogotá

<b>Price per person from:*</b>	Twin
<b>A</b> Hotel Sofitel Victoria Regia/ Hotel Casa San Carlos/Hotel Patio del Mundo/ Hotel Sofitel Santa Clara	\$3972
<b>B</b> Hotel Cite/Hotel Hacienda Sazagua/ Hotel Park 10/Hotel Boutique Ananda	\$3286
<b>C</b> Hotel B3 Virrey/Hotel Hacienda Castilla/ Hotel Poblado Alejandria/ Hotel Don Pedro de Heredia	\$2594

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

11 nights accommodation in selected hotels on a B&B basis, private tours and road transfers as per itinerary.

**T**his comprehensive journey takes you from the vibrant capital Bogotá to captivating Cartagena by the Caribbean Sea. En route, explore the incredible salt mines of Zipaquirá, the coffee plantations of Pereira where the famous Colombian beans are grown, see the national tree in its natural environment and tour Medellín, a city that shook off its notorious past to emerge as a standout cultural destination.

#### Days 1/2 Bogotá

Private transfer from El Dorado Airport to your hotel. On day 2, discover the many stately homes and significant buildings of La Candelaria, including the oldest school in the country and the Museo del Oro, brimming with gold and precious stone artefacts. Afternoon at leisure. B (Day 2 only)

#### Day 3 Bogotá/Zipaquirá

Travel north to the salt mines of Zipaquirá to see the Salt Cathedral, an astounding feat of engineering. Contemplate the universe within the illuminated dome, deep inside the mountain. B

#### Days 4/5 Pereira

Fly to Pereira (not incl.) in the lush heart of coffee country. The following day, follow the journey of a coffee bean as it is prepped, toasted and ground to make the world-famous beverage. B

#### Day 6 Pereira/Valle del Cocora & Filandia

Depart for Valle del Cocora after breakfast, a part of the volcanic Los Nevados National Park where the national tree – Quindian wax palm – is found. Hike or horseback ride into cloud forest and be awed by some of the tallest trees on Earth. Afterwards, tour the vibrant settlements of Salento and Filandia, two of the most beautiful towns to visit in this region. B

#### Days 7/8 Medellín

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Medellín (not incl.). On day 8 admire the sculptures at Plaza del Botero and visit the baroque San Ignacio church. Then climb Nutibara Hill for superb city views. B

#### Days 9-11 Cartagena

Fly to Cartagena (not incl.) on the Caribbean coast. On day 10, take in the city highlights from its fortress and castle to the artisan centre at Bovedas, once used to house armaments and prisoners. Day 11 is at your leisure. B

#### Day 12 Tour ends Cartagena

Transfer to airport. Tour ends. B



Colonial architecture, Bogotá © Shutterstock



Coffee fruit, Pereira © Shutterstock



Colourful La Candelaria neighbourhood, Bogotá © Shutterstock



Vibrant Cartagena, a World Heritage Site © Marcus Visic

## CARTAGENA DE INDIAS

4 days/3 nights

From \$717 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Cartagena

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
Hotel Casa del Arzobispado (Std Rm)	\$1384	\$2577
Hotel Sofitel Santa Clara (Classic Rm)	\$1372	\$2548
Hotel Boutique Ananda (Superior Rm)	\$1035	\$1879
Hotel Don Pedro de Heredia (Std Rm)	\$717	\$1240

### INCLUSIONS

Private transfers from/to Cartagena airport with driver and guide, 3 nights accommodation in Cartagena on a B&B basis, sightseeing and meals as per itinerary.

**C**artagena is a sensual seaside city whose old town was declared a World Heritage Site in 1984. A perfect blend of Caribbean flavour and Spanish heritage, its pretty cobblestone streets are alive with outdoor cafes, street theatre performances, basket weavers and flower sellers.

#### Day 1 Cartagena

Arrive in Cartagena and transfer to your hotel.

#### Day 2 Cartagena

After breakfast, tour the city on foot, starting at beautiful Bolivar Park. Admire the Santo Domingo Church and the exquisite door of the notorious Inquisition Palace. Conclude your walk at the Museum of the City's Fortifications. B



Colourful historic centre of Cartagena © Shutterstock

#### Day 3 Cartagena / Rosario Archipelago

Full day excursion to the protected Rosario Archipelago, filled with pristine coral reefs and tropical fish. Free time to swim or snorkel. BL

#### Day 4 Tour ends Cartagena

Transfer to Cartagena Airport. Tour ends. B



Cartagena Old Town and the city in the background © Shutterstock



## SAN BERNARDO ISLANDS

3 days/2 nights

Departs daily ex Cartagena

Price per person from:	Twin
3D/2N San Bernardo extension	\$1006

### INCLUSIONS

Return transfers by road (private) & boat (shared), from Cartagena to island, 2 nights accommodation at Hotel Punta Faro on FB basis

**D**iscover the beauty of this archipelago paradise staying at stunning Punta Faro Hotel and indulge in a truly exotic getaway. Just 1 hour and 45 minutes from Cartagena by speedboat, explore the incredible beauty of these islands; enjoy beach walks through pristine mangrove forests and submerge yourself within beautiful coral reefs teeming with marine life. The hotel is built with comfort and relaxation in mind. Kayaks and catamarans are available to explore the crystal clear waters, whilst hammocks are dotted around the island where you can relax and enjoy the Caribbean lifestyle.

## SANTA MARTA & TAYRONA

We can also arrange itineraries to the popular beachside town of Santa Marta and the captivating Tayrona National Park. Prices for 3 day/2 night packages staying at the exclusive EcoHabs Tayrona start from \$1488 per person twin share. Please contact us for further details.





## GUATEMALA

This mesmerising country features some of the finest remains of the Mayan civilisation found anywhere in the Americas as well as romantic Spanish colonial towns, indigenous villages, tropical forests, volcanoes and beautiful Lake Atitlan high in the mountains.

Antigua historic centre © Shutterstock

## ANTIGUA

4 days/3 nights  
From \$471 per person twin share  
Departs daily ex Guatemala City

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
El Convento	\$928	\$1809
Meson de Maria	\$501	\$912
Sor Juana	\$471	\$896

### INCLUSIONS

Return airport transfers Guatemala City to Antigua, 3 nights accommodation with breakfast, half day walking city tour with English speaking guide.

**L**ocated in Guatemala's central highlands, Antigua is an idyllic city and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is celebrated for its well preserved Spanish Baroque style architecture. Walk along the city's cobblestone streets and you will discover high-end galleries, museums and boutiques as well as some architecturally spectacular colonial buildings.

#### Day 1 Antigua

Arrive at Guatemala City Airport and transfer to your Antigua hotel.

#### Days 2/3 Antigua

Enjoy a half day walking tour through the charming streets of Antigua discovering its rich architecture and history. Highlights include Iglesia San Francisco, the Cathedral and La Merced Church. Day 3 is at leisure. B

#### Day 4 Tour ends Guatemala City

After breakfast transfer to Guatemala City Airport. Tour ends. B



Charming Antigua © Shutterstock

## TIKAL NATIONAL PARK

3 days/2 nights  
From \$1800 per person twin share  
Departs daily ex Guatemala City

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
Las Lagunas Resort	\$2338	\$3865
Jungle Lodge	\$1887	\$3022
Villa Maya	\$1800	\$2753

### INCLUSIONS

Airport transfer in Guatemala City, return flight Guatemala City to Flores, return transfers Flores to hotel, 2 nights accommodation on B&B basis (dinner on day 1 at the Jungle Lodge only), private Yaxha and Topoxte day tour, private Tikal day tour including lunch with English speaking guide and entrance fees.

**Luggage:** TAG Airlines can only guarantee 9 kg check in luggage per person, plus one piece of hand luggage with max weight 4.5kg.

**T**he mysterious temple ruins of Tikal are a sight to behold. Dating back to the 4th century BC this is the largest archaeological site of pre-Columbian Mayan civilisation. This UNESCO World Heritage area is well preserved and the surrounding national park is home to a wide variety of tropical animals and birds.

#### Days 1/2 Flores

Early morning flight to Flores. On arrival, tour the ancient Mayan sites of Yaxha and Topoxte. On Day 2 explore Tikal National Park including a visit to the museum. Overnight Flores. L/BL

#### Day 3 Tour ends Guatemala City

Morning morning flight to Guatemala City. Tour ends. B



Tikal Mayan Site © Shutterstock

## CHICHI & LAKE ATITLAN

3 days/2 nights  
From \$1203 per person twin share  
Departs Thu & Sun ex Guatemala City

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
Casa Palopo	\$2127	\$3894
Hotel Atitlan	\$1366	\$2426
Dos Mundos	\$1203	\$2064

### INCLUSIONS

Return airport transfers Guatemala City to Lake Atitlan, 2 nights accommodation with breakfast, tour of Chichicastenango with lunch, tour of Santiago Village by boat including lunch, with English speaking guide.

**D**iscover Guatemala's famous 'ChiChi' Chichicastenango market and the crystal blue waters of Lake Atitlan. Within a caldera ringed by three lofty volcanos, the lake is surrounded by a dozen quaint villages, each distinguished from the next by the unique traditional dress of its inhabitants.



Celebrating the Festa of St Tomas © Shutterstock





## MEXICO

An intriguing mix of peoples, cultures and landscapes, Mexico is full of surprises. Renowned for its ancient Mayan and Aztec archaeological sites, it also has magnificent scenery, from jungle clad mountains and cactus studded deserts to palm-fringed beaches with luxury resorts. Mexico also has a modern, thriving economy with sophisticated cities and excellent infrastructure. See the famous artworks of Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera in the museums and grand buildings of Mexico City. Visit Mayan pyramids and richly decorated temples and palaces which date back thousands of years, and explore gorgeous Spanish colonial towns with flamboyant 17th century Baroque architecture and beautiful shaded piazzas.

### Highlights

Mexico City; Teotihuacan pyramids; the Copper Canyon, El Fuerte and the Chihuahua al Pacifico train; The World Heritage colonial town of Puebla; Oaxaca and the Zatopec ruins; Palenque, the Yucatán Mayan sites of Chichén Itzá and Uxmal, historic haciendas, the colonial cities of San Miguel de Allende, Guanajuato and Guadalajara.

### Climate

Mexico's climate varies depending on altitude. December to April is the best time to visit and also the driest. May and June are usually the hottest months and the summer months, May to October, are also the wettest with September/October being the peak of the hurricane season.

# MAGICAL MEXICO

“ The people we met, the ancient sites, cities and beaches we visited, the hotels we stayed at, the food we ate were all superb. Not to mention the 10,000 photographs we got to bring home to show family and friends!

A trip of a lifetime has become a reality for us.”

Andrew and June McFarlane





Pyramid of the Sun at Teotihuacan © Shutterstock



The Fine Arts Palace, Mexico City © Shutterstock

## MEXICO CITY CITY STAY

4 days/3 nights

From \$996 per person twin share

**W**ith so much to do in Mexico City it is almost a destination on its own. One of the world's largest metropolitan areas, the city is built on the ruins of the Aztec capital of Tenochtitlan, and offers a heady mix of age-old tradition and contemporary flair. Discover fine museums, a vibrant food culture and a thriving live music scene from classical to Cuban and jazz to mariachi.

### INCLUSIONS

Private airport/hotel arrival and departure transfers, 3 nights accommodation on a bed & breakfast basis, 1 full day private Mexico City city tour including Museum of Anthropology\* and 1 full day Teotihuacan pyramids & Guadalupe Shrine tour.

\*Doesn't operate on Mondays.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore enormous Zocalo Square
- Wander excellent museums
- Sample mouthwatering Mexican cuisine
- View the magnificent Pyramid of the Sun

### ACCOMMODATION

Price per person from:	Twin	Single
Hotel Las Alcobas (Deluxe Room)	\$1796	\$3541
Gran Hotel Ciudad de Mexico (Dlx)	\$1215	\$2380
Zocalo Central Hotel (Std Room)	\$1067	\$2083
Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton (Std)	\$996	\$1942

### OPTIONAL MEXICO CITY DAY TOURS

Tour cost per person from:	Twin	Single
Teotihuacan hot air balloon ride (Shared tour, transfer not incl.)	\$350	\$350
Half day Cooking class with 'Dona Lupita' in Xochimilco (Incl. transfers)	\$370	\$711
Half day Coyoacan, Frida Kahlo and Dolores Olmedo Museum	\$206	\$365



Hotel Las Alcobas © Hotel Las Alcobas

### HOTEL LAS ALCOBAS

★★★★★

Located in the trendy Polanco quarter close to designer boutiques and nightclubs, this small luxury hotel offers 2 acclaimed restaurants, a day spa and 35 modern rooms decorated in earthy tones, with fine Italian linens, free Wi-Fi access, flatscreen TVs and a Bose speaker system.



Zocalo Central Hotel © Central Hoteles

### ZOCALO CENTRAL HOTEL

★★★★★

Housed within a quaint 19th century building on the celebrated Plaza de la Constitución, this sophisticated hotel has 105 beautifully appointed guest rooms and a restaurant whose terrace overlooks Zócalo Square. Facilities include a gym, parking, 24-hour room service and free Wi-Fi.



Gran Hotel Ciudad de Mexico © Gran Hotel Ciudad de Mexico

### GRAN HOTEL CIUDAD DE MEXICO

★★★★★

This elegant hotel is renowned for its turn-of-the-century Art Nouveau décor and stunning stained-glass ceiling in the lobby. Located downtown on vibrant Zócalo square, it offers a unique blend of old world charm and contemporary luxury, 59 rooms and suites, restaurant and bar.



Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton © Hampton

### HAMPTON INN & SUITES BY HILTON

★★★★★

In the historic centre, just steps from Zócalo Square, this hotel offers 107 air-conditioned ensuite guest rooms. It features a spectacular six-storey atrium with a stained glass ceiling, a tranquil rooftop terrace, 2 restaurants, a gym, business centre and free Wi-Fi.



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San Miguel de Allende street scene © Shutterstock



Basilica of Our Lady of Guanajuato © Condor Verde

## MEXICO'S COLONIAL CITIES

7 days/6 nights

From \$2297 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Mexico City

<b>Price per person from:*</b>	Twin
<b>A</b> Belmond Casa de Sierra Nevada/ Hotel Boutique 1850/Hotel Villa Ganz	\$2797
<b>B</b> Hotel La Morada/ Hotel Camino Real Guanajuato/Hotel De Mendoza	\$2297

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

6 nights hotel accommodation on bed & breakfast basis, private tours and transfers as specified in the itinerary, departure transfer hotel to Guadalajara airport.

**M**exico's renowned colonial cities are so filled with treasures that many have been declared World Heritage Sites. Since the 16th century these provincial towns have profited from the riches of gold and silver mining, with wealthy traders building fine homes to display their success. Discover grand buildings, cobblestone streets, winding alleyways and peaceful gardens.

#### Day 1 San Miguel de Allende

Leave Mexico City and transfer to San Miguel de Allende. Rest of day at leisure.



#### Day 2 San Miguel de Allende

Set out on a half day tour of this delightful colonial town with its opulent mansions and handsome churches, connected by quaint cobbled streets. The town's history - as an important crossroads in the gold and silver trade - is reflected in its outstanding architectural heritage. B



Mexican sombreros at market sales © Shutterstock

#### Days 3/4 Guanajuato

Travel to Guanajuato, a World Heritage Site and the birthplace of Diego Rivera. Brightly coloured houses tumble down the hillside and richly decorated mansions and wide piazzas make this one of Mexico's most picturesque towns. Rest of the day at leisure. On day 4, enjoy a half day guided tour of the town's highlights including the Mummy Museum, churches, parks and theatres. B

#### Days 5/6 Guadalajara

Depart for Guadalajara, one of the most serenely beautiful cities in Mexico, with parks, fountains, monuments and rose-lined boulevards. On day 6 take a half day guided tour of the cathedral, lovely squares and majestic colonial buildings. Visit nearby Tlaquepaque with its historic centre, colonial era churches and local handicrafts including pottery, glassware and papier mache. B

#### Day 7 Tour ends Guadalajara

After breakfast, transfer to the airport where your journey ends. B

### TEQUILA EXPRESS DAY TOUR

**A**ll aboard the José Cuervo Tequila Express, the train dedicated to the world-famous drink and the region where it is produced. This full day tour takes you through scenic agave fields to José Cuervo's La Rojeña, the oldest distillery in the Americas. Learn about the history and production process of tequila and indulge in a tasting; explore the township of Tequila and enjoy an entertaining folk show. The Tequila Express day tour is a perfect add-on to our Mexico's Colonial Cities itinerary, and costs from \$282 per person. Please contact us for details.



### STAY LONGER

With such a rich history, diversity of cultures and landscapes, Mexico is a dazzling destination in itself. For a broader Central America experience, visit neighbouring Guatemala and Belize, or go further afield to Cuba or Costa Rica. Contact one of our Central America specialists to start planning your journey today.

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Extraordinary ruins of Palenque © Shutterstock



Live band in Merida © Condor Verde

## MEXICAN CONTRASTS

9 days/8 nights

From \$3596 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Tuxtla

Price per person from:\*

Twin

**A** Hotel Bo/Hotel Boutique Quinta Cha Nab Nal/Casa Lecanda/Hotel Coral Tulum \$4680

**B** Casa Vieja/Chan-Kah Resort Village/Hotel Boutique Casa Lucia/Hotel Boutique Dune \$3596

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

Private arrival transfer Tuxtla Airport to hotel, departure transfer hotel to Cancun Airport, 8 nights hotel accommodation on bed and breakfast basis, meals, private tours and transfers as specified in the itinerary with English speaking guide.

**U**n unravel Mexico's fascinating history in the states of Chiapas and Yucatan. The 16th century towns of San Cristobal de Las Casas and Merida feature classic Spanish architecture, whilst nearby villages are home to descendants of the ancient Maya. See some of the country's best archaeological sites, including Chichen Itza, Palenque and Uxmal.

#### Days 1/2 San Cristobal de Las Casas

Private airport transfer to San Cristobal de Las Casas, enjoying a boat trip en route (shared) in beautiful Sumidero Canyon. On day 2 take a half day city tour of San Cristobal to see its cathedral, squares and churches. Then drive into the highlands to visit the traditional Mayan villages of San Juan Chamula and Zinacantan. B (day 2)

#### Days 3/4 Palenque

After breakfast, admire the enchanting Agua Azul Waterfalls comprised of over 500 cascades. Continue on to Palenque for overnight. On day 4 enjoy a full day tour of Bonampak and Yaxchilan. Hidden in dense jungle, Bonampak was only discovered in 1946. Its colourful murals depicting Mayan life and mythology are amongst the finest in the country. Continue on by road and boat to reach the well-preserved riverside ruins at Yaxchilan. B

#### Days 5/6 Merida

Half day tour of Palenque, dating from the classic period (300 to 900 AD). Spectacularly located in jungle with views all the way to the

Gulf Coast, it features a turreted palace and pyramid with exquisite reliefs. Later, transfer to the airport for your flight to Merida (not included), built over 450 years ago on top of an ancient Mayan city. On day 6 visit Uxmal and Kabah. Uxmal is a UNESCO World Heritage Site known for its low palaces set around courtyards, decorated with a profusion of motifs depicting the long-nosed rain god Chaac. Kabah boasts the impressive Palace of the Masks. Return to Merida. B/BL



San Cristobal de Las Casas © Shutterstock



The Cascadas de Agua Azul, Palenque © Shutterstock

#### Day 7 Riviera Maya

Drive to Chichen Itza, the best restored of Yucatan's sites. Its magnificent ruins include the massive Pyramid of Kukulcan and the Great Ball Court, once used for human sacrifice. After a full day's exploration, transfer to Riviera Maya. BL

#### Day 8 Riviera Maya

Full day at leisure to relax. B

#### Day 9 Tour ends

Morning transfer to Cancun Airport. Tour ends. B

## YUCATAN PENINSULA

8 days/7 nights

From \$3195 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Merida

### INCLUSIONS

7 nights hotel accommodation on bed & breakfast basis, private transfers and sightseeing as specified in the itinerary, departure transfer hotel to Cancun Airport.

**T**he Yucatan Peninsula is a magical combination of luminous Caribbean waters, powder sand beaches, pre-Columbian ruins and atmospheric colonial cities. Maya culture flourishes here, evident in the traditions and cuisine, with fresh seafood being a staple. Visit the renowned pyramids of Chichen Itza, the walled city of Tulum and the archaeological sites of Uxmal and Kabah.





# PUEBLA & OAXACA

5 days/4 nights

From \$1525 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Mexico City

Price per person from:\*

Twin

A Hotel Mesones Sacristia/Quinta Real Oaxaca \$2022

B Hotel Colonial de Puebla/Casa Conzatti \$1525

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

## INCLUSIONS

4 nights hotel accommodation on B&B basis, full day tour Puebla, private transfers and sightseeing as specified in the itinerary, departure transfer hotel to Oaxaca airport.

**D**iscover two of Mexico's most magnificent cities, both World Heritage Sites renowned for their majestic Spanish colonial buildings. Ancient Puebla, founded in 1532, is well known for its architectural beauty and food. It lies in the shadow of the Popocatepetl and Iztaccihuatl volcanoes. Oaxaca, founded in 1529, has a rich history and culture. It is also close to important archeological sites from the Zapotec civilization (500 BC to 800 AD).

### Day 1 Puebla

Depart by private vehicle towards Puebla, stopping to visit Tonantzintla's ornate church, decorated in distinct regional style. Continue on to Cholula to see the Great Pyramid, larger than the famed Pyramid of Cheops in Egypt. On arrival in Puebla, explore this wonderful town and perhaps try Mexico's national dish - the mole Poblano - which originated here.

### Days 2/3 Oaxaca

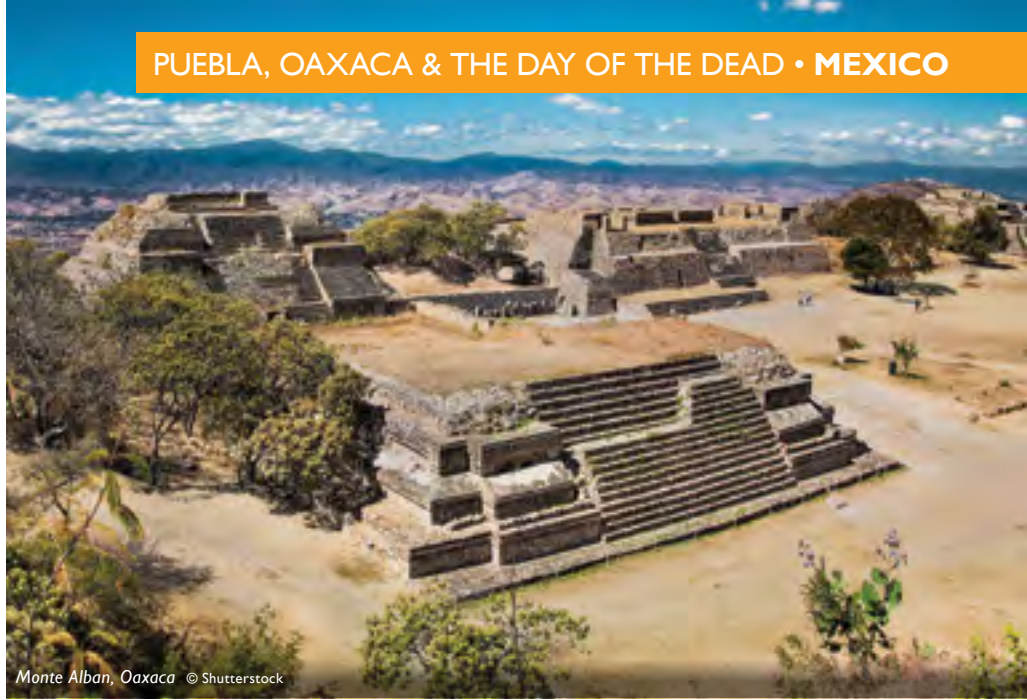
After breakfast drive to Oaxaca. On arrival enjoy time at leisure to explore or relax. Next day, take a half day tour to Monte Alban, the most majestic of Oaxaca's ancient ruins and the greatest of the Zapotec cities. Its strategic location on a levelled mountain top is testament to early Mesoamerican engineering abilities. B

### Day 4 Oaxaca

Half day tour of Mitla. See the ancient Tule tree, thought to be over 2,000 years old and one of the world's largest by circumference. Mitla was once an important Zapotec city but its temples were destroyed by the Spanish. Stop at a distillery on the way back for Mezcal tasting. B

### Day 5 Tour ends

After breakfast transfer to the airport. Tour ends. B



Monte Alban, Oaxaca © Shutterstock



Traditional market flower seller © Shutterstock



Dramatic scenery of Puebla © Condor Verde



Church of Santo Domingo de Guzman, Oaxaca © Shutterstock

## DAY OF THE DEAD EXPERIENCE

5 days/4 nights

From \$1430 per person twin share\*

Departs ex Oaxaca

30 Oct-03 Nov 2018

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

### INCLUSIONS

4 nights hotel accommodation on B&B basis, private arrival/departure transfers from/to Oaxaca airport, half day visit to Monte Alban archaeological site, night tour Xoxo cemetery on 31 October, 1 full day 'Day of Dead' activities, half day Oaxaca city tour.

**T**his entirely unique adventure begins in the culturally rich southern city of Oaxaca. Take in the world heritage site of Monte Alban, built 400m above the Oaxaca Valley, and learn about the ancient Zapotec civilisation. Celebrated on 31st October, this 3-day ancient holiday honours the dead with prayers, feasting and festivities that spill out into the streets. March to a brass band in Etna's famous public parade alongside villagers dressed in Halloween-style costumes, help decorate a traditional family grave, explore colourful markets and taste the delicious regional fare.





**COSTA RICA**

Positioned between two continents, Costa Rica is home to more species of wildlife than any other place on earth: Scarlet Macaws, sea turtles, colourful fish, butterflies, monkeys and sloths to name a few. Active volcanoes tower above impenetrable jungle and the pristine seas are perfect for snorkelling.

Keel Billed Toucan © Shutterstock



Monteverde Sky Walk Hanging Bridge © Latin Trails

**COSTA RICA DISCOVERY**

7 days/6 nights

From \$2896 per person twin share

Departs daily ex San Jose

Price per person from:\*

Twin

**A** Tortuga Lodge & Gardens/Arenal Nayara/ Monteverde Lodge \$4005

**B** Manatus Hotel/Tabacon Grand Spa/ Hotel Belmar \$3140

**C** Mawamba Lodge/Lost Iguana/Hotel el Establo \$2896

\*Min 2. Single travellers prices are available on request.

**INCLUSIONS**

Return scheduled road and boat transfers San Jose to Tortuguero, private road transfer Tortuguero to Arenal/Monteverde, 6 nights accommodation, meals and sightseeing as per itinerary including entrance fees and local English speaking guide.

**S**ights not to be missed on your visit to Costa Rica are the active Arenal Volcano, Tortuguero National Park and Monteverde Cloud Forest. The canals and rivers of Tortuguero offer an amazing insight into the rainforest, freshwater and marine biology of this area, whilst Monteverde harbours a wealth of wildlife in its tropical cloud forests.

**Day 1 Tortuguero**

Early transfer by road through Braulio Carrillo National Park, then take a boat cruise through the canals of Tortuguero. Afternoon walking tour of the town of Tortuguero with your guide. LD

**Day 2 Tortuguero**

A typical day might include a morning excursion by boat through the network of scenic waterways within the national park. In the afternoon, explore the rainforest on foot with a naturalist guide who will provide information on the exotic fauna and flora of the area. BLD

**Day 3 Arenal**

After breakfast transfer from Tortuguero to Arenal. Enjoy an afternoon hike to Arenal Volcano and time to soak in the thermal mineral pools at Tabacon Hot Springs. Overnight at a hotel in Arenal. B

**Day 4 Arenal**

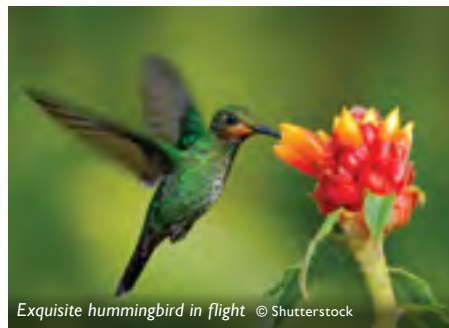
Day at leisure to take advantage of the many activities on offer. B

**Days 5/6 Monteverde**

Travel by boat across the lake from Arenal to Monteverde. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure to enjoy the many optional activities available. On day 6 enjoy a guided walk along the Sky Walk hanging bridges. Overnight in Monteverde. B

**Day 7 Tour ends San Jose**

Transfer by road to San Jose. Tour ends. B



Exquisite hummingbird in flight © Shutterstock



Surrounded by jungle © Tortuga Lodge

**TORTUGA LODGE**

Set on the banks of the Tortuguero River, the lodge is surrounded by picturesque jungle and located a short boat ride from Tortuguero Airport. Offering 27 river-view rooms and suites, the lodge has a pool overlooking the river and beautiful gardens with plentiful hammocks. Activities on offer include guided walks with naturalist guides, fishing and cultural excursions whilst turtle nesting and hatching tours are also available (extra cost, Jul-Nov).



Nestled in Cloud Forest © El Establo Lodge

**HOTEL EL ESTABLO**

Nestled in the misty Cloud Forest of Monteverde, this hotel combines adventure and relaxation. There are plenty of unique experiences on offer, including the tree top canopy tour and exciting night walks in search of forest nightlife. The hotel offers two restaurants serving a range of cuisines, heated indoor pool, gym, tennis court and day spa.



Tabacon Hot Springs © Tabacon Grand Spa

**TABACON THERMAL RESORT & SPA**

This luxurious resort is situated at the base of the majestic Arenal Volcano surrounded by dozens of cascading waterfalls and natural springs that are heated underground by the volcano. There are 103 air-conditioned rooms and suites all with en-suite bathrooms and lush rainforest views. The resort offers two restaurants, three bars (one poolside), and an open-air day spa with Jacuzzi.

# PACUARE LODGE

3 days/2 nights

From \$1831 per person twin share\*

Departs daily ex San Jose

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

## INCLUSIONS

Round trip transportation from/to San Jose by minibus & boat (rafting), 2 nights accommodation with all meals including hot drinks and rafting equipment.

**Please note:** Land transfers to the lodge can be arranged as an alternative to rafting. Min age for rafting is 12 years. Max baggage allowance is 12 kg.

Children 7+ welcome.

**A**n award-winning eco lodge, and a member of National Geographic's Unique Lodges of the World, Pacuare is located on the banks of the Pacuare River surrounded by tropical jungle – 1.5hrs drive from San Jose. Reached primarily by raft, the lodge has been designed to blend into its natural surroundings. The 20 stylish palm-thatched ensuite bungalows offer private balconies with hammocks and near 360° rainforest views, whilst lodge facilities include a fantastic restaurant, free Wi-Fi in common areas and a breathtaking infinity pool.

### Day 1 Pacuare

Early transfer to Pacuare River. Stop for breakfast before an exhilarating river rafting tour ending at Pacuare Lodge. After lunch choose from hiking to a nearby waterfall, taking a canopy tour (additional cost) or simply relax at the lodge. BLD

### Day 2 Pacuare

After a hearty breakfast, the day is at leisure. Optional tours (additional cost) include guided rainforest hikes and a visit to the home of a remote Cabecar Indian family. BLD

### Day 3 Tour ends San Jose

Depart the lodge on another fun filled rafting adventure negotiating rapids. Transfer by minibus to San Jose where your tour ends. B



Rafting adventure, Pacuare Lodge © Costa Rican Trails



Explore pristine rainforests © Shutterstock



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## STAY LONGER

We highly recommend combining all of these independent tours for a comprehensive Costa Rica experience. For those with more time, visit neighbouring Panama or Nicaragua, or go further afield to Belize, Guatemala, Mexico, Colombia or Ecuador. Contact one of our Central America specialists to start planning your journey today.

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## OSA PENINSULA

4 days/3 nights

Departs daily ex San Jose

This peninsula paradise in south-western Costa Rica is the ultimate destination for adventure travellers who still wish to enjoy modern luxuries. Corcovado National Park is considered the crown jewel of Costa Ricans national park system and shelters a staggering diversity of wildlife, including 150 butterfly species, 500 bird species and 124 kinds of mammals. Featured here are three stunning lodges on the doorstep of the Corcovado National Park each offering a range of daily excursions to explore this untouched wilderness. The waters around the peninsula are also home to a rich variety of marine life with snorkelling and scuba diving tours on offer. Humpback whales, whale sharks, mobula rays, hawksbill turtles, a number of shark species and countless fish can be found here.

### INCLUSIONS

Return transfers San Jose hotel to airport, return flight San Jose to Osa Peninsula and road/boat transfer to lodge, 3 nights accommodation on a full board basis and local touring with English speaking guide.

\*Prices are based on 2 people sharing, singles on request.



Stunning views © Lapa Rios Ecolodge

### LAPA RIOS ECOLOGE

4 days/3 nights from \$2983 per person twin share\*

Opened in 1993 by two former peace-corps volunteers, Lapa Rios Ecolodge was a pioneer in luxury eco-tourism. This award-winning lodge is situated in a 1,000-acre reserve of pristine rainforest. Built along a ridge line the 17 luxurious ensuite thatched bungalows all feature a large outdoor deck with private showers. The reserve is home to over 300 species of birds including the iconic macaw, whilst secluded beaches can be found at the ends of many jungle paths. The lodge offers a variety of activities with onsite guides including day and night jungle walks, waterfall adventures, bird viewing, kayaking and local community visits.



Deluxe Bungalow room © Casa Corcovado Jungle Lodge



Aguila de Osa Inn room © Aguila de Osa Inn

### CASA CORCOVADO JUNGLE LODGE

4 days/3 nights from \$2365 per person twin share\*

Accessible by boat only, immerse yourself in the stunning beauty of this little-known Garden of Eden. This beautiful property is located on the edge of Corcovado National Park and offer guests a chance to unwind in tropical gardens surrounded by 170 acres of pristine rainforest.

Accommodation consists of 14 ensuite bungalows and suites with peaceful garden views, hammocks and outdoor showers. Relax and unwind by the hotel pool or in one of the many hammocks across the property. Daily excursions are all about outdoor adventure and exploring this unique environment – guided walks, kayaking, snorkelling, birding and mangrove tours are all offered.

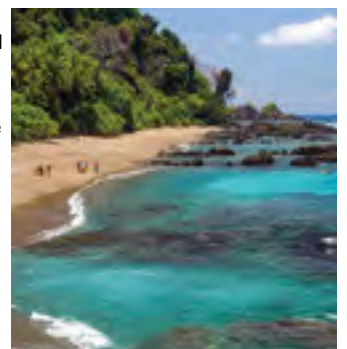


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### AGUILA DE OSA INN

4 days/3 nights from \$2092 per person twin share\*

Nestled amid jungle-covered hillsides, Aguila de Osa Inn overlooks the tranquil waters of Drake Bay. This rainforest adventure hotel offers convenient access to Corcovado National Park. The inn has only 13 ensuite rooms, whilst guests can relax in the main lodge area or enjoy the open-air restaurant with breathtaking ocean views. Gourmet cuisine is created with locally sourced products including fresh fish and delicious forest fruits with a unique tropical flair. The extensive list of activities includes guided forest walks in Corcovado National Park, ocean and river kayaking, horse riding and snorkelling.





**BELIZE**

Well-known for its spectacular diving, English-speaking Belize offers much more than just underwater treasures. Visitors can explore a wealth of Mayan archaeological sites with magnificent ancient ruins, rest on gorgeous beaches, trek through lush jungle and be thrilled by the wide range of adventure activities such as canoeing, fishing, wildlife viewing, cycling, horseback riding and sailing. We offer two distinct tours covering Belize's impressive rainforests and reefs which you can tailor to suit your personal interests.

Beautiful clear waters of Belize © Shutterstock

**BELIZE REEF ADVENTURE**

4 days/3 nights

From \$1629 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Belize Intl Airport

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>Matachica Resort &amp; Spa</b> (Deluxe Beachfront Casita)	\$2001	\$3691
<b>Victoria House Resort</b> (Plantation Rm)	\$1629	\$2785

**INCLUSIONS**

Meet & greet at Belize International Airport, return flight Belize airport/San Pedro airstrip, transfers airstrip to/from hotel, 3 nights accommodation on bed & breakfast basis, shared half day Hol Chan & Shark Ray Alley snorkel tour.

**EXCLUSIONS**

\$10USD park fee per person to be paid locally.

**Luggage limits:** 1 hand luggage max. 6.8 kgs, 1 checked bag, max. 23 kgs

**S**pend four glorious days exploring Tropical Ambergris Caye based at the island's only town, San Pedro. Its sandy streets are lined with a smattering of waterfront restaurants, hotels, tiki bars, dive shops and souvenir stores. Spend your time diving, fishing, sailing, kayaking or snorkelling.



Idyllic Belize coastline © Shutterstock

**BELIZE RAINFOREST ADVENTURE**

4 days/3 nights

From \$2138 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Belize Intl Airport

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>Blancaneaux Lodge</b> (Riverfront Cabana)	\$2001	\$5108
<b>Chaa Creek</b> (Cottage Room)	\$2528	\$3962
<b>Gaia Riverlodge</b> (Garden View Cabana)	\$2138	\$3843

**INCLUSIONS**

Return transfer airport/hotel, 3 nights hotel accommodation on bed & breakfast basis, private full day tour Xunantunich & Barton Creek with lunch, private full day tour Caracol and Rio Frio Cave & Pools with picnic lunch.

**L**ocated in western Belize is the Cayo District - a vast region of rainforests, cattle ranches, and some of the country's most rugged terrain. It is here you can see 'the other side of Belize'. Visit the ancient Mayan sites of Xunantunich and Caracol, explore Barton Creek - famous for its cave, Mayan artefacts and zip line rides. Venture into the Rio Frio Cave and Pools and be immersed in verdant rainforests teeming with exotic wildlife.



Aracari Toucan in the Belize rainforest © Shutterstock



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Mayan Ruin - Xunantunich in Belize © Shutterstock

**A TASTE OF NICARAGUA**

5 days/4 nights

From \$844 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Managua

<b>Price per person from:*</b>	Twin
<b>A Hotel Plaza Colon/Finca San Juan de la Isla</b>	\$968
<b>B Hotel Patio Malinche/Finca San Juan de la Isla</b>	\$844

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

**INCLUSIONS**

Arrival transfer Managua to Granada hotel, 2 nights Granada hotel accommodation with breakfast, private transfer to Ometepe incl. ferry ticket, 2 nights Ometepe hotel accommodation with breakfast, private departure transfer Ometepe to Penas Blancas border incl. ferry ticket.

**F**lanked by the Pacific Ocean on one side and the Caribbean Sea on the other, Nicaragua offers an invitingly warm climate, a fascinating colonial history, and incredible natural wonders from enormous Lake Nicaragua filled with islands and volcanoes, to cloud forest and beaches. Stay in charming Granada and travel to Ometepe Island in Lake Nicaragua, famous for its ancient Mayan statues and petroglyphs.



Granada, Nicaragua © Shutterstock

CUBA

Go beyond Cuba's cigars, vintage cars and time-warp cities to discover astounding nature reserves, exceptional marine life and miles of gloriously white sandy beaches.

With so much to see, Cuba deserves a few weeks of exploration. If you can't spend a full fortnight here, we've featured a few short itineraries ideal as add-ons to an exploration of the Americas to pique your curiosity about this socialist island nation.

While infrastructure is not as developed in Cuba as it is in other destinations in Central America such as Costa Rica, the warm, welcoming locals more than make up for any shortcomings.

Accommodation in Cuba is in hotels or homestays. Both however, are in short supply and we cannot stress enough how important it is to book at least 12 months in advance.



Havana local © Shutterstock



Old Havana © Shutterstock

HIGHLIGHTS OF CUBA

8 days/7 nights

From \$2882 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Havana

<b>Price per person from:*</b>	Twin
<b>B+</b> Gran Hotel Manzana Kempinski La Habana/ Hotel La Union/Iberostar Grand Trinidad	\$5264
<b>B</b> Iberostar Parque Central/Hotel La Union/ Hotel Vivian	\$3901
<b>C^</b> Hostal El Madero/Hostal Tania y Adrian/ Hostal Vivian	\$2882

\*Based on two people sharing, singles on request.

^Please note Category C is traditional Homestay quality.

INCLUSIONS

Private return airport transfers Havana, hotel accommodation with breakfast daily, lunches and dinners as specified, services of a driver/guide outside Havana, all tours specified in the itinerary.

**This comprehensive tour gives you plenty of time to enjoy eclectic Havana with its rich architectural heritage, lively social scene and mid-century ambience. You'll also uncover hidden gems including Cienfuegos, Trinidad and the resting place of the legendary Che Guevara.**

**Day 1 Havana**

Arrive Havana and transfer to your hotel. Rest of the day at leisure.

**Day 2 Havana**

After breakfast, take a walking tour of Old Havana to admire its well-preserved colonial streetscapes. Visit the 16th century Plaza de Armas and Plaza Vieja. Lunch at a restaurant in Old Havana. Afternoon at leisure to explore on your own and enjoy the atmosphere. BL

**Day 3 Havana**

Tour Havana in a vintage car. Travel through neighbourhoods such as Central Havana, Vedado and Miramar, visiting landmarks such as the Capitol Building, Revolution Square, Hotel Nacional and the University of Havana. B

**Day 4 Cienfuegos**

With your private driver/guide, leave Havana after breakfast and drive to Cienfuegos, a major port known for its neoclassical buildings. Half day tour of Cienfuegos. Lunch is included at a local restaurant. BL

**Day 5 Trinidad**

Drive to Trinidad, a World Heritage town founded in 1514 renowned for its colourful colonial architecture. Afternoon at leisure before a traditional dinner with a Cuban family. Evening music and dance tour with a local guide. BD



Charming Cienfuegos © Shutterstock

**Day 6 Trinidad**

Start the day exploring the historical centre of Trinidad. Tour around Plaza Mayor and shop at the craft markets before lunch, then travel to Topes de Collantes, a nature park in the Escambray Mountains. Visit an art gallery and stop at La Casa del Café to taste some of Cuba's finest coffee. BL

**Day 7 Havana**

Depart for Santa Clara, a town with a rich revolutionary legacy. Pay respects at the memorial of revolutionary Ernesto "Che" Guevara. Lunch is included at a local restaurant. Continue to Havana where the rest of the day is at leisure. BL

**Day 8 Tour ends Havana**

Tour ends after breakfast. Depart for the airport or extend your stay with an optional beach break. Check out our 4 day Cayo Santa Maria package on page 103. B



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Trinidad © Shutterstock



Plaza de la Revolución, Havana © Shutterstock

## CLASSIC CUBA

11 days/10 nights

From \$3697 per person twin share

Departs daily ex Havana

<b>Price per person from:*</b>	Twin
<b>B+</b> Hotel Saratoga/Hotel Melia Santiago/ Hotel Royalton/Camino de Hierro/ Iberostar Grand Trinidad	\$5801
<b>B</b> Iberostar Parque Central/Hotel Iberostar Casa Granda/Hotel Royalton/Camino de Hierro/ Iberostar Grand Trinidad	\$5342
<b>C^</b> Hostal El Madero/Hotel Iberostar Casa Granda/El Balcon de Bayamo/ Casa Angelito y Familia/Hotel Vivian	\$3697

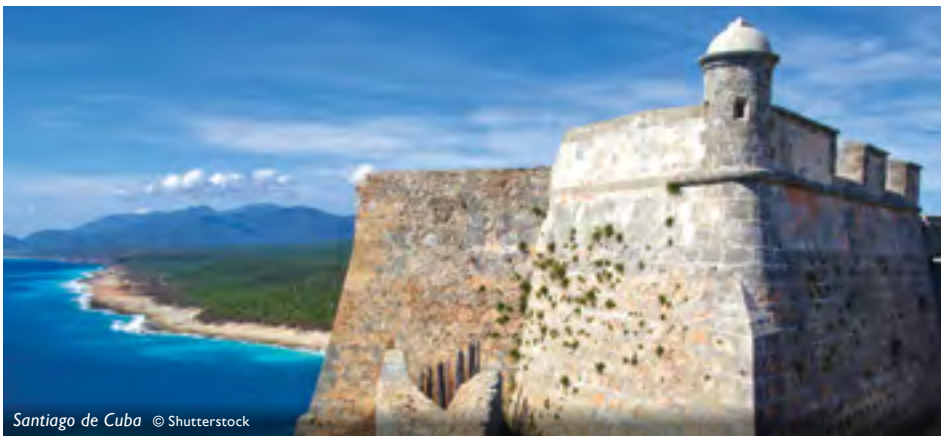
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### INCLUSIONS

Private return airport transfers Havana, hotel accommodation with breakfast daily, lunches and dinners as specified, flights shown in itinerary, services of a driver/guide outside Havana, all tours specified in the itinerary.

**Journey from Havana to the other end of Cuba where you embark on an escorted driving tour through beautiful colonial towns and national parks, winding your way back to the capital. This trip allows you to fully appreciate the incredible history, authenticity, diversity and warmth of this unique island country and its citizens.**



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### Days 1-3 Havana

Meet and greet at Havana Airport, transfer to hotel. On Day 2 enjoy a morning walking tour of Old Havana with lunch at a local restaurant, followed by an afternoon city tour in a vintage car. Day 3 enjoy a full day tour of the wonderful Sierra del Rosario, visiting a tobacco plantation and cigar factory. Explore the lovely Viñales and Dos Hermanas valleys before reaching Cueva del Indio. Board a boat and travel along the underground river. Tour includes a typical Cuban lunch at a local restaurant. BL (Days 2/3 only).

### Days 4/5 Santiago de Cuba

Morning at leisure in Havana. Fly from Havana to Santiago de Cuba with the remainder of the day at leisure. Next day enjoy a morning guided walk to discover rich history and warm hospitality. Learn about pirates and naval defences at the world heritage Castle San Pedro de la Roca. B/BL

### Day 6 Bayamo

Early breakfast and short drive to Bayamo. Explore the city in a horse-drawn carriage. Travel through the narrow streets and visit its most important squares and sites. Afternoon at leisure. B

### Day 7 Camaguey

Drive north-west to Camaguey, a World Heritage Site. Take an afternoon stroll through the town's colonial-style centre with its irregular, warren-like streets, hidden plazas, baroque churches, galleries and restaurants. In the evening, visit Casa de la Trova where you can enjoy traditional Cuban music. B

### Days 8/9 Trinidad

Drive to Trinidad, one of the best preserved colonial cities in the Caribbean. Enjoy dinner with a Cuban family before exploring the city at night with your local guide. On Day 9 take a walking tour through the historic centre of Trinidad, admiring its colonial architecture, with an afternoon trip to Topes de Collantes nature park. BD/BL

### Day 10 Havana

Depart Trinidad after breakfast and drive to Cienfuegos. Spend half a day unlocking the secrets of the so-called "Pearl of the South". Lunch is included at a local restaurant. BL

### Day 11 Tour ends Havana

Tour ends after breakfast. B

## CUBA BEACH STAY

4 days/3 nights

Departs daily ex Cayo Santa Maria

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>A</b> Hotel Melia Buena Vista (Jnr Suite)	\$983	\$1718
<b>B</b> Royalton Cayo Santa Maria (Jnr Suite)	\$809	\$1229

### INCLUSIONS

Accommodation, all meals and drinks (some premium beverages excluded).

**Enjoy the world-class beach lifestyle of Cuba with this perfect add-on to your Cuba stay. Cayo Santa Maria is an idyllic island in the country's north, conveniently connected to the mainland by a 48km-long causeway. It is an ideal choice for visitors looking to enjoy some of the Caribbean's most beautiful beaches. We can arrange flights or land transfers to Cayo Santa Maria from Havana or other destinations in Cuba.**





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A ship in a lock, Panama Canal © Shutterstock

## PANAMA CITY STAY

4 days/3 nights

From \$1159 per person twin share

Once home to explorers, pirates and entrepreneurs, Panama has changed its fortunes from Inca gold to eco tourism. Most famous for its canal, this small yet diverse country offers vibrant cities, relaxing beach resorts and an exceptional tropical climate. Venture inland – where the indigenous Emberá still paddle tradition dugout canoes - for misty cloud forest and volcanoes or stick to the coast for excellent snorkelling and diving. There are also hundreds of palm fringed islands off the coast, perfect for a romantic getaway.

### INCLUSIONS

Meet and greet at Panama Airport, private return transfer airport/hotel, 3 nights hotel accommodation on a bed & breakfast basis, Canal tour with partial transit with shared ground transportation, full day Aguas Clares Visitor Centre & City Tour incl. lunch.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- The Panama Canal, a splendid feat of engineering
- Stroll beautiful and lively Casco Viejo
- See Panama Viejo, sacked by pirates in the 1600s
- Gateway to beaches, cloud forest and volcanoes

### ACCOMMODATION

<b>Price per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
<b>American Trade Hotel &amp; Hall</b> (Cuarto Chico Rm)	\$1513	\$2600
<b>Central Hotel Panama</b> (Dlx Room)	\$1417	\$2405
<b>Global Hotel Panama</b> (City View Rm)	On Request	
<b>Bristol Hotel</b> (Deluxe Room)	\$1330	\$2237
<b>Holiday Inn</b> (Standard Room)	\$1159	\$1886

### OPTIONAL TOURS

<b>Total cost per person from:</b>	Twin	Single
Partial Panama Canal Transit Supplement	\$85	\$85
Agua Clares Visitor Centre	Included	

### Partial Canal Transit

Your city stay package includes a partial Panama Canal transit (5-6hrs), traversing the Canal from Gamboa to the Pacific Ocean or vice-versa. Contact us for departure dates in 2019.

### Agua Clares Visitor Centre

Near Colon City, this complex offers amazing views of Gatun Lake and the locks, and exhibits displaying the history and future of this engineering marvel. It also features a rainforest trail.



American Trade Hotel & Hall © Ace Hotel

### AMERICAN TRADE HOTEL & HALL

★★★★★

Located in a lovingly restored landmark building in Casco Viejo, this luxurious boutique hotel offers a well-balanced mixture of old world elegance and contemporary ambience. It features 50 spacious guest rooms, an outdoor pool, a library, gym, lobby bar, cafe, fusion restaurant and jazz club.



Global Hotel Panama © Grace Hotel

### GLOBAL HOTEL PANAMA

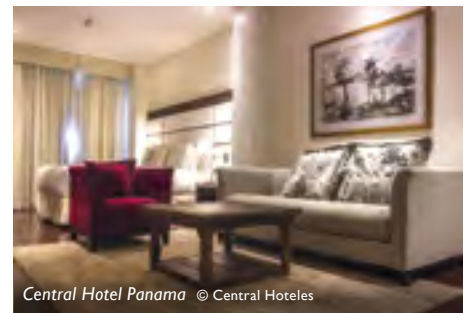
★★★★★

This luxury hotel occupies the first six floors of the newly constructed Twist Tower in the heart of Panama City. The hotel offers 60 immaculate guest rooms, a fine dining restaurant, cocktail bar as well as a spectacular outdoor pool and whirlpool with views of the city skyline.

### HOLIDAY INN PANAMA CANAL

★★★★★

Overlooking the Panama Canal, this convenient hotel offers 137 bright, comfortable guest rooms, an outdoor pool, fitness centre and restaurant. Other facilities include baggage storage, bilingual staff and a free daily shuttle to various popular destinations including the airport, local shopping mall and the Miraflores Locks.

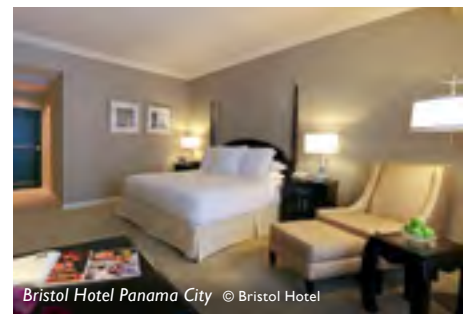


Central Hotel Panama © Central Hoteles

### THE CENTRAL HOTEL

★★★★★

Set in the heart of Casco Viejo historic district, this premium boutique hotel is set within a heritage building of architectural significance. The 135 immaculate guest rooms feature a tasteful blend of colonial-era character with 21st century luxury. Guests also enjoy access to a rooftop pool, day spa, gym and acclaimed restaurant.



Bristol Hotel Panama City © Bristol Hotel

### BRISTOL HOTEL PANAMA CITY

★★★★★

The gracious Bristol Panama Hotel has 125 spacious ensuite rooms with decor inspired by the vibrant art, architecture and history of Panama. Rooms are air conditioned and appointed with premium bedlinen, baths and flatscreen TVs. There is a restaurant, outdoor pool and fitness centre.



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## FALKLAND ISLANDS

The Falkland Islands, located 560km off the east coast of South America are home to a wealth of wildlife, much of which is very tame and approachable. More than 220 species of bird have been identified in the Falklands, including five different species of penguin. Marine life abounds including elephant and fur seals, southern sea lions, dolphins and whales. There is also a wide variety of flora, of which 13 are endemic and 171 are native.

King Penguins, Falkland Islands © Shutterstock

## WILDLIFE OF THE FALKLANDS

8 days/7 nights

From \$5376 per person twin share\*

Departs Saturdays ex Mount Pleasant

### INCLUSIONS

Airport meet and greet, all overland transfers, all internal FIGAS flights, accommodation and meals as per itinerary and all tours with driver/guides.

\*Based on 2 people sharing, singles on request. Rate is provisional and subject to change.

Lodges closed Apr-Aug (winter).

**T**he Falkland Islands are renowned for an abundance of diverse wildlife within a natural environment. Nicknamed “Galapagos of the South”, the wildlife here often comes to you. Five species of penguin, the world’s largest colonies of Black-browed Albatross, the endangered Striated Caracara, elephant seals, sea lions, dolphins and even killer whales are just some of the exciting creatures of the Falklands.

### Day 1 Stanley

Arrival transfer from Mount Pleasant International Airport to Stanley. Remainder of the day at leisure.

### Days 2/3 Pebble Island

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Pebble Island – officially recognised as an Important Bird Area. Choice of a full day tour to different parts of the island – ask us for details. Optional second tour can be added at an additional cost. BLD



Falklands Skua and a young chick © Falkland Islands Holidays

### Days 4/5 Sea Lion Island

Transfer by air to Sea Lion Island. Here you will encounter breeding colonies of southern sea lions and southern elephant seals. The island is also home to over 40 species of bird. Explore the island on your own or have a guided orientation arranged for you (extra cost). BLD

### Day 6 Stanley

Flight to Stanley with free time to explore the Falkland’s colourful capital with its museum, sea wall and cathedral. B

### Day 7 Stanley

Take a full day 4x4 guided excursion to Volunteer Point where you can view the largest King Penguin colony on the island. Should you wish to take a different tour on this day, it can be arranged – ask us for details. B

### Day 8 Tour ends Mount Pleasant

Morning free to explore more of Stanley before an afternoon transfer to Mount Pleasant Airport for your departure flight (not included). Tour ends. B



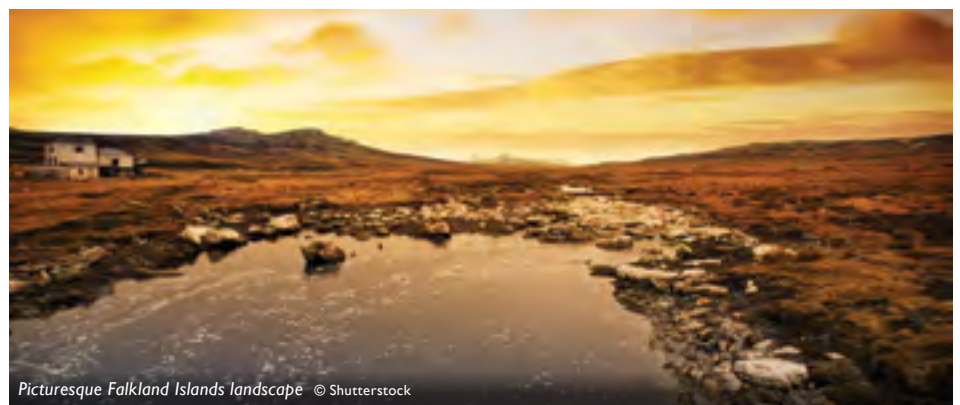
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SOUTH ATLANTIC OCEAN © Natural Focus



Roaring elephant seal © Shutterstock



Picturesque Falkland Islands landscape © Shutterstock



Unforgettable Antarctic scenery © Tim Morton



Gentoo Penguins, Antarctic Peninsula © Shutterstock

## ANTARCTICA CRUISES

**G**o where few others have gone before. Antarctica is the world's last great wilderness, a vast white continent of icebergs, glaciers, penguins, seals and seabirds. The best way to experience this final frontier is by expedition ship. No two voyages to Antarctica are the same as itineraries are dependent on weather and ice conditions. Cruises to Antarctica depart between November and March. On our handpicked vessels, expect plenty of Zodiac boat excursions, walks on shore and the opportunity to sea kayak, ski, scuba dive and even camp out on the ice.

For more details please call us on (03) 9249 3777 or 1300 363 302.



## ANTARCTICA & THE ARCTIC BROCHURE

Featured here is just a small sample of the programs we offer in Antarctica. View our full range of cruises to destinations such as the Antarctic Peninsula, Falkland Islands, South Georgia, Weddell Sea, Ross Sea and the Sub-Antarctic Islands in our Antarctica brochure. Please contact us to order your copy or view it online at: [naturalfocussafaris.com.au/antarctica](http://naturalfocussafaris.com.au/antarctica)



### ANTARCTIC PENINSULA

11 days from \$10099 per person twin\* ex Ushuaia, Argentina

\*10, 12 and 13 day departures also available

Explore the most accessible area of the 'Great White Continent' and discover a huge diversity of birdlife, including Gentoo, Chinstrap and Adelie penguins. You are also likely to see polar mammals like leopard, crabeater and Weddell seals, orcas, humpback and minke whales. All itineraries offer multiple shore landings by Zodiac inflatable boat to visit penguin rookeries, historic sites and scientific research stations. For those with an adventurous spirit, some ships offer options to camp overnight on an ice shelf, mountaineer, cross-country ski, kayak or scuba dive (experience required).



### FALKLANDS, SOUTH GEORGIA & THE ANTARCTIC PENINSULA

19 days from \$22413 per person twin\* ex Punta Arenas, Chile

\*17, 18, 20, 21 and 23 day departures also available

This cruise is the ultimate in Antarctic voyages, exploring the Sub-Antarctic islands of South Georgia and the Falklands, as well as the Antarctic Peninsula. The Falkland Islands shelter a profusion of birdlife while unspoilt South Georgia harbours the grave of Ernest Shackleton and King Penguins which you won't see further south. The Antarctic Peninsula is where huge glaciers meet the sea and there are colonies of Chinstrap, Adelie and Gentoo penguins. The emphasis of this trip is on wildlife encounters, contact with the environment and sites of historical interest.



### CLASSIC ANTARCTICA AIR-CRUISE

8 days from \$19351 per person twin\* ex Punta Arenas, Chile

\*10 day departures also available

Short on time or keen to avoid crossing the occasionally turbulent Drake Passage? Fly from Punta Arenas in Chile to King George Island just off the north coast of the Antarctic Peninsula. Here, you'll step aboard your expedition ship. Planned highlights on this cruise include Paulet Island, Hope Bay, Port Lockroy, Petermann Island, Paradise Bay, Deception Island as well as the Lemaire Channel. Each day you'll disembark by Zodiac and explore Antarctica's natural wonders and incredible wildlife together with expert guides. Fewer hours travelling means more time to explore the ice!

## GENERAL BOOKING CONDITIONS

### Trading Names

Natural Focus is a trading name of African Wildlife Safaris Pty Ltd (the company).

### Before you book

The information presented in this brochure was correct to the best of our knowledge at the time of publication. However, changes beyond our control may have occurred since then with respect to prices, itineraries, duration of holidays, standard of services, tour content, fares and airline schedules. Please check with your travel agent or the company to ascertain if there are any alterations to the tour you select before you book.

### Booking Procedure/Security Deposit

The receipt of a security deposit will be taken as an understanding by the company that the participant has read, understands and agrees to abide by the conditions set out in this brochure. To make a reservation please forward a non-refundable security deposit of 20% of the total tour cost together with a completed Reservation Form (available from [www.naturalfocussafaris.com.au](http://www.naturalfocussafaris.com.au)). Clients on Antarctic tours will also be required to sign a Cruise Contract.

### Special Security Deposit Requirements

Some of the tour operators used in this brochure require higher deposits of between 25-50% of the tour cost. At the time of quotation and booking we will advise any special deposit requirements.

### Final Payment

Final Payment is due 120 days prior to departure for Antarctica, 90-70 days for some South America cruises and 60 days for South America tours. If payment has not been received by the due date we reserve the right to treat the booking as a cancellation.

### Client Names - Exactly as per Passport

For security reasons, airlines and the majority of our tour operators require your name exactly as it appears in your passport. It is your responsibility to advise these details. If you or your Travel Agent do not advise the correct information and we have to re-issue airline tickets or other documentation, then we will bill you for all costs incurred, such as airline cancellation charges and courier fees, in addition to our own administration fee.

### Goods & Services Tax (GST)

The Australian Goods & Services Tax (GST) does not apply to international travel. GST does not apply to administration charges such as amendment fees, hotel and late booking fees where these are made prior to travel. Amendment fees charged after travel, for example, in the case of a refund will attract GST.

### Insurance

It is a condition of booking that you are adequately insured for the full duration of your tour. Your policy must include emergency evacuation cover. It is advisable to insure expensive camera equipment separately. Insurance policies rarely cover for loss of cash. We strongly recommend that insurance be purchased at the time you pay your security deposit as our cancellation conditions will be strictly enforced. The choice of insurer is at the sole discretion of the client.

### Cancellations and Refunds<sup>^</sup>

If it is necessary to cancel your holiday, you should notify us immediately in writing and this will take effect the day it is received by us. All monies will be forfeited as follows:

#### Number of days before departure:

##### Antarctica

More than 120 days	Loss of deposit
120 - 0 days	No refund†

†If you cancel your Antarctic cruise 120 days or less prior to departure, and you have not yet paid in full, you will be required to pay the full cost of the cruise amount outstanding.

##### South America

More than 60 days	Loss of deposit
59 - 41 days	45% of fare*
40 - 31 days	65% of fare*
30 days or less	No refund*

<sup>^</sup> Some tour operators charge higher cancellation fees for some tours. These will be advised with our quote letters and confirmation accounts.

\* Except those amounts that can be refunded, such as airfares (less those amounts forfeited under airline regulations and the company's loss of profit). Insurance premiums are non-refundable, but if the reason for your tour cancellation falls within the terms of the insurance cover, cancellation charges will normally be refunded by the insurance company. The non-issuance of an invoice or the non-payment and/or non-receipt of a security deposit or a major event such as a terrorist related incident, civil unrest or outbreak of a flu type epidemic etc will not exempt passengers from these cancellation and administration penalties.

Cancellation fees are designed to cover the cancellation fees charged by overseas tour operators as well as

Natural Focus' loss of profit and to cover our time and effort for work completed.

Please note that employees of our overseas tour operators are not authorised to make any undertakings on behalf of the company regarding refunds or other matters. After travel has commenced, additional costs incurred due to changes in your itinerary (eg due to airline schedule changes) must be settled directly by you and any requests for refunds must be made on your return.

### Amendments

Due to the extra administrative costs, there will be an automatic minimum charge of \$75 per amendment, in addition to any cancellation fees levied.

### Deferring Travel

Normal cancellation fees apply if you wish to postpone your departure.

### Late Bookings

Bookings made less than 30 days before departure from Australia must be accompanied by full payment. Late bookings will incur a minimum \$50 charge to cover extra administrative expenses.

### Minimum Stay

The company is a specialist tour operator and not a hotel booking service. We therefore will not normally accept reservations under 5 nights for any one booking. Exceptions may be made at our discretion and subject to a booking fee being charged.

### Brochure "From" Prices and Tour Costs

The expression "from" with respect to tour prices stated in this brochure means prices are based on a per person basis in Australian Dollars based on twin share, entry level accommodation (unless otherwise stated) and travel during the low season. This cost is indicative only, is subject to change, and based on ground costs, airfares and exchange rates as at 11/02/2019. Actual prices will vary with changes in costs and exchange rates at time of quotation. Natural Focus uses a strategy of hedging (purchasing Forward Exchange Contracts) to stabilise prices. No adjustments will be made for exchange rate variations once full payment is received by the company.

However, price may vary up to the date of departure based upon variations in airfares, park fees, departure taxes, hotel rates, government charges or other costs.

### Airline Ticket Taxes & Surcharges

We charge a service fee of 5-10% on airfare taxes and surcharges to cover our costs associated with the collection and administration of these mandatory fees. This service fee is included in the tour costs stated in this brochure.

### Included in Trip Cost

Please note that our tours generally include transportation, accommodation with private facilities, sightseeing, park fees where applicable and services of driver/guide. Where these items are not included we advise accordingly. Meals are not included unless specifically mentioned. Meals are indicated by: B = Breakfast, L = Lunch and D = Dinner.

### Not included in the Trip cost

International and domestic airfares and airport/hotel transfers unless specifically stated. Passports, visas, passenger taxes, insurance, emergency evacuation costs, extra meals not shown in the itinerary, laundry, tips, items of a personal nature including medication and excess baggage charges. Please note some hotels in Brazil might charge a city tax of USD 2-6 per room per night. This tax would be shown on your invoice upon check out but please note that it is not compulsory.

### 2019/20 Prices

Prices are shown in Australian Dollars (AUD) and are generally valid from 01/01/19 - 31/12/19 although some tours and lodges have different periods of validity and where possible these are highlighted in the brochure. 2020 prices will be available approximately November 2019.

### Airlines

LATAM, Qantas and Air New Zealand do not by virtue of their endorsement of this brochure represent themselves as either contracting with any purchaser of a holiday from the company or as having any other legal relationship with such purchaser.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### Pre-departure Information

On receipt of your security deposit, a copy of our Pre-departure Information will be forwarded to you. Some of the more important details are shown below.

### Passport

You should be in possession of a passport valid for at least 6 months beyond your intended stay overseas.

### Visa requirements

Australian Nationals do not require a visa to enter Argentina, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, Costa Rica, Uruguay, Guatemala, Mexico, Belize, Panama or Colombia for

stays of less than 90 days for tourism purposes. For Chile a Tourist Card \$117 USD is required, payable locally; and for Nicaragua a Tourist Card \$10 USD is required, payable locally. A visa is required to enter Brazil or Cuba and must be obtained prior to travel. Other nationalities should check with us for their visa requirements. Foreign nationals require a re-entry visa for Australia, which should be obtained before departure. The company will not be held responsible for passengers travelling without the correct travel documents.

### Vaccinations & Health

A Yellow Fever Vaccination is recommended for most South American countries and compulsory if arriving from an infected area. Anti-malarial prophylactics will be necessary for many South American countries. Please check with your doctor for up to date advice on any other vaccination requirements. It is the client's responsibility to ensure he/she has the appropriate vaccinations and documentation.

### Consular Advice

The Australian Department of Foreign Affairs issues travel advice for many countries. This is available by calling 1300 555 135 or by visiting their website: [www.smarttraveller.gov.au](http://www.smarttraveller.gov.au)

### Age Limits

Some of our tours have age limits, depending on the type of tour selected.

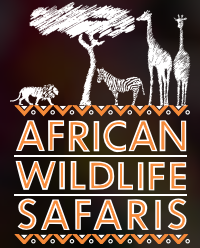
## RESPONSIBILITY

Natural Focus and African Wildlife Safaris are trading names of African Wildlife Safaris Pty Ltd ("the company") which expression includes its employees, subsidiaries and agents) accepts bookings subject to the following conditions:

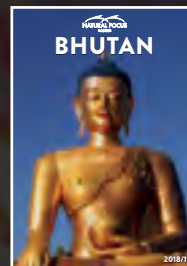
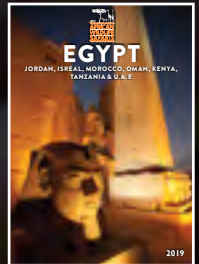
1. A booking is accepted only after the receipt of the required security deposit, a Reservation Form and after the company issues a written confirmation account.
2. Final balance is due 120 days prior to departure for Antarctic cruises, 90-70 days prior to departure for some South America cruises and 60 days prior to departure for South America, otherwise the company may treat the booking as being cancelled by the client.
3. The company is not itself a carrier or hotelier nor does it own aircraft, hotels or vehicles. The company exercises every care in the selection of carriers, hotels, tour operators and the suppliers of the travel services used in this brochure (all of which carriers, hotels, tour operators and other suppliers are called "the other suppliers").
4. All bookings with the company are subject to the terms and conditions and limitations of liability imposed by the other suppliers some of whom limit or exclude liability in respect of death, personal injury, delay and loss of or damage to baggage and may require the participant to complete a release of indemnity form prior to commencing the arrangements.
5. All tickets, vouchers and documents are issued subject to the terms and conditions under which the other suppliers provide their services and the company is not responsible for carrier caused delays. The terms of your contract are those terms and conditions under which the other suppliers provide their services.
6. The company is not liable in any way for the acts, omissions or default whether negligent or otherwise of the other suppliers pursuant to a contract between the other suppliers and you (which may be evidenced by a ticket, voucher or other document) because the company has no control over the other suppliers.
7. The participant is aware that the tours may operate in remote or inaccessible areas, and that wild and potentially dangerous animals move freely in the areas where the tours are conducted. These areas are not zoos and wildlife viewing is not guaranteed.
8. The participant further acknowledges that where the tour is conducted in an area without proper medical services the company and its servants and agents are expressly authorised to take such action as thought necessary for the provision of medical services and all associated costs are to be paid for by the participant.
9. Should the company or its other suppliers deem it desirable for political, climatic, overbooking of hotels/lodges or other reasons to amend or vary any itinerary it may do so by shortening, varying or completely re-routing the trip in which case no objection or claim for compensation will be made by the participant. The company advises that it is compulsory to take out insurance against the above mentioned risks for your protection.
10. These terms and conditions are incapable of alteration or waiver by any servant agent or representative of the company or of any person providing services on the tour.



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