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# Welcome to Our 2022/23 Brochure.

Bienvenido and bem vindo – Spanish and Portuguese for Welcome! These two phrases evoke all that is South America and South American Travel Specialists, and I would like to welcome you to our new 2022 online brochure. South American Travel Specialists is one of the divisions of the Travel Specialists (African Travel Specialists, India Tours & Travel Specialists, Croatia Travel Specialists and Antarctic Travel Specialists), a group of travel companies that has built up a reputation over many years, offering the best in travel to their specialist destinations.

Of course, our world has changed dramatically, with the outbreak of Covid, and the closure of our borders for 19 months. Like all travel companies, I had to make some tough decisions, with the loss of some of our staff and reduction of hours of others, but unlike most companies, I had always prepared for the unexpected, and we have come through very strongly due to our loyal clilents and travel agents, to those I can only say a big thank you. 2022 started slowly but by May, the tap was turned full on with business pouring in, in numbers we did not expect till late 2023 or 2024.

From it's humble beginnings as a suburban travel agency the company has grown to a group of specialist businesses offering tours and safaris to clients all over Australia and the World. What also sets South American Travel Specialists apart is our flexibility to tailor-make your trip at the most competitive and value for money prices, in Australia, but most importantly giving you piece of mind, you are getting the best advice when putting it together.



South American Travel Specialists ... more than you can imagine...

I am very excited and delighted to offer you the tours, cruises, treks and individual arrangements in the brochure to assist you in opening your eyes to what South America has to offer. I am sure it will inspire you to visit one of the most exciting places on Earth – South America. But don't take my word for it, see it for yourself!

#### **RICHARD RUSKIN**

Managing Director, South American Travel Specialists

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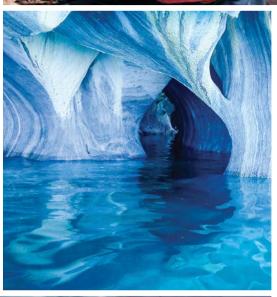




















# SOUTH AMERICAN CONTINENT MAP









Join this small group gastronomic tour at Lima and Cisco, escorted by our very own South American Specialist Gisel Pacheco. Discover the cuisine of Peru, enjoying both traditional and contemporary cuisine, as well as exploring the incredible archaeological sites, monuments and traditions this incredible country has to offer. Join Gisel on this tour as she opens your eyes to the culture, cuisine, history and beauty of Peru.

#### 9 Days / 8 Nights

**PERU** 

DEPARTING: TBC

#### **PRICE PER PERSON FROM:**

Superior Hotels \$TBC

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- 9 nights accommodation superior hotels on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- Excursions and tours as detailed
- Airport and hotel transfers
- Entrance fees to attractions as detailed
- · Vistadome train tickets
- Internal domestic flight (Lima Cusco)

**NOTE**: This tour requires a minimum of 10 passengers travelling to be escorted.

Gisel, Senior Consultant and Product Manager of South American Travel Specialists was born in Australia to Argentinian and Chilean parents. Gisel has a passion and love for everything South American. Her natural enthusiasm, exuberance and knowledge, makes her the perfect person to head this exciting tour that showcases the culture, and cuisine. So book now to join Gisel as seats are limited.

#### DAY 1: LIMA

On arrival in Lima, you will be met and transferred to ALOFT LIMA MIRAFLORES for your two-night stay.

#### DAY 2: LIMA

This morning you will explore Lima's historic old town; a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Your tour will begin with the Larco Museum, located in the traditional Pueblo Libre district, which is housed in a beautifully restored viceregal mansion built on a pre-Columbian pyramid. The museum contains the world's most complete pre-Hispanic collection of gold and silver objects. You will then continue your tour in the colonial downtown. Here you will have the opportunity to see grandiose architecture of the Spanish Empire as well as Lima's cathedral. In the evening you will be taken to a famous restaurant for dinner to enjoy a contemporary Peruvian cuisine 5 step tasting. (B, D)

#### DAY 3: LIMA - CUSCO

Today you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Cusco. On arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel, COSTA DEL SOL RAMADA for your two night stay. In the evening, enjoy dinner at a restaurant that offers typical Cusco cuisine in a traditional and rustic atmosphere in the San Blas neighborhood. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 3: CUSCO

After breakfast, you will be taken on a gastronomic tour that includes a visit to the Chocomuseo and the Pisco Museum. You will have the opportunity to learn about the production process of each of these staples, from raw ingredients to finished product.

#### **DAY 5: CUSCO - SACRED VALLEY**

After breakfast, you will be taken to the archaeological site of Maras, where you will have the opportunity to see the salt ponds. The thousands of small ponds help feed the many local families. As with many Inca ruins, its exact function remains a mystery although the design of ever wider concentric terraces means each level has a different micro-climate. The thousands of small ponds help feed the many local families. Two nights at SONESTA POSADA INCA YUCAY HOTEL. (B, L)

#### **DAY 6: SACRED VALLEY**

After breakfast you will have the opportunity to take part in an activity that invites participants to learn about the living culture of Ollantaytambo. Afterwards, you will be transferred to the Pakaritampu pyramid, to enjoy views of the landscape and valley before visiting the town of Ollantaytambo, inhabited since the time of the Incas. Here you will be able to explore the historical streets. Today's lunch will be a thousand-old-ritual of the Andes; Pachamanca. This special lunch will include preparing ingredients and cooking them with hot stones. Finally witness the unearthing of the Pachamanca and enjoy the traditional dish. (B, L).

#### DAY 7: SACRED VALLEY - MACHU PICCHU - CUSCO

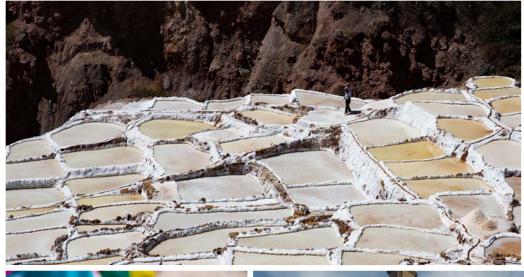
This morning you will be transferred to Ollantaytambo Station to board your train to Machu Picchu. Following a scenic journey through the spectacular Andes landscapes you will arrive at the station in Aguas Calientes to be taken to Machu Picchu. "The Lost City of the Incas", Machu Picchu, is believed to have been built in the 1450s by Inca Emperor Pachacuti as a holiday retreat, yet within a century the city would be abandoned following the Spanish conquest. You will be taken on a guided tour explaining the origins behind this inspiring citadel. Afterwards, you will board the train to return to Cusco. Stay two nights at COSTA DEL SOL RAMADA. (B, L)

#### DAY 8: CUSCO

This morning, after breakfast you will be taken Huilloc. Today you will have the opportunity to learn about the community and their customs. You will also have the opportunity to participate in a demonstration of one of the ancestral activities of Andean life – the process of making garments using traditional techniques. You will be shown the weaving process of traditional Huilloc clothing. After lunch, you will be taken back to your hotel. In the evening enjoy a farewell dinner. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 9: CUSCO

Today you will be transferred to the airport for your onward flight. This marks the end of your tour. (B)





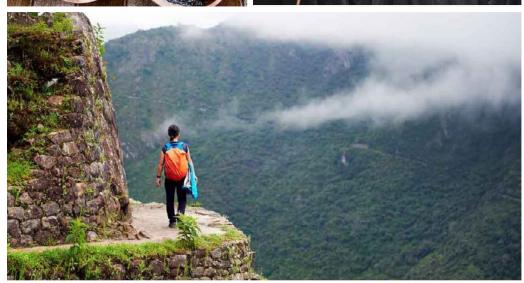
















# **ULTIMATE SOUTH AMERICA**

Offering a wide range of authentic South American experiences, this 24 day tour begins in Quito. Visit a local community, and the stunning Galapagos Islands before seeing the Sacred Valley and the world-famous Machu Picchu. Enjoy a road trip like no other as you journey across beautiful landscapes, experiencing everything from floating islands made of reeds, to salt lakes and the Atacama Desert. See both sides of the Iguazu Falls and finish the tour enjoying the very best of Rio de Janeiro, with time to relax on legendary beaches.

#### 24 Days / 23 Nights

**ECUADOR PERU BOLIVIA CHILE ARGENTINA BRAZIL** 

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior Hotels \$TBC

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 23 nights accommodation in superior hotels on a twin share
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- Guided excursions and tours as
- Yacht excursions in Galapagos Islands
- Entrance Fees
- Vistadome Train

#### **NOTE: Internal flights NOT included** Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

This tour can be reduced, extended or amended to suit. Please contact South American Travel Specialists for full details

#### **DAY 1: QUITO**

On arrival in Quito, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for your two nights stay. (B)

#### **DAY 2: QUITO**

This morning you will be taken on a colonial city tour of Quito to experience the bustling streets and squares of the historical old town and visit the "Middle of the World" situated at 0°0′0″ latitude. (B. I.)

#### **DAY 3: QUITO - GALAPAGOS ISLANDS**

Today you will be transferred via light aircraft to the Galapagos Islands (additional cost). On arrival, you will be met by a naturalist guide and taken to Puerot Ayora, with a stopover in the highlands to see the giant land tortoises. Here you will have a picnic lunch. In the afternoon, visit Tortuga Bay and return to your HOTEL for dinner and your overnight stay. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 4: GALAPAGOS ISLANDS**

After breakfast, you will be taken to the dock to board your yacht to North Seymour Island. Here you can enjoy hiking, swimming, snorkelling and seeing the local wildlife. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 5: GALAPAGOS ISALANDS**

Today, you will return to the dock and sail to Bartolome Island. Afterwards, you will return to your HOTEL for dinner and your overnight stay. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 6: GALAPAGOS - LIMA

After breakfast, you will be able to visit the Charles Darwin Station to see a variety of giant tortoises and learn about the station's ongoing conservation efforts. You will then head to the airport for your light aircraft transfer back to Quito where you will board a flight to Lima (additional cost). On arrival, you will be transferred to your HOTEL. (B)

#### DAY 7: LIMA - CUSCO

Today, you will be taken to the airport for your flight to Cusco (additional cost). On arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel. The afternoon will begin at the Mercado San Pedro before visiting the Museo del Inka and Cusco's famous Cathedral. The last stop of the day will be the Curinacancha, also known as the Temple of Sun. Return to your HOTEL for your overnight stay. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 8: CUSCO - SACRED VALLEY - MACHU PICCHU

Today begins with a visit to the village of Pisac, in the Sacred Valley of Incas, with its famous artisanal market and Inca Ruins. Continue on to the Hacienda Sarapampa, where you will be taken on a guided tour and enjoy lunch as you overlook the beautiful landscape and surrounds. After lunch you will be transferred to Ollantaytambo station for your train journey to Aguas Calientes, located at the base of Machu Picchu. Overnight at your HOTEL in Aguas Calientes. (B, L)

#### DAY 9: MACHU PICCHU - CUSCO

This morning you will be taken on a guided tour of the world-famous Inca ruins of Machu Picchu. After lunch, board the train back to Cusco for your overnight stay. (B)

#### DAY 10: CUSCO - PUNO

Today you will travel through the highland plateau, stopping en route at the archaeological site of Andahuaylillas and the pre-Inca ruin of Ragchi. Enjoy a picnic lunch along the way before arriving back in Cusco in the early evening, where you will be transferred to your HOTEL for your overnight stay. (B, L)

#### DAY 11: PUNO - COPACABANA - LA PAZ

After breakfast, you will be taken to the Port of Puno to board a motor boat that will transfer you to Uros, an archipelago of more than 60 handmade floating islands. Enjoy a guided tour via an authentic reed raft. Afterwards, return to Puno where you will start the journey to La Paz via Copacabana. On arrival, you will be transferred to your HOTEL for your overnight stay. (B)

#### DAY 12: LA PAZ - UYUNI

This morning you will be taken to the airport for your flight to Uyuni (additional cost). On arrival you will be taken to San Pedro de Atacama, en route visiting the Salt Flats, the village of Colchani and Incahuasi Island to see the amazing giant cactus. Enjoy a picnic lunch before continuing on to your HOTEL in San Juan for your overnight stay. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 13: UYUNI

After breakfast, you will be taken to Mallku Cueva Villamar, passing by the church of San Cristóbal and the villages of Culpina K and Alota with a stop at the Valley of the Rocks. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B, L, D)



#### DAY 14: UYUNI - SAN PEDRO DE ATACAMA

This morning, you will visit San Pedro de Atacama and Laguna Colorada to see the famous James's Flamingos as well as the perennial ice. Your journey continues to Laguna Verde on the banks of the Licancabur Volcano and then on to the Hito Cajón border for your transfer to San Pedro de Atacama for your two night stay at your HOTEL. (B)

#### **DAY 15: SAN PEDRO DE ATACAMA**

After an early breakfast, you will be taken on a half day tour of the Tatio Geysers. Sitting at an altitude of 4,320 metres above sea level, this is the highest geothermal field in the World. Enjoy a visit to "Pozón Rústico", and in the afternoon, travel across Cordillera de la Sal (Salt Mountain Range) to reach the Valle de la Luna (Valley of the Moon), and witness the valley's incredible colours as the sun sets. (B)

#### DAY 16: SAN PEDRO DE ATACAMA- SANTIAGO

This morning, enjoy a visit to the Salar de Atacama, one of the world's largest salt lakes, and an important lithium reserve. It is also where you can see a variety of bird species. En route you will visit the village of Toconao where the locals, who are famous for their knitted products, live in white volcanic stone houses. In the afternoon you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Santiago (additional cost) where you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for an overnight stay. (B)

#### DAY 17: SANTIAGO – BUENOS AIRES

After breakfast you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Buenos Aires (additional cost). Two nights at your HOTEL. (B)

#### **DAY 18: BUENOS AIRES**

Today you will be taken on a sightseeing tour to one of the oldest neighbourhoods in Buenos Aires. You will visit La Boca with its colourful homes and pedestrian streets, Puerto Madero, Palermo and the Recoleta. In the evening enjoy a Tango show with dinner at La Ventana. (B, D)

#### DAY 19: BUENOS AIRES – IGUAZU

This morning you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Puerto Iguazu (additional cost). On arrival you will be transferred to your HOTEL. The evening is at your leisure.

#### DAY 20: IGUAZU

Today you will experience Iguazu Falls from the Argentinian side. Here you can explore the suspended walkways on both the upper and lower circuits. (B)



#### DAY 21: IGUAZU - RIO DE JANEIRO

After breakfast, you will visit the Iguazu Falls from the Brazilian side, where you can enjoy panoramic views of the lower Iguazu River and the Devil's Gorge Canyon.

Afterwards, you will be transferred for your flight to Rio de Janeiro (additional cost). On arrival, you will be transferred to your HOTEL in Copacabana for two nights. (B)

#### DAY 22: RIO DE JANEIRO

Enjoy a full day tour of Rio de Janeiro, beginning with a scenic drive from Copacabana Beach to Christ the Redeemer. Visit the district of Urca and the famous Sugarloaf Mountain where you will be taken by cable car to the top of Urca Hill. After a traditional Brazilian barbecue lunch, you will head to the Monument to the Fallen in World War II and the beaches of Flamengo and Botafogo. (B, L)

#### DAY 23: RIO DE JANEIRO

Today is at leisure to explore this vibrant city or relax on the beaches of Copacabana and Ipanema. (B)

#### DAY 24: RIO DE JANEIRO

After breakfast you will be transferred to Galea Airport for your onward flight. (B)





This tour offers a combination of history and wildlife, taking in the awe-inspiring natural beauty of this remarkable continent.

This taste of South America will showcase the ancient civilizations, including the lost city of the Incas - Machu Picchu in Peru, as well as the amazing history of Ecuador and the unique wildlife of the Galapagos Islands.



# HIGHLIGHTS OF SOUTH AMERICA

This tour is a unique opportunity to see the highlights of Peru, Argentina and Brazil, visiting iconic places like the Sacred Valley and Machu Picchu, Iguazu Falls and the amazing cities of Lima, Cusco, Buenos Aires and Rio de Janeiro. Enjoy the culture, scenery, wildlife, natural beauty and iconic highlights of these amazing countries. This enthralling 16-day tour offers superior hotels, all transfers, touring and most meals and excursions.

#### 16 Days / 15 Nights

#### **PERU ARGENTINA BRAZIL**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior Hotels \$TBC

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 15 nights accommodation in superior hotels on a twin share basis
- · All transfers
- Excursions and tours as detailed
- Guided tour of Machu Picchu
- Train from Aguas Calientes to Cusco
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- Entrance fees

# **NOTE: Internal flights NOT included**

Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

"What a wonderful way to see Peru, Argentina and Brazil. Each day was exciting, inspirational and different. The hotels were excellent as were the guides. Thanks Gisel and South American Travel Specialists for the trip of a lifetime".

Bill and Judy

#### DAY 1: LIMA

On arrival you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL, in Lima, with the remainder of the day at leisure.

#### DAY 2: LIMA

This morning explore Lima, starting in Lima's historic downtown district. The tour concludes in the modern area of Miraflores offering spectacular views of the Pacific Ocean. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B, L)

#### **DAY 3: LIMA - SACRED VALLEY**

After breakfast you will fly to Cusco, (additional cost) where you will be met and transferred to your hotel. En route you will visit Chinchero and a local weaving community. Two nights at your HOTEL. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 4: SACRED VALLEY**

Today you will be taken on a tour of the Pisac Market, then continue to Ollantaytambo. Visit the Inca fortress, one of the most impressive architectural complexes of the Incan Empire. (B, L)

#### DAY 5: SACRED VALLEY - MACHU PICCHU

This morning you will embark on a train journey to Aguas Calientes. On arrival, you will be met by a local guide who will join you on a bus trip to the Inca city of Machu Picchu. Enjoy a guided tour of the ruins, with free time to explore on your own. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 6: MACHU PICCHU - CUSCO

This morning is at leisure, before you board the afternoon train from Aguas Caliente to Cusco. Two nights at your HOTEL in Cusco. (B)

#### DAY 7: CUSCO

After breakfast, you will be taken on a city tour of Cusco visiting both Inca and Colonial landmarks including Coricancha. Continue to the archaeological park of the fortress temple, Sacsayhuaman. Tonight, experience a night tour of Cusco and finish at a well-known bar to learn how to make the traditional Pisco Sour drink. (B)

#### DAY 8: CUSCO - LIMA

Today you will fly to Lima (additional cost). In the afternoon enjoy a tour of the Rafael Larco Herrera Museum. Two nights at your HOTEL in Lima. (B, D)

#### DAY 9: LIMA - BUENOS AIRES

Today you will fly to Buenos Aires (additional cost). On arrival, you will be transferred to your Buenos Aires HOTEL for your ttree-night stay. (B, D)

#### **DAY 10: BUENOS AIRES**

After breakfast, you will be taken on a city tour, starting with a drive along 9 de Julio Avenue, through San Telmo, and La Boca before concluding with a visit to the cemetery of Recoleta. In the evening, you will be taken for dinner and a tango show. (B, D)

#### **DAY 11: BUENOS AIRES**

Today is at leisure for you to explore Buenos Aires. (B)

#### DAY 12: BUENOS AIRES - IGUAZU

Today you will board your flight to Iguazu Falls (additional cost), where on arrival, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for your two-night stay. (B)

#### **DAY 13: IGUAZU FALLS**

This morning, enjoy a tour of Iguazu Falls. At the visitor centre, you will board a train to the upper falls circuit which offers the most impressive observation point. Explore pathways along the Iguazu river canyon via the lower and upper circuit best known for its flora and fauna. (B, L)

#### DAY 14: IGUAZU FALLS - RIO DE JANEIRO

After breakfast, you will be taken to the Brazilian side of Iguazu National Park, where you will enjoy a walking tour of the Iguazu Falls. Afterwards, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Rio de Janeiro (additional cost). You will be met on arrival and transferred to your HOTEL. (B, L)

#### **DAY 15: RIO DE JANEIRO**

Today you will be taken on a full day tour of Rio de Janeiro. Experience the downtown area before a visit to Sugar Loaf Mountain where a cable car ride to the top offers views of Guanabara Bay and surrounds. In the evening enjoy a typical Brazilian barbecue meal at a local restaurant, followed by a samba extravaganza. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 16: RIO DE JANEIRO**

Today you will be transferred to Rio de Janeiro airport for your onward flight, marking the end of your tour. (B)



# **DISCOVERING SOUTH AMERICA**

This 17-day tour visits three exciting countries – Brazil, Argentina and Chile. The tour begins in the vibrant city of Rio de Janeiro, and visits the impressive Iguazu Falls, Patagonia, and ends in Buenos Aires. Marvel at the natural beauty of South America, see its snow-capped mountains, the Perito Moreno Glacier, stunning lakes and views, and discover the colourful cultures of some of the continent's most exciting cities.

#### DAY 1: RIO DE JANEIRO

On arrival in Rio de Janeiro, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL.

#### DAY 2: RIO DE JANEIRO

Today you will visit Corcovado Hill, the site of the famous Christ the Redeemer statue. After lunch you will be taken to Sugarloaf Mountain, rising 395m above Rio, from where you will have panoramic views over the city, Copacabana Beach and Corcovado Hill. (B, L)

#### **DAY 3: RIO DE JANEIRO**

Today will have the opportunity to explore the city, discovering its culture, beaches and other attractions at your leisure. (B)

#### DAY 4: RIO DE JANEIRO – PUERTO IGUAZU

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Foz do Iguazu. In the afternoon, you will be taken to Iguazu National Park with panoramic views of the renowned Iguazu Falls from the Brazilian side. Overnight at your HOTEL in Puerto Iguazu. (B)

#### **DAY 5: PUERTO IGUAZU**

Today you will spend the day exploring the Iguazu National Park. (B)

#### DAY 6: PUERTO IGUAZÚ – BUENOS AIRES

Today you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Buenos Aires. On arrival, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL. (B)

#### **DAY 7: BUENOS AIRES**

This morning, enjoy a city tour of Buenos Aires. In the evening, you will be taken to a dinner and tango show. (B, D)

#### DAY 8: BUENOS AIRES - EL CALAFATE

Today you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to El Calafate. On arrival, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL. (B)

#### **DAY 9: EL CALAFATE**

After breakfast you will be taken on a tour to Perito Moreno Glacier. The World Heritage Site is an imposing ice river that stems from the Southern Patagonian Ice Field. In the afternoon, return to your HOTEL in El Calafate. (B)

#### DAY 10: EL CALAFATE

Enjoy a day at leisure to explore El Calafate or take an optional tour. (B)

#### DAY 11: EL CALAFATE - PUERTO NATALES

This morning you will board a bus to Puerto Natales. On arrival, you will be transferred to your HOTEL. (B)

#### **DAY 12: PUERTO NATALES**

Today, spend the day exploring the Torres del Paine National Park, known for its towering mountains and icebergs. Highlights include the famous Towers of Paine, the Curenos del Diablo (Devil's Horn), the Salto Grande Waterfall and Lake Pehoe. (B)

#### DAY 13: PUERTO NATALES - PUERTO ARENAS

This morning you will board a bus to Punta Arenas. On arrival you will be transferred to your hotel (B)

#### DAY 14: PUERTO ARENAS - USHUAIA

Today you will board a bus to Ushuaia, the southernmost city of the world. On arrival you will be transferred to your hotel.

#### DAY 15: USHUAIA

Today you will be taken on an excursion to Tierra del Fuego National Park. You will have the opportunity to walk among the woods of the National Park and enjoy the surrounds and wildife.

#### DAY 16: USHUAIA

Today you will have the opportunity to explore the town at your leisure. (B)

#### DAY 17: USHUSIA – BUENOS AIRES

Today you will be transferred to the airport for you flight to Buenos Aires. Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel for your overnight stay. (B)

#### **DAY 18: BUENOS AIRES**

Today you will be transferred to the airport for you flight to Buenos Aires. Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel for your overnight stay. (B)

#### 17 Days / 16 Nights

#### BRAZIL ARGENTINA CHILE

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior Hotels \$TBC

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 16 nights accommodation on a twin share basis in superior hotels
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- Excursions and tours as detailed
- Entrance fees

**NOTE: Internal flights NOT included** Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

Please contact South American Travel Specialists for a detailed itinerary.





# Peru

Peru is legendary among World travellers wanting to see fascinating cultures and well preserved relics from ancient civilisations. Stunningly endowed with a great history and beauty, boasting a plethora of UNESCO World Heritage Sites, Peru is one of the most enchanting countries in South America. Explore the enigmatic lost city of the Incas, 'Machu Picchu', perched high in the Andes mountains, hike the classic Inca Trail and wander the cobbled streets of Cusco – an enchanting city of colourful markets, great museums and architecture from the colonial and Incan eras. Take a train across the altiplano landscapes to the shores of Lake Titicaca, discover the mysterious Nazca Lines and hike the deep valleys at Colca Canyon. Indulge in a culinary adventure in Lima, the hottest gastronomic city in Peru, and visit the pristine Amazon rainforest where you can choose from remote jungle lodges to cruising on small luxurious expedition vessels. Vibrant cultures abide within a country bursting with a variety of memorable travel experiences.

# Bolivia

Bolivia is an expansive, landlocked plateau of barren plains, lush jungle and fertile highland valleys. From the high Andes to the Amazon Basin, with a fascinating history and captivating scenery, Bolivia will be sure to excite. The dramatic geography offers many adventure opportunities: take a boat trip on Lake Titicaca, the world's highest navigable lake, explore the bustling Witches Market in La Paz, witness a sunrise over the surreal landscape of Salar de Uyuni, stroll through the enchanting colonial town of Sucre and the UNESCO World Heritage City of Potosi, or track wildlife in the remote Amazon basin. Bolivia has the largest indigenous population of any country in South America, the majority of whom still maintain their traditional culture and beliefs, making this one of the most fascinating countries to visit.

# Chile

Chile is a country of startling contrasts and extreme beauty, with a range of geographical attractions for anyone who is fascinated with this subject. Stretching long and thin, extending between the high Andes and Pacific Ocean, Chile covers a vastly diverse array of terrain. It is home to some of the world's most spectacular scenery and offers a unique combination of beautiful wine regions, diverse cultures, stunning landscapes and adventure. Experience the vibrant capital of Chile, Santiago, the port town and UNESCO World Heritage site of Valparaiso, rich wine regions of the central valley, spectacular lunar landscapes of the Atacama Desert, the breathtaking Lake District, the mysterious Moai Statues on Easter Island and the huge granite spires and jade coloured lakes of Torres del Paine National Park in Patagonia. Chile truly offers something to captivate the imagination.



# HIGHLIGHTS OF PERU

Discover the wonders of Peru during 13 incredible days crossing this fascinating Andean country, visiting the main cities and cultural attractions. Beginning and finishing in the capital, Lima, the tour stops in the desert province of Ica, the culinary capital of Arequipa, the stunning Colca Valley, and the indigenous world of Lake Titicaca, as well as the culturally rich Cusco and Machu Picchu, known as the 'lost city of the Incas'.

#### 13 Days / 12 Nights

#### **PERU**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$TBC

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 12 nights accommodation in superior hotels on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- Entrance fees and excursions
- English speaking guide
- All transfers
- Boat ride to Bellestas Islands
- Excursions and tours as detailed
- Nazca Lines Flights

#### NOTE:

Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

#### DAY 1: LIMA

On arrival you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL. DAY 2: LIMA

This morning explore Lima's historic downtown district. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

#### DAY 3: LIMA - PARACAS - NAZCA

After breakfast, you will depart for Paracas. Upon arrival you will be taken to the pier for a boat ride to the Ballestas Islands here you can see the intriguing Paracas Candelabra carving on the peninsula and witness a variety of sea birds, pelicans, Humboldt penguins and sea lions. Afterwards, you will be taken to the city of Ica to visit its regional museum before enjoying lunch at your leisure. You will be transferred by bus to Nazca where you will be met and taken to your HOTEL for an overnight stay. (B)

#### DAY 4: NAZCA - AREQUIPA

After breakfast you will be taken on a flight over the Nazca Lines to witness the mystical drawings of the geoglyphs. The Nazca Lines are one of archaeology's greatest enigmas due to their quantity, nature and size. Afterwards, you will be transferred by bus to the city of Arequipa where you will be taken to your HOTEL for a three-night stay. (B)

#### DAY 5: AREQUIPA

Today you will be taken on a tour of Arequipa starting with the imposing Arequipa cathedral (17th Century). From here you will visit the Monastery of Santa Catalina. The tour concludes with a visit to the districts of Yanahuara and Carmen Alto, both offering picturesque views of the Arequipa countryside. (B)

#### DAY 6: AREQUIPA - COLCA CANYON

This morning you will visit Pampa Cañahuas Reserve and head to Vizcachani, Pamaps de Toccra, up to the crater of the volcano Chucura and on to Mirador de los Andes at Patapampa. Enjoy lunch at the local town of Chivay followed by an afternoon at your leisure spent back at the hotel or visiting the thermal springs at La Calera. (B, L)

#### DAY 7: COLCA CANYON - PUNO

Today, you will be taken to the Colca Valley where you will visit the Pinchollo, Maca, Achoma and Yanque towns as well as the Antahuilque and Choquetico viewpoints. Your journey continues to Puno via Patahuasi where you will

see stone forests and sky blue lagoons. Overnight at your HOTEL in Puno. (B, L)

#### DAY 8. PUNO

Today you will be taken on a boat ride on Lake Titicaca to visit the Uros, an indigenous community living on floating reed islands. After lunch, you will return to Puno. (B, L)

#### DAY 9: PUNO - CUSCO

After breakfast, you will be transferred by bus to Cusco where you will stop en route at the town of Pucara with a visit to the Pucara Lithic Museum. After lunch you will stop at Raqchi, an Inca site built in honor of the powerful Andean God, Wiracocha. Continue to the Church of Andahuaylillas and the districts of Huaro and Checacupe before arriving in Cusco. The next two nights will be spent at your HOTEL in Cusco. (B, L)

#### DAY 10: CUSCO

Enjoy a leisurely start to the day then an afternoon tour of Cusco beginning in Coricancha, also known as the Temple of the Sun. The next stop is the 17th century Cathedral in Main Square and then on to Sacsayhuaman, one of the 15th century emblematic buildings of the Incas. Your tour will continue on to the archaeological complex of Qengo concluding with a visit to Puka Pukara then back to your HOTEL in Cusco. (B)

#### DAY 11: CUSCO - SACRED VALLEY

Today your tour will start at the Sacred Valley, where you will visit Awanakancha, a farm of South American camelids. You will then visit Pisac and the local craft markets. After lunch you will continue on to Ollantaytambo where you will visit the huge archaeological complex and fortress which is one of the most grandiose works of the Inca Empire. (B, L)

#### DAY 12: SACRED VALLEY - MACHU PICCHU - CUSCO

This morning you will be taken by train to Aguas Calientes. After exploring the town, you will be taken to the UNESCO World Heritage site, Machu Picchu, a masterpiece of engineering and architecture. At the end of the tour, you will be taken by bus back to Aguas Calientes, enjoying lunch at "Café Inkaterra" before returning to Cusco by train. (B, L)

#### DAY 13: CUSCO

This morning you will be transferred to the airport for your onward flight. (B)



# TASTE OF PERU

This fascinating 6-day tour starts with an introduction to pre-Columbian Peru at the Museo Inkariy. Continue to the Sacred Valley where you will explore the ruins of Chinchero, the fascinating town of Ollantaytambo and the beautiful Urubamba Valley. Spend time at the 'Lost City of the Incas' – Machu Picchu, before ending the tour in Cusco, enjoying its colonial and Incan architecture.

#### DAY 1: CUSCO - SACRED VALLEY

On arrival, transfer to your HOTEL in the Sacred Valley with an en route tour of the Museo Inkariy which brings pre-Columbian Peruvian cultures to life.

#### **DAY 2: SACRED VALLEY**

This morning, you will be taken on a tour of the archaeological ruins of Chinchero and a beautiful 17th century colonial church. After lunch, continue with a visit to Ollantaytambo where you will visit its town which has been inhabited continuously since Inca times. Climb its iconic fortress before being transferred back to your HOTEL. (B. L)

#### DAY 3: SACRED VALLEY - MACHU PICCHU

Today you will journey through the scenic Urubamba Valley to Machu Picchu, for a guided tour of the site. (B, L)

#### DAY 4: MACHU PICCHU - CUSCO

This morning, is at leisure to revisit Machu Picchu on your own. Machu Picchu is one of the great wonders of the world and is one of the most iconic images of South America, so is well worth another visit. In the afternoon, you will be transferred back to the train station where you will board the Vistadome train back to Cusco. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for your overnight stay. (B)

#### DAY 5: CUSCO

Today you will be taken on a city tour of Cusco. Visit Coricancha (The Temple of the Sun), the imposing Cathedral in the Plaza de Armas and the fortress of Sacsayhuaman. (B)

#### DAY 6: CUSCO

Today you will be met and transferred to Cusco Airport for your onward flight. (B)

#### 6 Days / 5 Nights

#### **PERU**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior Hotels \$TBC

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- 5 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- · Excursions/tours and transfers
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- Vistadome Train ticket

**NOTE:** Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

# ANDEAN EXPLORER TRAIN

The Andean Explorer operates along one of the world's highest rail routes in the Peruvian Andes offering some of the most breathtaking scenery in the World. The train offers accommodation for up to 68 guests in a range of en suite cabins including double/twin and bunk-bed style cabins. There are two dining cars, a lounge car and an observation car with an open-air deck for scenic viewing.

#### SPIRIT OF THE WATER

2 Days / 1 Night CUSCO – PUNO

This overnight journey departs Cusco and travels across the giant peaks and wide open spaces of the highest plains of the Andes to reach Lake Titicaca – birthplace of the Incas – all in the comfort of stylish carriages. (B, L, D)

#### PERUVIAN HIGHLANDS 3 Days / 2 Nights

CUSCO - LAKE TITICACA - AREQUIPA CITY

This two night journey departs from Cusco, and travels across the highest plains of the Andes to Puno where you can visit the remote villages and floating islands of the Uros on Lake Titicaca. You will then head to the city centre of Arequipa. Highlights of this journey include a chance to explore the vast Colca Canyon, the dramatic realm of the condor and the volcanic 'White City' of Arequipa. (B, L, D)

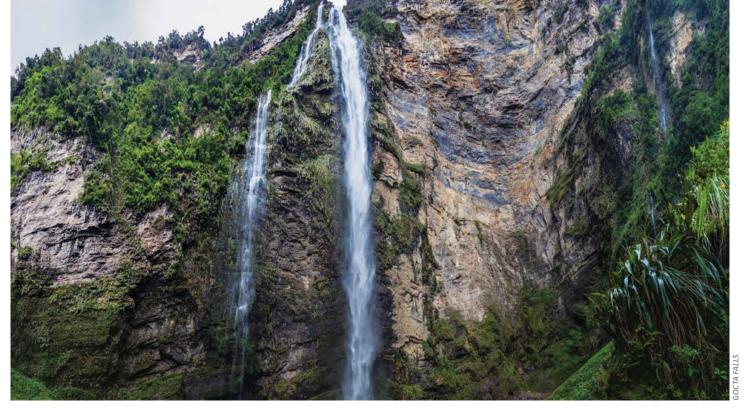


2 Days FROM: \$TBC

3 Days FROM: \$TBC

#### **PERU**

- · Accommodation on-board train
- Excursions and tours as detailed
- Andean Explorer Train ticket
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)



# CHACHAPOYAS AND KUELAP

Chachapoyas has been one of Peru's best kept secrets for years. Hidden in one of the most remote corners of the high Andes and boasting innumerable and priceless archaeological ruins, the region attracts avid adventurers wanting to go completely off the beaten track. If you can imagine exploring a beautifully preserved ancient fortress, hiking through a lush cloud forest and seeing one of the world's tallest waterfalls, then this is the tour for you.

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **PERU**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior Hotels \$TBC

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 3 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- Transfers as specified
- Meals as indicated (B. L. D)
- Excursions and tours as detailed
- Entrance fees

NOTE: Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

#### DAY 1: CHACHAPOYAS

On arrival, you will be met and transferred to you HOTEL.

#### **DAY 2: GOCTA FALLS**

Depart to Cocachimba and start the hike to the Gocta Waterfall through a dense and colourful rainforest. Enjoy the views and a delicious picnic lunch before returning to Chachapoyas. (B, L)

#### DAY 3: KUÉLAP - RAVESH

Today you will head to Kuélap, the main archaeological site of the area dating back to 500 AD. After touring the site encircled by a cloud forest, continue to the town of San Bartolo for a walk to the Revash mausoleums featuring chullpas (funerary towers) painted in ochre. (B, L)

#### DAY 4: CHACHAPOYAS

Today you will be met and transferred to the airport for your onward flight which will mark the end of your tour. (B)



# TRUJILLO AND CHICLAYO

Discover Trujillo and Chiclayo in northern Peru on this 4-day cultural tour. Visit beautiful churches and mansions of the colonial era, as well as impressive huacas, temples and archaeological sites that once belonged to ancient civilizations. Also included are visits to museums, the Chicama Valley and the spectacular pyramids of El Brujo.

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **PERU**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior Hotels \$TBC

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 3 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- Excursions and tours as detailed
- All transfers
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- · Entrance fees

NOTE: Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

#### **DAY 1: TRUJILLO**

On arrival, you will be transferred to your HOTEL, enjoy a scenic tour to Santa Clara and El Carmen Churches and the Main Square before visiting the museum.

#### DAY 2: TRUJILLO

Today, you will visit the temples of the Sun and the Moon, before visiting Huaca Dragon, followed by a visit to the archaeological complex of Chan Chan. (B)

#### DAY 3: TRUJILLO - CHICLAYO

Depart to Chiclayo and en route visit the archaeological complex "El Brujo" pyramids. Discover the mystery of the ornately tattooed 1,600 year-old Mummy before continuing on to Chiclayo. (B, L)

#### **DAY 4: CHICLAYO**

Today, you will visit Tucume. Continue on to Huaca Rajada and the tomb of the Lord of Sipan. You will then be transfered to the airport where the tour ends. (B)





# AREQUIPA AND COLCA CANYON

Discover this exciting area of southern Peru, from the imposing volcano of El Misti and the Colca Canyon, to the colonial beauty of Arequipa. The Colca Canyon offers spectacular views and the chance to see wild condors in flight, whilst Arequipa was baptised the White City and is known for its distinctive stonework and beautiful architecture.

#### **DAY 1: AREQUIPA**

On arrival at Arequipa airport, you will be transferred to your HOTEL. Enjoy an afternoon tour of the 'White City' including the cathedral, Plaza del Armas, and Santa Catalina Convent.

#### DAY 2: COLCA CANYON

Today you will travel through desert scenery, with views of Chachani and the El Misti volcanoes, before continuing along the high canyons of Colca and descending to Chivay Village. Overnight at your HOTEL in Colca Canyon. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 3: COLCA CANYON - AREQUIPA

Today you will be transferred to the Cruz del Condor viewpoint for spectacular views of Colca Canyon. Explore picturesque villages before being transferred back to Arequipa. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B, L)

#### **DAY 4: TRIP CONCLUDES**

Today you will be transferred to Arequipa airport, which will mark the end of your tour. (B)



#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **PERU**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior Hotels \$TBC

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 3 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers and entrance fees
- Excursions as detailed

**NOTE:** Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

# PARACAS AND THE NAZCA LINES

This tour showcases the Nazca Lines, a mesmerising collection of pictures etched into the ground, considered one of the World's greatest archaeological mysteries of mankind. Cruise to the nearby Ballestas Islands to see a series of naturally formed arches and caves, a perfect shelter for seabirds and sealions.

#### DAY 1: PARACAS

This morning you will be met in Lima and transferred by bus to Paracas. On arrival you will be transferred to your HOTEL for your two-night stay.

#### **DAY 2: PARACAS**

After breakfast you will be taken on a flight over the Nazca Lines to witness the mystical drawings of stylized plants, imaginary beings and geometric figures. Declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the geoglyphs are thought to have been made by a pre-Inca civilization between 500 BC and 500 AD and are one of archaeology's greatest enigmas due to their quantity, nature and size. (B)

#### **DAY 3: TRIP CONCLUDES**

Today you will cruise to the Ballestas Islands and the Paracas National Reserve, past the coastal rocks which allow panoramic views of the Candelabra of the Andes. After your cruise, you will return to Lima by bus which will mark the end of your tour. (B)



#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **PERU**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior Hotels \$TBC

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- 2 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- · All transfers by local bus
- Excursions as detailed
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)

**NOTE:** Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.



## LAKE TITICACA AND SUASI ISLAND

Suasi Island is a private island and the perfect location on Lake Titicaca for those wanting peace and tranquility with no cars, electricity or television. Casa Andina Ecolodge is the only accommodation on the island and offers 24 rustic questrooms with solar power and beautiful views of the Lake. There are many activities to enjoy including hiking, canoeing, kayaking, sailing and boat trips.

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **PERU**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard \$TBC

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- 3 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- Boat ride as listed

NOTE: Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

#### DAY 1: CUSCO - PUNO

Depart Cusco by coach and travel through the huge landscapes of the Altiplano, enjoying lunch, before arriving into Puno. Overnight at your HOTEL. (L)

#### **DAY 2: SUASI ISLAND**

Today you will be taken on a boat ride on Lake Titicaca to visit the Uros, an indigenous community living on floating reed islands. Continue to Taquile Island and Suasi Island for a hike to see varieties of local flora and fauna. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 3: SUASI ISLAND

After breakfast this morning you will have time to relax and enjoy the views of Lake Titicaca or choose from a variety of activities like nature walks in the National Reserve, canoeing, or learning about the ancient customs of the Andean people. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 4: TRIP CONCLUDES**

Today, you will be transferred to Juliaca airport, Puno. (B)



# TITILAKA EXPERIENCE

Titilaka is a boutique lodge perched on the banks of Lake Titicaca, considered by the Incas to be the sacred birthplace of human civilisation. Offering 270 degree views, the 18 luxury plush suites have huge panoramic windows overlooking the lake. The lake is ideal for exploring the Andean communities of Taquil and Uros, as well as visiting the archaeological site of Chullpas de Sillustani or the splendid colonial churches of the surrounding villages.

### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **PERU**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Deluxe \$3,933

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 3 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- Full board and drinks (excluding premium drinks)
- All transfers
- All excursions and activities with an English speaking guide

NOTE: Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

#### **DAY 1: PUNO - TITICACA**

On arrival into Puno you will be transferred to the LODGE. (D)

#### **DAY 2: TITICACA**

This morning, you will be taken to Taquile Island. Here you will witness men creating some of the finest handicrafts in Peru. After lunch, visit a local community and marvel at the lake's size from the shoreline. (B, L, D)

Today you will be taken on a guided tour of the Uros Islands to meet the local families, learn their customs and discover the various uses of the totora reeds. Lunch is back at the lodge, before an optional tour of the area or an afternoon at leisure. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 4: TRIP CONCLUDES**

Today you will enjoy a guided tour of Sillustani, before you are transferred to Juliaca airport or Puno train station. (B)





# JUNGLE LODGES

The Peruvian Amazon region comprises 60% of the country and is the second largest area of the Amazon rainforest after the Brazilian Amazon. The Amazon offers a mixture of river life, jungle hiking, birding and animal spotting. A stay in a jungle lodge is a way to experience the beauty of the Amazon Basin as you enjoy the sounds, smells and sights of the jungle, where monkeys play in the forest canopy and jaguars prowl on the ground.

#### INKATERRA HACIENDA CONCEPCION

Within walking distance of beautiful Lake Sandoval, this jungle lodge offers rustic chic amidst unspoiled wilderness. Hacienda Concepcion is located within 819 hectares of natural rainforest, which acts as a buffer zone between the Tambopata National Park Reserve and the shores of the Madre de Dios River. Hacienda Concepcion features 8 rooms within the main lodge and 7 private cabanas with en suite facilities, all built in a local Amazon style. The main lodge offers a dining hall and a comfortable lounge area to relax.



#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **PERU**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard \$641

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- Accommodation twin share basis
- Full board and bottled water
- All transfers
- Guided excursions & entrance fees

#### **REFUGIO AMAZONAS**

Refugio Amazonas is a charming lodge, four hours from Puerto Maldonado. Ideal for soft adventurers and families, it has a rainforest trail designed especially for children. The lodge is located in a 200-hectare private reserve within the buffer zone of the Tambopata National Reserve. This lodge is partnering with local families who sustainably harvest Brazil nuts from the surrounding rainforest, to ensure that they share in the benefits of eco-tourism.



#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **PERU**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Classic \$1,202

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation twin share basis
  - Full board and bottled water
- All transfers
  - Guided excursions & entrance fees

#### **INKATERRA RESERVE AMAZONICA**

Located on the banks of Madre de Dios River, Inkaterra Amazonica is the most luxurious lodge in the Peruvian Amazon. With local native design, the 35 thatched roof cabanas have private bathrooms, ceiling fans and low impact electricity. The lodge has a dining hall, bar and lounge area as well as a spa offering natural relaxation treatments. A tree canopy walkway with seven hanging bridges allows amazing views of the forest below.



#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **PERU**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard \$954

- Accommodation twin share basis
- Full board and bottled water
- All transfers
- Guided excursions & entrance fees



## AMAZON CRUISES PERU

Sail the waters of the mighty Peruvian Amazon on a luxurious cruise and journey into areas only visited by a few tourists. Knowledgeable and experienced naturalists will take you into the Peruvian rainforest and the Pacaya Samiria Reserve to spot pink dolphins, sloths and howler monkeys. You will also have the opportunity to visit indigenous people living in local villages. Enjoy the comforts on board and exclusive menus created by one of Peru's top ten chefs, Pedro Miquel Schiaffino. Cruising the Amazon River's largest tributaries through the remote Pacaya Samiria Reserve is definitely a highlight of any visit to Peru. Daily activities include jungle explorations by skiffs and on foot. Explore the pristine wilderness areas of the Amazon, with unique bird and wildlife sightings.

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **PERU**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

First Deck Suite \$5,908

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 3 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- All meals on board
- All guided cruise excursions
- All beverages (house wine, beer and soft drinks)
- Pacaya Samiria National Reserve entrance fee

#### M/V ARIA

The 44 metre M/V Aria Amazon was custom built in 2011 and is the second cruise ship on the northern Amazon River. It can accommodate a maximum of 32 passengers. The 16 suite cabins are on two decks and have private facilities, air $conditioning \ and \ panoramic \ windows. \ 4 \ of \ the \ suites \ can \ be \ interconnected \ to \ cater \ for \ families. \ M/V \ Aria \ has \ a \ dining$ room, indoor bar/lounge, outdoor lounge, observation deck with jacuzzi, exercise room and a small boutique. Highly trained guides will take you on daily expeditions aboard motorized skiffs and introduce you to life in the northern Amazon.





### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **PERU**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

\$6,924

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 3 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- All meals on board
- All guided cruise excursions
- All beverages (house wine, beer and soft drinks)
- Pacaya Samiria National Reserve entrance fee

#### **AQUA NERA**

Venture further into the Peruvian Amazon with the Aqua Nera, a 62-metre luxury riverboat built in 2020. Drawing inspiration from the black lagoons of the Amazon, the ship features a style both luxurious and contemporary. Hosting up to 40 passengers, the boat is home to 20 spacious suites, with 4 interconnecting. In your spare time, enjoy a meal in the dining room, a drink at the bar or make use of the sun deck, spa treatment room, plunge pool, boutique, screening room outdoor cinema or game room.







#### M/V DELFIN III

The 43-passenger Delfin III offers passengers an illuminating journey that simultaneously offers comfort and luxury and also allows you to discover the delights of the Peruvian Amazon. A great effort has been made to ensure that, despite the abundant 5 star comforts and conveniences on board, the rainforest is never far away. The ship has been beautifully finished with the finest details, hardwood floors and handmade Peruvian artifacts. The facilities on board include a beautiful indoor and outdoor lounge, a sundeck with plunge pool, a spa, gym and bar.





#### M/V DELFIN II

Delfin II has fourteen large suites including four master suites at the front of the vessel with 180° panoramic windows and ten suites with extra–large windows. Four of the suites can be interconnected to accommodate families. Fine cuisine is served in the dining room on the second deck, whilst the casual observation deck allows you to relax between morning and afternoon activities or to enjoy a pisco sour from the bar. There is also an entertainment centre, library, and a special hammock sun deck, which is the perfect place to observe life on the river.





#### M/V DELFIN I

The Delfin I is a beautifully designed river vessel featuring 4 suites, all with private balconies. The deluxe suites are on the main deck and are slightly larger and feature 180° floor to ceiling panoramic windows and outdoor whirlpool baths. The master suites are located on the second deck and feature floor to ceiling panoramic windows and private balconies. Dining on the Delfin I is very special as it combines traditional Peruvian ingredients with the fresh ingredients of the Amazon. On the top deck of the Delfin I is a comfortable lounge area offering breathtaking views of the Amazon as well as stargazing at night.





### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **PERU**

M/V Delfin III
PRICE PER PERSON FROM:
Suite \$4,847

# M/V Delfin II PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Suite \$5,308

# M/V Delfin | PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Master Suite \$6,924

- 3 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- All meals on board
- All guided cruise excursions
- All beverages (house wine, beer and soft drinks)
- Pacaya Samiria National Reserve entrance fee



# THE INCA TRAIL

This four-day trek along the Inca trail to Machu Picchu is considered one of the greatest treks in the World, covering 43km through beautiful mountain scenery, cloud-forest, sub-tropical jungle and Incan ruins. Cross the stone threshold of Intipunku (Sun Gate) and see the enigmatic ruins of Machu Picchu, before continuing down the royal flagstone walkway to the heart of Machu Picchu for a guided tour.

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **PERU**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM: \$TBC

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 3 nights accommodation in a tent on a twin share basis
- All transfers
- Pre-departure meeting
- Camping equipment including tent, mattress, toilet tent
- Services of a guide, porter and chefs
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- Entrance fees and Inca trail permit
- Train from Aguas Calientes to Cusco
- Guided tour of Machu Picchu

#### INCA TRAIL INFORMATION:

Although the trek is rated as moderate, we strongly suggest spending at least two nights in the Sacred Valley or Cusco before the trek so that you can acclimatise to the altitude. There are only 500 permits

issued per day which includes permits for trekkers, guides, porters and cooks. At the time of booking we require prepayment of the Inca Trail plus a copy of your passport.

#### DAY 1: HUAYLLABAMBA CAMP

Today you will be met at your Cusco hotel, where you will be transferred to the trail head at Piskakucho (82km). Trek to HUAYLLABAMBA CAMP. (L, D)

#### DAY 2: PACAYMAYO CAMP

Ascend from Huayllabamba to the first and highest pass, Warmiwañusca (4200m). Enjoy panoramic views, then continue to PACAYMAYO CAMP (3607m). (B, L, D)

#### DAY 3: WINAY WAYNA CAMP

Trek from Pacaymayo Camp to the rounded ruins of Runkuracay (3800 m) and the Inca Citadel of Sayacmarca (3580m), before continuing to Phuyupatamarca (3640m). Descend through layers of cloud forest to the camp by the ruins of Wiñay Wayna, the largest and most exquisite of the Inca Trail sites. Overnight at WAYNA CAMP (2550m). (B, L, D)

#### DAY 4: MACHU PICCHU TO CUSCO

On this last day of the trek you will depart from Wiñay Wayna and reach Intipunku (The Gateway to the Sun), set above the 'lost city' of Machu Picchu (2400m). Enjoy a guided tour of Machu Picchu before taking the afternoon train to Cusco where your tour ends. (B, L)







# SALKANTAY TREK TO MACHU PICCHU

Trek from lodge to lodge following the ancient Salkantay Inca Trail to Machu Picchu. During this 63km journey, marvel at the beauty of the Andean mountains, deep valleys and snow-capped peaks. Learn about the cultures of the Andean families who maintain age old traditions and be inspired by the majestic surroundings, as you follow in the footsteps of the Incas. At the end of each day enjoy Peruvian cuisine and overnights in comfortable lodges.

#### DAY 1: CUSCO - SALKANTAY

Depart from Cusco and drive to Marcoccasa, before trekking on the "Camino Real" route. Two nights at SALKANTAY LODGE. (L, D)

#### **DAY 2: HIKE TO HUMANTAY LAKE**

Hike on the slopes to Lake Humantay, fed by the hanging glaciers of Mount Humantay, before returning to the lodge. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 3: CROSSING THE SALKANTAY PASS

Hike up the Rio Blanco Valley, circling Humantay Peak, before descending for one night to WAYRA LODGE. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 4: DESCENDING INTO THE CLOUD FOREST

Embark on a trek which descends along the banks of the Salkantay River through verdant scenery. Overnight at COLLPA LODGE. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 5: FOLLOWING THE SANTA TERESA RIVER VALLEY

Hike along the Santa Teresa valley, through rural areas passing by orchards and coffee plantations on the "Llactapata Inca Trail." Two nights at LUCMA LODGE. (B, L, D)

# DAY 6: FIRST VIEWS OF MACHU PICCHU FROM LLACTAPATA PASS

The last day of your trek ascends to Llactapata Pass, where you will need to have your camera ready for spectacular views of Machu Picchu. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 7: VISIT MACHU PICCHU**

Today you will enjoy a guided tour of the enigmatic ruins of Machu Picchu, before boarding the train to Ollantaytambo, where on arrival you will be taken to Cusco by road. (B, L)

#### 7 Days / 6 Nights

#### **PERU**

PRICE PER PERSON FROM: \$TBC

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis
- All services and transfers
  Meals as indicated (B. L. D)
- English speaking guides
- Entrance permits
- US\$50 tips for lodge staff, mule handler and chefs

# VINICUNCA – 7 COLOUR MOUNTAIN TREK

This trek offers a remote landscape experience through a spectacular mountain range. Vinicunca, also known as 7 Colour Mountain, is located in the Andes of Peru in the Cusco region. For thousands of years the mountain was covered by snow and ice and it was only, until recently that melting snow uncovered the rainbow mountain which has now become a popular area to explore.

#### DAY 1: CUSCO - OUESOYONI

Early this morning you will be taken from Cusco to the archaeological site of Uchullucllo, then to Qesoyoni, where your trek will begin, to the first camp. Along the way you will have the opportunity to see amazing landscapes. Once in the camp, you will particiapte in an acclimtisation walk, followed by dinner. (L, D)

#### DAY 2: TREK THROUGH THE MOUNTAIN RANGE - CUSCO

This morning you will enjoy an early breakfast before beginning the trek through the mountain range. The hike takes approximately three hours before reaching the 7 Colour Mountain. Afterwards you will be taken back to Qesoyoni. Enjoy the surroundings before returning to Cusco in the late afternoon. (B)



#### 2 Days / 1 Nights

#### **PERU**

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

\$1,041

- Accommodation on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- English speaking guide
- Entrance to Vinicunca, Checacupe



# SALT FLATS OF UYUNI

The Bolivian salt lake of Uyuni is the largest and highest in the World and is on the "must see" list of unique places to visit in South America. This journey allows you to discover the beauty of the Uyuni Salt Flats, where you will find unique fauna and flora.

#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **BOLIVIA** PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

\$1,754

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 2 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers and excursions

NOTE: Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

#### DAY 1: UYUNI - COLCHANI

Upon arrival at Uyuni airport you will be met and taken to Colchani Town for a visit and to see the crafts and piles of salt, called the Ojos del Salar. Afterwards, you will cross the Salt Flat to the Tunupa Volcano and visit the Chantani Village, the Coquesa mummies and the Pukara in Ayque. Two nights in a SALT HOTEL. (B)

#### DAY 2: COLCHANI

After breakfast this morning you will be transferred across the Uyuni Salt Flat, visiting the Galaxy Cave, the Devil's Cave and Incahuasi Island. Late in the afternoon, you will have the opportunity to enjoy the sunset, as the sun disappears into the white desert, offering a once in a lifetime view. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 3: COLCHANI - UYUNI

Today, after breakfast, you will be met and transferred to Uyuni Airport, which will mark the end of your tour. (B)



# HIGHLIGHTS OF BOLIVIA

Cruise across Lake Titicaca, the highest navigable lake in the World, and discover Sucre, considered the most beautiful city in Bolivia and known for its white washed colonial buildings and charming squares. Visit the pretty UNESCO city of Potosi, a 16th century silver mining town with beautiful plazas, churches and government buildings, finishing at the spectacular Salar de Uyuni, the highest and largest salt flats in the World.

#### 8 Days / 7 Nights

# **BOLIVIA**

PRICE PER PERSON FROM: Superior \$4,577

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 7 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- Domestic flights as listed
- Excursions & touring as specified

#### DAY 1: PUNO (PERU) - LA PAZ (BOLIVIA)

Today you will board a catamaran and sail to La Paz. (L)

#### **DAY 2: SUCRE**

This morning, you will fly to Sucre for two nights at your HOTEL. (B)

#### **DAY 3: SUCRE**

This morning you will be taken to a range of museums, Bolivar Park and the main historical monuments in one of Bolivia's most beautiful cities. (B, L)

#### DAY 4: POTOSI

Today you will enjoy a half day city tour which visits San Lorenzo Church, Casa de la Moneda Museum and the artisans market. (B)

#### DAY 5: COLCHANI

Today you will visit a mine in the Cerro Rico, to see the miners performing their work, before heading to Colchani

#### DAY 6: COLCHANI - UYUNI - COLCHANI

Today you will visit the Uyuni Salt Flats and Incahuasi Island, located in the heart of the Salt Flats. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 7: LA PAZ

Today, you will fly to La Paz and visit the Witches Market and the historic city centre. The tour ends with a visit to the unique Moon Valley before returning to your HOTEL. (B)

#### **DAY 8: DEPART LA PAZ**

Today you will be transferred to La Paz airport. (B)



# **EASTER ISLAND EXPLORER**

Easter Island (Rapa Nui) is a remote volcanic island located in the Pacific Ocean, made famous by its giant stone statues called 'moai'. Explore the myths and legends of this intriguing island, visit the ceremonial city of Orongo and the worship centre of Tangata Manu.

#### **DAY 1: EASTER ISLAND**

On arrival at Mataveri (Easter Island Airport) you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL.

#### **DAY 2: EASTER ISLAND**

Today you will visit Rano Kau, Orongo, Ana Kai Tangata, Ahu Akivi and Puna Pau. (B)

#### DAY 3: EASTER ISLAND

After breakfast, you will be taken on a full day tour to the ruins of the temple of Ahu Akahanga where the hats of the moai are the outstanding feature, scattered where they fell when the platform was destroyed. Continue to

# you will have the opportunity to swim before returning to your HOTEL. (B, L) DAY 4: DEPART EASTER ISLAND

Today you will be met and transferred from your hotel to Easter Island Airport. (B)

the volcano of Rano Raraku, where all of the moai on

the island were carved out of the rock. You will then

have the opportunity to climb to the edge of the crater

construction. Your day will end at Anakena Beach where

of the volcano to appreciate the lake inside and moai

scattered about the inner slopes in various stages of

#### Hanga Roa Eco Village and Spa

Located on a privileged site on Easter Island, next to the main coastal road and close to town, the unique architecture of Hanga Roa Eco Village & Spa is inspired by the local culture. Hanga Roa offers spacious rooms and suites offering amazing views over the Pacific Ocean. It has a complete spa and a restaurant, serving delicious cuisine that integrates international preparations with local culinary delights. There are a range of excursions that take in the Rapa Nui culture including a visit to the local communities. There are also visits to the Rano Raraku quarry, Ahu Tongariki and Rano Kau Volcanic crater.

#### Explora Rapa Nui

Explora Rapa Nui is located on a tranquil spot, that highlights the isolation and mysteries of Eastern Island. Its award winning architecture blends in with the island's unique geography. This lodge offers over 20 explorations by foot, bicycle and boat that explore the island's unique history and charm. The 20 different guided hikes, bike rides, fishing and snorkelling explorations have different difficulty levels ranging from easy to expert, and different durations from half day to full day excursions. The 30 rooms are designed to take advantage of the silence, privacy, and spaciousness of the surrounding landscape, ensuring a good night's sleep after a long day of exploration.



#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **CHILE**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$1,341

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Twin share accommodation
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- Transfers and excursions as listed

#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **CHILE**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Kainga Room \$2,087

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- 2 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- · Full board and bottled water
- · All transfers and entrance fees
- Guided daily excursions

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### CHILE

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Varua Room \$3,416

- 2 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- Full board and bottled water
- All transfers and entrance fees
- Guided daily excursions



# VALPARAISO VISIT

The colourful and charming city of Valparaiso lies on the Pacific coast, built on seven hills, and linked by sixteen funicular railways. The city has a maze of cobblestone streets, a labyrinth of alleyways, beautiful old mansions and the picturesque Port of Valparaiso.

#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **CHILE**

#### **PRICE PER PERSON FROM:**

Superior \$797

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis including breakfast
- All transfers and entrance fees
- Excursions as detailed

NOTE: Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

#### DAY 1: VALPARAISO

Today you will be transferred from Santiago to your HOTEL located in the beautiful city of Valparaiso.

#### **DAY 2: VALPARAISO**

This morning you will be taken on a tour of Valparaiso, commencing at the Libertad Avenue in Vina del Mar, and continuing to the Coastal Border, Renaca, San Martin Avenue, the city casino and the flower clock. From Valparaiso, visit La Sebastiana, Pablo Neruda's House Museum, (from where you will have a panoramic view of the Bay) and the colourful houses on the hills. Visit the Paseo 21 de Mayo and ride in a traditional funicular. The next stop will be Concepción Hill, where you can see the Anglo Saxon influence on its buildings. (B)

#### **DAY 3: DEPART VALPARAISO**

After breakfast, you will be met and transferred back by road to Santiago, which will be the end of your tour. (B)



# SANTIAGO SOJOURN

With the breathtaking backdrop of the snow-capped Andean Mountains, Santiago is a city with leafy parks, colourful markets and a cafe culture. It is also a place that offers World class cuisine, a flourishing art scene and has an infectious energy that makes you want to see more.

#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **CHILE**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$508

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis including breakfast
- All transfers
- · Excursions as detailed

NOTE: Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

#### DAY 1: SANTIAGO

On arrival at Santiago you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL.

#### **DAY 2: SANTIAGO**

This morning you will be taken on a half day walking tour, visiting "Plaza de Armas", the Cathedral, Paseo Ahumada and the Government Palace, "La Moneda", followed by seeing the main avenues of old Santiago. From there you will cross to the bohemian neighbourhood of Bellavista with its colourful streets, whimsical architecture and the Cerro San Cristobal. Continue up to San Cristobal Hill, for a magnificent panoramic view of the city and the Andes Mountain Range, before visiting the modern part of Santiago, including its chic neighborhoods, shopping and financial centres. (B)

#### **DAY 3: DEPART SANTIAGO**

Today you will be transferred to Santiago Airport, which will be the end of your tour. (B)





# ANDEAN LAKES CROSSING

The Lake District town of Puerto Varas in Chile is located on the beautiful Lake Llanquihue, offering an alpine setting and beautiful Germanic architecture. This tour features the Andean Lakes Crossing that travels through snow-capped volcanoes, cobalt blue lakes, mystical forests and cascading waterfalls. Travel by coach and boat through the three lakes; Todos los Santos, Frias Lake and Nahuel Huapi Lake, ending in Bariloche in Argentina.

#### **DAY 1: PUERTO VARAS**

On arrival you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for your two-night stay.

#### DAY 2: PUERTO VARAS

Today you will be taken on a city tour of Puerto Varas. The town is located on Lake Llanquihue, with wonderful views of the snow-capped Calbuco Volcano in the distance. One of the highlights is the Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, built in the early 20th Century, which features three striking towers. (B)

#### DAY 3: LAKES CROSSING; PUERTO VARAS – BARILOCHE

Today you will be driven from Puerto Varas to Vicente Perez National Park, visiting the spectacular Petrohue Falls. You will then travel by catamaran then bus, crossing the Todos los Santos Lake and the Andean mountains. On arrival at Bariloche you will be transferred to your hotel (not included), or the airport. (B)



#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### CHILE ARGENTINA

### PRICE PER PERSON FROM

Superior \$949

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- Accommodation on a twin share basis with breakfast daily
- · All transfers and excursions
- Catamaran and bus travel as specified

#### Vira Vira Hacienda Hotel

Located within a beautiful native park in the lakes and volcanoes region of central Chile, close to Pucón, Vira Vira is a very special 18-room lodge conceived by Swiss couple owners to bring "The Elegance of Adventure" concept to life. The lodge offers a wealth of different adventures and excursions tailored to specific guest interests. Sitting on the shores of the tranquil Liucura River, this 23-hectare estate is an oasis of peace and tranquility.

#### Tierra Chiloe Hotel & Spa

The hotel is set amid the blue waters of Chile's Northern Patagonia, on an island, dotted with picturesque fishing villages. The beauty is as much in the landscape as it is in the island residents with their own culture and timeless traditions. The lodge's distinctive architecture is in–step with its breathtaking surroundings, with only 12 guest rooms. Different excursion options are available with exceptional experiences and personalised service.





#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **CHILE**

Vira Vira Hacienda Hotel **PRICE PER PERSON FROM:** Standard \$2,354

Tierra Chiloe Hotel & Spa-PRICE PER PERSON FROM: Rilan Room \$3,999

- Accommodation on a twin share basis with full board
- Open bar
- All transfers
- Guided daily excursions



# ATACAMA DESERT - CHILE

The Atacama Desert in the north of Chile is the driest non polar region on Earth. Experience the dramatic landscape and surreal beauty of the area, from vast mountains and volcanoes soaring over 6,000m into the sky, to fiery red canyons, grassy gorges, turquoise salt lakes, and fuming geysers. Visit traditional villages and meet local indigenous families. The Atacama Desert is a fantastic place to visit with a range of unique quided excursions on offer.

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### CHILE

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Quitor \$2,677

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- Accommodation with full board
- All transfers
- Daily guided explorations

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### CHILE

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Lascar \$3,539

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation with full board
- All transfers
- · Daily guided explorations

### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **CHILE**

#### **PRICE PER PERSON FROM:**

Tulur \$2,585

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation with full board
- All transfers
- Daily guided explorations

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **CHILE**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Rectangular \$4,570

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- Accommodation with full board
- All transfers
- Daily guided explorations







#### NARAYA ALTO ATACAMA DESERT LODGE & SPA

Located in the lush Catarpe Valley, the hotel is built in the style of a traditional adobe settlement, blending in with the surrounding red mountains. The hotel's 42 rooms are spacious and decorated in natural tones with local indigenous artwork. Each room boasts a private patio with views of Cordillera de la Sal. During the day there are over 30 different excursions from which to choose, including cultural tours, hiking, mountain biking or day tours by vehicle. The hotel offers massage treatments, six outdoor pools, as well as fine cuisine and local wines.

#### TIERRA ATACAMA HOTEL AND SPA

Ancient adobe walls lead you to the entrance of Tierra Atacama Hotel and Spa, a boutique hotel on the edge of San Pedro de Atacama. The hotel has 32 rooms offering chic decor with indigenous artwork and private terraces with views of the Licancabur Volcano. The atmosphere of the hotel is casual and quests can enjoy the lounge area, sip on a pisco sour at the bar, relax by the pool, or enjoy a massage at the Uma Spa. Daily guided excursions are offered, including hiking, horseback riding and cultural based activities.

#### **EXPLORA ATACAMA**

This elegant hotel is located close to the picturesque village of San Pedro de Atacama. The hotel has 46 rooms and 4 suites offering spectacular views of Atacama's vast chain of surrounding volcanic mountains. There are 50 different explorations from which to choose, including hiking, horseback riding, mountain biking or soft adventure choices like visiting volcanoes, salt flats, geysers, lakes and hot springs. After a day out exploring, relax in one of the four outdoor pools, indulge in a massage or visit the observatory.

#### **AWASI LODGE**

The exclusive and intimate Awasi Lodge is located inside an ancient site surrounded by a historic wall. The hotel has three rectangular rooms all built of stone, adobe and wood. The rooms include private bathrooms opening out onto open-air patios. Enjoy daily excursions with your private guide, ranging from walks, treks, horseback riding, and cycling, to visits to archaeological sites, salt flats, high altitude lagoons and Atacama villages. After a day out exploring, relax at the pool, enjoy the fusion of Altiplano and international cuisine at the restaurant or enjoy a cocktail whilst gazing at the amazing Atacama skies.



# WONDERS OF PATAGONIA

Discover Patagonia with its wild untamed beauty of ice blue glaciers and the snow-capped Andes mountain range. Marvel at Argentina's incredible Perito Moreno Glacier before crossing into Chile to discover the beauty of Torres del Paine National Park. This 6-day tour includes all this and more.

#### **DAY 1: EL CALAFATE**

On arrival in El Calafate, you will be transferred to your HOTEL. The remainder of the day is at leisure.

#### **DAY 2: EL CALAFATE**

Today you will be taken on a day tour to Perito Moreno Glacier, located 80km from El Calafate. Perito Moreno Glacier is an imposing ice river that descends from the Southern Patagonian Ice Field. Cruise across Lake Rico, passing the northern face of Perito Moreno Glacier to see the immensity of the glacial walls that rise up to 70m. (B)

#### DAY 3: EL CALAFATE - TORRES DEL PAINE

Drive across the border into Chile and on to Torres del Paine National Park, a journey of approximately 5 hours. (B, D)

#### DAY 4: TORRES DEL PAINE

Discover the scenic wonders of the park on a full day excursion. Highlights include the famous Towers of Paine, the Cuernos del Diablo (Devil's Horns), Salto Grande Waterfall and Lake Pehoe. (B, L, D)

#### **DAY 5: TORRES DEL PAINE - PUERTO NATALES**

Spend the day exploring the National Park at your leisure or join one of the optional excursions that are available. In the afternoon, you will be transferred to your Puerto Natales HOTEL. (B)

#### DAY 6: PUERTO NATALES – PUNTA ARENAS

Today you will be transferred to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

#### 6 Days / 5 Nights

#### ARGENTINA CHILE

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$2,120

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Twin share accommodation
- All meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- Tour and excursions as detailed

**NOTE:** Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

# CRUISING THE PATAGONIA FJORDS

Cruise through the Patagonia Fjords – a land of glaciers, mountain lakes, snow-covered volcanoes, fjords and islands. 4-night cruises are available on the M/V Stella Australis (100 cabins) or M/V Ventus (64 cabins). Cruise through the Strait of Magellan, and witness the beauty of the Pia Glacier and Glacier Alley, and see the legendary Cape Horn. Enjoy daily excursions on zodiac boats, encountering a variety of wildlife, all led by naturalists guides.



#### 5 Days / 4 Nights

#### ARGENTINA CHILE

#### **PRICE PER PERSON FROM:**

M/V STELLA & M/V VENTUS Cabin B \$2.520

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- 4 nights accommodation on-board on a twin share basis
- All meals
- Daily zodiac & land excursions
- English speaking guides
- · Port taxes

**NOTE**: Australis cruises operate late September to early April

### PATAGONIA – CHII F

Torres del Paine National Park is one of the few places in the World where mountains rise up virtually from sea level to 3000m. The park has a maze of beautiful trails to explore nature at its best, with serene clear blue lakes, magnificent mountain landscapes and an abundance of wildlife. Witness the changing colours of the towers of Torres del Paine massif, cruise the majestic Lake Grey or hike up to French Valley for panoramic views.

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **CHILE**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Singular \$3,762

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis including all meals
- Scheduled return transfers
- Daily guided exploration
- National Park fee

### 4 Days / 3 Nights

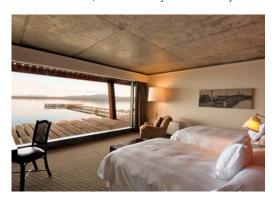
#### CHILE

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Garden View \$3,554

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis with all meals
- Scheduled return transfers
- Daily guided exploration
- National Park fee



#### SINGULAR HOTEL

The Singular Hotel is located on the shores of Senoret Channel, close to Puerto Natales, which is immersed in Patagonian history. Sheep were farmed in this region in the 1800's and the hotel's cavernous building operated as a meatpacking and cold storage factory for over 70 years. After years of restoration the hotel now has 57 luxurious rooms with floor to ceiling windows and views of the distant snow-capped peaks and Last Hope Sound. An atmospheric bar and restaurant serves local delicacies and guests can enjoy the pool and wellness spa. With over 20 guided excursions on offer, you have a wide choice of explorations of Patagonia and Torres del Paine National Park.

#### **HOTEL LAS TORRES**

In a privileged location at the foot of the Torres del Paine Massif lies Hotel Las Torres. The Senkovic family bought the Cerro Paine ranch back in 1976 and began a cattle breeding business. The family built 9 rooms with a small restaurant to welcome visitors looking to experience the Estancia way of life. The hotel now has 84 rustic rooms all with central heating, private bathrooms and Wi-Fi. Delicious organic cuisine is served at Restaurant Coiron. After a day exploring the wilderness, indulge in a massage at the Spa Boutique. Guided excursions are available including hiking, horseback riding or sightseeing by vehicle.

#### TIERRA PATAGONIA HOTEL AND SPA

The architecture of Tierra Patagonia Hotel & Spa resembles a windswept sand dune, constructed of wood and stone with large panoramic windows overlooking the shores of Lake Sarmiento. The furnishings and artwork have been handmade using natural materials from the Patagonian region with influences from the native Tehuelche people. The hotel has 40 rooms all offering beautiful views across the lake to the peaks of Torres del Paine National Park. The public areas include a circular fireplace, a restaurant, bar, lounge and a library. Daily excursions are led by experienced guides and include trekking, horse riding, cycling, visits to a working estancia and scenic trips by vehicle.

#### **EXPLORA PATAGONIA**

Explora Patagonia is located in the heart of the spectacular Torres del Paine National Park overlooking Lake Pehoe and the towering granite peaks of the Torres massif. The UNESCO biosphere reserve is surrounded by snow-capped peaks, emerald green lakes and forested valleys. The hotel has 43 rooms with private bathrooms, a living area, a restaurant, bar, heated pool, sauna and a wellness centre, offering massage treatments. An important figure of life in Patagonia is the 'gaucho' and the hotel has its own stables with horses specifically bred and trained for guests to ride. Daily guided excursions are offered including treks, horseback riding, and scenic tours by vehicle.

#### **AWASI PATAGONIA**

Awasi Patagonia is located inside a private reserve neighbouring Torres del Paine National Park. 12 villas have been built with native wood allowing the structures to blend into the natural landscape. Each villa has a living area, fireplace, hot tub and sweeping views of the pampas, Torres del Paine and Lake Sarmiento. The public areas are in the main villa and include a restaurant, bar and lounge room. Each villa is assigned a vehicle and private expedition guide, allowing time to explore the private reserve and Torres del Paine National Park at your own pace.

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **CHILE**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard \$4,231

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- Accommodation on a twin share basis with all meals
- Scheduled return transfers
- Daily guided exploration
- National Park fee

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### CHILE

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Salto Chico \$4,385

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis with all meals
- Scheduled return transfers
- Daily guided exploration
- National Park fee

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### CHILE

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Villa \$6,262

- Accommodation on a twin share basis with all meals
- Private return transfers
- Private daily guided exploration and 4X4 Vehicle
- National Park fee





# PATAGONIA - CHILE

If you like exploring, trekking or camping, then the best time to visit Chilean Patagonia is from October to early March, when the weather is ideal for enjoying Torres del Paine National Park and Tierra del Fuego. September, October and November is a lovely time to see the colourful blooms, while March, April and May usher in autumnal hues. Make sure you pack layers and a sturdy windbreaker to shield yourself from Patagonia's year-round chilly winds.

# **W TREK**

The guided "W Trek", in Torres del Paine National Park, with both 4 and 5 day options, is one of the World's classic treks. Experience Patagonia's pristine wilderness, hanging glaciers, sparkling lakes, beech forests and the mighty Horns.



# 4 DAYS W TREK

This (60km) short version of the "W" trek highlights the three most spectacular treks in Torres del Paine National Park; the Valle Frances, the Grey Glacier and the hike to the base of Torres del Paine Towers. (Blue track on map).

#### **5 DAYS W TREK**

This 5 Day W trek showcases all of the spectacular challenging and moderate treks; Lago Nordenskold, into the French Valley and the heart of Paine Massif. Cruise on Lago Grey to the spectacular Grey Glacier or hike to the base of the iconic granite Towers. (Red track on map).

### 4 Day Trek FROM: \$1,341

#### **CHILE**

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- 3 nights in camping tents on a twin share basis
- English speaking guides
- All meals
- National Park fees
- \* Self guided trek

### 5 Day Trek FROM: \$1,676

#### **CHILE**

- 4 nights in camping tents on a twin share basis
- Return scheduled transfers
- All meals
- National Park fees
- \* Self guided trek







# Ecuador

Ecuador is the second smallest country in South America and home to a list of UNESCO World Heritage Sites like the colonial city of Quito, the historical center of Cuenca and the jewel in the Pacific Ocean, the 'Galapagos Islands'. Astonishing wildlife, cone shaped volcanoes, picturesque colonial towns, vibrant markets and the rich biodiversity of the Amazon Basin and Highland Cloud forests are just the start of what Ecuador has to offer. The cultural mix of the Spanish culture and pre-Hispanic indigenous influences are best seen in the architecture and market places such as Quito, Cuenca and Otavalo.

# Galapagos islands

The Galapagos Islands lie in the Pacific Ocean 1000km from the Ecuador mainland. The 19 islands and surrounding marine reserve have been called a unique living museum and are a UNESCO World Heritage Site and Biosphere Reserve. The Galapagos Islands are nature's wonderland where you can see giant tortoises and witness the exotic blue-footed booby or swim with playful seals. Taking a cruise in the archipelago is the best way to explore the Galapagos Islands. All the cruises offer a variety of activities including kayaking, snorkeling, swimming and excursions led by naturalist guides. The islands are a melting pot for wildlife enthusiasts and there are many opportunities to walk amongst sea lions, land iguanas, frigate birds and penguins. The weather from January to June is typically warmer but with some rain, July to December is cooler and drier. To travel to the Galapagos Islands, flights operate from Quito and Guayaquil. There are many variations in Galapagos cruise itineraries, with each group of islands offering a unique experience:



#### CENTRAL ISLANDS: SANTA CRUZ, NORTH SEYMOUR, SANTIAGO, BARTHOLOME

Although close together, these islands have their own unique qualities, showcasing volcanic landscapes and a plethora of birds, plants & animals.

#### SOUTHERN ISLANDS: FLORENA, ESPANOLA

These islands are regularly visited and are amongst the oldest of the archipelago.

#### WESTERN ISLANDS: ISABELA, FERNANDINA

The largest and youngest of the archipelago and the best place in the Galapagos to spot dolphins and whales.

#### **NORTHERN ISLANDS: GENOVESA**

There are five remote northern islands but only one is open to visitors.



# **CLASSIC ECUADOR**

Take a stroll through Quito admiring the cobblestone streets of the old town, ornate churches and pastel coloured houses. Continue on to explore the miraculous world of the Galapagos Islands on a 4-day cruise. Guided by experienced naturalists, you will visit the archipelago's famous sights with a chance to swim with seals, sea turtles and schools of tropical fish.

#### 9 Days / 8 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$TBC

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 5 nights accommodation in superior hotels on a twin share hasis
- 3 nights on-board M/V Archipel I in a standard cabin
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- Excursions and tours as detailed
- Domestic flight: Quito Galapagos Guayaquil
- Snorkelling equipment
- Transit control card fee

NOTE: Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

> Classic Ecuador delivers the perfect combination of historical sites, rich culture, soft adventure, beautiful landscape and amazing wildlife.

#### DAY 1: OUITO

On arrival at Quito Airport, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for your three-night stay.

#### **DAY 2: QUITO**

Today you will leave Quito and head to the city of Cayambe. Sample the delicious "bizcochos de Cayambe" before visiting Lake San Pablo and the renowned Otavalo Market where the local indigenous people make and sell their textiles and handicrafts. You will then have the choice to either remain at the market or continue to the town of Cotacachi, known for its leather industry. En route, you will visit Ñanda Mañachi – an Andean instrument workshop. Later, visit the Cotacachi Cayapes Ecological Reserve before returning to Quito. (B, L)

#### **DAY 3: QUITO**

Today, you will be taken to the Cotopaxi National Park. Visit the museum and hike around the Limpiopungo Lagoon until you reach the Quilotoa Volcano. In the afternoon you will return to Quito. (B)

#### **DAY 4: QUITO - GALAPAGOS ISLANDS**

Today you will be met and transferred to the airport for your flight to the Galapagos Islands. Enjoy an afternoon excursion on the island before embarking and enjoying a welcome dinner on-board M/V ARCHIPEL I. (B, D)



#### DAYS 5 - 6: GALAPAGOS ISLANDS

Spend the days cruising around the Galapagos Islands, discovering the unique flora and fauna of the region. Enjoy morning and afternoon excursions including snorkelling, swimming and short walks. Wildlife highlights include frigate birds, blue-footed boobies, land and marine iguanas, and penguins. Each night aboard the vessel, naturalist guides will conduct lectures to improve your knowledge of the islands. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 7: GALAPAGOS ISLANDS - GUAYAQUIL

After breakfast, you will disembark and be transferred to the airport for your flight to Guayaquil. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL. (B)

#### **DAY 8: GUAYAQUIL**

Today you will enjoy a tour of Guayaquil, through the main streets and avenues. Visit the Simón Bolívar Park, La Rotonda with statues of Bolívar and Saint Martin, and the colourful, colonial neighbourhood of Las Peñas. You will also be taken to a viewpoint for panoramic views of Guayaquil and the Guayas River. (B)

#### **DAY 9: DEPART GUAYAQUIL**

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport, marking the end of your tour. (B)





## HIGHLIGHTS OF ECUADOR

Rich in culture, history and natural beauty, Ecuador caters to all travellers. This tour will allow you to discover the many cultures and traditions preserved throughout the country, visiting numerous indigenous communities and touring iconic sites such as the Otavalo Market and the cities of Riobamba, Cuenca and Guayaquil. Enjoy Ecuador's natural wonders by visiting the Quilotoa Crater Lake, Chimborazo Volcano and the Cajas National Park.

#### DAY 1: QUITO

Today you will begin your tour in Quito, stopping first at the SINAMUNE Foundation. You will then head to Otavalo, famous for the Otavalo Market (an indigenous market) located in the Plaza de Ponchos. After lunch at Lago San Pablo you will visit the Quitsato Sundial, before being transferred to your HOTEL. (L, D)

#### DAY 2: QUILOTOA

After breakfast you will be taken to the Quilotoa Crater Lake via the amazing "Avenue of Volcanoes". You will travel through small, colourful, indigenous towns where several ancient customs are still practised. On arrival at the crater lake, you will hike to its rim, enjoying breathtaking views. After lunch, visit the town of Isinlivi before transferring to your HOTEL for dinner. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 3: RIOBAMBA

Today you will be taken to the Chimborazo Volcano and National Park. Enjoy a box lunch before visiting a local indigenous community to learn about their culture and sample typical Andean dishes. Visit the city of Riobamba before being transferred to your HOTEL. (B, L).

#### DAY 4: ALAUSI - SOUTHERN ANDES - CUENCA

Early in the morning, depart for the town of Alausi to board the famous "Devil's Nose Train" to Sibambe Station. Overnight at your HOTEL in Cuenco. (B, L)

#### DAY 5: CUENCA

Today you will tour the beautiful, colonial city of Cuenca. The third largest city in Ecuador and a World Heritage Site, the city features many architectural and cultural attractions. Your tour will include visits to the market and several handicraft workshops which produce paja toquilla hats (Panama hats) and beautiful, black, ceramic vases. Enjoy lunch at the renowned Dos Sucres restaurant which showcases local Ecuadorian cuisine. (B, L)

#### DAY 6: CUENCA - GUAYAQUIL

This morning you will travel towards Guayaquil. On the way you will stop at the Cajas National Park which features pristine lagoons and panoramic landscapes. Enjoy a small hike and visit the Toreadora Lagoon before continuing to Guayaquil where you will be taken on a city tour. (B, L)

#### DAY 7: GUAYAQUIL

Your journey through Ecuador ends today after breakfast. (B)

#### 7 Days / 6 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$TBC

- 6 nights accommodation in superior hotels on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- Excursions and transfers as per itinerary
- Entrance fees to national parks, monuments and museums

**NOTE:** Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.





## AMAZON CRUISES AND LODGES – ECUADOR

One of the highlights of visiting Ecuador is to take a cruise down the Amazon by riverboat. Highlights include visiting magical rainforests and local communities as well as fishing for piranha and game viewing in the forests. Cruises visit Yasuni National Park, where jungle walks are a highlight. There is also a choice of lodges located near or in the Amazon Rainforest which offers a more intimate experience and brings you even closer to nature.

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard Suite \$4,159

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis on full board
- All transfers from Coca
- Flights Quito/Coca/Quito
- Daily guided excursions



### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard Suite \$3,353

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- Accommodation on a twin share basis on full board
- All transfers from Coca
- Flights Quito/Coca/Quito
- · Daily guided excursions



#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Cabanas \$TBC

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis on full board
- All transfers from Coca
- Flights Quito/Coca/Quito
- · Daily guided excursions

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard \$2,231

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- Accommodation on a twin share basis on full board
- All transfers from Coca
- Flights Quito/Coca/Quito
- Daily guided excursions



#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Wayra \$2,254

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis on full board
- All transfers from Ouito
- Daily guided excursions
- Entrance fee



#### MANATEE AMAZON CRUISE

The Manatee Amazon was designed for jungle adventures, accommodating 30 guests in 15 comfortable cabins, all with private bathrooms, hot water and air-conditioning. There is also a dining room, bar and lounge area and a panoramic terrace. Cruise through the Yasuni National Park and Biosphere Reserve. Walk along jungle trails, explore virgin rainforests, lagoons and navigate through a network of black water streams to a flooded forest, where you can fish for piranha and visit a local community. Travelling by river provides ample opportunities to see wildlife including some 500 species of bird, 6 species of monkey, a multitude of caiman and 2,500 species of butterfly.

#### ANAKONDA AMAZON CRUISE

The Anakonda Amazon Riverboat is a comfortable vessel cruising on the Amazon through the Ecuadorian Amazon rainforest. The vessel has 14 standard and 4 deluxe cabins all with private bathrooms. The observation deck with a jacuzzi and lounge is an ideal place to relax and enjoy the river views. The riverboat travels through the magical flooded forests of Cuyabeno Nature Reserve, an untamed area within the Yasuni National Park. There are daily guided excursions including exploring black water jungle streams and canopy observation towers, as well as walking on trails to meet the indigenous people of the Amazon forest.

Departs Sundays

#### NAPO WILDLIFE CENTRE

Napo Wildlife Centre is an eco-lodge located on Lake Anangucocha and surrounded by 53,500 acres of Amazon Rain Forest in Yasunì National Park. The park is an important UNESCO Biosphere Reserve with the largest tract of tropical rainforest in Ecuador. The lodge consists of 12 cabanas and 4 suites all with private bathroom and lake views. The public areas of the lodge consist of a dining room, bar and lounge area as well as an observation tower that provides 360 degree views of the surrounding area. Daily jungle excursions with naturalist guides are offered and depart from the lodge.

• Departs daily except Sunday

#### SACHA LODGE

Sacha Lodge is 2 hours by canoe from Coca, located in a 5000 acre ecological reserve in the heart of Ecuador's Amazon Basin. There are 26 cabins with private facilities which were designed to blend in with the jungle. The main lodge has a dining room and lounge with a bar. The lodge is located in an area that is a haven for nature lovers and offers daily guided activities that include hiking, visiting the butterfly house, kayaking and visiting the Kapok Tower that is a 275m canopy walkway suspended 30m above the ground.

• Departs daily except Sunday

#### MASHPI LODGE

Deep in the heart of the Andean cloud forest is Mashpi Lodge, which is located within a 42,000 acre protected area. The lodge has 19 Wayra rooms and 4 Yaku suites all with panoramic forest views. The two-storey dining room offers a dramatic setting for a gourmet experience and the bar has a good selection of wines. The lodge has a 26m observation tower, canopy gondola, library, boutique and a wellness spa offering massage treatments. The new addition to Mashpi Lodge is the Sky Bike, a tandem bike ride through the cloud forest, suspended from a cable stretched between two points in the forest. Daily guided excursions are available.

## GALAPAGOS CRUISE BOATS

Galapagos Island cruises range from 4 to 15 days in duration. The cruises showcase a variety of wildlife and landscapes with each island in the archipelago offering different experiences. The Galapagos Islands are considered to be a year-round destination. While cruising the islands, there are opportunities to enjoy other activities like kayaking, snorkeling, swimming and joining guided excursions.

#### M/Y NATURAL PARADISE

The M/Y Natural Paradise is one of the most modern cruise vessels operating in the Galapagos Islands, with accommodation for up to 16 passengers. It offers exquisite cuisine, excellent service and naturalist guides ready to share their knowledge of the wonders of the Galapagos Islands. The vessel also has ample social areas and balconies to take in the views, or watch the beautiful sunsets.





#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard \$4,993

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis on full board
- · All transfers from the Galapagos Is.
- Daily excursions with a naturalist guide
- Fuel surcharge
- · Tourist Transit card

#### M/C CORMORANT II

The M/C Cormorant II accommodates a total of 16 guests, this vessel features nine spacious, elegantly designed suites providing a pleasant and comfortable stay. In each modern suite aboard the Cormorant II, guests will find floor-to-ceiling, panoramic windows and private balconies. The Premium Suites include an oversized balcony with an exclusive jacuzzi. The main deck features two pairs of connected cabins, which are the perfect option for families or groups. An attentive crew will keep an eye on every detail, providing an intimate cruising experience through the Galapagos Islands.





### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Suite \$7,916

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis on full board
- · All transfers from the Galapagos Is.
- Daily excursions with a naturalist guide
- Fuel surcharge
- Tourist Transit cards

#### M/C OCEAN SPRAY

The M/C Ocean Spray is a state of the art catamaran with 8 stateroom cabins, all appointed with large windows, private bathrooms and a balcony. The elegant design includes an alfresco dining area, a bar, lounge area and large sundeck with jacuzzi. M/C Ocean Spray is renowned for her speed, comfort, stability and friendly crew. Daily excursions are led by a naturalist guide, and give you the opportunity to see an array of marine mammals, birdlife and unique flora and fauna.





#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Staterooms \$5,508

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis on full board
- All transfers from the Galapagos Is.
- Daily excursions with a naturalist guide
- · Fuel surcharge
- Tourist Transit card

#### M/Y ISABELA II

Accommodating up to 40 guests, M/Y Isabela II offers 20 fully air-conditioned cabins including 1 master suite, 18 classic cabins and 1 standard cabin, all with private bathrooms. The vessel has three public areas including a bar/lounge, sundeck, elegant dining room, an observation area, a reading room, library, jacuzzi, boutique/shop and a games room. Excursions led by naturalist guides offer enriching wildlife encounters amid the islands' haunting volcanic landscapes.





#### 5 Days / 4 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard Cabin \$5,731

- Accommodation on a twin share basis on full board
- All transfers from the Galapagos Is.
- Daily excursions with a naturalist guide
- Fuel surcharge
- Tourist Transit card

## GALAPAGOS CRUISE BOATS

#### 5 Days / 4 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Horizon Deck Explorer \$6,564

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis on full board
- All transfers from the Galapagos Islands
- · Daily excursions with a naturalist guide
- Fuel surcharge
- Tourist Transit card

#### M/V SANTA CRUZ II

The Santa Cruz II is one of the larger vessels plying the Galapagos Islands. The Santa Cruz II is just over 70 metres long, with 5 decks and 50 cabins accommodating up to 90 quests. It has large and medium sized social areas, well laid out to accommodate guests without feeling crowded in. The highly experienced crew and the equally experienced naturalist guides are at hand to make the cruise highly memorable.





#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard Cabin \$2,834

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis on full board
- All transfers from the Galapagos Islands
- Daily excursions with a naturalist guide
- Fuel surcharge
- Tourist Transit card

#### M/Y GALAPAGOS LEGEND

This magnificent vessel has a capacity for up to 100 guests. With her three different decks, the Galapagos Legend offers a great variety of comfortable and spacious social areas without losing its sense of intimacy. Its open decks allow guests a chance to admire the islands' flora and fauna, take part in a BBQ at night, or enjoy the pool and bar areas. Other facilities include an auditorium for conferences, spacious social areas, a swimming pool with large sun decks and observation platforms. The 45 cabins aboard are tastefully decorated, complete with mini bars and air conditioning.





#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard Cabin \$2,750

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis on full board
- All transfers from the Galapagos Islands
- Daily excursions with a natúralist guide
- Fuel surcharge
- Tourist Transit card

#### M/Y CORAL I & M/Y CORAL II

Sister ships Coral I (36 passengers) & Coral II (20 passengers), follow the same itinerary, so guests can travel on either vessel, and still enjoy the same areas of the Galapagos Islands. Cabins feature private bathrooms, air-conditioning and a video system with LCD TV. Public areas include a dining room, spacious lounge, bar, library, outdoor deck and jacuzzi. Daily excursions are led by a naturalist guide. There ARE DIVING OPPORTUNITIES FOR CERTIFIED DIVERS WHILST CRUISING THE ISLANDS.





#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard \$4,070

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on a twin share basis on full board
- All transfers from the Galapagos Islands.
- Daily excursions with a naturalist guide
- Fuel surcharge
- Tourist Transit card

#### **CALIPSO**

This ship is perfect for all kinds of adventurers. With 8 spacious cabins that can hold up to 16 passengers, a professional crew, expert naturalist and diving guides, open dining and social areas, and free WiFi, travellers can enjoy any of the 4, 5, and 8-day tours in comfort. All itineraries are perfect for any adventurer as Calipso provides both excellent naturalist itineraries that cover the islands and the best diving itineraries that explore more of the depths of the ocean.





\*Galapagos Islands National Park fee of USD\$100 cash is paid locally. All cruises are based on twin/double in low season.



## GALAPAGOS ISLAND HOPPING

This 6-day tour is designed for those wanting an alternative to cruising the Galapagos Islands. Beginning and ending on Santa Cruz Island, this tour will open your eyes to the unique beauty and wildlife of the Galapagos. Visit Floreana Island and discover its interesting history as well as the relatively young Isabela Island; the largest of the Galapagos Islands and one of the most volcanically active places on earth. Highlights include snorkeling with marine turtles and sea lion, seeing marine iguanas, frigates and the famous Galapagos tortoise, the largest in the World.

#### **DAY 1: ARRIVE SANTA CRUZ ISLAND**

On arrival, you will be met and taken to the Highlands area of Santa Cruz Island to see the famous giant Galapagos tortoises and birdlife in their natural habitat. Afterwards, you will be transferred to Puerto Ayora for check-in at your local HOTEL. (L)

#### DAY 2: FLOREANA ISLAND

After breakfast you will be taken by speed boat to Floreana Island. The island is riddled with mystery and has the most interesting human history of all the Galapagos islands. On the island you will visit a local farm, learning about the way of life on Floreana. After lunch, you will head to the historical site of Asilo de la Paz to view a pirate's cave and learn about its history. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 3: FLOREANA ISLAND - ISABELA ISLAND

Today you will visit "La Loberia", a sea lion breeding area on Floreana Island. Here, you will have the chance to snorkel in the turquoise waters with the possibility of swimming amongst sea lions, turtles, manta rays and a variety of coral fish. After lunch, board your speed boat and enjoy the ride to Isabela Island. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B, L)

#### DAY 4: ISABELA ISLAND

After breakfast you will taken to the Sierra Negra Volcano. Enjoy a 2 hour hike before reaching the crater rim where you will be able to view the crater and, if you're lucky, spot the Galapagos Sparrow Hawk. In the afternoon you will visit the Tintoreras Islets. The clear, crystalline waters here are home to white-tipped reef sharks, Galapagos penguins, marine turtle and sea lions. You will also have the chance to see a mangrove surrounded beach; one of the few sites where marine iguanas can reproduce. (B, L)

#### DAY 5: ISABELA ISLAND - SANTA CRUZ ISLAND

This morning you will visit Flamingo's Lagoon where you will enjoy a guided walk to understand the vegetation and geology of the area with the chance to see some flamingos. Continue to the island's tortoise breeding centre before taking your boat back to Santa Cruz Island. On arrival, you will be transferred to the Charles Darwin Research Station where you will visit its Tortoise Breeding Centre. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

#### **DAY 6: DEPART**

After breakfast, visit Los Gemelos, before being transferred to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

#### 6 Days / 5 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$TBC

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 5 nights accommodation in superior hotels on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- · Private speed boat transfers
- Excursions as per itinerary
- · Snorkeling equipment

#### NOTE:

- Flights to/from Santa Cruz from the mainland NOT INCLUDED
- National Park Entrance Fees NOT INCLUDED but are paid on arrival



#### FINCH BAY ECO HOTEL

The Finch Bay Eco Hotel is a charming eco-friendly retreat located just steps from the beach on Santa Cruz Island in the Galapagos Islands. The hotel is accessible by boat from the main town and there are frequent water taxi services to take guests into Puerto Ayora. The Finch Bay Eco Hotel has 6 ocean view suites and 21 garden view rooms, each with private facilities and air conditioning. There is a spacious outdoor pool as well as an indoor alfresco dining room. A stay at the Finch Bay Eco Hotel is ideal for those looking for an alternative to a cruise.

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ECUADOR**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Explore Program \$TBC

- Accommodation on a twin share basis on a full board basis
- All transfers from the Galapagos Islands
- Daily excursions with a naturalist guide
- · Tourist Transit card





# Argentina

Argentina is situated between the Andes in the west and the Atlantic Ocean to the east, offering enormous diversity with natural wonders including; Iguazu Falls, the majestic glaciers in Patagonia, the lunar landscapes of Salta, the vineyards of Mendoza and the blue lakes and snow-capped mountains of the Lake District. Learn to dance the tango, trek through the Patagonia steppes, or stay on an estancia and live the life of a gaucho on horseback.

# Uruguay

Nestled between Brazil and Argentina, Uruguay travel offers vacationers a range of experiences, from exploring the busy urban centre of Montevideo to partying in Punta del Este and taking in the breathtaking natural beauty of Uruguay's rural interior. In the gorgeous town of Colonia del Sacramento (a UNESCO World Heritage Site), you will see cobbled streets and ruined forts. The pretty capital Montevideo has a fine harbour and impressive Art Deco buildings.

## Brazil

Brazil is a land of natural beauty with the white sandy beaches of the Atlantic coast, pristine Amazonian rainforests, the wildlife rich Pantanal and the mighty thunderous Iguazu Falls, as well as the colourful colonial towns of Paraty and Sao Luis, picturesque Rio de Janeiro and Salvador. Brazil is a rich mosaic of people and cultures and home to the famous Rio Carnival; the World's greatest party! (Rio Carnival 21 – 26 February, 2020).



## **WONDERS OF BUENOS AIRES & IGUAZU**

Buenos Aires, Argentina's cosmopolitan capital, showcases a mix of classical architecture, modern art, chic restaurants, grand avenues, passionate football fans and fiery tango dancing. Explore bohemian San Telmo, stop at a cafe in La Boca or shop in the trendy avenues of Recoleta and Palermo. Also visit to the spectacular Iquazu Falls, one of the most impressive natural wonders on Earth, with 275 cascading waterfalls that reach heights of up to 70 metres – the power, noise and sheer size of the falls is simply breathtaking.

#### 6 Days / 5 Nights

#### **ARGENTINA**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$1,304

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 5 nights accommodation in superior hotels on a twin share
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- Excursions as detailed
- National Park entrance fee

#### NOTE: Internal flights NOT included

Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

Sample Argentina's cosmopolitan capital with its history and beautiful buildings, as well as seeing one of the greatest wonders in the World – Iguazu Falls.

#### **DAY 1: BUENOS AIRES**

On arrival you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for your three-night stay. (B)

#### **DAY 2: BUENOS AIRES**

Today you will be taken on a half day city tour, visiting the Historic Plaza de Mayo and Avenida De Mayo as well as 9 de Julio Avenue (the widest avenue in the world), the Plaza de la Republica and the Obelisk. Continue to La Boca, the affluent district of Puerto Madero and Palermo. The tour ends at Recoleta Cemetery, known for its rich architecture and graves of notable people, including presidents of Argentina, Nobel Prize winners and Eva Perón (Evita). (B)

#### **DAY 3: BUENOS AIRES**

Today will be free to enjoy the lively city of Buenos Aires and explore it at your leisure. In the evening, you will be met and escorted to a local restaurant for dinner and an exciting cultural showcase of the tango. (B, D)



#### DAY 4: IGUAZU

Today you will be taken to the airport for your flight to Iguazu (additional cost). On arrival, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL. (B)

#### DAY 5: IGUAZU

After breakfast, you will be met and taken on a full day tour to see both the Argentinean and Brazilian sides of the falls. Start your tour with a train ride to Garganta Station, where you will then walk to the Devil's Throat balcony, which offers the most spectacular views of the falls. After further exploration of the falls area from various viewpoints, you will then be returned to your HOTEL. (B)

#### DAY 6: DEPART IGUAZU

After breakfast, you will have the morning at leisure to do some last minute touring, before being transferred to Iguazu Airport for your onward flight. (B)





## TASTE OF THE TANGO

Buenos Aires is the most cosmopolitan city in all of South America, with a mix of colonial architecture and European influence. When one thinks of Argentina, the passion and rhythm of the tango comes to mind. This package discovers the best that Buenos Aires has to offer with some sightseeing, traditional cuisine and the chance to learn the dance of passion – the tango.

#### **DAY 1: BUENOS AIRES**

On arrival you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL.

#### **DAY 2: BUENOS AIRES**

After breakfast, you will be met and taken on a half day city tour, visiting the Historic Plaza de Mayo and 9 de Julio Avenue (the widest avenue in the World), the Plaza de la Republica and the picturesque Boca district famous for its colourful neighbourhood and soccer. (B)

#### DAY 3: BUENOS AIRES

Today is at leisure for you to enjoy the lively city. This evening learn the dance of passion with a tango lesson followed by a sumptuous dinner and an impressive tango show. (B. D)

#### DAY 4: TRIP CONCLUDES

Today you will be transferred to the airport for your onward flight, which will mark the end of your tour. (B)



#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ARGENTINA**

## PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$699

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation in a superior hotel on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers and excursions
- Tango lesson
- Tango show including dinner

## **MENDOZA WINES**

With high altitudes and nestling under the eastern flanks of the Andes Mountains, Mendoza's geography, is not only breathtakingly beautiful, but is ideal for growing grapes to make wine. Mendoza attracts not only wine lovers but adventurers as well. It is in the heart of Argentina's wine producing region and the perfect place to enjoy fine wine and superb cuisine in the many cafes, restaurants and wineries of the area.

#### DAY 1: MENDOZA

On arrival you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL.

#### DAY 2: MENDOZA

Enjoy an afternoon city tour, visiting Independence Square, Plaza Pedro del Castillo and San Martin Park, where you will find the Five Continents Fountain and memorial at El Cerro de la Gloria, which offers spectacular views of the surrounding mountains. (B)

#### DAY 3: MENDOZA

Enjoy a full day tour to one of the most important winegrowing regions in Argentina. You will have the opportunity to visit two wineries and learn about harvesting and traditional methods of wine growing. Enjoy a wine tasting, before being transferred back to your hotel. (B, L)

#### **DAY 4: TRIP CONCLUDES**

The tour finishes after breakfast at your hotel. (B)



#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ARGENTINA**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$681

- Accommodation in a superior hotel on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers and excursions



#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ARGENTINA**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$675

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation in a superior hotel on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers by regular bus
- Excursions as detailed

## SALTA LANDSCAPES

The name Salta comes from the Aymara Indian word "sagta" meaning "the very beautiful one". The picturesque city of Salta is a hidden gem nestled in one of the most diverse regions of Argentina. It is an area where indigenous traditions are kept alive in local villages, wonderful vineyards and in the colonial architecture of Salta.

#### DAY 1: SALTA

On arrival you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL. DAY 2: SALTA

Today you will visit Quebrada de Humahuaca before being taken on the major cultural route, known as "Camino Inca", visiting indigenous villages along the way. Continue on to San Salvador de Jujuy, the Cathedral, the Town Hall and Government House. (B)

#### DAY 3: SALTA - CACHI - CAFAYATE

Today you will explore the Calchaguí Valleys showcasing magnificent landscapes, colourful rock formations, enchanting villages and the town of Cafayate. (B)

#### **DAY 4: DEPART CAFAYATE**

This morning you will be taken on a tour of Cafayate town, visiting a winery and Quebrada de Cafayate, known for its rock formations, before transferring back to Salta. (B)

## SAN CARLOS DE BARILOCHE

Nestled in Nahuel Huapi National Park lies the beautiful town of San Carlos de Bariloche, where visitors are enchanted by the soaring peaks, clear lakes, pine forests, Swiss chalet style architecture and chocolate shops that give Bariloche a picture-postcard setting. The region is a year round destination, where nature enthusiasts can enjoy hiking, trout fishing and horseback riding during summer and skiing and snowboarding in winter.

#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **ARGENTINA**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$391

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation in a superior hotel on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B. L. D)
- All transfers
- Excursions as detailed

#### **DAY 1: BARILOCHE**

On arrival at Bariloche airport you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for your two night stay.

#### **DAY 2: BARILOCHE**

Today you will head past Playa Bonita and Campanario Hill Base, before taking a chairlift to Campanario Peak (1050m). Here, enjoy panoramic views of the Nahuel Huapi and the Perito Moreno Lakes, the Trebol Lagoon, the San Pedro and Llao Llao Peninsulas, Victoria Island, Otto, López, Goye, Cathedral Hills and the city of Bariloche. Afterwards, you will return to Bariloche. (B)

#### **DAY 3: TRIP CONCLUDES**

Today you will be transferred to the airport, which will mark the end of your tour. (B)





## **IGUAZU FALLS**

Discover the magnificent beauty and raw power of one of the greatest natural wonders on Earth – Iguazu Falls. With 275 falls spanning 5km from the Argentinian side to the Brazilian side, there are many walking trails offering spectacular views. Be mesmerized by the huge clouds of mist churned up by the force of the Falls and hear the calls of brightly coloured toucans, parrots and hummingbirds that live in the surrounding jungle.

#### DAY 1: IGUAZU

On arrival you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL. DAY 2: IGUAZU

This morning you will be taken on a tour of the Argentinian side of the Falls. Take a ride on the rainforest train before exploring the upper and lower circuit footbridges. The footbridges, which are raised off the jungle floor, provide panoramic views from above and

below the Falls and visits the highlight of the Falls – The Devils Throat. (B)

#### DAY 3: DEPART IGUAZU

Today you will be taken on a walking tour of the Iguazu Falls on the Brazilian side. Here you can walk along footbridges elevated over the river to the end, where you can take the elevator/lift to the top of the falls which offer a spectacular panoramic view of the area. (B)

#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **ARGENTINA**

## **PRICE PER PERSON FROM:** Superior \$552

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- Accommodation in a superior hotel on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- National park fee
- Excursions as detailed

## PENINSULA VALDES

Peninsula Valdes in Patagonia was declared a World Heritage Centre by UNESCO on account of its panoramic coastal scenery and the array of wildlife that inhabit the area including elephant seals, sea lions, Magellan penguins, southern right whales, guanacos and maras. This tour will allow you to explore the breathtaking beauty of one of Argentina's natural gems.

#### DAY 1: PUERTO MADRYN

On arrival at Trelew Airport you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL in Puerto Madryn.

#### **DAY 2: PENINSULA VALDES**

Your tour will begin in Ameghino Isthmus at the Interpretation Centre. Afterwards, visit Punta Pirámides Iobería to see the seal colony there, Caleta Valdés to see an elephant seal colony and a penguin rookery to possibly see Magellan penguins. Throughout the tour you will be able to see typical Patagonian wildlife such as guanacos and maras. (B)

#### DAY 3: PENINSULA VALDES

Today you will travel through the Patagonian steppe to first reach Gulfo Nuevo where you will find the Punta Ninfas lighthouse. The beaches that surround Punta Ninfas are a favourite breeding spot amongst elephant seals. Continue on to El Pedral, an authentic Patagonian estancia built at the beginning of the 20th century. Enjoy

a tour of a nearby Magellan penguin colony before lunch and taking part in the activities at the Estancia. (B, L)

#### DAY 4: TRELEW

Today you will be transferred to Trelew for your onward flight. (B)



#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ARGENTINA**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard \$TBC

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- Accommodation in standard hotels on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- **Excursions as indicated**

**NOTE:** Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.



#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **ARGENTINA**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$1,229

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation in a superior hotel on a twin share basiss
- Meals as indicated (B. L. D)
- All transfers
- Excursions as detailed
- National Park fee

## **EL CHALTEN & MONTE FITZ ROY**

The colourful village of El Chalten overlooks the stunning northern sector of Los Glaciares National Park and is the base for exploring the majestic and World renowned Fitz Roy Massif. Just 220km from El Calafate by road, El Chalten is considered "the" place for hiking in Argentine Patagonia. There is a wide choice of hikes taking you deep into the impressive surrounding mountains of Fitz Roy, Laguna de los Tres and Laguna Torre.

#### **DAY 1: EL CALAFATE - EL CHALTEN**

Today, you will depart by bus for the 3 hour journey to El Chalten, passing by Rio La Leona where you will enjoy one of the oldest and typical Patagonian hostels. (A pre night in El Calafate is essential, but not included).

#### **DAY 2: EL CHALTEN**

This morning, depart El Chalten on the Fitz Roy trek and ascend to the Vueltas River Viewpoint. From here you will see the "U" shape valley below that has been carved by glaciers. Ascend to the Fitz Roy massif where you will have panoramic views of Saint Exupery, Poincenot, Fitz Roy, Mermoz and Guillaumet. Pass through beautiful lenga forests to Laguna de los Tres, following the trail to Sucia Lagoon. (B, L)

#### **DAY 3: EL CHALTEN - EL CALAFATE**

Today you will start your walk along the Laguna Madre e Hija until you reach the Cerro Torre viewpoint, which offers stunning views of Torre Glacier. In the late afternoon, walk back to El Chalten and take the bus back to El Calafate, where the tour ends. (B, L)

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **ARGENTINA**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$1,195

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation in superior hotels on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- Excursions as detailed
- National Park fee

## EL CALAFATE & PERITO MORENO

It is from El Calafate that you can discover the beauty of Patagonia, as it is the stepping stone to explore Los Glaciares National Park. The surrounding landscape is dotted with dramatic snow-capped peaks, awe-inspiring glaciers and vast turquoise lakes. From El Calafate, you can see the majestic beauty of the Perito Moreno Glacier and experience a cruise that takes you breathtakingly close to the glacial walls.

#### DAY 1: EL CALAFATE

On arrival at El Calafate airport, you will be transferred to your HOTEL.

#### DAY 2: EL CALAFATE

Depart today on a day tour to Perito Moreno Glacier, situated within Los Glaciares National Park. Enjoy views of the beautiful Lake Argentina and Patagonian Beech forests. Cruise across Lake Rico, passing the northern face of Perito Moreno Glacier to see the immensity of the glacial walls that rise up to 70m - one of the great views of the area and what makes this area famous. (B)

#### DAY 3: EL CALAFATE

Today will be a tour to see the spectacular Upsala Glacier, the second longest glacier in South America. (B)

#### DAY 4: DEPART EL CALAFATE

Today you will be met and transferred to the airport for your onward flight, marking the end of your tour. (B)





## **BEST OF PATAGONIA**

Patagonia is spread across the southernmost tip of South America, spanning Argentina and Chile. Renowned for its wild beauty, glaciers, rainforests and the imposing Andes Mountain Range, Patagonia attracts spirited travellers searching for adventure and unique natural wonders. Visit the exciting city of Buenos Aires, discover the majesty of the Perito Moreno Glacier, the scenic Beagle Channel, and wildlife such as Magellan penguins and sea lions.

#### **DAY 1: BUENOS AIRES**

On arrival in Buenos Aires, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for your two-night stay. In the afternoon, enjoy a tour of the city starting in Plaza de Mayo, before heading to the famous Caminito alley in the barrio of La Boca and the northern barrios of Palermo and Recoleta. In the evening you will be taken to a tango dinner show. (D)

#### **DAY 2: BUENOS AIRES**

Today is at your leisure to explore this eclectic city on your own or join an optional tour. (B)

#### DAY 3: BUENOS AIRES - PUERTO MADRYN

Today you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Trelev (additional cost). On arrival, you will be met and transferred to the Punta Tombo Reserve; home to the continent's largest colony of Magellan penguins. From mid-April to mid-September, instead of Punta Tombo Reserve, you will travel to Mount Avanzado and Punta Loma to see the sea lions. (B)

#### DAY 4: PUERTO MADRYN

After breakfast, you will visit Peninsula Valdes which was declared a Natural Heritage Centre by UNESCO. Your tour will include stops at Puerto Piramides where from July to November you may be able to go whale watching for the Southern Right whales and Punta Delgada to observe the Elephant seal colony and Valdes Coves. (B)

#### DAY 5: PUERTO MADRYN – USHUAIA

Today you will be transferred to the airport to board your flight to Ushuaia (flight at additional cost). On arrival, you will be transferred to your HOTEL. In the afternoon, you will sail across the Beagle Channel observing the birds and sea lions that inhabit the channel's islands. You will also visit Les Eclaireurs lighthouse and the panoramic Ushuaia Bay. (B)

#### DAY 6: USHUAIA

After breakfast, you will leave the city and head to the Tierra del Fuego National Park to see Ensenada Bay, Lapataia Bay and Lake Acigami (Lake Roca) which changes colour with the weather. Depending on the season, in the afternoon you may visit Estancia Haberton and take a short boat ride to Martillo Island where you will have the chance to take a walk amongst the penguins. (B)



#### DAY 7: USHUAIA - EL CALAFATE

Today you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to El Calafate (additional cost), located on the edge of the Southern Patagonian Ice Field. On arrival, you will be transferred to your HOTEL. (B)

#### DAY 8: EL CALAFATE

This morning you will depart on an exciting day trip to the Los Glaciares National Park. In the park you will see the renowned Perito Moreno Glacier which rises up to 60m above the lake and spans 257 square kilometres. Walk along the paths in front of the glacier and take a boat trip to admire the glacier from all angles. In the afternoon, return to El Calafate. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

#### DAY 9: EL CALAFATE

Today is at your leisure to explore the town and surrounds. You may choose to take a boat trip on Lake Argentino where you will be able view some of the park's other glaciers (boat trip at additional cost). (B)

#### DAY 10: EL CALAFATE

Today you will be met and transferred to the airport for your onward flight.

#### 10 Days / 9 Nights

## ARGENTINA CHILE

## PRICE PER PERSON FROM: Standard \$1,748

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 9 nights accommodation in standard hotels on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- · All transfers
- Dinner and a tango show in Buenos Aires
- Punta Tombo and Peninsula Valdes tours
- Beagle Channel boat trip
- · Perito Moreno Glacier tour
- Entrance permits to parks and

## NOTE: Internal flights NOT included Based on a minimum of 2

Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.



#### 6 Days / 5 Nights

#### **URUGUAY**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard \$1,437

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 5 nights accommodation in standard hotels on a twin share
- Breakfast daily
- All transfers
- Excursions as detailed
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)

NOTE: Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF URUGUAY

Only one hour by fast ferry from Buenos Aires – Uruguay is the perfect destination for a memorable holiday off the beaten track. Start your tour in the charming UNESCO World Heritage listed town of Colonia before heading to Uruguay's capital, Montevideo. You will also experience some of the country's highlights, sampling Uruguayan wine and enjoying a taste of the sophisticated beach life on the Uruguayan Riveria, Punta del Este.

#### DAY 1: COLONIA

On arrival at Colonia's ferry terminal you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL.

#### DAY 2: COLONIA - MONTEVIDEO

Today you will be taken on a walking tour of the old city of Colonia. You will be able to see the quaint cobblestone streets, beach promenade, the old town and museums, before taking the bus to Montevideo. (B)

#### **DAY 3: MONTEVIDEO**

Today you will be taken on a sightseeing tour to explore Montevideo's landmarks, Plaza Independencia, the traditional Prado neighbourhood and the Old City. In the afternoon, visit the vineyards of Montevideo where you will be able to taste the superb Uruguayan wine, Tannat. (B)

#### DAY 4: MONTEVIDEO - PUNTA DEL ESTE

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Punta del Este, the most popular and exclusive beach area for the locals. En route, you will pass by Piriapolis on the way to the top of San Antonio Hill and see the coastal views it offers. You will visit Casapueblo, in the city, before being transferred to your HOTEL in Punta del Este. (B)

#### **DAY 5: PUNTA DEL ESTE**

Today is free to relax, explore Punta del Este or spend some time unwinding at Playa Brava or stroll down Gorlero Avenue. (B)

#### **DAY 6: PUNTA DEL ESTE**

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Laguna del Sucre airport, where your tour ends. (B)







## RIO DE JANEIRO REVEALED

Rio de Janeiro is surrounded by beautiful mountains, white sandy beaches and verdant rainforests, making it one of the most spectacular settings of any city in the World. "Rio", has so much to offer – the famous Copacabana beach, samba, football fever and the dazzling Rio Carnival – which is why it is called "the city that never sleeps". Visit the iconic statue of Christ the Redeemer or take a cable car up Sugar Loaf Mountain for breathtaking views of the city.

#### DAY 1: RIO DE JANEIRO

On arrival, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL.

#### DAY 2: RIO DE JANEIRO

Enjoy a tour to Sugar Loaf Mountain and take one of the iconic cable cars up the mountain, stopping at Urca Hill with its vantage point overlooking Guanabara Bay and the Corcovado Mountain. From the base of Corcovado Mountain, you will take the scenic cog train ride through

Tijuca Forest to the towering Christ the Redeemer Statue, the most iconic image of Brazil. (B)

#### DAY 3: RIO DE JANEIRO

A day at leisure to explore "Rio" on your own. (B)

#### **DAY 4: TRIP CONCLUDES**

Today, you will be met and transferred to Rio de Janeiro airport, where your tour will end. (B)

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **BRAZIL**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$979

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 3 nights accommodation in a superior hotel on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- Excursions as detailed

## SALVADOR UNCOVERED

Salvador da Bahia is the capital of the state of Bahia and the hub of Brazil's Afro-Brazilian culture. The fusion of different cultures has been influential in the arts, music and cuisine and is now synonymous with Brazilian culture. Hear the pulsing beat of percussion, witness the energetic martial art form of Capoeira, wander the cobbled streets and see the colonial architecture of the old town of Pelourinho – a World Heritage Site.



#### DAY 1: SALVADOR

On arrival you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL.

#### DAY 2: SALVADOR

Soak up the sights of this vibrant city and enjoy a historical tour of Salvador de Bahia, with the largest collection of Baroque Colonial architecture in Brazil. Take the Lacerdo Elevator for great views of the bay stretching out to the lower city, before an evening performance by a professional folk dance company and dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

#### DAY 3: SALVADOR

Today will be at leisure to explore Salvador at your own pace. Salvador was the first colonial capital of Brazil and is one of the oldest colonial cities in the Americas. It is known for its cuisine, music and architecture and still has a strong African influence. (B)

#### DAY 4: DEPART SALVADOR

Today you will be met and transferred to Salvador Airport. This will mark the end of your tour. (B)

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **BRAZIL**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$747

- 3 nights accommodation in a superior hotel on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- · Excursions as detailed



#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **BRAZIL**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$TBC

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 2 nights accommodation in a superior hotel on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers by bus
- Excursions as detailed

## PARATY GETAWAY

Surrounded by mountains and a spectacular coastline, the small town of Paraty has been awarded the UNESCO World Heritage status for its beautifully preserved Portuguese colonial architecture and cobbled streets. This is a great place to wander through the pretty streets adorned with elegant white buildings or you can enjoy the bars and charming little restaurants that offer delicious local cuisine including mouth-watering seafood. Alternatively you can simply relax on one of the beautiful white sandy beaches of the area.

#### DAY 1. RIO DE JANEIRO - PARATY

Today you will take a 4-hour bus ride to Paraty, where you will check in at your HOTEL for your two night stay. The afternoon is at leisure for you to explore Paraty.

#### **DAY 2: PARATY**

Today, after breakfast, you will be taken on a boat trip to the outer islands. The trip will have 4 stops at different islands, where there will be time to swim and snorkel in the crystal clear waters surrounding these islands.

Alternatively, you can explore the beautiful beach areas before the boat departs to the next island. You will also have lunch at one of the beach restaurants along the way, before returning to your HOTEL. (B, L)

#### **DAY 3: DEPART PARATY**

Today you will be collected from your hotel and taken to the bus for your transfer back to Rio de Janeiro, which will mark the end of your tour. (B)

#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **BRAZIL**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard \$TBC

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 2 nights accommodation in a standard hotel on a twin share hasis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers by bus
- Excursions as detailed

## **BUZIOS GETAWAY**

The beautiful peninsula of Búzios is only a 21/2 hour drive from Rio de Janeiro and is home to more than 20 magnificent beaches, all of them offering shimmering sand and crystal clear water. It is famed for its unique combination of rustic charm, distinctive architecture, beautiful scenery, exciting nightlife and sophisticated restaurants.

#### DAY 1: RIO DE JANEIRO - BUZIOS

Today you will be collected from your hotel in Rio de Janeiro and taken by local bus to Búzios. On arrival you will check in to your HOTEL for your two-night stay. The remainder of the day will be at leisure. Buzios is a small village, surrounded by 22 different beaches and is a wonderful place to relax or just walk around the town.

#### DAY 2: BUZIOS

After breakfast, you will be taken by boat to Arraial do Cabo, an exciting place of extraordinary beauty and stunning beaches. After lunch at a local restaurant, you will visit the coastal village of Praia do Forte, one of the most beautiful places of the northeast part of Brazil, famous for its white sand dunes. (B, L)

#### **DAY 3: DEPART BUZIOS**

Today you will be taken by bus to Rio de Janeiro. Your arrival will mark the end of your tour. (B)





## JUNGLE LODGES AND CRUISES - BRAZIL

The Amazon is the largest tropical rainforest on Earth and covers almost half of the continent of South America and more than half of the country of Brazil. The Amazon is home to abundant wildlife and a huge variety of plants as well as age old indigenous communities. It is still regarded as one of the most untouched and important wilderness areas in the World. These lodges offer the chance to stay in various reserves and offer comfortable accommodation, as well as a huge variety of activities. Amazon cruises offer a chance to travel along the Negro and Amazon rivers, in comfort. It is a great way to see this amazing and exciting area but with all the comfort of an all-inclusive cruise.



#### **AARAS ECO LODGE**

Araras Eco Lodge is located on a 2780 hectare private reserve within the Pantanal Basin. This rustic lodge offers 19 comfortable air conditioned rooms, all with private bathrooms and large verandas with hammocks. Enjoy a midday plunge in the swimming pool, delicious regional cuisine in the restaurant or cross the wooden walkway over the wetlands to one of the three observation towers, giving you a bird's-eye view of the surrounding area. Activities include bird-watching, trekking, canoeing, horseback riding and photo-safaris, all with the assistance of English speaking naturalist guides.



#### AMAZON ECOPARK JUNGLE LODGE

Located in the midst of the lush jungle, the Amazon Ecopark Lodge is a tourist, scientific and educational complex, which is perfect for those interested in the rainforest and all its wonders. With 60 guest rooms and a restaurant serving regional Brazilian cuisine, each room includes a private entrance, porch and bathroom, as well as air conditioning and screened windows. The Ecopark Lodge caters for all age groups and offers a variety of activities including visits to local indigenous communities, adventure trips on the river, piranha fishing, and hiking through the jungle.

#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **BRAZIL**

PRICE PER PERSON FROM: Standard \$1,235

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation with private facilities on a twin share basis
- Full board (B, L, D)
- All transfers & guided excursions

#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **BRAZIL**

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard \$962

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- Accommodation with private facilities on a twin share basis
- Full board (B, L, D)
- All transfers & guided excursions



#### **Amazon Clipper Premium Cruise**

The Amazon Premium Clipper is one of the best ways to explore the Amazon River in Brazil. The cruise offers 16 comfortable private cabins with en suite bathrooms and air conditioning. The Clipper has a dining room, lounge, bar and outside sundeck. Enjoy daily activities on motorised canoes that can access the smaller creeks as well as the longer tributaries. There are also jungle walks, visits to local communities, piranha fishing and night safaris to see the nocturnal animals, all led by qualified naturalist guides.

#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **BRAZIL**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard \$1,518

- Accommodation with private facilities on a twin share basis
- Full board (B, L, D)
  - All transfers from Manaus Airport
- Guided excursions





# Colombia

Colombia is a seductive country offering breathtaking landscapes, vibrant cities and the warmth of the Colombian people. Colombia's capital Bogota, is steeped in history with beautiful architecture. Learn about the World's best coffee in Pereira and see the national wax plant in Los Nevados National Park. Visit San Basilio de Palenque with strong African musical traditions or get lost in the culturally rich city of Cartagena, bursting with colour.

# Guatemala

Guatemala has everything a traveller could hope for – history, culture, natural beauty, majestic ruins and gorgeous colonial streetscapes. The magic and mystery of the Mayan World subsist in the millenary cities such as Tikal, Yaxhá, Aguateca, and Quiriguá among others. The faces, the colourful regional costumes, and the kindness of the people from the highlands are like an echo of an impressive colonial past.

# Mexico

Mexico is a country that has a unique culture and history with unique beach areas located on the coast of the Gulf of Mexico or the Pacific Ocean. History buffs can step back to the days when the Mayans ruled Mexico by visiting the ruins of two Mayan cities in the Yucatan Peninsula – Tulum and Chichen Itza, and by walking among the stone pyramids that were the burial monuments to some of Mexico's earliest residents.

# Cuba

Cuba, with its mix of Spanish and African roots, is the largest, least commercialized, and most exciting island in the Caribbean. It is also one of the world's last bastions of communism with a fascinating modern history. Step into time-warped Cuba where you'll find preserved towns with old American cars and friendly locals, as well as gorgeous beaches, tropical islands, and lots and lots of sun. Relax on the white beaches to the rhythms of salsa and rumba.



## **COLOMBIA EXPRESS**

This tour starts in Colombia's colonial capital, Bogota, where you can explore the winding cobbled streets, stunning historical architecture, buzzy cafes and interesting museums like the Salt Cathedral in Zipaquira and the Bogota Gold Museum. From Bogota it is on to Cartagena, a lovely Caribbean town, where you can not only soak up the sunshine, but also the history. This intriguing walled city, on the Caribbean coast, is a UNESCO World Heritage site.

#### 7 Days / 6 Nights

#### **COLOMBIA**

#### **PRICE PER PERSON FROM:**

Superior \$2,317

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 6 nights accommodation in superior hotels on a twin share
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- Excursions as detailed

#### NOTE: Internal flight from Bogota to Cartegena NOT included

Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

> If you are intrigued by historic sites, interesting museums, significant landmarks and stunning architecture, the Colombia express tour is ideal for you.

#### **DAY 1: BOGOTA**

On arrival you will be transferred to your HOTEL for your three night-stay.

Embark on a city tour to visit the historic centre, Plaza Bolívar, Capilla Del Sagrario and the famous Gold Museum. Take a cable ride up Monserrate Hill for a view of the city and the Andes mountains. (B)

#### **DAY 3: BOGOTA**

This morning, you will be driven northwards towards Zipaquira, travelling across the central region of the savannah, home to Colombia's famous flower cultivation. Here you will visit the impressive Salt Cathedral, an underground Church built 300 metres inside a salt mountain, which overlooks the town. (B, L)

#### DAY 4: BOGOTA - CARTAGENA

Today you will board your flight to Cartagena (additional cost). On arrival you will be transferred to your HOTEL for your three night-stay. (B)

# Cartagena Bogota COLOMBIA PERU

#### **DAY 5: CARTAGENA**

Enjoy a half day walking tour of Cartagena, where you will see the Parque Bolívar, the statue of El Libertador, Museum del Oro, and the Santo Domingo Church, before returning to your HOTEL. (B)

#### DAY 6: CARTAGENA

This morning you will be met and taken to San Basilio de Palenque. The city inhabitant's lives are guided by African customs, traditions and rites, as their ancestors did for centuries before. You will see the older women dressed in multi-coloured dresses swaying their hips while they walk balancing bowls of fresh fruit on their heads, like you would see in Africa. (B)

#### **DAY 7: DEPART CARTAGENA**

Today you will be transferred to the Cartagena Airport for your onward flight. (B)





## **BEST OF GUATEMALA**

Surrounded by a breathtaking mountain landscape, Guatemala is a country full of history and colourful and friendly people. Guatemala is the heart of the Mayan World. This scheduled tour offers the best that Guatemala has to offer, seeing the cobble stone streets of the colonial city of Antigua, taking a boat ride to the town of Santiago Atitlan, with its breathtaking scenery and a visit to the most important Mayan, ruin of Tikal.

#### DAY 1: GUATEMALA CITY - ANTIGUA

On arrival at Guatemala City Airport you will be transferred to your HOTEL for two nights in Antigua.

After breakfast, you will be taken on a tour of Antigua. During colonial times it was the capital city of the Kingdom of Guatemala, comprising the Provinces of Southern Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua and Costa Rica. In the afternoon you will be taken to see San Antonio Aguascalientes and a coffee plantation. (B)

#### DAY 3: ANTIGUA - ATITLAN

Today you will depart to Chichicastenango, located in the central Guatemalan highlands, known for its multicoloured market. Here you will visit the Saint Thomas Church, the Calvary and the Graveyard, in which rites based on Mayan traditions still take place. In the afternoon, you will be taken to the Atitlán Lake. (B)

DAY 4: ATITLAN - GUATEMALA

Today you wil enjoy a boat ride to the native town of Santiago Atitlan, located between the Toliman and San Pedro Volcanoes. After an enjoyable trip on the river, you will visit St. James Apostole Church. In the afternoon return to Panajachel then to Guatemala City. (B)

#### DAY 5: GUATEMALA - TIKAL - GUATEMALA

Today you will fly to Flores (flights included), where you will be met and taken on a tour of the most important archeological site in the Mayan world - Tikal. Its name means "Place of Voices" and was built during the Mayans classic period. Visit the Q and R complexes, the Main Acropolys, Temple I of the Great Jaguar and the Temple II of the Masks. In the afternoon, you will take a flight back to Guatemala City. (B, L)

#### **DAY 6: GUATEMALA CITY**

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport, which marks the end of your tour. (B)

## 6 Days / 5 Nights

#### **GUATEMALA**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard \$1,537

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

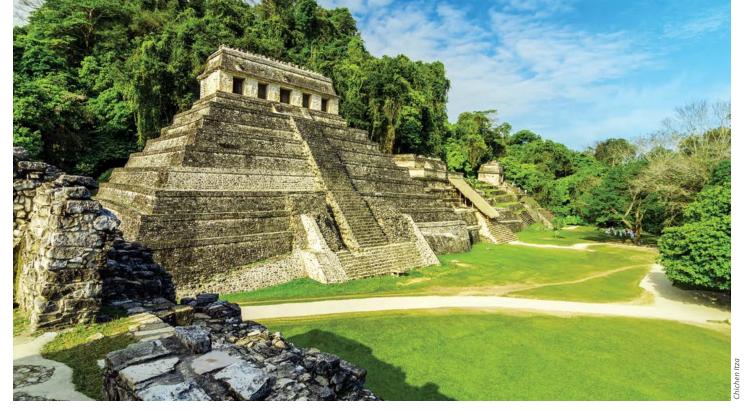
- 5 nights accommodation in standard hotels on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- Excursions as detailed
- Internal domestic flights

**NOTE:** Departures Tuesday and Fridays





Connect to the heart of the Mayan World as you explore Tikal and its surrounds, where a day is spent exploring this most important Mayan ruin.



## **BEST OF MEXICO**

Mexico is one of the most interesting places on Earth, with its significant Mayan archaeological sites like Palenque, Uxmal and Chichen Itza. It is also known for its party atmosphere and beautiful beaches like at Cancun. This 11-day tour is an introduction to what Mexico has to offer.

#### 11 Days / 10 Nights

#### **MEXICO**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$2,037

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 10 nights accommodation in superior hotels on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B. L. D)
- All transfers
- Excursions as detailed

#### **NOTE: Internal flights NOT included**

Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

Mexico offers history with numerous archaeological sites, fabulous food, exciting music and beautiful beaches. As they say, "it has it all".

#### DAY 1: MEXICO CITY

On arrival you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for your three-night stay.

#### DAY 2: MEXICO CITY

Today you will be taken on a tour of Mexico City visiting the historic centre, including, Zacalo (Main Square) and the National Palace. Continue to the Shrine of Guadalupe then visit the site of Teotihuacan "Where men become gods". There will be time to climb the amazing pyramids of the Sun and the Moon, as well as visit the other buildings, Avenue of the Dead and The Citadel. (B)

#### **DAY 3: MEXICO CITY**

Day at leisure to explore Mexico City. (B)

#### DAY 4: MEXICO CITY - OAXACA

Today you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Oaxaca (additional cost). On arrival, you will be taken to the archaeological site of Monte Alban, one of the first cities built in the Americas, as well as the Ball Court, the Palace and Observatory. Two-night stay at your HOTEL. (B)

Today begins with a tour of Oaxaca, founded in the heart of a wide valley, located 1500m above sea level. Visit the Santo Domingo Church and the Dominican ex-convent. (B)

#### DAY 6: OAXACA - VILLAHERMOSA

Today you will be transferred to your flight to Villahermosa (flight at additional cost). On arrival you will be transferred to your HOTEL. (B)

#### DAY 7: VILLAHERMOSA - MERIDA

Today you will be taken to the archaeological site of a fascinating Mayan city – Palenque – known for some of the best sculpture and bas relief carvings produced by the Mayans. You will then be transferred to your flight to Merida (additional cost). Two nights at your HOTEL. (B, L)

#### **DAY 8: MERIDA**

Morning at leisure. In the afternoon you will travel south to visit the archaeological site of Uxmal. It is regarded as one of the most beautiful Mayan cities due to the size of its buildings and carved frescoes. In the evening, you will enjoy a sound and light show. (B, D)

#### **DAY 9: MERIDA - CANCUN**

Today you will visit one of the most famous sites in Mexico - Chichen Itza - where you will visit the Observatory, the 70 feet high Pyramid of Kukulkan and the Ball Court, before being transferred to your HOTEL in Cancun for your two night stay. (B, L)

#### DAY 10: CANCUN

Day at leisure to soak up the many delights of Cancun, known as a beach lovers paradise. (B)

#### **DAY 11: TRIP CONCLUDES**

Today you will be transferred to Cancun airport, which will mark the end of your tour. (B)







## **MEXICO CITY STOPOVER**

Built on the site of the old capital of the Aztec empire, Mexico City is a charming mix of old and new. It has Aztec ruins beneath the city's main square called the Zocalo, as well as more modern buildings like the National Palace and the Cathedral. Mexico City is now one of THE places to visit.



#### DAY 1: MEXICO CITY

On arrival at Mexico City Airport, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for your two-night stay. Spend the rest of the day at leisure exploring this vibrant city.

#### DAY 2: MEXICO CITY

After breakfast, you will be taken on a tour of Mexico City visiting the historic capital centre including Zacalo (Main Square), the National Palace and the Cathedral. Continue to the Shrine of Guadalupe, before visiting the site of Teotihuacan. There will also be time to climb the amazing Pyramids of the Sun and the Moon. (B)

#### DAY 3: MEXICO CITY

Today you will transferred back to Mexico City airport which will mark the end of your tour. (B)

#### 3 Days / 2 Nights

#### **MEXICO**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$451

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 2 nights accommodation in a superior hotel on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- · Excursions as detailed

## PLAYA DEL CARMEN ESCAPE

Situated right in the heart of the Riviera Maya, Playa del Carmen is a popular resort area just an hour's drive from Cancun. It is a great area for exploring lost civilizations, hiking through the jungle along shrouded trails or simply relaxing on a quiet beach.



#### DAY 1: PLAYA DEL CARMEN

On arrival at Cancun Airport, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for your three-night stay. Spend the rest of the day at leisure exploring the city or just relaxing on the beach.

#### DAY 2: PLAYA DEL CARMEN

Today, you will be met and taken on a tour of the most famous of the Yucatan Peninsula's archaeological sites –Chichen Itza– with its ancient wonders such as the Observatory, the Pyramid of Kukulkan and the Ball Court. (B, L)

#### DAY 3: PLAYA DEL CARMEN

Today, you can spend the day at leisure to discover more of what this area has to offer. (B)

#### DAY 4: PLAYA DEL CARMEN

Today you will transferred to back to Cancun airport which will mark the end of your tour. (B)

#### 4 Days / 3 Nights

#### **MEXICO**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$818

- 3 nights accommodation in a superior hotel on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- Excursions as detailed



## **BEST OF CUBA**

Cuba is country full of history, colour and warm and inviting people. This tour will showcase Cuba's distinctive cities that still retain the 1950's charm for which the country is renowned. Discover Cuba's revolutionary history in Santiago de Cuba and Trinidad and see the colonial architecture of Havana as well as some of the country's best natural sites in Vinales and Trinidad. You will also have the chance to visit smaller towns such as the renowned Baracoa, Camaguey and Cienfuegos.

#### 16 Days / 15 Nights

#### **CUBA**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Standard \$4,556

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 15 nights accommodation in standard hotels and a private house on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- Excursions as detailed
- Internal domestic flights
- Services of a guide as stated

NOTE: Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

#### DAY 1: HAVANA

On arrival at Havana Airport, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for your two-night stay.

#### **DAY 2: HAVANA**

This morning, you will visit old Havana town. Highlights include the Cathedral Square, Plaza de Armas and Plaza Vieja. After exploring Havana's colonial architecture and heritage, you will enjoy a Cuban lunch at one of Havana's restaurants. Afternoon at leisure. (B, L)

#### DAY 3: HAVANA - VINALES

After an early breakfast, you will travel by road to Vinales in Pinar del Rio. Overnight at a local HOTEL. (B)

#### **DAY 4: VINALES**

Today you will explore Pinar del Rio, taking in natural and man-made wonders, including the Prehistoric Mural, Los Jazmines lookout and the Indian Cave where you will enjoy an underground boat ride. (B)

#### DAY 5: VINALES - HAVANA

After a morning at leisure you will be transferred by bus to Havana. (B)

#### DAY 6: HAVANA - BARACOA

Early this morning you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Cuba's oldest and most isolated town, Baracoa. Here you can wander along the waterfront, visit the beautiful beaches or admire the city's iconic fortress. In the evening, your guide will lead you around town to experience a typical night out in Cuba. (B)

#### DAY 7: BARACOA

Today is at your leisure to explore the town and surrounds. (B)

#### DAY 8: BARACOA - SANTIAGO DE CUBA

After a morning at leisure, you will be taken by bus to Santiago de Cuba. (B)

#### **DAY 9: SANTIAGO DE CUBA**

Today you will be taken on a walking tour of Santiago de Cuba. Your tour will include visits to Loma de San Juan, the Revolution Square, the exterior of the Santa Ifigenia Cemetery and the Moncada Barracks. (B)

#### DAY 10: BAYAMO

After an early breakfast you will be taken by bus to Bayamo. Here you will discover the city's rebellious spirit as you enjoy a guided walking tour. Wander through the town centre, Céspedes Park, the Hymn Square and the birthplace of the Cuban revolutionary hero, Céspedes. In the evening enjoy some traditional Cuban music. (B)

#### DAY 11: BAYAMO - CAMAGUEY

Today you will be transferred to the bus station to board your bus to Camaguey. After a short rest at your hotel, you will be taken to Casa de la Trova, where you will enjoy traditional music and live performances. (B)

#### DAY 12: CAMAGUEY - TRINIDAD

After breakfast, you will be taken on a tour of the city of Camaguey. Here you will discover its intricate street networking and the architectural beauty of Plaza San Juan de Diod, Ignacio Agramount Park and the Workers Square. In the afternoon, you will be transferred to Trinidad where you will stay in a PRIVATE HOUSE. In the evening, you will take a short walk through the city with your guide. (B, D)

#### DAY 13: TRINIDAD

Today you will enjoy a tour of the historical colonial city of Trindad (a World Heritage Site) as well as the Topes de Collantes nature reserve. After lunch, visit Topes de Collantes in the Escambray Mountains range and enjoy the beautiful views. En route, you will stop at La Casa del Café to taste some of Cuba's best coffee. (B, L)

#### **DAY 14: TRINIDAD**

Today is at your leisure to explore this beautiful city filled with old colonial houses. (B)

#### DAY 15: TRINIDAD - CIENFUEGOS - HAVANA

Today you will head back to Havana via Cienfuegos, "the pearl of the south", where you will tour the city. Visit the National Monument (La Punta) and the monument to Beny Moré, one of Cuba's most treasured musicians. After lunch you will board your bus to Havana. (B, L)

#### DAY 16: HAVANA

Today you will be transferred to the airport, marking the end of your tour. (B)



## HIGHLIGHTS OF CUBA

One of the most enigmatic places in the World is Cuba. Best known for the revolution (1953 – 59) led by Fidel Castro, the country is only now emerging from the 1950's, and moving into the 21st Ccentury with its exciting bars and buzzy cafes. This tour visits the excitement of Havana, the historic Trinidad and Santa Clara, where the famous revolutionary Che Guevara is buried, as well as Vinales, where the tobacco for the famous cuban cigars is grown.

#### DAY 1: HAVANA

On arrival at Havana Airport, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for your three-night stay.

#### DAY 2: HAVANA

This morning, you will be taken on an exciting colonial walking tour of old Havana town. Highlights include the Cathedral Square, Plaza de Armas and Ernest Hemingway's former home. (B)

#### DAY 3: HAVANA - VINALES VALLEY - HAVANA

This morning you will be taken on a full day tour of Vinales Valley, a beautiful area renowned for its palm trees and high quality tobacco used for cigars. Afterwards, discover the beauty of Vinales, taking in the spectacular views from Los Jazmines lookout. Enjoy time in the town of Vinales before taking an underground boat trip through the Indian Caves. (B, L)

#### DAY 4: HAVANA - SANTA CLARA - TRINIDAD

After breakfast you will travel by road to Santa Clara for a panoramic tour around the city's historical centre.

Visit the Ernesto Che Guevara's Mausoleum in Plaza Che Guevara, followed by lunch. You will then head to Trinidad for your three-night stay at your HOTEL. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 5: TRINIDAD

Today you will be taken on a tour of Trinidad including a visit to the museum. (B)  $\,$ 

#### DAY 6: TRINIDAD

Today is a day at leisure to explore this beautiful city with its extraordinary collection of old colonial houses. (B)

#### DAY 7: TRINIDAD - CIENFUEGOS - HAVANA

Today you will head back to Havana via Cienfuegos, where you will tour the city. Visit the National Monument, the Palacio de Valle and the monument to Beny Moré, one of Cuba's most treasured musicians. (B, L)

#### **DAY 8: HAVANA**

Your tour concludes after breakfast. (B)

### 8 Days / 7 Nights

#### **CUBA**

#### PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$3,590

#### PRICE INCLUDES:

- 7 nights accommodation in superior hotels on a twin share
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transfers
- Excursions as detailed





Ideally suited to history buffs and cigar enthusiasts, this tour provides a snapshot of Cuba's historical highlights, as well as its role in producing the world's finest cigars. It visits Havana, a city moving out of its 1950's time warp.



#### SATS BOOKING CONDITIONS 2022/2023

#### **BROCHURE VALIDITY**

These booking conditions relate to any bookings received for travel in 2022 or 2023 booked in 2022. The information is presented in our online brochure for 2022 which was correct to the best of our knowledge at the time of being placed on our website but is subject to change without notice. Changes may occur after this, with respect to prices, titneraries, duration of holidays, service standards, tour content, vaccination needs, health or safety issues at relevant destinations, airline fares and schedules. Please confirm details of your requirements at the time of booking to ascertain if there have been alterations to the tour you select before you book.

#### RESERVATIONS AND BOOKINGS

Bookings can be made directly with South American Travel Specialists ('SATS') or through recognized providers of agency/consultancy services (referred to as 'Travel Agents').

#### PASSENGER DETAILS

We require the correct names and initials of all people travelling in order to make bookings. The names and initials must match exactly to each traveller's passport so as to avoid any problems with bookings. Should the wrong information be given, SATS reserves the right to charge additional fees to cover additional administrative costs to re-book or re-ticket the bookings under the correct name.

Whilst we do comply with the Privacy Laws in relation to keeping your personal information, as part of the booking process, from time to time, and required by some suppliers, operators, lodges, hotels, DMCs (Destination Management Companies), banks, airlines, shipping companies and government authorities, we do need to supply them with certain private information including, but not limited to: your full name, passport information, contact details, date of birth, weight, and any other private information as required. This we do without seeking your permission but only if it is a requirement to complete your booking. We do ensure that any company we hand your private information to complies with the privacy laws of their country

#### DEPOSIT AND BALANCE

A non–refundable security deposit of 10% or 20% of the tour price (depending on the destination), with a minimum of \$330.00 per person plus a signed booking form is payable at the time of booking. Payment of deposit represents acceptance of SATS Terms & Conditions by the purchaser and/or passenger/s. The balance is payable 60 days prior to departure, or immediately if travelling within 60 days of booking, however certain hotels, lodges, suppliers of transport and/or accommodation require balances to be paid 120 days prior departure. You will be generally advised of this at time of booking or when the supplier advises us. Any monies you pay to your Travel Agent shall not be taken to have been paid to us unless and until we actually receive them.

#### SPECIAL DEPOSIT REQUIREMENTS

Some of the tours and ground arrangements, group tours, cruises and any other arrangements may require a higher deposit to meet the tour operator's booking conditions. These are usually between 20% to 50% of tour cost. Please contact SATS for further details on the particular trip.

#### LATE BOOKINGS AND AMENDMENT FEES

A late booking fee of \$100.00 per file will be charged for bookings made within 14 days of departure. Should you wish to amend your arrangements or transfer to another trip, due to the extra administrative and communications costs incurred, there will be an automatic fee charged of \$50.00 per amendment or transfer. Additionally, there may be cancellation fees levied by the tour operator or fees may be applicable where arrangements have been pre-purchased. A land only fee of \$55.00 will be charged on land only bookings under 3 nights accommodation.

#### PRICES

All prices are quoted in Australian Dollars and are generally current at the time of printing. They are generally valid from 01 October 2021 to 30 September 2022, although some expeditions have different periods of validity so prices will

vary accordingly. Prices are based on low season unless stated otherwise and are indicative only and are subject to change at any time up to and including the day of your departure. As our costings are based on conversions from foreign currencies, should the cost of any component of your package increase due to foreign currency fluctuations, SATS may charge that cost to you at any time prior to SATS receiving the full balance of monies due and the final documentation having been issued to you. Should additional taxes or Government charges or unforeseen new costs be payable or incurred, SATS may charge these costs to you at any time, even after your departure.

#### **GST**

From 01 July 2000, the Australian government has introduced a 10% GST and even though at present overseas travel is exempt from GST, any service fees, courier, cancellation and amendment fees are subject to GST. We, therefore, reserve the right to vary the costing to incorporate the GST where applicable.

#### INCLUDED IN TRIP PRICE

Specific trip and accommodation inclusions are generally listed. Meals are not included unless specified in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L = Lunch and D = Dinner).

#### **BREAKDOWN OF COSTING**

As all SATS tours, packages, stopovers, car hire, train trips, fly-in packages and other arrangements are based on confidential and specially negotiated rates, we reserve the right and will not give out nor supply a breakdown of costs at any time.

#### AIRPORT/TICKET TAXES

Ticket taxes, airport taxes etc are subject to change without notice. Some airport taxes are not included on your air ticket are payable on departure from some international airports in South America. These are usually payable in US Dollars in cash; exact amounts are required as no change is given.

#### **CANCELLATION FEES AND REFUNDS**

Any cancellations must be received in writing and will take effect from the date it is received by SATS. The following cancellation fees will apply for tour costs:

More than 60 days before departure: Deposit\* 59 – 41 days before departure: 65%\* 40 days or less: No refund'

\*There are now more lodges, hotels, scheduled tours, ground handlers, transfer companies, train operators, private and scheduled tours etc where their booking conditions state that cancellations after 60 or 90 days will incur 100% of cancellation fees. In this case, these and any other booking conditions imposed by the supplier may override our booking conditions (refer Responsibilities & Liabilities clause).

The exceptions are those amounts that can be refunded, such as airfares (less those amounts forfeited under airline regulations and loss of profit incurred by SATS). Should payment be received in advance of 60 days, for example in the case when payment is made to avoid increases due to currency fluctuations, SATS reserves the right to charge cancellation fees of up to 100%, especially where full payment has been made to our ground handlers, hoteliers, and airlines etc. Whilst insurance premiums are not refundable, should the reason for cancellation fall within the terms of the insurance cover, cancellation fees will normally be refunded by the insurance company. The non-issuance of an invoice or non-payment of deposit will not exempt passengers from these cancellation and administrative fees. We regret that we can make no exception to the charges and strongly recommend that insurance is taken out to cover cancellation fees (see Insurance below). There will be no refunds on unused tours, accommodation or other services.

#### TRAVEL INSURANCE

It is a condition of booking that you are adequately insured for the full duration of your trip. We recommend a comprehensive travel insurance to cover cancellation, health requirements, luggage and additional expenses, in particular to cover emergency evacuation. Further we recommend a separate insurance cover for expensive camera and video and other equipment. Further we advise that insurance policies rarely cover for loss of

cash. We strongly recommend that insurance be purchased at the time of booking. Should you not take out insurance, we cannot be held responsible for costs incurred (including cancellation fees) arising from circumstances outside our control.

You should be in possession of a passport valid for at least 6 months beyond your intended stay in South America with at least 6 spare visa pages.

#### VISA REQUIREMENTS

Australian passport holders do not require a visa to enter Ecuador (Calapagos), Peru, Venezuela, Colombia or Uruguay for stays less than 90 days for tourism purposes or for Bolivia for stays of less than 30 days.

Visas are usually required for the other South American countries including:

Brazil – must be arranged prior to arrival in Brazil Chile – a reciprocity fee is payable on arrival and is required to enter Chile (payable locally). Argentina – a reciprocity tourist charge is required to enter Argentina and must be paid through an on-line system prior to arrival. Please contact SATS for further details.

#### **VACCINATIONS AND HEALTH**

For South America, the following vaccinations may be required and recommended: Yellow Fever – Compulsory for Brazil, Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Venezuela, Argentina. Typhoid, Meningitis, Hepatitis A, (maybe Hepatitis B for longer visits) Polio, Diphtheria, Cholera, Tetanus and Malaria – Strongly recommended. Rabies – Strongly considered for Brazil, Bolivia, Peru, Paraguay, Argentina.

Whilst these vary depending on the countries visited, length of time away and the type of accommodation and transport used, we recommend that these and your other health needs be discussed with your doctor or specialist ravel medical centre. It is your responsibility to ensure that you have the appropriate vaccinations and documentation.

#### CURRENCY

Each country in South America has its own currency. It is strongly recommended that you carry some US dollars cash in small denominations, (not US\$ 100 bills) as well as credit cards such as Visa or Mastercard. Foreign currency can be changed into local currency at banks, authorized money exchanges and your hotel.

#### EXTENSIONS AND AMENDMENTS

Not possible after a holiday has commenced.

#### HOTEL AND TOUR INFORMATION

Whilst every effort is taken to ensure the accuracy of hotel and tour information, we rely on the information supplied to us. As all hotels and tour operators are constantly changing services and facilities, we cannot be liable for any errors or omissions caused by the hotels and operators concerned.

#### CHANGES IN ITINERARY

As we are only an agent for airlines, hotels, tour operators and other Service Providers (see below under 'Responsibility and Liability') your booking may be required to be changed or cancelled due to circumstances outside our control; for example, if a hotel is overbooked or an airline changes its timetable or reschedules its flights or if a tour is cancelled. Further, at certain times of the year, due to heavy bookings, we may not be able to obtain the accommodation advertised. In this case, we will use alternative accommodation of a similar standard, or the next best available. Accordingly we reserve the right to vary your itinerary or cancel your booking at any time.

#### NOT INCLUDED IN THE HOLIDAY COST

Costs of passports or visas, meals (other than those specified), all items of a personal nature such as excess baggage, telephone calls, laundry, room service, airport taxes and government taxes (other than accommodation taxes) any costs in Australia, Australian Passenger Movement Charge, Sydney Noise Levy Tax and any international taxes and travel Insurance.

#### PASSENGER CONTACT ADVICE

You must notify us or your Travel Agent of any changes of address or telephone numbers to ensure any variations to the arrangements can be

notified within 24 hours.

#### THIRD PARTY INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

It is now a requirement that we, at times, may be required to pass on your private information to certain third parties, including some overseas suppliers. For example, most Airlines now require your contact details, such as home phone number, mobile phone number and email address, to be included in your booking, which require your permission under the Privacy Act. Also banks and other financial institutions may require details of travellers including their dates of birth, home address and phone numbers, for payments to certain countries that you may be travelling to, in order to comply with new strict Australian Government regulations. By signing the booking form, you agree in giving us permission for us to pass on this information in order to comply with these third party requirements.

#### RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY

South American Travel Specialists (a division of Four Corners Travel Group Pty Ltd ACN 004 712 734), (referred to as "SATS") does not itself provide carriage services, accommodation, transport or tours. SATS acts as an agent for accommodation providers, air, coach, shipping, rail, and other carriage or transport providers, tour operators and other service and product providers (referred to as 'Service Providers'), All products and services provided by Service Providers are provided on those Service Providers' own terms and conditions, which may include limitations and exclusions of liability. All bookings with SATS and all tickets, vouchers, receipts, coupons, exchange orders and other like documents issued to the client, are subject to each Service Provider's terms and conditions governing the provision of products and services to be provided by that Service Provider

SATS shall not be liable for any acts, omissions or defaults whether negligent or otherwise, of any Service Providers. SATS shall also not be liable (whether in contract, tort or otherwise) for any injury, illness, death, loss, damage, expense, delay or inconvenience resulting directly or indirectly from circumstances outside SATS's control, including acts of God, war, civil disturbance, strikes, fire, flood, acts of government or other authorities, breakdowns. accidents, disease, quarantine, medical or customs regulations, and alterations, cancellations or delays concerning itineraries, timetables or accommodation. At SATS sole and absolute discretion, where possible and provided the supplier or suppliers will allow, we will:

- Offer the client alternative arrangements of similar standard as appropriate to the circumstances. SATS may charge a reasonable fee to cover administration costs associated with providing alternative arrangements.
- 2. Defer the booking until it is possible to make alternate arrangements by up to 12 months at a time or as advised by the suppliers involved.
- Seek a refund, if possible, less all costs incurred, including but not limited to bank fees, exchange rate differentials, administration costs and any loss of profit and/or costs incurred by SATS.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, SATS shall not be liable for loss of revenue, loss of profits, loss of anticipated savings or business, pure economic loss, loss of opportunity or expectation or any other form of consequential, special, indirect, punitive or exemplary loss or damages. Your Travel Agent is not acting as our agent. We will not be responsible for any information, statements or representations (whether orally or in writing) not made by us, or that are inconsistent with this brochure.

#### CONTRACT

The contract between SATS and the client shall be governed by the laws of the State of Victoria. By making a booking with SATS, the client agrees to be bound by all the terms and conditions referred to in this brochure and in the SATS booking form.

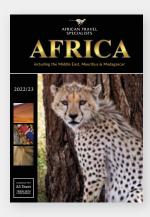
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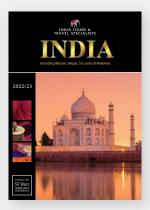


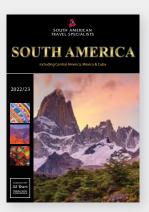


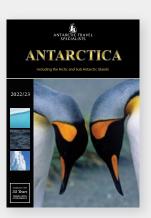












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