



Life in Latin America
Multi-country Landmark Tours



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Welcome to Veloso Tours, we love Latin America

Our main ethos is to provide authentic experiences, for an in-depth perspective of Latin America, enhancing your visit by focusing on your own particular interests, and sharing an understanding of local life, environment, people and culture.

A visit to Latin America offers an insight into a fascinating world, lifestyle, landscapes and ancient civilisations that left behind impressive archaeological sites and pyramids. Since 1999, we have been organising superb holidays, where our expert guides and travel professionals provide reliable travel arrangements that support and enrich your personal experience.

This brochure offers an extensive range of tour itineraries for you to consider. We would like to share our passion for life in Latin America, as we have been doing since 1999, and will be pleased to hear from you to fulfill your own personal travel plans.

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Choices & Interests

With so much choice it can be difficult to decide which attractions to include within limited holiday time.

Our experience has shown that the starting point in choosing your holiday should be your own individual interests so that you can incorporate the main priorities into your itinerary.

The next step would be to consider the itineraries featured in our brochure and once you have found one that you like, you can book it exactly as shown. We also feature a range of unique destinations to incorporate in your bespoke tour itinerary

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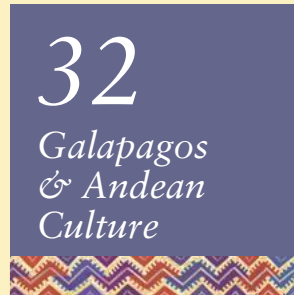


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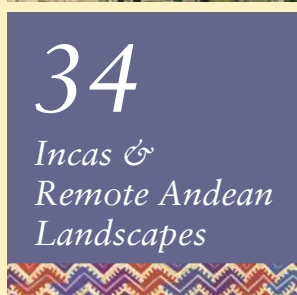
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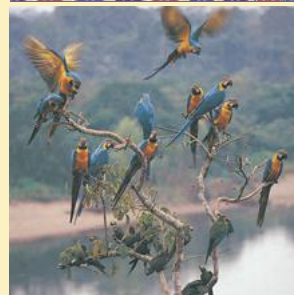
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Iconic Tours



LATIN AMERICA

Discover Unparalleled Beauty, Landscapes, Wildlife, Culture, Lifestyle & History



Colonial Heritage

The Spanish and Portuguese colonial legacy can best be seen today in the magnificent architecture, churches, museums and haciendas to be visited throughout Latin America, from charming Sucre in Bolivia, to the 'White City' of Arequipa in Peru, the brightly coloured façades of Salvador da Bahia in Brazil and the delightful, airy Mexican patios.

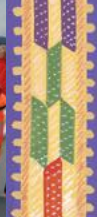
Ancient Civilisations & Archaeology

The Inca, Maya and Aztecs civilisations flourished in Latin America leaving behind impressive monuments for us to admire, the 'Lost City' of Machu Picchu, in Peru and magnificent pyramids at Chichén Itzá, Uxmal, Palenque in Mexico and many other archaeological sites to testify to the splendour of their cities and achievements.

Relax & Unwind

Latin America boasts excellent coastlines, white sandy beaches and turquoise waters where one can relax in the shade of swaying palms. We have selected hotels with quality services and excellent facilities conducive to rest. Some are in remote locations and others are closer to main resorts, geared towards lively nightlife.

We also offer clients the opportunity to relax in colonial splendour at country estates with excellent modern facilities and comfort. Many of these estates offer activities such as horse riding, walking, trekking, golf and swimming, for guests who wish to combine winding down with the pursuit of pleasant pastimes.



Excellent Cuisine & Stylish Restaurants

Dining in restaurants with beautiful surroundings can be one of the most enjoyable moments of your holiday. A visit to Latin America provides an opportunity to enjoy new exotic foods and recipes, although western dishes are also available. Local specialties include: Amazon fish dishes, Argentinian meat grilled on log fires, authentic Mexican cuisine and a wonderful array of tropical fruits. There are many fruit juices and cocktails to savour as well as some excellent wines which have now won worldwide acclaim.

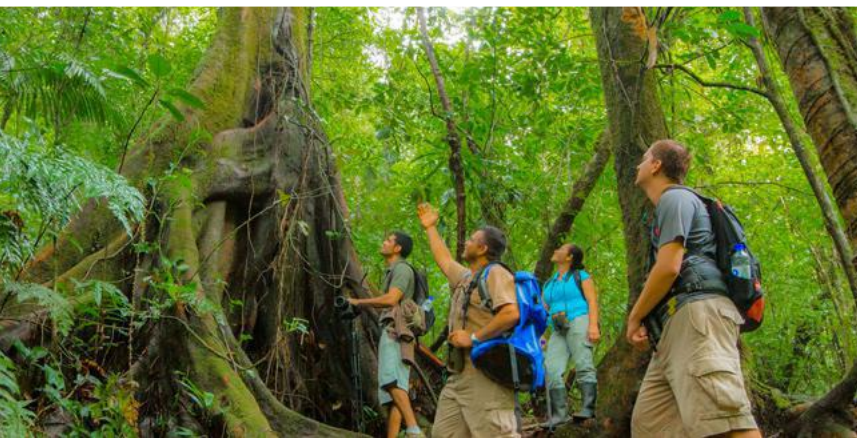


Markets, Festivals, Music & Dance

Explore the colourful bustling indigenous markets where local people come to trade and barter their fine handcrafted wares and farm produce.

Local festivals and religious celebrations provide a unique insight into the way of life, culture and beliefs of local people. The most well know are the Easter Processions at Antigua in Guatemala, the Rio de Janeiro Carnival and throughout Brazil and Inti Raymi Festival in Cusco.

In the music and dance we can find wonderful expressions of emotions, enthusiasm and joie de vivre. Contrasting rhythms, blends of traditional songs, costumes and dances from the salsa to the tango, the love of music and dance is central to the people of Latin America.



Landscapes

Central and South America covers a geographical area larger than Europe from the hot northern borders of Mexico to the icy waters of Cape Horn. Within this area we can find arid deserts and lush tropical forests, the towering snow capped peaks and emerald lakes of the Andes mountains, glaciers, geysers and hot, palm-fringed beaches.

Natural Wonders & Wildlife

The mighty Amazon is the earth's largest fresh water river flowing through the most ecologically diverse wilderness.

The Belize Barrier Reef, a myriad of atolls, islands and shallow lagoons in a hot tropical environment, is the largest in the western hemisphere.

The Galápagos Islands have an abundance of wildlife with no fear of man, and their unique characteristics led Darwin to his theory of evolution.

The Iguazú Falls within a National Park of tropical birds and forest, provide a magnificent natural spectacle to admire. In Brazil, unique geological formations called have created gigantic rock plateauxs, chapadas or mesas with sheer rock facess and flat tops rising high above the surrounding plains and valleys; excellent for walking in the countryside.

At Península Valdés in Argentina, Galapagos Islands in Ecuador, Antarctica, the Amazon Rainforest, National Parks of Costa Rica and in the Pantanal Wetlands in Brazil, there is abundant wildlife for us to observe at close range.

Conservation & Sustainable Tourism

South and Central America contain some of the world's largest and most pristine areas of protected natural habitats in National Parks and vast expanses of rainforest. The income from sensible tourism on a limited scale contributes towards creating a sustainable economic benefit for local communities, which in turn helps preserve these areas of great natural history, safeguarding them from exploitation and destruction.

Many of the lodges we offer are specially chosen to achieve these objectives and by visiting these lodges you will be making a positive contribution to conservation.





TRAVELLING WITH VELOSO TOURS

We are a specialist tour operator dedicated to providing high quality holidays

Private Individual Tours

We are experts at preparing and creating meticulously planned tour itineraries for couples, solo travellers, families and groups of friends, who wish to enjoy the peace of mind, insights and knowledge provided by expertly guided and managed travel arrangements. All documents are sent by email in a PDF and in a well presented, bound booklet to keep for the future, show your friends and remind you of your holiday.

Bespoke Itineraries

We use our expertise to prepare unique tailor-made itineraries for your holiday, matched with your own interests and preferences to create your Individual Tour.

Expert Consultants with Firsthand Knowledge

Our staff and management have an intimate knowledge of the region, its natural history and cultures, as well as its infrastructure of hotels and transport. We travel regularly to keep up-to-date with new developments and highlight recent discoveries.

Our Superb Local Guides Look After You in Person

We have worked with excellent guides (Shown on pages 12/13) for many years. They love hosting our clients and are passionate about conveying their knowledge and enthusiasm, caring for your needs and personal interests to enhance your experience.

Partnerships within our Organisation

Our network of local partners in Latin America is one of the main strengths of our organisation. The dedication to service, understanding of our requests, resourcefulness, efficiency, quality of staff and expertise, are all major benefits when you travel with us.

Business Management, Knowledge, Experience, Technology and Teamwork

Our experience in travel and leisure goes back to 1982, and we are continuously improving our business methods and organisation systems; we make considerable investments in computer software, product databases and IT systems and the training of all our staff including the company's management, so we can best serve our clients

In-Depth Perspective of Local Life, People & Culture

We provide guided excursions with unique insights into local life according to your own interests and designed to inspire and aid self-enrichment and wellbeing.

Immersive Experiences

Enable you to connect with local life and include special restaurants, hosted meals and local cuisine, skills swap, visit artisans, tree-planting, cycling, horseriding, and special excursions where you can fulfill your interests.

Groups of Friends & Colleagues

We arrange private tours for groups of friends, families or colleagues wishing to travel together. Private group tour itineraries can be identical to the tours featured in the brochure or can be bespoke itineraries and you can have our Guide with your group for extended periods.

Honeymoons and Special Celebrations

At a special time, make a memorable journey. Latin America offers a unique combination of attractions, some more active, others more relaxing, and most of all, providing a memorable setting for the perfect honeymoon or special celebration holiday.

We Listen to Your Requirements

We maintain regular communications with all our clients listening to your interests and requirements in order to best fulfill your needs and enhance your visit. Our Managing Director heads our Customer Relations Department, reading and replying to all correspondence so we can best monitor and improve our level of service.

Financial Protection & Security

Veloso Tours is well capitalised above the level required by the UK Government through the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) and the Association of British Travel Agents (ABTA W1095), and our financial performance is monitored regularly. We will provide you with an ATOL Certificate (ATOL 5153) to guarantee your holiday. Every year the CAA renews our ATOL Licence. In order to maintain our Air Travel Organisers License (ATOL), we have to keep a strong balance sheet, to guarantee the monies paid to us and we publish annual Audited Certified Accounts, available for public inspection at the: UK Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff, CF4 3UZ, Telephone 01222 380801.

OUR TRAVEL CONSULTANTS AT YOUR SERVICE

WE CONTINUE TO TRAVEL,
EXPLORE, RESEARCH AND
EXPAND OUR KNOWLEDGE

Our specialist consultants are passionate travellers who listen to your requirements, and use their expert knowledge to craft and deliver your perfect travel arrangements. We have all travelled extensively throughout Latin America using our first hand knowledge, our deep understanding of the culture and boundless enthusiasm for “Life in Latin America”. You will find an honest approach to planning an itinerary, advising you of “pros and cons”, suggesting sights and selecting accommodation. This approach ensures you have the best holiday and immersive travel experiences.



“Veloso are exceptional travel specialists...all the arrangements were flawless, the guides superb and knowledgeable, and the places they recommended were all great. It was the perfect holiday!”

- Mr & Mrs D, Veloso Client





“There is a lot of work that goes on behind the scenes to put these packages together so seamlessly, so please pass on our thanks to all those who played their part! We enjoyed being treated as VIP's!

- Mr & Mrs B, Veloso Client

OUR LOCAL GUIDES

YOUR HOSTS AND LOCAL EXPERTS
MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE

“The Best holiday ever! Amazing trip in Ecuador and Galapagos, mixed activities, high standard of guides, transport and accommodation including the cruise. All communication and documentation of a similarly high standard throughout. Loved every minute.

- Mr & Mrs B, Veloso Client

*Meet all your local hosts
at veloso.com/guides*

*“Our guides were really helpful
and informative and made a big
difference to the holiday experience.*

- Mr & Mrs Z, Veloso Client





Your Veloso Tours Guides and Tour Leaders play a number of valuable roles in the success of your holiday:

Guide

Take you on excursions, walks and visits to places of interest, provide information, context and show you 'behind the scenes' in each destination.

Local Expert

Our guide will answer your questions about local society, life style, culture and history, and recommend restaurants and additional experiences.

Veloso Tours Representative

Will meet and greet you at the airport to be your host, take you to your hotel, brief you and introduce you to the area. Your guides provide information and insights and are your first point of contact while you are travelling, assist you with any issues that may arise and liaise with our local agents, hotels and airlines.

Companion

Looking after you and the day-to-day in a friendly, helpful and professional manner, and a sense of humour.

Tour Manager & Leader

Behind the scenes we look after all the logistic details of your journey, so you can explore, enjoy and observe. You have a supervisory role to monitor and follow meeting times, services, visits and flights

PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL TOURS

A TRULY UNIQUE AND AUTHENTIC TRAVEL EXPERIENCE

Carefully crafted by our destination specialist using our unparalleled first-hand knowledge and passion for Latin America, China, Indonesia and India.

Select from our pre-designed tours or create your own using our diverse modules, which encompass cultural experiences and adventure activity.

Support provided throughout your journey

Behind the scenes, our team of travel professionals monitors your progress day-by-day, step-by-step to provide all the services listed on your tour itinerary, including transport, accommodation and local guides, entrance tickets and meals where listed. Please refer to the end of this brochure for details of what is included and Facts of Life in Latin America. Should there be any disruption locally, we will provide.

ATOL Financial Security

We hold an Air Travel Organiser
Licenced ATOL 5153, issued by the Civil
Aviation Authority CAA for your
financial protections

Veloso Tours Documentation

Before departure we provide a Travellers Guide to help you prepare for your holiday. You also receive a folder with your E-Tickets, our 24-hour emergency telephone number in the UK, the itinerary with contact details, telephone number and WhatsApp for all the hotels and our local partners, and a list of suggested restaurants of a variety of styles, categories, and cuisine for you to experience.









SPECIAL INTERESTS & CONNECTING WITH THE WORLD



We offer a wide range of holidays to match your requirements. To that effect we curate travel experiences that include the main highlights at each destination, together with a variety of unique activities, visits and cultural encounters:

Expedition Cruises
Family Holidays
Honeymoons
Cosmopolitan Cities
Train Journeys
Beach & Unique Resorts
Local Culture & History
People & Local Lifestyle
Adventures & Trekking
Rainforest Lodges
Wildlife & Birdwatching
Festivals & Carnival
Sabbaticals
Luxury Holidays
Character & Stylish Hotels
Cuisine & Gastronomy



Getting There

Flying Longhaul

We offer all airlines with flights to Central and South America so that you can have a choice of availability in terms of departure airport, connections, stopovers, airfares, aircraft and cabin; and we offer the use of airport lounges. We are experts at providing complex flight arrangements using special airfares for leisure travellers, and we have a 24/7 emergency telephone number to provide support should you have any issue while abroad.

Upgrades to Premium Economy

You can fly in Premium Economy with additional benefits:

- Wider seats with extra legroom and reclining angle
- Dedicated check-in desk
- Use of an airport lounge
- Greater choice of in-flight meals, wines and snacks
- Enhanced in-flight entertainment programme with personal screens

Upgrades to Business Cabin

You may choose Business Cabin seats with a number of additional benefits:

- Fine dining in-flight meals and wines
- Personal DVD players with the widest choice of entertainment
- Seats that convert to flatbeds, more legroom and space between seats



LANDMARK TOURS MULTI-COUNTRY ITINERARIES

Maximise your travel time opportunity by combining countries to create a continuous travel route. This way you can optimise your holiday with an overview of destinations that are accessible.

- Tailored Itineraries: We integrate your preferences with our expertise to formulate bespoke journeys.
- Seamless Connections: Our consultants are experienced at using routes that are logically structured to ensuring efficient travel. We use our expertise to assist you in crafting a journey that aligns with your specific needs, duration and preferences.



Tours & Modules

Select from our pre-designed tours or create your own using our diverse modules, which encompass cultural experiences and adventure activities. By combining your chosen modules, you can develop a comprehensive itinerary that integrates your preferred countries, amount of time and interests, ensuring a personalised travel experience.



Logical Country Combinations for a Curated Overview

Consider the following combinations that enhance your travel experience by pairing countries with shared borders and cultural ties:

- Argentina and Chile
- Brazil and Argentina
- Peru and Bolivia
- Brazil, Argentina, Peru
- Peru and Ecuador-Galapagos
- Peru and Bolivia
- Chile, Bolivia and Peru
- Brazil, Argentina, Bolivia, Peru, Galapagos
- Guatemala and Belize
- Costa Rica and Panama
- Mexico, Belize, Guatemala
- and much more, please contact us

These pairings create opportunities for a n overview of country highlights with a seamless exploration of diverse lifestyles, landscapes, environments, wildlife and cultures.



Hyperlinks & Web Addresses:

Quick & Easy Access to Tour Itinerary Details & Information

Each tour includes a link to a dedicated landing page on our website. By clicking on the headlines or web addresses, you can easily access comprehensive information, including the full itinerary, map, tour highlights, pricing and hotels.

INCAS & CONQUISTADORES

The Quechua Tour: Peru & Bolivia



Local life in the Andean Mountains

Days 1-2 Depart Saturday on the flight to Lima arriving in the evening. The following morning you take a guided tour of Lima, including the grand colonial squares in the centre, the Presidential Palace and Larco Herrera Museum. (B)

Days 3-5 Flight to La Paz and spend the afternoon resting to acclimatise to the high altitude. Next day take a guided tour of the city in the afternoon exploring the maze of bustling streets, visit the colourful witches' market and the Moon Valley. Day 5 we take a tour outside the city to visit the magnificent pre-Inca ruins at Tiahuanaco, and marvel at the ornate stonework. (B)

Days 6-7 Today we fly to Sucre, staying for four nights. Sucre's importance in the history of Bolivia has left a rich legacy of colonial buildings, many of which are still decorated in their traditional white plaster imparting a grand atmosphere. Half day tour of the city. (B)

Day 8 Full day visit to Potosí. Towering over the city, the Cerro Rico is an imposing mountain whose stores of precious metals are still being mined. We visit the central square, convent and the old Mint. (B,L)

Day 9 Visit Tarabuco's colourful Sunday market where local Quechua people come

to barter and trade vegetables, herbs and grain. A vibrant and authentic display of South America's heritage, many still wear their traditional costumes. (B)

Day 10 Early flight to La Paz and drive to the charming village of Copacabana, overlooking Lake Titicaca, framed by snow covered peaks. We take a boat to Sun Island, and walk along trails and terraces to the Ecolodge, staying overnight. Explore the trails with majestic views. (B)

Day 11 Morning time to explore the Sun Island before continuing our route skirting Lake Titicaca to Puno. (B,L)

Day 12 Depart on the Andean Explorer Train, travelling across the Andean landscape of mountains, farms and small towns. Transfer to the Sacred Valley. (B,L)

Day 13 A full day excursion to the Sacred Valley of the Incas, driving through the Urubamba valley, visiting the ruins of Ollantaytambo, Pisac, small villages in the countryside, the ancient Inca terraces, and the local market. (B,L)

Days 14-15 A stunning rail journey following the course of the Urubamba River. We roll along on a glorious trip with

fantastic view of the river bank, culminating in the awe-inspiring Machu Picchu staying for one night. Next morning free to explore: optional walk to Sun Gate or take the tough climb to Huayna Picchu, before returning to Cusco by train. (B,L)

Days 16-18 Morning or afternoon tour of Cusco, the Cathedral, Qorikancha Temple of the Sun and the Sacsayhuamán archaeological sites. Time free to relax, explore on your own, walk to the main square, sit in the garden and watch the world go by. Next day, morning free and afternoon flight to Lima to connect with your overnight flight home arriving on Day 19. (B)

The Quechua Tour departs Saturday, returns Wednesday INCLUDING 19 days, 17 nights' accommodation and breakfast (B), all flights (1 overnight), taxes, all transfers and excursions with our English-speaking guides, entrance fees, services of our representatives throughout, all transport and meals as per the itinerary shown.

17 night itinerary:

Lima - 2 nights • La Paz - 3 nights • Sucre - 4 nights

Potosí - Day Trip • Sun Island/ Lake Titicaca - 1 night

Puno/ Lake Titicaca - 1 night • "Sacred Valley" - 2 nights

Machu Picchu - 1 night • Cusco - 3 nights

Travel back in time to the land where the mighty Incas once held sway. Tradition, music and culture envelop us as we walk through local markets, explore the majestic ruins of Machu Picchu, climb aboard local trains which take us through landscapes ranging from lush subtropical regions to the top of the Andean mountains wind-swept altiplano.



PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL TOUR

QUECHUA TOUR

From £4,398pp

More information at veloso.com/quechua

Tailor-made service:
We are experts in creating bespoke itineraries, customised to your preferences and requirements.

Flights depart from London and UK regional airports, with the option to upgrade to Premium Economy or Business Class.

Visit our website for a detailed itinerary with full description. Download tour showing your chosen travel dates including a day-by-day summary. Explore our carefully selected hotels, including 3 Star, 4 Star, and Deluxe options.

CROSS CONTINENT AND

The Viracocha Tour: Argentina, Brazil, Bolivia, Peru

21 night itinerary:

Rio de Janeiro – 3 nights • Iguazú – 1 night

Buenos Aires – 3 nights • Santa Cruz – 1 night

Sucre – 3 nights • La Paz – 2 nights

Lake Titicaca/Sun Island – 1 night

Lake Titicaca/Puno – 1 night

Sacred Valley – 2 nights

Machu Picchu – 1 night

Cusco – 2 nights • Lima – 1 night

Optional Extensions:

Amazon – 2 or more nights

Inca Trail – 3 nights



The Statue of Christ the Redeemer offers superb views of Rio de Janeiro, Day 1-3

Travelling from the Atlantic to the Pacific, we gain an insight into very distinct cultures and their histories, from the cosmopolitan city of Buenos Aires to the Andean villages and mighty ruins of Inca times. Stunning scenery surrounds us as we go from subtropical climes to landlocked Bolivia and life at the heart of the Andean mountains.

Days 1-3 Depart on Friday on a daytime non-stop flight to **Rio de Janeiro**. Transfer to a hotel in the cosmopolitan beach area of Copacabana. Next day we visit the statue of **Christ the Redeemer**, perched on Corcovado mountain, granting fabulous views of the city, lagoon and beaches, and we visit the historic Royal Palace and Cathedral. (B)

Day 4 Fly to Foz do Iguassu to visit the spectacular **waterfalls** which are made of numerous smaller falls along a span of 2,470m. We visit the Brazilian side for a panoramic view, then we transfer to the Argentinian side, for a perspective from above and walks along the trails. Spend one night at our hotel overlooking the falls. (B)

Days 5-7 Fly to **Buenos Aires** and we visit this city, dubbed the 'Paris of South America'. We pass through the colourful quarter of La Boca, birthplace of the tango, and the main square with the Presidential Palace, finishing at the elegant Parque de Recoleta with its smart bars and street cafés. Time at leisure to explore or watch a tango show in bohemian San Telmo. (B)

Day 8 Fly to **Santa Cruz** in Bolivia and stay overnight at leisure and sightseeing. (B)

Day 9 Fly to **Sucre**, an attractive, temperate city, with numerous museums and where buildings retain their colonial charm, preserving the traditional white façades. Afternoon tour of the city. (B)

Day 10 Full day excursion to **Tarabuco** market, where locals, dressed in their unique costumes, sit behind pyramids of coca leaves and fruit, whilst others sell their traditional woven goods. (B,L)

Day 11 Our day begins with a journey to Potosí, (4070m). Towering over the city, the **Cerro Rico** is an imposing, colourful mountain whose stores of precious metals, although mostly depleted, are still mined. An afternoon visit to the old Spanish **Mint** before returning to Sucre. (B)

Days 12-13 Transfer to Sucre airport and fly to **La Paz**, the world's highest capital city (3,636m). Stay for 2 nights. A bustling city settled in a large basin, where adobe houses cling precariously to the sheer sides. Our tour of the city follows a maze of streets and alleyways, leading us to the witches' market, where indigenous ladies sell colourful potions to cure all ills. (B)

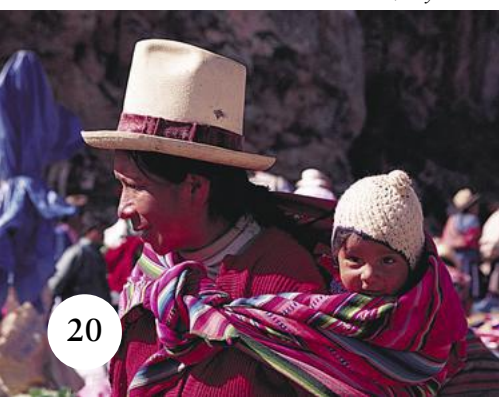
Day 14 Journey to **Lake Titicaca**, cross the straits of Tiquina and drive along the lake shore with the snow-capped mountains in the background. Visit the village of **Copacabana**, Bolivia's main pilgrimage centre and the Calvario hill high above the lake. Afternoon boat trip to **Sun Island**, hike to our hotel with a panoramic view of the lake. Time to walk and explore, relax and admire Lake Titicaca. Overnight. (B,L)

Day 15 Morning on **Sun Island** to walk and explore. In the afternoon continue to Puno, staying at our lakeside hotel. (B,L)

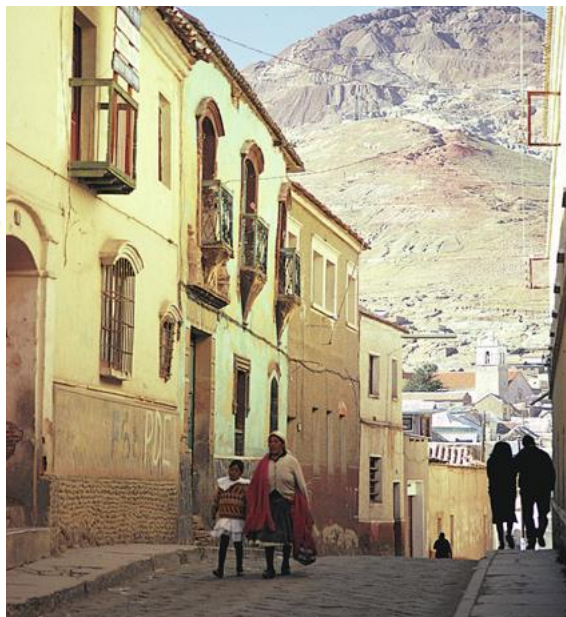
Day 16 An early start for the Andean Explorer luxury railway journey to Cusco, crossing the Andean landscape. We sit at a table by the window, where lunch and afternoon tea are served, to catch glimpses of small villages and isolated stations, where local people wait to sell their wares. From Cusco train station, we transfer to the Urubamba Valley, the "Sacred Valley of the Incas", staying for two nights. (B,L)

Day 17 A full-day excursion to the **Sacred Valley of the Incas**. We drive through the beautiful valley, visiting the ruins of **Ollantaytambo**, a massive temple fortress, spend time at **Chincho** and **Pisac** markets, where people come from miles around to

Markets, Day 10 & 17



BOLIVIAN HEARTLAND



Street Life: Cerro Rico dominates Potosí, Day 11



Inca terracing on Sun Island, Day 15

Suggested Extensions Galapagos Islands and:

The Inca Trail

Days 18-20 An unforgettable walk along the ancient Inca Trail to Machu Picchu, passing remote ruins shrouded in mist, and remarkable scenery. Three nights camping, arrive at Machu Picchu for sunrise, tour the site and return to Cusco by train and bus on Day 21. (B,L,D)

Days 22-24 As Days 20 to 22 of main itinerary arriving back on Day 25. (B)

The Amazon

Days 21-23 Fly Cusco to the Amazon to experience the rainforest, staying at a Refugio Amazonas lodge for two nights (B,L,D). Accompanied at all times by our guides, we walk and canoe in the dense, vibrant rainforest. Fly to Lima, stay one night, city tour and flight home arriving Day 25. (B)

Machu Picchu Day 18-19



buy and sell, and enjoy the views from the spectacular site of Pisac ruins. (B,L)

Days 18-19 Transfer to the train station for a stunning journey along the **Urubamba River**. A journey with fantastic views, culminating in the breath-taking **Machu Picchu**, stay 1 night. On arrival, guided tour of the archaeological site. Afternoon free to explore. Next day return to Cusco by train, staying in the city for two nights. (B,L)

Day 20 Full day to explore Cusco including a tour of this marvellous city and ruins in the surrounding area. Beautiful colonial buildings rest upon Inca foundations unchanged over the centuries. Visit the mighty Inca fortress and religious site of Sacsayhuamán, an astounding megalithic structure, whose massive stones, weighing over 100 tons, fit together with incredible perfection. (B)

Days 21-22 Fly to Lima and transfer to our hotel in the elegant quarter of Miraflores. Afternoon tour, visiting the grand colonial squares and the **Larco Herrera Museum**, which houses fascinating artefacts from pre-Inca and Inca times. Next morning at leisure. Afternoon departure on your direct flight home, overnight, arriving on Day 23.

The Viracocha Tour departs Friday, returns Saturday, INCLUDING: 23 days, 21 nights' accommodation & breakfast (B), all flights (1 overnight), taxes, all transfers and excursions with our English-speaking guides, entrance fees, services of our representatives throughout, all transport and meals as per the itinerary shown. Please see the end of the brochure for further details of what is included.

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VIRACOCHA TOUR

From £7,642pp

More information at veloso.com/viracocha

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LAKES, ANDEAN PEAKS AND

The Osorno Tour: Brazil, Argentina, Chile, Bolivia, Peru

22 night itinerary:

Rio – 3 nights • Iguazú – 1 night

Buenos Aires – 3 nights • Bariloche – 2 nights

Puerto Varas – 1 night • Santiago – 2 nights

La Paz – 3 nights • Lake Titicaca/Puno – 1 night

Cusco – 2 nights • Machu Picchu – 1 night

Cusco – 2 nights • Lima – 1 night

Cutting a swathe across South America, our Osorno Tour covers a wide range of interests and landscapes. Beautiful cities, untamed mountains and volcanoes punctuate our route, and numerous ruins lie dotted around Cusco as evidence of the ancient Inca Empire. Enjoy an unforgettable experience heightened by the diverse cultures of these five distinct countries.

Lake District, Days 8 – 10



Days 1-3 Departure on Thursday on your flight to Rio de Janeiro, arriving in the evening, transfer to our hotel for 3 nights. Half day excursion to Rio's most famous symbol, Christ the Redeemer perched on Corcovado mountain. The views extend to tropical islands, the bay with its beautiful beaches and the city surrounded by lush green forest. A wide

choice of full day excursions is available for the following day, including a tropical islands cruise, a scenic mountain bus ride to the colonial city of Petropolis. (B)

Day 4 Today we fly to Iguassu, visit the Brazilian side of the Falls for a panoramic view, then cross the border to the Argentinian side, staying overnight. (B)



'The Devil's Throat' at Iguazú Falls, Day 4-5

Days 5-7 Excursion to walk the trails around the crashing Iguazú waterfalls, surrounded by tropical forest, where birds abound, including toucans and the bright caciques. Afternoon flight to Buenos Aires for three nights. Our full day city tour includes the Cathedral, Presidential Palace, centre stage to numerous historic events as well as economic and political protests. Continue to La Boca, birthplace of the tango, and to Recoleta, an elegant park with restaurants and street cafés. (B)

Days 8-9 Fly to the Argentinian Lake District, Bariloche staying on the shores of Lake Nahuel Huapi, surrounded by snow-covered peaks, pine forests and green valleys. Full day tour of scenic lakes, mountains and walks along the trails. (B)

Day 10 A glorious full day journey to Chile by bus and boat, across Andean

lakes and mountains covered in forest. We take a sequence of buses and boats across the mountains. Stunning scenery of deep blue lakes reflecting the mountains and lush forests towering around us. forests. Overnight in Puerto Varas. (B,L)

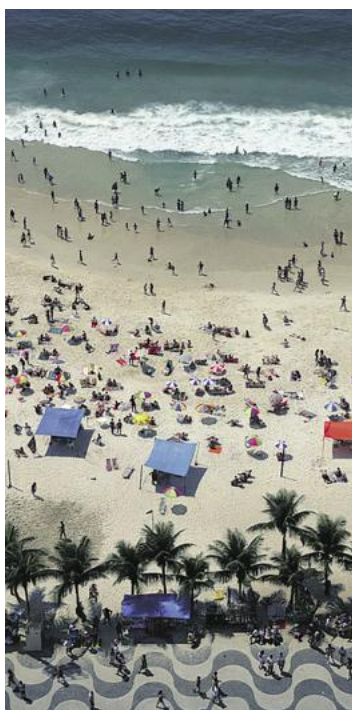
Days 11-12 Transfer to Puerto Montt and fly to Santiago, staying for 2 nights. Afternoon tour of the city, visiting the 'Plaza de Armas' main square, the Presidential Palace, and taking the funicular railway up the San Cristóbal mountain, affording extensive views of the city below and the snow-capped Andes stretching into the distance. Following day at leisure or take optional excursions to the Santa Rita vineyards, the coastal resort of Viña del Mar, the UNESCO World Heritage city of Valparaiso or ramble in the mountains at the Cañon del Maipo. (B)

INCAS

Days 13-15 Early morning flight to **La Paz** and transfer to our hotel for 3 nights. Spend the afternoon relaxing to avoid **soroche** (altitude sickness). Next day, our tour of **La Paz** uses the amazing cable cars with an aerial view of the city, to visit the **colonial quarter**, the fascinating **witches' market**, where weird and wonderful potions are sold, and the mazes of narrow streets full of market stalls and shops selling jumpers and local handicrafts. Visit the **Moon Valley**, an area of sandstone, sculpted by wind and rain into bizarre land-formations. (B)

Day 16 A scenic road takes us to **Lake Titicaca**, the world's highest navigable lake. We skirt the lake, catching glimpses of the locals working their terraces with the help of oxen, and stop for lunch at the charming lakeshore village of **Copacabana**. Visit the church of Our Lady of Copacabana, Patron Saint of Bolivia and take a boat trip to **Sun Island** before crossing the border into Peru and continuing to **Puno** where we spend one night at a hotel by the lake. (B,L)

Day 17 An early morning start on the luxury **Andean Titicaca train** to Cusco.



Copacabana Beach, Rio, Days 1-3

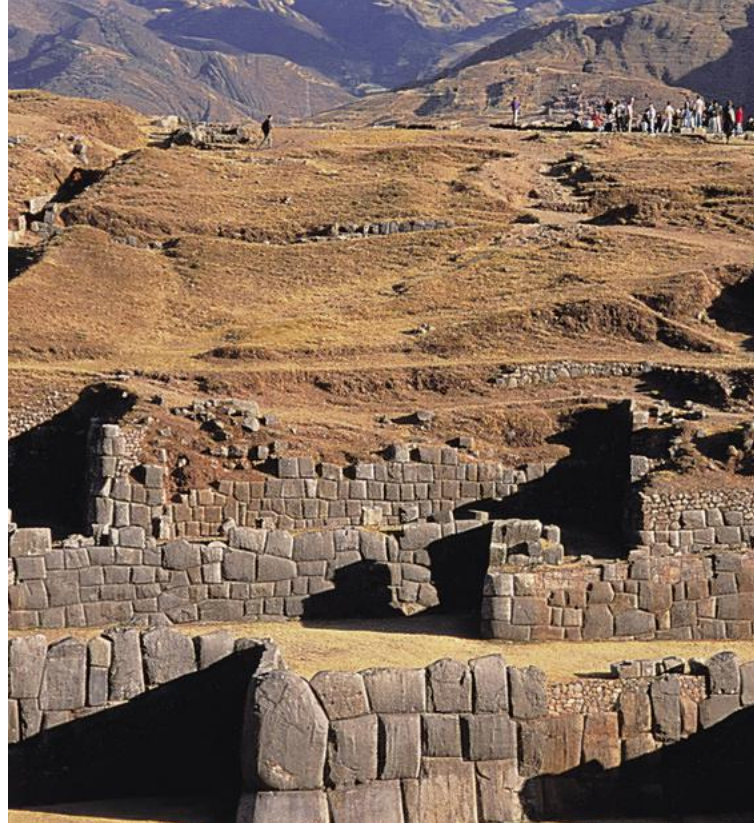
We sit at a table by the window as the route takes us through beautiful Andean landscapes, of cloud-covered mountains, past fields of grazing cattle, hot springs and small villages. Little stations crop up in the middle of the altiplano, where local people wait to sell local food and handicrafts. On arrival, transfer to our hotel for 2 nights. (B,L)

Day 18 On our trip to the **Sacred Valley of the Incas**, the road winds down into the Urubamba Valley, offering fabulous views of the Inca terracing and the fertile plains below. We visit the ruins of **Ollantaytambo** and **Pisac**, remains of some of the finest examples of Inca masonry, and stop at Pisac's Sunday market, a colourful affair, where villagers come from miles around to barter and sell food, weavings and handicraft. (B,L)

Day 19 Our day begins with a stunning train journey, following the course of the Urubamba River, and culminating in the spectacular **Machu Picchu** where we stay for one night. Once at the ruins, we have a guided tour and the afternoon to explore the archaeological site. (B,L)

Days 20-21 Morning at leisure at Machu Picchu before returning to **Cusco** by train, staying for 2 nights. Our time spent in Cusco includes a tour of this marvellous city and ruins in the surrounding area. Beautiful colonial buildings rest upon Inca foundations unchanged over the centuries. Outside the city lies the mighty fortress and religious site, **Sacsayhuamán**, an astounding megalithic structure, whose massive stones, weighing over 100 tons each and covering a large area, fit together with typical Inca precision. (B)

Days 22-23 In the morning we fly to **Lima**, where we stay for 1 night. In the afternoon we take a tour of the city, visiting the grand colonial **Plaza de Armas**, the Presidential Palace and the **Anthropological Museum**, housing fine collections of artefacts from pre-Inca and Inca cultures. Next day, return home on the direct overnight flight, arriving the following **Day 24 (Saturday)**. (B)



Inca Stonework at Sacsayhuamán, Day 21



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Farming on Lake Titicaca, Day 16



COSMOPOLITAN CITIES, ANDEAN LAKES & WATERFALLS

The Cataratas Tour: Chile, Argentina & Brazil

14 night itinerary:

Santiago – 3 nights

Puerto Varas – 1 night

Bariloche – 2 nights

Buenos Aires – 3 nights

Iguazú Falls – 2 nights

Rio de Janeiro – 3 nights

*This itinerary can be
arranged in reverse*



The vibrancy of Rio de Janeiro, the sophistication of Buenos Aires and the mountain setting of Santiago de Chile combine with the natural beauty of Iguazú Falls and the Andean Lake District. An eclectic mix of mountains, rainforest and cosmopolitan cities with a bustling nightlife, exotic cuisine and colonial history.

Days 1-4 Evening departure on an overnight flight to **Santiago de Chile**. Transfer to your hotel and afternoon tour of the city followed by a full day visit to the **Pacific coast** at Viña del Mar and Valparaíso. Day free to visit wineries. (B)

Day 7 Full day excursion on the Argentinian Lake District 'Seven Lakes Road' visiting **La Angostura** and **San Martin Los Andes**. Return to the hotel. Following day fly to Buenos Aires. (B)

Cataratas Tour 'Essentials' - 8 nights
Buenos Aires to Rio de Janeiro
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Day 8 Arrive from Bariloche, or on the Cataratas Tour 'Essentials' (departing the UK on an overnight flight arriving Buenos Aires today.) Transfer to the hotel and stay for 3 nights. (B)

Days 9-10 Full day tour of **Buenos Aires**, including the brightly coloured houses of La Boca district, the Cathedral, and the Presidential Palace - 'La Casa Rosada', with its famous balcony where Eva Perón and numerous Presidents have made their public appearances. End the afternoon in the cafés of **La Recoleta**, famous for their diverse architecture,

many of them boasting a French style, which has given Buenos Aires its nickname of the 'Paris of Latin America'. Optional evening at the **Colón Theatre** for opera or classical music performances or a genuine local **tango** show with our specialist guide. (B)

Days 11-12 Transfer to the airport for the flight to **Iguazú**, staying 2 nights at our hotel surrounded by the tropical rainforest of the national park and overlooking the magnificent **Iguazú Waterfalls**. Time to walk the trails by the river, admire the panoramic view of the numerous waterfalls, the exuberance of the surrounding forest and birdwatch. (B)

Day 13 Transfer to see the panoramic view on the Brazilian side of the Iguassu Falls, and fly to **Rio de Janeiro**. Spend three days in this vibrant, cosmopolitan city by the sea, combining colonial heritage with iconic beaches, and granite peaks covered in forest, as well as sophisticated shops and restaurants. (B)

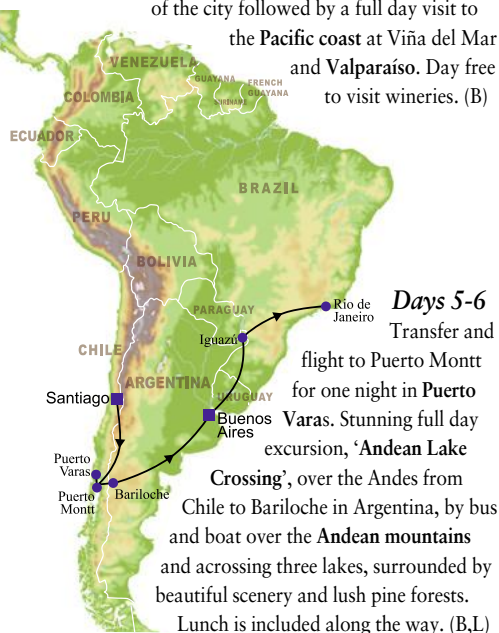
Day 14 Full day excursion with our guide visiting the statue of **Christ the Redeemer**, the old quarter of Santa Teresa and the centre of Rio de Janeiro with its historic Cathedral, museums, cafés and bustling business district. (B)

Days 15-16 Spend the following days exploring at leisure. Late afternoon transfer to the airport for your return flight home arriving Day 17.

The Cataratas Tour

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Ipanema and Leblon beach in Rio de Janeiro, Days 13-16



MODERN & ANCIENT CIVILISATIONS

The Montecristi Tour: Brazil, Argentina & Peru



Family in a remote village in the Urubamba Valley, 'Sacred Valley of the Incas', Peru, Day 13

17 night itinerary:

Rio de Janeiro – 3 nights • Iguassu falls – 1 night

Buenos Aires – 3 nights • Lima – 2 nights

Lake Titicaca/Puno – 2 night • Cusco – 3 nights

Machu Picchu – 1 night • Cusco – 2 nights

The ancient Inca empire, perched high in the Andean Mountains, shrouded in cloud and mystery, is still present in the sights and sounds of traditional markets and village life. Discover contrasting, cosmopolitan cities with unique character and the magnificent Iguassu waterfalls.

Days 1-3 Depart on a daytime, direct flight to Rio de Janeiro. On arrival transfer to the hotel for three nights. Full day tour visiting the statue of Christ the Redeemer, perched on Corcovado mountain, granting fabulous views over Rio, the lagoon, the bay and the beaches. We visit the old centre, dating to Rio's time as the capital of the Portuguese Empire with its Royal heritage, museums and colonial architecture. One day free to explore this vibrant city. (B)

point known as the 'Devil's Throat'. Transfer to the airport and fly to Buenos Aires. (B)

Days 5-7 Stay for three nights in Buenos Aires, known as 'The Paris of South America' for its European style architecture and love of Arts, music and dance. We visit the colourful district of La Boca, the main square with the 'Casa Rosada' and Presidential Palace, the bohemian district of Palermo, and the elegant Parque de Recoleta with smart bars and street cafés. Time at leisure to explore or see a Tango Show. (B)

Days 8-9 Afternoon transfer to the airport for the flight to Lima, staying for two nights. The tour of Lima will show us the delights of this colonial capital, its main squares, the Presidential Palace and ornate churches. We also visit the Larco Herrera Museum, housing fine collections of pre-Colombian artefacts. (B)

Days 10-11 Fly to Juliaca and transfer to Puno, on the shore of the magical Lake Titicaca, with its air of serene tranquillity, framed by snow-covered peaks. We stay for two nights, with a full day excursion onto the lake, visiting the floating islands of Uros, and the isolated rocky island of Taquile, where locals preserve their ancient customs. (B,L)

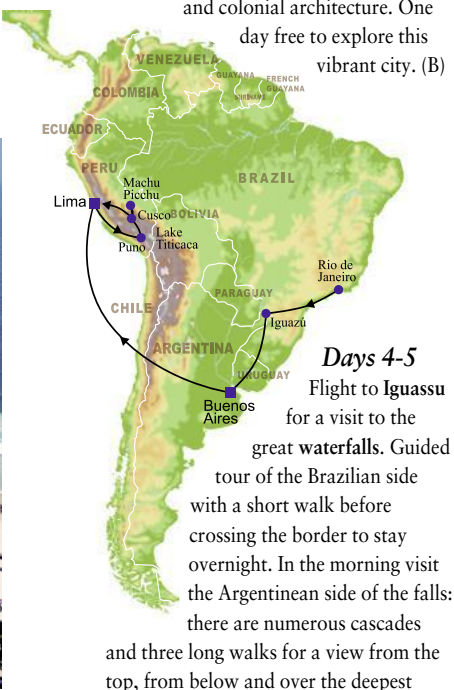
Days 12-14 Morning departure on the luxurious Andean Explorer train journey, passing Andean landscapes of remote farms, towering mountains, and tiny villages. On arrival in Cusco we transfer to our hotel, staying for three nights. Full day tour of the Sacred Valley of the Incas passing small villages, hillside terraced fields and exploring the Inca ruins of Ollantaytambo. We visit the colourful markets at Pisac and Chinchero. (B,L) Half day tour of Cusco including the Colonial-era Cathedral, 'Qorikancha' Temple of the Sun, and the mighty Inca fortress of Sacsayhuamán. (B)

Day 15 Depart on the Vistadome train along the scenic Urubamba Valley, leading us to the breathtaking ruins of Machu Picchu. Guided tour of the

archaeological site, learning about this most famous of ruins. Overnight. (B,L)

Days 16-18 Morning at leisure and afternoon return to Cusco by Vistadome Train, staying for two more nights with a full day at leisure for optional excursions. **Day 18** fly to Lima, connecting with your overnight flight home, arriving Day 19. (B)

The Montecristi Tour departs Tuesday and Thursday, returning Saturday and Monday. **INCLUDING:** 19 days, 17 nights' accommodation with breakfast (B), meals as shown, all flights (1 overnight), taxes, all transfers and excursions with our English-speaking guides, entrance fees, all transport and meals as per the itinerary shown. Please see the end of the brochure for further details of what is included.



Days 4-5

Flight to Iguassu for a visit to the

great waterfalls. Guided tour of the Brazilian side with a short walk before crossing the border to stay overnight. In the morning visit the Argentinean side of the falls: there are numerous cascades and three long walks for a view from the top, from below and over the deepest

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MACHU PICCHU & THE ENCHA

The Libertador Tour: Peru & Galapagos

15 night itinerary:

Lima – 1 night • Lake Titicaca/Puno – 1 night

Cusco – 3 nights • Machu Picchu – 1 night

Cusco – 1 night • Quito – 1 night

Galapagos Islands Cruise – 7 nights

*This itinerary can be arranged
with Galapagos at the start*

Combine Inca Culture and Andean mountain landscapes with the friendly wildlife of the Galapagos Islands for a fascinating journey into the land of the Incas, Conquistadores and seafaring explorers.



Machu Picchu with the deep Urubamba river valley below, Day 7

Days 1-2 Your day of departure depends on the Galapagos Cruise chosen. Departure on an overnight flight to Lima. Tour to explore Lima visiting the main squares with grand colonial buildings, the anthropological museum with its fascinating array of textiles, pottery and mummies spanning from 1400 BC to Hispanic time, and the Larco Herrera Museum, where a large, important collection of treasures is housed. (B)

Day 3 Morning flight to Juliaca where you will be taken to Puno, on the shores of Lake Titicaca. In the afternoon we take a boat trip on the lake to visit the floating Uros Islands, which together with huts and rafts, are built of reeds growing along the lake shore. (B)

Day 4 Early departure from Puno to Cusco on a memorable **Andean Explorer train** journey through the Andean altiplano. We have seats at a table by the window where lunch is served, as towering peaks, valleys, hot springs and solitary villages pass by. The train stops at isolated railway stations where local people await to sell their wares. Arrive in Cusco in the evening and staying for 3 nights with two full days to explore. Transfer from the railway station to the hotel and a short walk to be acquainted with the surrounding area. (B,L)

Day 5 A scenic, full day visit to the Sacred Valley of the Incas, affording great views of the valleys and Inca terracing. We stop at the Maras salt mines, on to Pisac market, a colourful show of local foods and weavings, and visit Pisac ruins,

with some of the finest examples of Inca masonry and a magnificent view over the valley. Continue to the Inca village of Ollantaytambo, with its ancient irrigation system, still in good working order, and the temple fortress towering above. (B,L)

Day 6 A fascinating, morning or afternoon excursion to visit Cusco and the surrounding archaeological sites. Within Cusco, the evidence of Inca culture and buildings is still apparent with the Cathedral, churches and numerous buildings resting on solid Inca stonework foundations. Outside the city we visit Kenko and the mighty fortress of Sacsayhuamán, whose stones weigh over 100 tons and are fitted together with astonishing Inca precision. (B)

Day 7 Journey to Machu Picchu on the Vistadome train, a glorious journey with superb views of the mountain landscapes, small villages and trundling along the Urubamba River valley to Aguas Calientes. From here we take a bus up the steep mountain side to the magnificent Machu Picchu, which silently awaits. Our local guide will show us the ruins

explaining the history of the site. We stay for 1 night. (B,L)

Day 8 Early morning offers an excellent opportunity for a quiet stroll around Machu Picchu, a walk along the Inca Trail to the Sun Gate, or a strenuous climb to Huayna Picchu, the rocky escarpment overlooking the ruins. In the afternoon return to Cusco, by train and bus, staying for 1 night. (B)

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Sacred Valley, Day 5



NTED ISLANDS



Day 9 Early flight to Lima, connecting with a flight to Quito staying for one night. Situated between two ranges of the snow-capped Andes, Quito's setting and temperate climate is beautiful. (B)

Days 10-16 Flight to the Galapagos and transfer to your selected yacht to cruise the **Galapagos Islands**, where Darwin observed the wildlife that would lead him to his theory of evolution. You have a 7 night Galapagos Cruise with daily morning and afternoon guided walks to admire the **friendly wildlife at close range** and the species endemic to each islands. Basking marine and land iguanas, red and blue footed boobies, frigate birds, giant tortoises, and playful sea lions abound; you may even swim swim one, its quite a highlight.

Please select one of the yachts shown on this page or refer our website for other cruise durations or to select an alternative yacht category and style. (B,L,D)

Day 17 Disembark, transfer to the airport and flight to Guayaquil to connect with your overnight flight home, arriving the following day, Day 18.

The Libertador Tour: please refer to price panel or contact us for days of departure, depending on the Galapagos cruise chosen. **INCLUDING 15 nights accommodation & breakfast (B) plus all meals on the cruise (B,L,D), all flights (2 overnight using LAN airlines), taxes, all transfers and excursions with our English-speaking guides, entrance fees, services of our representatives throughout, all transport and meals as per the itinerary shown. Please see the end of the brochure for further details of what is included.**

Galapagos Beach extension
Stay in in the Galapagos at the **Finch Bay Hotel** just outside Puerto Ayora, with comfortable rooms, a pool and a small beach where you can unwind, sunbathe

Wet landing close to basking sea lions, Galapagos Islands, Days 10-16



Exploring the Galapagos Islands and getting close to wildlife

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Samba is a Tourist Class 78ft steel - hulled motor yacht built in Holland. She accommodates 13 passengers in 6 twin cabins with upper and lower berths (plus one single cabin), all with private bathroom and air conditioning. She has a crew of five, and one expert naturalist guide who leads excursions. View the full itinerary on our website.

LEGEND FIRST



7 night Itinerary
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She accommodates up to 100 passengers in 57 spacious cabins, most with exterior portholes or windows. There are 5 Naturalist guides who will take you ashore every day. There is a sun deck with a bar and pool, an observation area, lounge, bar, reading room. Please enquire for dates of departure.

BELUGA FIRST



7 night Itinerary
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Two First Class motor yachts, with accommodation for 20 passengers in 10 cabins with portholes or panoramic windows. Interiors in polished teak, dining room, bar and lounge area and book library. Family departures available.

EVOLUTION DELUXE



7 night Itinerary
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The Evolution has a 1920s style first class motor yacht with modern comforts for 32 passengers in 16 well-appointed spacious cabins with private facilities. She has a cruise director plus 2 naturalist guides for daily excursions ashore. There is a large outside deck with lounge chairs for sunbathing and unwinding.

PATAGONIA, GLACIERS AND

The Yamana Tour: Argentina, Chile

14 night itinerary:

Buenos Aires – 2 nights

Puerto Madryn – 3 nights

Ushuaia – 2 nights

Calafate – 3 nights

Torres del Paine – 3 nights

Santiago – 1 night

Including LAKE DISTRICT

Additional 3 nights – 17 night itinerary:

Puerto Montt – 1 night (instead of Santiago)

Bariloche – 2 nights

Buenos Aires – 1 night

Optional extension to Iguazú Falls – 2 nights

Discover Southern Chile and Argentina, with serene glacial lakes, the snow-capped peaks, the National Parks of Patagonia, to the icy tip of Tierra del Fuego, Beagle Cannel and Cape Horn.

Journey through spectacular landscapes with wonderful opportunities to see wildlife and enjoy the outdoors.

Days 1-3 Depart any day of the week for Buenos Aires arriving the following day. Transfer to our hotel for 2 nights. In the afternoon we will visit this fascinating city, passing through the old quarter of La Boca with its distinctive, brightly coloured houses, the Plaza de Mayo and the presidential Casa Rosada and finishing in the elegant Parque de Recoleta, to relax in one of the many stylish street cafés. The next day is free. (B)

Southern Right Whales come to breed (June-Nov) at Peninsula Valdés, Argentina. Days 4-6



Days 4-6 Fly out to Trelew and transfer to our hotel in **Puerto Madryn** for 3 nights. Two full day excursions to **Península Valdés**. Wildlife abounds. Guided to superb vantage points, we can observe sea lion colonies, elephant seals, penguins and, June to November, we can take a motor boat out to see the Southern Right whales at close range. (B)

Day 7 Transfer to Trelew airport and fly to **Ushuaia**, the southernmost town in Argentina, located in a glorious setting by the icy waters of the Beagle Channel, at the foot of the towering Andes. On arrival transfer to our hotel for 2 nights. (B)

Day 8 An early morning start for a full day excursion to **Lapataia Bay** in the national park. We walk through the park

which encompasses a stunning region of forests, lakes, streams, and snow-capped mountains. Beavers' dams cover the area, and, with luck, we may see some at work. Return to Ushuaia. (B)

Day 9 Fly to **Calafate**, a little resort, on the southeastern shore of **Lago Argentino**, where birds congregate, including the Magellanic oystercatcher. We stay for 3 nights. (B)

Days 10-11 We set off early on a full day excursion to the breathtaking **Perito Moreno Glacier**, with its 4km frontage and height reaching 70m. Silence reigns, shattered only by the thunderous roar of ice breaking off the glacier, and punctuated by the unearthly groans of creaking ice. This is one of the few glaciers in the world that is still growing. The following day there is an optional excursion to visit the **Upsala** and **Onelli** glaciers, travelling by boat up to the northwestern end of **Lago Argentino**. (B)

Days 12-14 A long, scenic crossing into Chile to **Torres del Paine National Park** for 3 nights. An area of outstanding natural beauty, the massive Torres rise up out of the earth, reflected in the glacial waters of **Lake Nordenskjöld**, all on our doorstep. Many walks can be taken, of varying degrees of difficulty, all affording splendid mountain views and an opportunity to observe the wildlife. We have two full days to enjoy the scenery. (B)

Days 15-16 Morning transfer to **Punta Arenas** for a late afternoon flight to **Santiago de Chile**, a beautiful city situated in a plateau with the snow-capped Andes stretching alongside. It has extensive parks and gardens, a bustling centre with tree-lined avenues and the **Cerro San Cristóbal**, a hilltop reached by funicular railway, which gives us superb views of the city and surroundings. Overnight and return home arriving on **Day 17**.



Picture perfect: Torres del Paine National Park, Chile. Days 12-14

THE ANDES



The Yamana Tour departs everyday of the week, INCLUDING 17 days, 14 nights' accommodation and breakfast (B), all flights (2 overnight), taxes, all transfers and excursions with our English-speaking guides, entrance fees, services of our representatives throughout, all transport and meals as per the itinerary shown.

Alternative to the Andes Lakes Stunning scenery across three lakes

Day 15 Transfer to Punta Arenas for an afternoon flight to **Puerto Montt**. (B)

Day 16 Lake crossing into Argentina by bus and boat surrounded by stunning alpine scenery. Lunch at Peulla. Stewards take your luggage so that you can enjoy the landscape as we cross three lakes to reach Bariloche. (B,L)

Santiago blends traditional and modern, Day 16



The immense Perito Moreno Glacier at El Calafate, Day 11

Day 17 A day at leisure in San Carlos de Bariloche dubbed the 'Switzerland of Latin America', due to its similar landscape of clear lakes surrounded by high mountain peaks. Plenty of opportunity to take walks in the surrounding forests and National Parks, or relax and enjoy the scenery. (B)

Days 18-19 Fly to Buenos Aires, and on arrival transfer to hotel for 1 night. Following day transfer to the airport for your flight home arriving on Day 20. (B)

The Yamana Tour & The Lake District departs every day INCLUDING 20 days, 17 nights' accommodation and breakfast (B), all flights (2 overnight), taxes, all transfers and excursions with our English-speaking guides, entrance fees, services of our representatives throughout, all transport and meals as per the itinerary shown. Please see the end of the brochure for further details of what is included.



Argentina's Lake District



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ANDEAN LAKES & FJORDS OF

The Magellan Tour: Argentina & Chile

15 night itinerary:

Buenos Aires – 3 nights

Bariloche “Lake District” – 3 nights

Puerto Varas “Lake District” – 1 night

Torres del Paine National Park – 3 nights

Australis Cruise / Tierra del Fuego – 4 nights

Buenos Aires – 1 night

Alternative to Cruise:

Extra night in Torres del Paine National Park

El Calafate, Perito Moreno Glacier – 3 nights

Buenos Aires – 1 night



Magnificent Glaciers of Tierra del Fuego, Australis Cruise Days 12-15

Patagonia, Tierra del Fuego and Cape Horn lie where the turbulent Pacific and Atlantic Oceans meet.

The landscape is a myriad of islands and channels, windswept valleys and massive glaciers. By contrast, cosmopolitan Buenos Aires offers Tango dancing, pleasant cafes and superb restaurants in historic surroundings; while in the Lake District and Torres del Paine you can walk, trek and admire the great outdoors.

M/V Stella Australis Days 12-15



Days 1-4 Depart on Tuesday evening on your overnight flight to Buenos Aires staying for three nights. The following day we take a morning or afternoon tour of Buenos Aires, named the “Paris of South America” for its turn of the century French architecture. We visit La Boca with its brightly coloured houses, the Cathedral, Recoleta area and the Presidential Palace with its famous balcony where successive leaders have made appearances. The next day is free to explore on your own, experience a Tango Show or enjoy other optional excursions. (B)

Days 5-7 Flight to Bariloche, in Argentina’s Lake District, staying for three nights. This alpine town is surrounded by beautiful mountain countryside with excellent hotels and country lodges. The scenery ranges from lush, snow-covered mountain peaks and beautiful lakes, to the dry Pampa in the lowlands. It is a hub for outdoor activities, horse riding and walking the numerous trails; a wonderful place for picnics on the shore of picturesque lakes. Gabriela, our local guide, has a wonderful knowledge of the area. (B)

Day 8 Full day journey across Andean Lakes and Mountains, to Puerto Varas in Chile. We take a sequence of bus and boat journeys across three crystal clear lakes surrounded by mountains covered in thick forest, and wonderful Andean scenery. On arrival transfer to the hotel in Puerto Varas. (B)

Days 9-11 Depart from Puerto Varas in the morning and fly to Punta Arenas. On arrival transfer to Torres del Paine National Park staying for three nights with two full days for sightseeing and trekking. (B)

Days 12 - 15 Transport to Punta Arenas pier to board the cruise ship M/V *Stella Australis* on a four night cruise to Argentina. The myriad of islands and channels of Tierra del Fuego offer calm waters for excursions including the Straits of Magellan and the Beagle Channel. A short passage in the open sea takes you to Cape Horn National Park, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, at the “End of the Earth” and go ashore, weather permitting. View numerous glaciers at

Cruise itinerary in Tierra del Fuego



TIERRA DEL FUEGO



Torres del Paine National Park in Patagonia, Days 9-11



close range as they descend from the mountains into the sea, and walk through the Magellanic Forest to vantage points with stunning views. (B,L,D)

Days 16 - 17 On arrival at Ushuaia in Argentina, we take a flight to Buenos Aires to stay for one night in the artistic, bohemian district of Palermo with cafes, galleries, shops and excellent restaurants to enjoy, before your overnight flight home arriving on Day 18. (B)

Alternative Itinerary:
Visit the Perito Moreno Glacier at El Calafate instead of the Cruise

Days 12 - 15 We have an extra day to take excursions or hike in Torres del Paine, staying one more night. Day 13 we journey across to El Calafate in Argentina, and staying for three nights on the shore of Lake Argentino. Two days of excursions include a trip to the magnificent Perito Moreno Glacier, where we see huge chunks of ice falling into the lake below. Next day we take a boat trip along the arms of Lake

Lake District of Argentina and Chile, Days 5-9



Argentino, to visit the Upsala and Spegazzini Glaciers and marvel at the sublime Patagonian scenery. (B)

Day 16 Fly to Buenos Aires to stay for one night, before your overnight flight home arriving on Day 18. (B)

The Magellan Tour departs on Tuesday, returning Friday - 18 days INCLUDING: 15 nights' accommodation, breakfast (B), all flights (2 overnight), all transfers and excursions with guides, transport and meals as shown. Please see the end of the brochure for further details of what is included.



Buenos Aires, Days 2-4 and 16-17

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GALAPAGOS AND ANDEAN

The Encantada Tour: Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, Brazil

17 night itinerary:

Quito – 3 nights • Galapagos – 7 nights

Lima – 2 nights • Cusco – 3 nights

Machu Picchu – 1 night • Cusco – 1 night

Continuing to LAKE TITICACA & BOLIVIA

22 night itinerary:

Cusco – 1 night • Lake Titicaca/Puno – 1 night

Sun Island – 1 night • La Paz – 2 nights

Continuing to BRAZIL

25 night itinerary:

Rio de Janeiro – 3 nights

This itinerary can be arranged in reverse with Galapagos at the end



Getting to know the Galapagos wildlife, Days 4-10

Basking marine iguanas cling to the rocky shores of a Pacific archipelago that is home to an immense variety of wildlife species, many of them endemic. Continuing to the mountain kingdom of the Incas, high in the Andes, we visit their imperial capital of Cusco and the remote citadel of Machu Picchu.

Colonial Quarter, Quito Days 1-3



Days 1-3 Daytime flight on Thursday (First) or Saturday (Tourist) for 3 nights in Quito. Situated between two ranges of the snow-capped Andes, Quito's setting and temperate climate is beautiful. The next morning we take a tour of the modern and colonial quarters of Quito including La Compañía Church with its ornate façade and a visit to the Archaeological Museum, housing a fascinating collection of pre-Colombian ceramics and gold. Excursion to the Otavalo market where local people trade produce, weavings and admire the mountain countryside. (B)

Days 4-10 Cruise the Galapagos Islands, where Darwin observed the wildlife that would lead him to his theory of evolution. Spend 7 nights cruising the archipelago onboard the M/Y Eric (First) or M/Y Samba (Tourist) with daily morning and afternoon guided walks to admire the tame wildlife endemic in each island. Basking marine and land iguanas, red and blue footed boobies, frigate birds, giant tortoises, and friendly sea lions abound. Please refer to our website for details and yachts availability. (B,L,D)

Days 11-12 Flight back to the mainland connecting with a flight to Lima staying for 2 nights. The following day we explore Lima, visiting the main squares, surrounded by grand colonial buildings, the Anthropological Museum with its fascinating array of textiles, pottery and mummies spanning from 1400 BC to Hispanic time, and the Larco Herrera Museum, with a large collection of randomly arranged treasures. (B)

Day 13 Continue with a flight to Cusco staying for 3 nights. On arrival acclimatise to altitude or walk to the main square to absorb the local atmosphere. (B)

Day 14 A fascinating, half day excursion of Cusco and the ruins surrounding the city. Within Cusco, the evidence of Inca culture is visible in the Cathedral, churches and numerous buildings erected on solid Inca stonework foundations. Outside the city stands the fortress of Sacsayhuamán, whose stones weigh over 100 tons and are fitted together with Inca precision. (B)

CULTURE



Day 15 A scenic, full day trip to the Sacred Valley of the Incas, affording great views of the valleys and Inca terracing. Stop at the Maras salt pans, on to Pisac market, a colourful show of local foods and weavings, and visit Pisac ruins, remains of some of the finest examples of Inca masonry. Continue to the village of Ollantaytambo, with its ancient irrigation system, still in good working order, and with the ancient Inca temple fortress towering above. (B,L)

Day 16 Set off by Vistadome train on a glorious journey trundling along the course of the Urubamba River to Aguas Calientes. Bus up the steep mountain side to the magnificent Machu Picchu, which silently awaits. Guided tour of the archaeological site explaining its history. Afternoon free to explore at leisure. Overnight. (B,L)

Day 17 Early morning offers an excellent opportunity to go back for a quiet stroll around Machu Picchu, a walk along the Inca Trail to the Sun Gate, or a strenuous climb to Huayna Picchu, the rocky escarpment overlooking the ruins. Afternoon return to Cusco, by Vistadome train and bus. (B)

Day 18 Afternoon flight to Lima, and connect with an evening flight arriving home on Monday Day 19.

The Encantada Tour departs Thursday, returning Monday (First) or Saturday returning Wednesday (Tourist) INCLUDING: 19 days, 17 nights accommodation & breakfast (B), all flights (1 overnight), taxes, all transfers and excursions with our English-speaking guides, entrance fees, services of our representatives throughout, all transport and meals as per the itinerary shown. Please see the end of the brochure for further details of what is included.

Extensions: Lake Titicaca & Bolivia

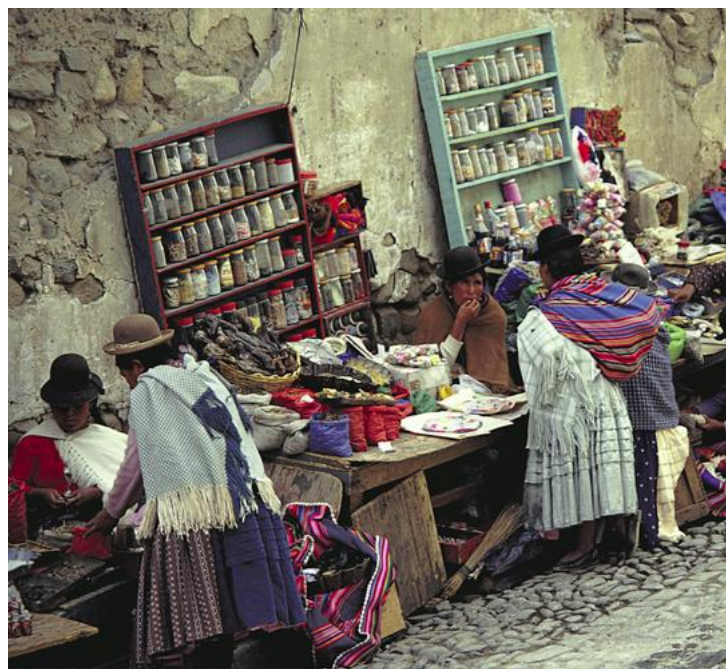
Days 18-19 One day free in Cusco to explore. Departure on the Andean Explorer train, a memorable journey with seats at a table by the window where lunch is served as towering Andean mountains, hot springs and solitary villages pass by. The train stops at isolated railway stations where local people await to sell their wares. On arrival on the shores of Lake Titicaca, we stay in Puno for 1 night. (B,L)

Day 20 This morning we take a boat trip on the lake to visit the people living on the floating Uros Islands, which together with huts and rafts, are built out of the reeds prevalent in the area. Leave Puno in the afternoon on a scenic bus ride, skirting the lake, past local farmers working their Inca terraces to the charming village of Copacabana, Bolivia's main pilgrimage centre. Continue by boat to Sun Island, overnight at our simple lodge overlooking the lake. (B,L)

Day 21 Time in the morning to explore Sun Island before taking a boat back to Copacabana. From Copacabana our journey continues along the lake shores arriving at La Paz in the early evening where we stay for 2 nights. (B)

Day 22 In the morning, our city tour visits the colonial quarter of La Paz, the fascinating witches' market, where weird and wonderful potions are sold, and the Moon Valley, an area of sandstone, sculpted by wind and rain to create a surreal lunar landscape. (B)

Day 23 Flight to Lima connecting with the overnight flight home arriving on Day 24 Saturday. (B)



The Witches market, La Paz. Day 21

NOTE: Opportunity to see more of Bolivia including the historic city of Sucre, Tarabuco market and the ancient mining town of Potosí. Please enquire.

The Encantada Tour & Bolivia INCLUDING 24 days, 22 nights accommodation & breakfast (B), all flights (1 overnight), taxes, all transfers and excursions with our English-speaking guides, entrance fees, services of our representatives throughout, all transport and meals as per the itinerary shown.

Lake Titicaca, Bolivia & Brazil

Day 23 From Bolivia fly on to Rio de Janeiro, via Sao Paulo, staying for 3 nights in the cosmopolitan beach areas of Copacabana or Ipanema. (B)

Day 24 Morning excursion to Brazil's famous landmark, the statue of Christ the Redeemer, perched on Corcovado mountain, granting fabulous views of the city in a unique setting of granite peaks, lagoon, beaches and the sea. Afternoon free to explore Rio de Janeiro. (B)

Days 25-26 Afternoon visit to Rio's Botanical Gardens. Following day flight home arriving on Day 27 Tuesday. (B)

NOTE: Stay on longer in Rio de Janeiro. Optional excursions, visits to colonial Parati or stay at a tropical beach resort on the coast.

The Encantada Tour & Bolivia & Brazil INCLUDING 27 days, 25 nights' accommodation and breakfast (B), all flights (1 overnight) and same services as shown for the Encantada Tour.

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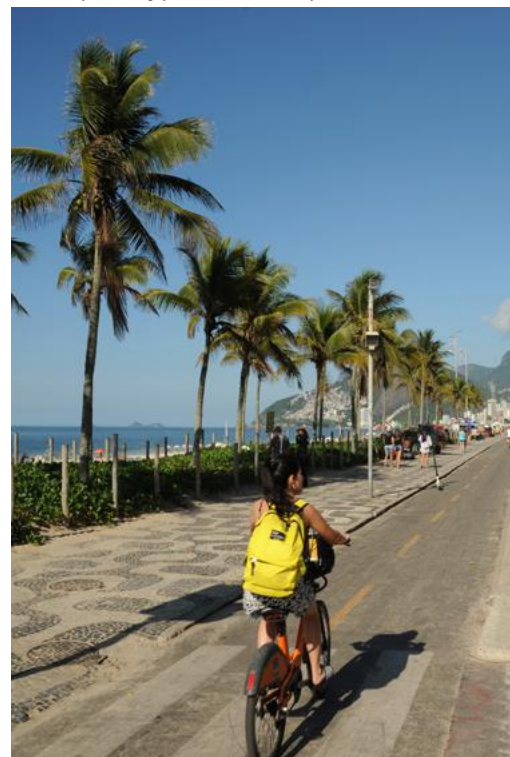
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The beautiful setting of Rio De Janeiro, Day 23



INCAS & REMOTE ANDEAN LAND

The Laguna Tour: Chile, Bolivia, Peru

21 night itinerary:

Santiago de Chile - 1 night

San Pedro de Atacama - 2 nights

Laguna Colorada (Desierto Siloli) - 1 night

San Pedro de Quemez - 1 night

Uyuni (Colchani) - 1 night • Potosí - 1 night

Sucre - 3 nights • La Paz - 2 nights

Lake Titicaca/Sun Island - 1 night

Lake Titicaca/Puno - 1 night

Cusco - 3 nights • Machu Picchu - 1 night

Cusco - 2 nights • Lima - 1 night.



Uyuni Salt Flats Expeditions, Laguna Verde, Day 5

Travel through mountain landscapes of roaring geysers, thermal springs, brilliantly intense desert vistas, multi-coloured lakes with Andean flamingos and immense, white salt flats. View ancient markets of farm produce and weavings in the depths of South America, passing Lake Titicaca, to culminate with mountainsides covered in lush, dense forest and the ancient, 'forgotten' city of the Incas, Machu Picchu.

Flamingos, Llamas on Laguna Colorada, Day 6



Days 1-2 Depart Friday on an overnight flight to Santiago de Chile. Arrive and transfer to our hotel. In the afternoon we visit this beautiful city, situated in a wide plain with the snow-capped Andes stretching alongside. It has extensive parks and gardens, a bustling centre with tree-lined avenues and the Cerro San Cristóbal, a hilltop reached by funicular railway, which affords superb views of the city and surrounding landscape. (B)

Day 3-4 Our day begins with a morning flight to Calama, and a drive past the snow-capped Andes to San Pedro

de Atacama. We visit the Valley of the Moon, an incredible landscape of colourful sculpted rock formations. We continue to Pucara de Quito as the sun settles into the Pacific Ocean, lighting up the Andes mountains stretching north and south, over the desert, as far as the eye can see. Very early morning departure to visit the Tatio Geysers and in the afternoon walk to the Museum with artefacts from hundreds of years of Atacameño culture. Overnight in San Pedro. (B)

Day 5 A very early morning start, crossing the Bolivian border and commencing our journey by stepping back in time, through this majestic scenery of iridescent coloured rocks, desert, lagoons with flocks of flamingos and stunning quality of light for photography. Visit Laguna Verde, Laguna Blanca, Volcan Llicancabur, the desert of Salvador Dali, the geyser field of Sol de Mañana and Laguna Colorada. Arrive at the desert of Siloli and overnight at Hotel del Desierto (private facilities, no heating). The scenery is stunning, the altitude tiring, the nights freezing and the mountain track bumpy, in a five day (Days 5-8) expedition suitable for hardy, well-prepared explorers. (B,L,D)

Day 6 Continue through this incredible mountain scenery to the Arbol de Piedra, Laguna Honda, Laguna Hedionda and Laguna Canapa. Overnight in San Pedro de Quemez at the Hotel de Piedra (The hotel rooms have private facilities, but there is no heating). (B,L,D)

Day 7 Today we visit the immense and stunning Uyuni Salt Flats; a seemingly endless, flat, expanse of white salt, a desolate and overwhelming sight. In the middle is Isla Pescado, an island mountain of rock formation covered in tall cacti and providing all round panoramic views of the vast salt flats. Continue to the villages of Colchani and Uyuni to overnight in a hotel with heating and private facilities (B,L)

Day 8 We continue deeper into Bolivia passing Uyuni continuing to Potosí. Towering over the city, the Cerro Rico is an imposing, colourful mountain whose stores of precious metals, although mostly depleted, are still being mined. Taking gifts of coca leaves, cigarettes and dynamite for the mine workers, we are guided to the entrance of the tunnels. (B)



Machu Picchu, Day 19

Day 9 Visit the Casa de la Moneda, the old mint, which presents a historical overview of Potosí. Continue to Sucre, the official capital, staying for 3 nights. An attractive, temperate city, where buildings retain their colonial charm, preserving the traditional white façades. (B)

Days 10-11 Full day excursion to Tarabuco's all-encompassing market, a colourful affair, where locals, some dressed in their typical weavings, sit behind pyramids of coca leaves, fruits and vegetables, whilst others sell all manner of domestic utensils and their traditional woven fabrics. (B,L) Full day tour of Sucre, and its museums and churches. (B)

Days 12-13 Our day begins with a flight to La Paz. Spend the afternoon visiting this bustling city, settled in a large basin and spilling out onto the altiplano. The wonderful maze of streets leads us to the witches' market, where local ladies sell potions to cure all ills, past colourful handicraft markets and on to the colonial quarter where we enter the Tiahuanaco Museum, containing some fine examples of the arts and crafts of this ancient culture. The following day we tour the Moon Valley, an area of sandstone, sculpted by rain and wind to resemble a lunar landscape. (B)

Day 14 From La Paz, we journey to Lake Titicaca, the world's highest navigable lake and take a boat across the

Strait of Tiquina. We travel along the shore with the immense lake forming a magnificent backdrop to the Andean landscape with its isolated farms and villages, and glimpsing people working the ancient terraces, arriving at Copacabana and continuing by boat to Sun Island. We walk up to our hotel, a beautifully serene spot on a hill overlooking the lake with the snowcapped mountains of the Cordillera Real in the background. (B)

Day 15 Morning walk to explore the Inca terracing, villages and lake shore of Sun Island. Afternoon return to Copacabana, visiting the Cathedral, home of the Virgin of Candelaria, patron saint of Bolivia. Continue to Puno for 1 night on the Peruvian side of lake Titicaca. (B,L)

Day 16 Early start for a classic railway journey on the Andean Explorer Train. We have seats at a table by the window as the train travels across the Andean altiplano, with view of towering mountains, small farms and villages. (B,L)

Day 17 A full day excursion to the Sacred Valley of the Incas. We wind our way through the valley, stopping at vantage points which afford us stunning views of villages below and ancient Inca terracing, still farmed today. Our trip takes us to the formidable Ollantaytambo, complete with its intricate irrigation system and Inca baths; we continue to the ruins of Pisac, high above the valley and with fine examples of Inca stonemasonry. (B,L)

Day 18 Tour with one of our expert local guides around historic Cusco, capital of the Inca empire. Many of the colonial buildings rest on solid Inca foundations, which have proven to be impervious to the earthquakes that have befallen this city. Outside the city we visit a variety of ruins, including the imposing fortress-like Sacsayhuamán, whose huge stones are locked together with Inca precision. (B)

Day 19 An early morning start for Machu Picchu. The train labours up the hills out of Cusco and then gathers speed as we rattle down the valleys following the course of the Urubamba River. A memorable trip, with beautiful views, culminating in the great Lost City of the Incas. Overnight in the valley below. (B,L)

Days 20-21 Return to Cusco the following afternoon to stay for 2 nights, allowing for one full day at leisure. (B)

Days 22-23 A morning flight to Lima. On arrival transfer to our hotel in the elegant and cosmopolitan quarter of

Miraflores. Afternoon tour of Lima, including the grand colonial centre, the Presidential Palace in the main plaza, and the Anthropological and the Larco Herrera Museums, both of which house fascinating artefacts from pre-Inca and Inca times. Depart for home on Day 23, arriving the following day, Day 24 (Sunday). (B)

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Traditional wear at Pisac market, Day 17



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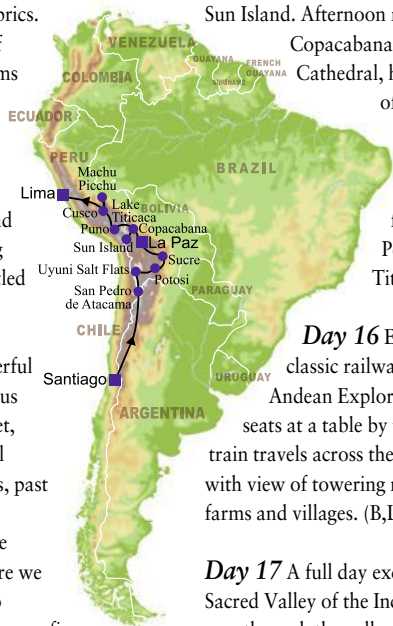
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HISTORIC HERITAGE & NATURE

The Granada Tour: Panama, Costa Rica, Nicaragua

18 night itinerary:

Panama City – 3 nights

San José – 2 nights

Tortuguero National Park – 2 nights

Arenal – 3 nights

Rincon de la Vieja – 2 nights

Ometepe Island – 2 nights

Granada – 3 nights

Leon – 1 night



Combining the best of Central America, visit the unique Panama Canal, historic colonial cities, and lush National Parks for excellent wildlife watching. Admire towering volcanoes, coffee plantations and stunning architecture in the company of our expert local guides to understand the fascinating history of this region and the way of life of local people.

Days 1-3 Depart to Panama City, arriving in the evening and transfer to your hotel in the colonial quarter, staying for 3 nights. Tour to explore the historic streets, wonderful colonial architecture and monuments, before visiting the Miraflores locks of the famous Panama Canal. This interoceanic gateway is an incredible feat of engineering, and awe-inspiring to watch the ships pass through. Next day optional boat trip on the canal, or travel by rail to the picturesque Caribbean town of Colon. (B)

Days 4-5 Morning flight to San José, staying for 2 nights. Next day tour to the nearby active Poas Volcano, waterfall gardens, and a local coffee plantation. (B)

Day 6-7 Departing early we travel by road and boat to the Tortuguero National Park, on the Caribbean coast, a vast tract of rainforest with canals and a unique habitat mixing fresh water and salt water. Spend 2 nights at a forest lodge, where birds and monkeys are often seen in the grounds. Daily boat excursions to spot wildlife are included. Optional extras such as kayaking and night walks are also available. (B,L,D)

Days 8-10 Depart by boat and then travel by road to reach Arenal, a mountain area of tropical rainforest with a massive conical volcano surrounded by National Park. Stay 3 nights with excursions to hike around the base of the volcano and see the lava flows from the 1968 eruption. Next day tour the wetlands

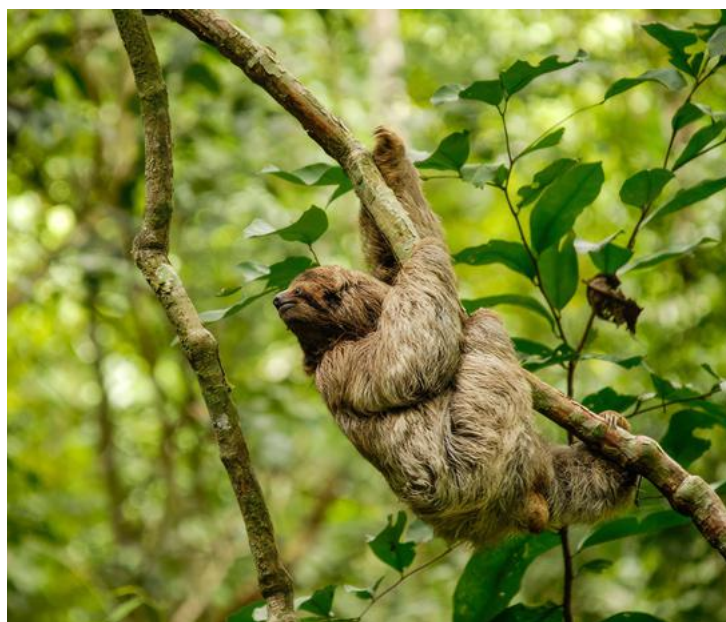
area of Caño Negro by boat. An new habitat with an abundance of birds and wildlife. (B)

Days 11-12 Transfer by road to Rincon de la Vieja, staying for 2 nights. One full day hike into the park, which protects montane forest and which is known for its variety of wildlife, picturesque waterfalls and boiling sulphurous fumaroles which signal the power and activity of the volcano. (B)

Days 13-14 Transfer across the border into Nicaragua, and take a boat across the eponymous lake to Ometepe Island, formed by two volcanoes rising out of the water. Stay for 2 nights at an eco-lodge with stunning views of the lake. Full day guided tour to explore the island, including local farms, pre-Columbian rock carvings and swimmable natural pools in the forest. (B)

Day 15-17 Transport by road to Granada, staying three nights in this colonial gem, founded in 1524. The city retains much of historic character and is a hub of local life. Tour the historic town by horse drawn carriage to admire the architecture, the ornate churches and the fortress. Next day visit the nearby Mayasa Volcano, getting a view inside the crater and a local handicraft market. (B)

Days 18-19 Continue to Leon, stay one night. (B) Transfer to the airport for your return flight home, arriving Day 20



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PRESENT DAY MAYAS & RAINFOREST

The Aurora Tour: Guatemala, Belize



The legacy of ancient Mayan civilisations is visible in archaeological sites surrounded by dense jungle and the colourful markets where people display their weavings. Belize adds a delightful Caribbean style, warm turquoise waters and the barrier reef's marine life.

Days 1-2 Depart to Guatemala City on Thursday, arriving in the evening and transfer to the old capital, Antigua. Tour to explore the cobbled streets, wonderful colonial architecture, courtyards and browse around the markets where local Indian ladies sit in brightly coloured traditional dress, selling their wares. (B)

Days 3-4 Drive to Chichicastenango, stay for 1 night at our colonial hotel. The following day visit the colourful Sunday market and the 400 year old church of Santo Tomás, housing a fascinating combination of Catholic and pagan symbols. We continue to Panajachel, staying at our hotel overlooking the spectacular Lake Atitlán for 2 nights. (B)

Day 5 We take a boat across the lake to Santiago de Atitlán to discover an isolated Mayan community. We continue by boat to scenic San Antonio Palopó, famed for its beautiful church, and the traditional costumes worn by the local people. (B)

Days 6-7 Return to Antigua for a 2 nights stay. Day at leisure to explore. (B)

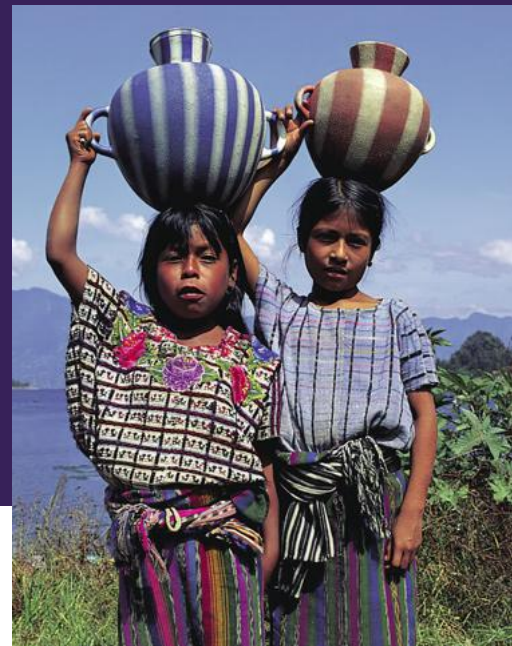
Days 8-9 Fly from Guatemala City to Flores and transfer to our jungle lodge in Tikal for 1 night. Then, accompanied by an expert guide, we follow the jungle trails to find the mighty pyramids of Tikal, hidden in the rainforest and towering above the dense tree canopy. Early morning climb to the top of a pyramid to view the wildlife from above. Our journey continues to Belize on Day 9 for 3 nights at Chaa Creek. (B)

Days 10-11 Spend two full days at Chaa Creek Lodge, well decorated cottages set among spectacular tropical gardens, located high on the banks of the meandering Macal River. We are free to explore the natural history centre, butterfly farm or Maya medicinal trail, swim in the pool or boat on the river, or take an excursion to the Mountain Pine Ridge, Rio Hondo or Jaguar Reserve (B)

Days 12-14 Transfer to Belize City, where we take a short flight over crystal clear waters and patch reef to the beautiful Caribbean island of Ambergris Caye. On arrival, transfer to

14 night itinerary:

Antigua - 2 nights
Chichicastenango - 1 night
Lake Atitlán - 2 nights
Antigua - 2 nights
Tikal - 1 night
Chaa Creek - 3 nights
Ambergris Caye - 3 nights



Lake Atitlán, Day 5

our beachfront resort, set amongst lush tropical gardens, close to the spectacular Hol Chan Marine Park. Relax in a hammock under shady palms, snorkel along the magnificent barrier reef, or enjoy water sports. (B)

Day 15 Return to Belize City for our overnight flight, arriving the following day, Friday, Day 16. (B)

The Aurora Tour departs Thursday, returns Friday - 16 days INCLUDING: 14 nights' accommodation and breakfast (B), all flights (1 overnight), transfers, excursions, transport and meals as shown. Please see the end of the brochure for further details of what is included.

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Buenos Aires - Colonia, Uruguay -
Iguazu Waterfalls - Rio de Janeiro



PERU, ECUADOR, GALAPAGOS

Andean Odyssey Tour

52 NIGHTS FROM £19,746pp

Quito - Amazon Lodge - Cuenca - Guayaquil -
Galapagos - Lima - Sacred Valley - Machu Picchu -
Cusco - Andean Train - Lake Titicaca **and more**



PERU, BOLIVIA

Moneda Tour

17 NIGHTS FROM £4,638pp

Santa Cruz - Sucre - Potosi - La Paz -
Puno / Lake Titicaca - Sacred Valley -
Machu Picchu - Cusco - Lima



ARGENTINA, CHILE, BOLIVIA

Altiplano Tour

20 NIGHTS FROM £6,932pp

Santa Cruz - Sucre - Potosi - Uyuni -
San Pedro de Atacama - Salta -
Iguazu Falls - Buenos Aires



ARGENTINA, CHILE

Patagonia Tour

18 NIGHTS FROM £5,498pp

Buenos Aires - Mendoza - Santiago - Santa Cruz
Vineyards - Lake District - Punta Arenas -
Torres del Paine - Perito Moreno Glacier



BRAZIL, ARGENTINA, CHILE

Cataratas Tour

14 NIGHTS FROM £5,342pp

Santiago - Puerto Varas - Lake District
across the Andes - Bariloche - Buenos Aires -
Iguazu Falls - Rio de Janeiro



PERU, ARGENTINA, CHILE, BOLIVIA

Pioneer Tour

78 NIGHTS FROM £27,432pp

Buenos Aires - Perito Moreno Glacier - Ushuaia -
Tierra del Fuego Cruise for 4 nights - Torres del
Paine - Puerto Varas - Andean Lakes **and more**



ARGENTINA, CHILE

Los Glaciers Tour

13 NIGHTS FROM £4,286pp

Buenos Aires - Perito Moreno Glacier -
Torres del Paine - Santiago



PERU, BOLIVIA

Quechua Tour

16 NIGHTS FROM £4,398pp

Lima - La Paz - Sucre - Potosi -
Lake Titicaca - Andean Train Journey - Sacred
Valley of the Incas - Machu Picchu - Cusco





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Pacal Tour

21 NIGHTS FROM £6,841pp

Mexico City - Palenque - Mérida - Chichen Itza - Belize - Tikal - Aguatemala - Belize - Antigua - Chichicastenango - Lake Atitlan



MEXICO, BELIZE, GUATEMALA

Dulce Tour

30 NIGHTS FROM £8,844pp

Antigua - Atitlan - Chichicastenango - Antigua - Copan - Dio Dulce - Livingston - Punta Gorda - Mountain Pine Ridge - Tikal - Palenque **and more**



MEXICO, BELIZE, GUATEMALA

Zapotec Tour

21 NIGHTS FROM £5,983pp

Mexico City - Oaxaca - Mérida - Chichén Itzá - Belize - Tikal - Chichicastenango Market - Lake Atitlán - Antigua **and more**



ECUADOR, GALAPAGOS, COSTA-RICA

Zuleta Tour

26 NIGHTS FROM £9,164pp

San Jose - Tortuguero - Bajos Del Toro - Arenal - Osa Peninsula - Manuel Antonio - Quito - Galapagos Islands



COSTA-RICA, BELIZE, GUATEMALA, PANAMA

Blancaneaux Tour

30 NIGHTS FROM £8,400pp

Panama City - Panama Canal - San Jose - Tortuguero - Arenal - Antigua - Lake Atitlan - Chichicastenango - Tikal **and more**



MEXICO, BELIZE

Kabah Tour

14 NIGHTS FROM £4,324pp

Cancun - Valladolid - Mérida - Playa del Carmen - Belize Mountain Pine Ridge - Ambergris Caye



BELIZE, GUATEMALA

Tikal Tour

14 NIGHTS FROM £4,196pp

Antigua - Chichicastenango - Lake Atitlan - Guatemala City - Tikal - San Ignacio, Belize - Lamanai, Belize

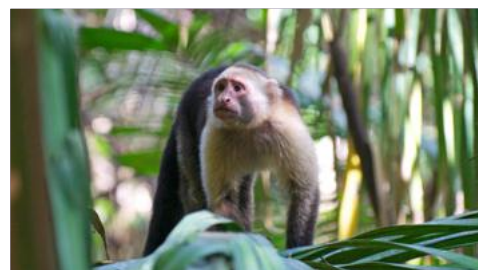


MEXICO, PERU

Castillo Tour

18 NIGHTS FROM £5,990pp

Lima - Lake Titicaca/Puno - The Sacred Valley - Machu Picchu - Cusco - Mexico City - Merida - Chichen-Itza - Tulum - Beach



PANAMA, COSTA-RICA

Naturalista Tour

22 NIGHTS FROM £6,040pp

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ECUADOR-GALAPAGOS, CARIBBEAN BEACH

Poseidon Tour

40 NIGHTS FROM £27,502pp

Rio de Janeiro - Iguassu Falls - Iguazu -
Buenos Aires - Lima - Lake Titicaca **and more**



PERU, ECUADOR, GALAPAGOS

Yasuni Tour

22 NIGHTS FROM £8,483pp

Quito - Amazon Cruise - Quito -
Avenue of the Volcanoes - Cuenca - Guayaquil -
Lima - Sacred Valley - Machu Picchu



ARGENTINA, CHILE

Magellan Tour

15 NIGHTS FROM £6,222pp

Buenos Aires - Argentine & Chilean
Andean Lake Regions - Torres del Paine
National Park - Tierra del Fuego Cruise



ARGENTINA, CHILE

Yamana Tour

14 NIGHTS FROM £5,996pp

Buenos Aires - Peninsula Valdes -
Ushuaia - Perito Moreno Glacier -
Torres del Paine Santiago



BRAZIL, PERU, ARGENTINA, CHILE, BOLIVIA

Osorno Tour

22 NIGHTS FROM £6,976pp

Rio de Janeiro - Iguazu Falls - Buenos Aires -
Bariloche - Andean Lakes Crossing -
Puerto Varas - La Paz - Lake Titicaca **and more**



PERU, ECUADOR-GALAPAGOS

Libertador Tour

15 NIGHTS FROM £6,856pp

Lima - Lake Titicaca - Andean Train Journey -
Sacred Valley - Machu Picchu - Cusco -
Quito - Galapagos Islands Cruise



BRAZIL, ARGENTINA, ANTARCTICA

Peninsula Lux Tour

23 NIGHTS FROM £19,336pp

Rio de Janeiro - Iguassu Waterfalls -
Buenos Aires - Ushuaia - Ultimate Antarctic
Cruise in Style - Buenos Aires



BRAZIL, ARGENTINA, CHILE, ANTARCTICA

Gentoo Tour

20 NIGHTS FROM £16,442pp

Rio de Janeiro - Iguassu -
Buenos Aires - Ushuaia -
Antarctica Cruise - Buenos Aires



BRAZIL, ARGENTINA, CHILE, ANTARCTICA

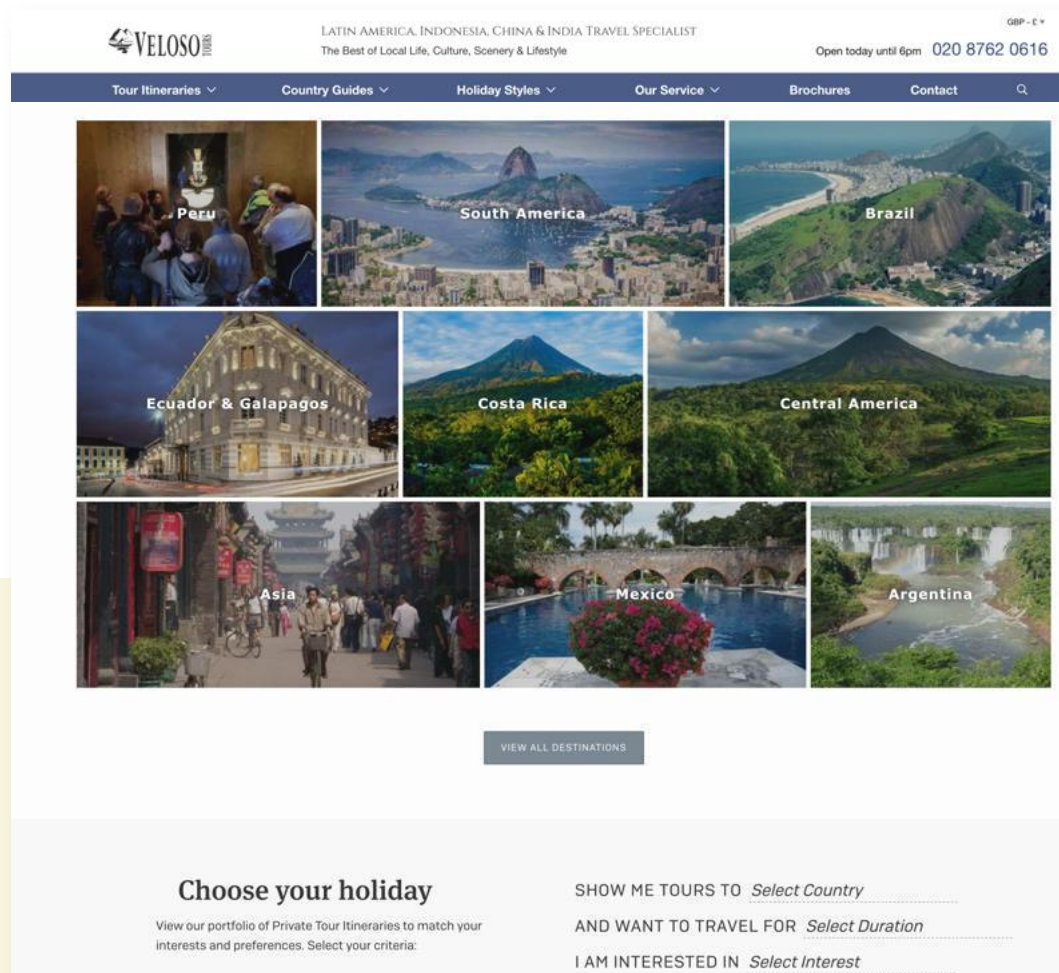
Explorer Tour

33 NIGHTS FROM £24,243pp

Rio de Janeiro - Iguassu - Buenos Aires -
Bariloche - Crossing Andean Mountain & Lakes -
Torres del Paine - Tierra del Fuego **and more**



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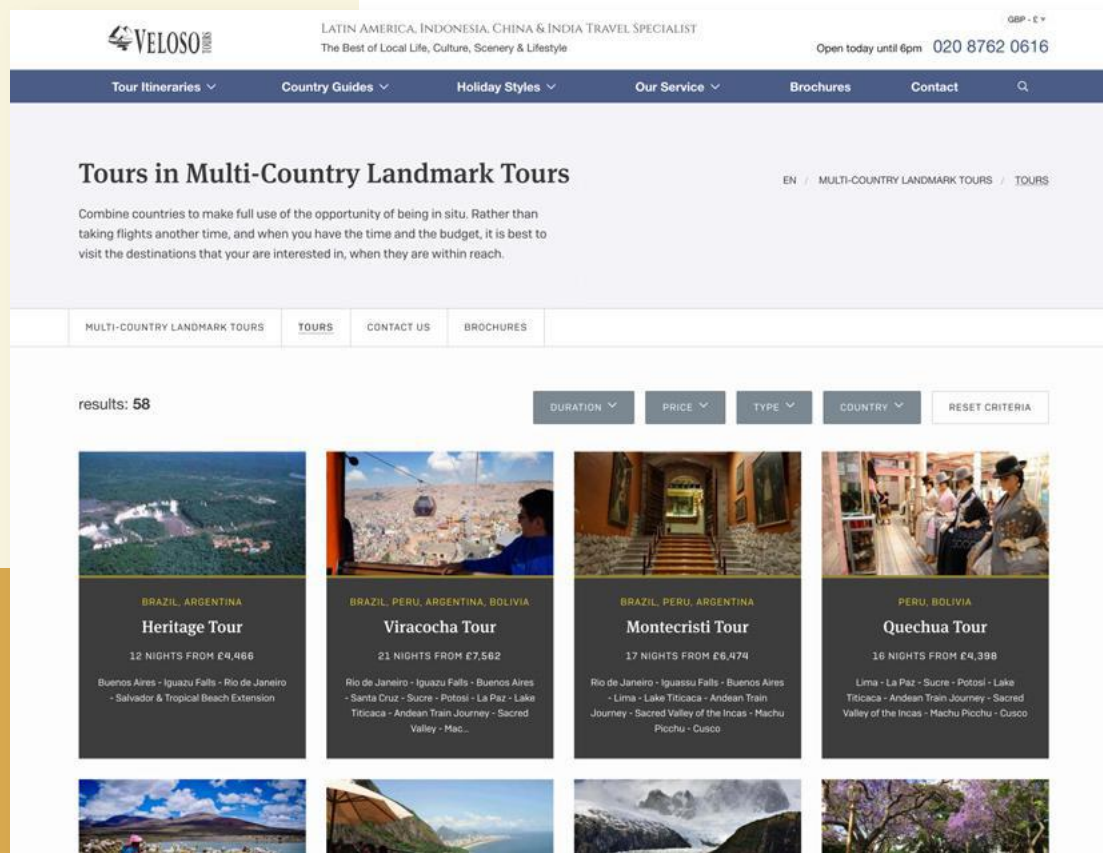
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BRAZIL & PERU & ARGENTINA

Cosmopolitan Cities, Magnificent Waterfalls & Mountain Landscapes to the Citadel of the Incas

MONTECRISTI TOUR - 17 NIGHT ITINERARY

Journey coast to coast from Rio de Janeiro to the mighty Iguassu Falls, explore Buenos Aires, Lima and Lake Titicaca and enjoy a luxury train journey across Andean mountain landscapes to Cusco, the Sacred Valley and Machu Picchu.

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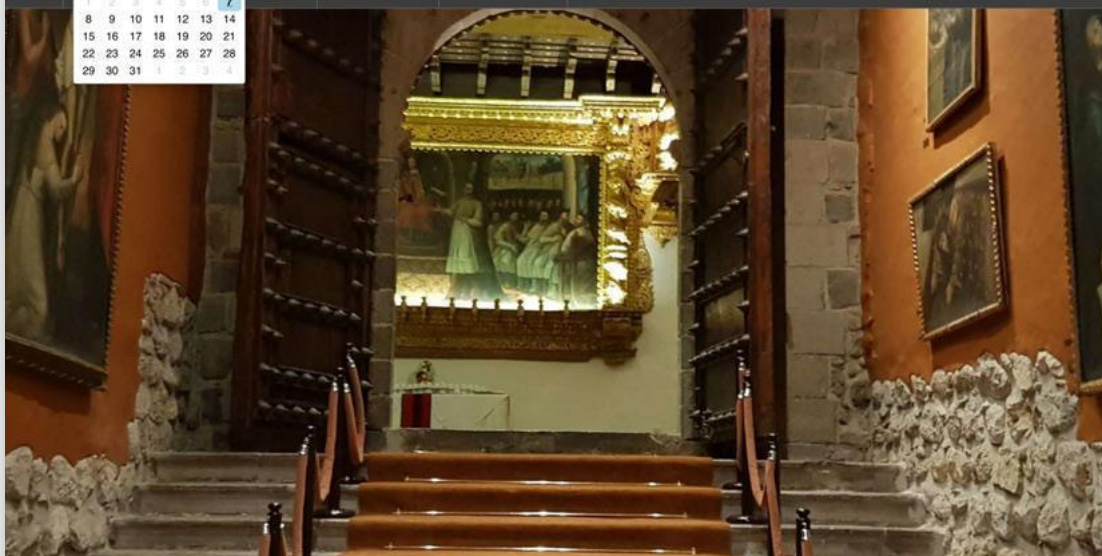
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PRICES & QUOTES



Travel Highlights

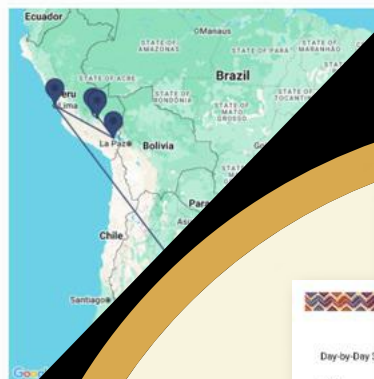
- Travel to **Brazil, Argentina and Peru**, for a perfect overview of South America
- Discover the remains of ancient empires shrouded in mystery, the sounds and colours of traditional Indian markets and the melodic rhythms of vibrant Brazil
- Explore magnificent **Rio de Janeiro**, visiting its famous beaches and iconic sights, as well as its historic centre and lush Atlantic cloud forest
- Experience the mighty **Iguassu Falls** from both the Brazilian and Argentinian sides
- Visit the coastal city of **Lima**, famed for its world class culinary scene
- Take a boat trip on beautiful **Lake Titicaca** meeting the local villagers
- Journey by train on the luxurious Andean Explorer through Andean mountain landscapes to the Inca capital **Cusco**
- Marvel at **Machu Picchu**, shrouded in cloud forest, and the **Scared Valley's** hilltop ruins.

Tour Route

- Rio de Janeiro - 3 NIGHTS
- Iguassu Falls - 1 NIGHT
- Buenos Aires - 3 NIGHTS
- Lima - 2 NIGHTS
- Lake Titicaca - 2 NIGHTS
- Sacred Valley & Cusco - 3 NIGHTS
- Machu Picchu - 1 NIGHT
- CUSCO - 2 NIGHTS

THIS ITINERARY CAN BE TAILORED TO YOUR PREFERENCES BY OUR SPECIALIST ADVISORS, WHO CAN PROVIDE A GUARANTEED PRICE BASED ON YOUR CHOICE OF DEPARTURE DATE, ROUTE, DURATION, FLIGHTS, CABIN, HOTELS, TRANSPORT AND EXCURSIONS.

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Day-by-Day

Day

Wednesday, 07 Oct

Thursday, 08 Oct

Friday, 09 Oct

Saturday, 10 Oct

Sunday, 11 Oct

Monday, 12 Oct

Tuesday, 13 Oct

Wednesday, 14 Oct

Thursday, 15 Oct

Friday, 16 Oct

Saturday, 17 Oct

Sunday, 18 Oct

Monday, 19 Oct

Tuesday, 20 Oct

Wednesday, 21 Oct

Thursday, 22 Oct

Friday, 23 Oct

Saturday, 24 Oct

Sunday, 25 Oct

First Class



Travel Highlights

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- Experience the mighty
- Visit the coastal city
- Take a boat trip on the
- Journey by train on the
- Marvel at Machu Picchu

What's Included:

- 15 Days / 17 Nights
- International flights (1 overnight)
- Internal flights
- Accommodation as shown on the itinerary
- Breakfast everyday and meals as described on the itinerary

Click to View Price Guidelines & Accommodation Options

Travel Made Service
We can modify and adapt this tour itinerary according to your preference or start ahead completely. It is necessary for us to speak on the telephone for us to prepare your precise and detailed tour itinerary.

What's Included:

- Transfers to and from airports
- Transport throughout the itinerary
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Our hand-picked guides offer you an exclusive insight into the best excursions and activities on offer.

SATURDAY, 07 MARCH 2026

Fly to Rio de Janeiro

Fly from the UK to Rio de Janeiro, arriving later the same evening. On arrival, you will be taken to your hotel for a 3-night stay on a bed and breakfast basis.



Download Your Tour Itinerary

Once you've selected tours that interest you, enter your preferred departure date and download the itinerary to your computer. The itinerary includes:

- A detailed route map
- A day-by-day summary showing accommodations and planned activities
- Excursion descriptions and hotel options

Note: Prices are indicative of the lowest level achievable when booking a year in advance. Dynamic airline fares and availability may affect the final price.

FACTS OF LIFE IN LATIN AMERICA



Many of the tourist facilities in Latin America have been developed to European standards and you may well be pleasantly surprised by the high quality of some of the hotels, cruise ships or yachts, and by the friendly professionalism of the staff who will look after you. However, many areas of Latin America are underdeveloped, with much lower standards of safety, hotels and transport than those required in the European Union. Passengers travelling on our trips must be prepared for these 'third world' circumstances and the possibility of long delays, changes and discomfort at times.

Very often local cultures and traditions do not place the same emphasis on speedy service and timetables that our busy lifestyles do. We travel to experience other people's way of life, including such differences, and with patience, tolerance and realistic expectations, it is easy to unwind and enjoy a memorable holiday. Our representatives and ourselves will all do our best to minimise any inconvenience and smooth the way as much as possible.

Travellers' Guide from Veloso Tours

All clients booking with us receive a comprehensive personal Travellers' Guide with information and suggestions on how best to prepare for travel in Latin America. This covers important issues such as health and vaccination, climate and clothes, money matters, luggage, security, flight reconfirmation, meeting your guides and airport transfers. Please make sure you have received it.

Accommodation

In selecting our hotels we have looked for style and character to enable clients to feel the identity of the country and culture that they are visiting. Many towns and villages in Central and South America have excellent colonial style hotels with beautiful decor and comfortable facilities, even luxury.

Unfortunately it is not always possible to find hotels with character in some of the towns and villages, or our first choice may not be available, in which case we use other hotels inspected and, in our opinion, providing a good level of comfort, facilities and service.

We have graded the hotels that we use on our tours as follows:

Deluxe Hotels are 5-star properties. More and more hotels and haciendas have opened in Latin America bringing a level of service, character, luxury and comfort that rivals the best in the world.

First Class Hotels are 4-star standard available throughout Latin America, offering comfortable rooms of a reasonable size with private toilet and shower facilities, telephone, television and air conditioning or heating. These hotels have a restaurant and bar, security boxes in the room, and some have a swimming pool, whilst all have a reasonable standard of decor.

Tourist Class Hotels are the equivalent of 2 or 3-star hotels. All the rooms offered to our clients will have private toilet and shower facilities, and whilst these hotels will serve breakfast they will not necessarily have



a restaurant serving lunch and dinner. These hotels provide an excellent base should you wish to spend most of the time sightseeing and will not stay much time in the room other than sleeping, yet demand a good standard of facilities, safety and cleanliness.

Lodges are available at remote locations such as in the rainforest, the mountains or the deserts. These are sometimes basic and built using local materials in keeping with their surroundings; they are often wooden with thatched roofs. Rooms are simply furnished with a bed, mattress, blanket and sheets, some with mosquito nets, separate toilets and showers facilities sometimes being shared. All have a dining area, cooks, staff and guides.

Shared Individual Tours

We provide services as on Individual Tours with different guides at each destination but, as there are set departure dates, you may travel with the same group of people in the same hotels, on flights, all transport, transfers and excursions. Once each service is delivered, you have time on your own.

WHAT THE PRICE INCLUDES

All the Tour Prices shown are per person and include the following:

Accommodation in standard rooms or cabins with single beds, service charges, local taxes, transfers from the airport to the hotel and back, excursions with an English-speaking guide, all transport by car, minibus, train or coach unless otherwise stated when travelling to the next destination. All the services as described in the itinerary are included. Meals as shown in the itinerary using these abbreviations: B for breakfast, L for lunch, D for dinner. Flight prices include Economy Cabin Seats on the transatlantic from the UK and internal flights, and all taxes payable in advance. The help, support and assistance of English-speaking Veloso Tours representatives in each country visited throughout the itinerary.

First Class Individual Tours:

Accommodation in FIRST Class hotels (4 Star equivalent), staying in Standard Rooms

or best hotel in the area with PRIVATE transfers, transport, excursions and guide. Private Tours allow you to maximise your time and to make stops, visits and optimising the route, with more flexible times and duration. You have the full attention of the guide so fulfill your interests.

Deluxe Individual Tours: Same as First Class but with accommodation in DELUXE hotels (5 Star equivalent), staying in Standard Rooms.

Tourist Class Individual Tours:

Accommodation in standard rooms at TOURIST Class hotels (3 Star equivalent) with SHARED group transport, transfers, guide and excursions wherever available, in order to reduce the cost. Shared transfers, transport and excursions entails a fair amount of time spent (wasted) waiting for other people, collecting and returning other passengers to their hotels and there is no choice of route, duration of time of

departure and return. The guide may speak more than one language as well as English.

Bespoke Individual Tour Itineraries:

Allow you to mix your options according to your preference and the destinations visited. You can choose accommodation and transport, depending on the amount of time you spend at each destination on your itinerary and costs. We produce a proposal with all the details for you to consider before making a booking. We are happy to speak in detail about each option and amend the itinerary proposal until you are fully satisfied with your tour itinerary.

Items not included in the price: Passport and visa costs, insurance, overseas departure and airport taxes, portage at the hotels and airport, meals not listed, personal expenditure, gratuities

Documentation & Local Representatives

Clients travelling on Individual Tours first receive an itinerary proposal with the total

price and listing all the hotels, transfers, excursions and services to be provided. Once you have paid in full we provide a final itinerary with all the contact details, addresses and telephone numbers of your hotels and our local partners. On Individual Tours, you have a supervisory role over the whole itinerary and the services, liaising with our agents or guides to check departure and meeting times. Our local representatives have English-speaking guides and staff to answer any questions you may have and are able to provide additional excursions, restaurant suggestions or general information.

Veloso Tours 24 hour UK Duty Officer

For peace of mind, we provide you with our 24 hour emergency telephone number manned by our duty officer, 365 days of the year, should it be necessary to for you contact us, at any time for help and assistance in an emergency.



BOOKING PROCEDURES

Individual Tours:

- Complete the booking form and send it to us or to our travel agent together with your deposit of £400 per person plus any pre-payments required.
- We make all the reservations for the flights and ground services listed on your itinerary.
- Within three days we will send you a confirmation of your complete itinerary, details of flights, dates, times, hotels, cruises, excursions and the status of your reservation.
- Once you have received confirmation of the full itinerary to your satisfaction, you send us the full payment eight weeks before departure.
- We will send you your flight tickets, vouchers, final itinerary and documentation for your holiday, no later than two weeks before departure.

Bespoke Individual Tour Itineraries:

- We will be pleased to discuss your travel plans by telephone or you may visit our office.
- The process of preparing your personal itinerary may involve a certain amount of liaising to arrive at an itinerary that best fits your requirements.
- We will send you a written proposal for your itinerary and once you are happy with the tour and price, you send us a deposit of £400 per person together with your booking form and we complete the booking in the manner described above in Individual Tours.

Your Supervisory Role on Individual Tours:

- You supervise the delivery of all the arrangements booked for you and shown with address and telephone number on the Final Itinerary that we send you before departure.
- Liaising with our local partner office to ask any questions. Most times the guide only knows the service that he/she is providing you and the office has the full picture.
- We take you the airport check-in and you find your way to the gate and flight connection.
- On arrival at the airport or bus or train station you look for the guide meeting you.
- Most of all, this means being aware of the times when you will be met so you are ready.

OUR PRICES

We aim to provide a competitive price consistent with the high quality of our service, consumer protection and commitment to our clients. The prices in this brochure are correct at the time of going to press, but are not guaranteed and may change over time. We will quote you the exact price when you first enquire, for you to consider and agree, before you decide to book and before we confirm your booking and take your deposit. Once you receive our confirmation invoice our prices are guaranteed if you pay in full within one month from the date of the invoice.

Our prices may bear no relation to prices of services in Latin America, available and payable locally at the time of travel, contracted by local agents or special promotions. We cannot provide a breakdown of prices other than those shown in our brochure. Please note that travel arrangements are not always purchased in local currencies and any apparent changes in local prices have no impact on the price of your travel due to contractual and other protection in place. Prices shown for Escorted Group Tours and Individual Tours include Transatlantic flights and all internal flights and the land tour services listed on the itinerary. We can take out the value of the flights so you arrange your own flights, perhaps as part of a round-the-world ticket, or on airmiles.

Single Travellers and Own Room / Single Room Supplement

The price shown for a single traveller on an Individual Tour includes the cost of a single room. The single room supplement or price for Own Room applies to those who prefer to stay in their own room, just for you, when several people travel together. A person travelling alone on one of our Group Tours can avoid the cost paying for a single room if he or she is willing to share a room or cabin for double occupancy, and there is a person of the same gender who is also willing to share.

HEALTH & VACCINATIONS

All passengers should consult their doctors for proper medical advice and vaccinations in good time before travel. It is important to consider taking precautions against illnesses in the area that you are visiting, but these vary widely and there are no compulsory vaccination requirements for passengers travelling from Europe or the United States. All passengers arriving in Brazil from Bolivia, Ecuador & Peru MUST have a Yellow Fever Vaccination & Certificate taken at least 21 days earlier. There is a Health Information Service on 0845 46 47 or MASTA Travellers Health advice website www.masta-travelhealth.com validated by the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. However, vaccines are only the first step. It is just as important to take precautions while travelling since the reality is that the more common ailments may prove to be the most disruptive. When we confirm your booking we will send you our pre-departure Travellers' Guide with essential information for your journey.

SAFETY & SECURITY

It is important that you should be aware, before you book your holiday, that standards of health, safety and security in many parts of Latin America do not meet European standards. Many areas are poor, underdeveloped, with different priorities and a serious lack of resources to import the standards and technical ability that we enjoy in Europe. Visiting Latin America means being part of the life and standards in those countries, with all the limitations of their social, economic, political and regulatory conditions. Unfortunately crimes against people and their property can occur everywhere in the world and Latin America is no exception. Travellers have the same obligation to look after their personal safety, health, security and possessions as they do at home. Our Travellers' Guide provides information and suggestions on precautions to take while travelling. Since the situation is constantly changing, you may wish to check the advice and up-to-date information issued by The Foreign and Commonwealth Office Travel Advice Unit by phone 084 585 028 29 or on BBC2 (Ceefax) page 470 or at their web site www.fco.gov.uk

SPECIAL REQUESTS / INTERESTS

Our commitment to our clients' comfort leads us to try to satisfy special requirements in order to make your trip as enjoyable as possible. We require a written note on the booking form with any such request, highlight, essential requirement or special interest you may have. To make sure, we will book it first and confirm to you that we can provide it.

FLIGHTS

Special Reduced Fares and Restrictions

Prices in this brochure and tailor-made quotations are based on special leisure airfares and conditions offered to us by the airlines primarily for holiday travel, as opposed to the normal IATA fares used mostly for business travel. These represent a reduction on the normal IATA fares which entitle passengers to privileges and flexibility that leisure passengers do not normally require.

Tickets at our special fares are 100% non-refundable, valid ONLY on the airline, flight and dates shown and do not entitle passengers to switch to another airline in case of a flight cancellation, delay or technical problem with the aircraft or the reservation. However, we are able to offer higher IATA airfares and aircraft charters to clients for whom these restrictions are not acceptable.

Flights with Special Service Classes

For more comfort, most airlines have their own special service class on board, called Club World, First Class, Upper Class, Business First and so on, providing passengers with larger reclining seats, sometimes flat beds, better meals and other benefits at a premium fare. However, there is no uniform equivalence between each airline's service classes, and the prices and service offered are very different. Please ask for our advice, price and details of the service each airline provides.

Delays, Reservations and Problems with Flights

The vast majority of flights operate without any problem, particularly off peak. The reality of air travel in the world today is one where the volume of flights and passengers at the airports, together with congestion and economic pressures, lead to the possibility of lost luggage, delays, cancellations and the overbooking of flights. The whole process of going through crowded airports, queues, check-in, officials, endless security and flights, is not an enjoyable experience, but rather a test of patience and endurance.

Clients travelling long haul must be aware of this reality and must be prepared to cope with the consequences of any disruption, including delays that may be in the order of a few minutes or several long hours. Normally airlines provide accommodation and meals or refreshments if the wait is prolonged but this may not be the case with some smaller airlines in countries with limited resources.

The airline ticket entitles you to be taken from A to B but it does not guarantee when or how. It is common sense that in everyone's interest, airlines have a paramount concern for the safety of their crew and passengers, therefore timekeeping is of secondary importance should the airline find or suspect any technical problem with the aircraft, crew, weather or air traffic control. In addition, clients should accept that, at times, airlines may have to change the type of aircraft used and the destination airport, in which case you will be taken back to your original destination, on alternative transport, as soon as possible.





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