

Wild Peru Escape: Amazon and Machu Picchu

Experience the best of Peru, with the Amazon and Machu Picchu, on this nine-day Wild Peru Escape. Starting in Lima on a Saturday night, stay two nights at Machu Picchu and spend a full day exploring the iconic sanctuary. Next, explore Cusco, imperial capital of the Inca. Then, fly to Iquitos and the Amazon for a five-day voyage aboard *Delfin II* in Peru's Pacaya-Samiria National Reserve.

\$ 9,011 / per person Does not include flights



Feb, May, Jul, Aug, Oct and Nov DURATION
9 Days



SHIPS
Delfin II

STARTS AT Lima, Peru

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ENDS AT Lima, Peru

NOTE: Passport information to secure Machu Picchu tickets is needed at time of booking due to an increase in demand. Bookings within 60 days are subject to confirmation of availability.





Highlights

- ★ Spend a full day exploring the fabled Machu Picchu archaeological site with hand-picked guides
- ★ Discover the cobbled lanes and monuments of Cusco, imperial capital of the Inca
- ★ Journey to Iquitos and the Amazon for a five-day voyage aboard the 28-guest *Delfin II* riverboat, venturing out daily in nimble skiffs and kayaks to explore tributaries brimming with wildlife
- **★** Explore the flooded forest of Pacaya-Samiria National Reserve with a team of experienced local naturalists











Day by day

DAY 1

Lima, Peru

Arrive in Lima, Peru's thriving capital, and transfer to the convenient Wyndham Costa del Sol, connected to the airport. Most international flights arrive in the late evening. Opt to arrive early for a Lima pre-voyage extension staying at the iconic Country Club Lima Hotel. The extension adds just a day to the expedition and gives you a chance to rest, relax, and see this UNESCO World Heritage designated city.

Arrival Time: Anytime.

Arrival City: Lima, Peru

♦ DAY 2

Lima / Cusco / Sacred Valley

Arriving in Cusco, drive through the Sacred Valley to Chinchero, a typical Andean village where National Geographic Grantee Nilda Callañaupa joins us for lunch and a demonstration of Inca weaving traditions. Continue to Ollantaytambo and board our late afternoon scenic train to Machu Picchu and check in at our hotel. We stay for two nights at Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel, with Andean-style casitas set inside a private mountainside reserve with 300 species of orchids. Don't forget to pack your duffel bag for our 2-day trip to Machu Picchu.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

♦ DAY 3

Machu Picchu

Take the full day to explore Machu Picchu, the Inca royal retreat introduced to the world by Hiram Bingham in the April 1913 *National Geographic* magazine.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

♦ DAY 4

Sacred Valley / Cusco

Return to Ollantaytambo by train and continue to Cusco, where we explore the ornate 17th-century cathedral and Plaza de Armas, the sacred Inca Temple of the Sun, and other treasures of this burgeoning cultural capital and center of the Inca universe, where colonial buildings stand atop Inca foundations. Check in at Palacio del Inka in the historic center. Dinner is on your own tonight to explore nearby restaurants or rest and relax at the hotel.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch

♦ DAY 5

Cusco / Lima / Iquitos / Nauta / Embark Ship

After breakfast, fly via Lima to Iquitos in the Peruvian Amazon basin, and continue overland to the riverside village of Nauta, where the *Delfin II* awaits. Settle into your cabin and gather for a welcome dinner of fine Peruvian cuisine on board. Tonight, step out on deck to gaze at the magnificent Amazon night sky.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

♦ DAYS 6-8

Exploring the Pacaya-Samiria Reserve

Explore the Pacaya-Samiria National Reserve, a pristine swath of jungle stretching more than five million acres and harboring some of the Amazon's



most fascinating flora and fauna. The reserve is bordered by the Marañón and the Ucayali, two powerful rivers that converge to create the famed Amazon, which floods annually with nutrient-rich waters and is known locally as the Mirrored Forest for the reflections created by its seasonal glassy water.

Set out into this remarkable wilderness on daily excursions by skiff, kayak, and, when the water level permits, hikes on dry land. Look for sloths and monkeys, including variably colored saddleback tamarins, noisy howlers, and shaggy-tailed monk saki monkeys. Watch for an astounding variety of birds, from tanagers and hummingbirds to parrots and endangered scarlet macaws. In the river, look for massive paiche fish, the Amazon's largest; rare pink dolphins; and the infamous piranhas.

One of the unexpected joys of traveling in the Upper Amazon of Peru is the interaction we have with the local *ribereños*, the traditional people who live on the riverbanks. Visit the local non-profit Minga Peru, including a program of handicraft development, radio broadcasts, women's health initiatives, and efforts in sustainable farming.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

DAY 9

Nauta / Disembark Ship / Iquitos / Lima

Disembark in Nauta, stopping at the Amazon Rescue Center on the drive to Iquitos. Fly to Lima, where we visit Museo Larco and celebrate with a farewell dinner before late-night flights home. Ask your expedition specialist about options to extend your stay, including an overnight at the Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport hotel.

Departure Time: After 7:00 PM local time.

Departure City: Lima.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner





Expedition

 $\mathsf{Lima,\,Peru} \to \mathsf{Lima,\,Peru}$

2024 Departure Dates

Aboard Delfin II

25 May		
24 Aug		
26 Oct		

2025 Departure Dates

Aboard Delfin II

15 Feb		
12 Jul		
30 Aug		
01 Nov		



Delfin II

Guests	Suites
28	14

Delfin II is a stately riverboard, built in 2009 for the express purpose of exploring deep jungles in modern tropical style.

As much of the river as on it and locally built, *Delfin II's* iron exterior is clad in tropical hardwoods and her interior gleams with wood floors and lacquered palm ceilings. Wood stairs float between decks and lazily turning ceiling fans add the right tropical notes, while the air- conditioning invisibly cools and dehumidifies.

The lounge, center of our life as an expedition community, features a welcoming open bar and inviting seating. The dining room is decorated with locally crafted lanterns that hang over an impressive central buffet table, which was carved from a massive tree root found floating in the river and installed before the ship's windows were—three walls of windows keep us connected to the nonstop panorama outside. In fact, the prestigious Relais & Châteaux recently inducted the ship into its hotel group, recognizing its commitment to local nature and culture and its exquisite Amazonian-Peruvian cuisine.

The cabins are airy and supremely comfortable—the perfect place to end active days. Slip into a bed that is well-appointed with crisp cotton linens and drift off as you gaze out at the starry night through the generous, river-framing window wall. *Delfin II*, our base for daily explorations to which we happily return, has a distinct advantage over any land-based camp—she moves, giving you an ever-varied experience of the Amazon's multiple landscapes and wonders.







Cabin Categories

Suite

Upper Deck: #11-14

Main Deck: #1-6

All suites have two twin beds that can convert to a king. Some suites can be connected for families travelling together (call for details). Each includes a large view window, excellent reading lights, a closet, small sofa chair, and desk. Bathrooms are spacious with a large shower, separate toilet and sink area.



Master Suite

Upper Deck: #15, #16

Main Deck: #7, #8

Master suites on this deck have king beds, oversized windows that provide incredible 90-degree views overlooking the river, excellent reading light, a closet, small sofa chair, closet, and desk. Bathrooms are spacious with a large shower, separate toilet, and sink area.

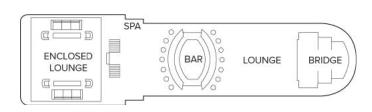


Shared Accommodations:



Deck Plans

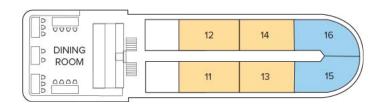
Observation Deck



Upper Deck

Suite

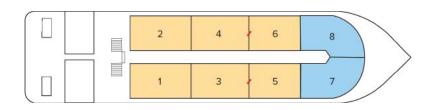
Master Suite



Main Deck

Suite

Master Suite





Ship amenities

Public Areas

With sweeping views, public areas include an air-conditioned presentation room, an open-air lounge and bar up top, and a dining room with a 270-degree panorama. There is also a small library, exercise room, and spa. Visit the open bridge, where you are welcome anytime.



Meals

Dining aboard is an extraordinary daily event. Meals are artfully prepared, and all food served aboard, except for olive oil and balsamic vinegar, is sourced locally. The dining room accommodates all guests at once for a single seating.

Cabins

14 outside cabins. All suites face outside with floor to ceiling windows with unobstructed views of the river. Private bathrooms feature a hot shower, organic toiletries, and hair dryers. Other features include airconditioning and indoor sitting area.



Expedition Equipment

Search for rare birds and mammals and explore the tributaries that feed these rivers aboard 10-person skiffs, which feature individual seats with cushions and plenty of legroom. Kayaks offer a quiet way to explore remote, seldom-visited side streams.

Special Features

Get a true "taste of the region" as much of the food is grown in the surrounding rainforest by local farmers who maintain sustainable agricultural practices. Even the "pillow" chocolates are crafted of local cacao.



Special Offers

COMPLIMENTARY TRANSFERS

We include arrival and departure airport transfers for all guests in Ecuador and Peru, whether by group, hotel shuttle, or private transfer (please share your flight information two weeks before your departure). In addition, we provide transfers for guests who are booked on ticketed internal flights from Guayaquil, Quito, or Lima to and from the Galapagos, Cusco or Iquitos.

SAVE 5% TRAVELING AS A GROUP

Save 5% when traveling as a group of eight or more people. Valid on voyage fares only and not applicable on extensions or airfare. Deposit, final payments, and cancellation policies for group travel vary from our regular policies. Valid for new bookings only, subject to availability, and may not be combined with other offers. Call for details.

CELEBRATE LIFE'S MILESTONES

Celebrate a milestone with a group of eight or more and enjoy a special amenity package including: 5% savings on voyage fares, custom group photo, US\$150 shipboard credit for the group, and other special gifts. Milestone celebration to be communicated at time of booking. Valid for new bookings only on select departures, subject to availability, not applicable on airfare or extensions, and may not be combined with other offers. Deposit, final payments, and cancellation policies for group travel vary from our regular policies. Call for details.

10% OFF BACK-TO-BACK VOYAGES

Save 10% on consecutive departures, applicable on voyage fares only and not valid on extensions

or airfare. Valid for new bookings only, subject to availability, and may not be combined with other offers. Call for details.

BRINGING THE KIDS

We believe sharing an expedition with children is a life-enhancing experience. Take \$500 off for each child under the age of 18 on any departure. Not applicable on extensions or airfare. Call for details.

COMBINING OFFERS

Certain offers may be combinable, up to two savings opportunities, except where noted otherwise. For example, travel with a group of 8 or more on back-to-back expeditions, and take advantage of both savings.





Included in price

All accommodations aboard ship or in hotels per itinerary; all meals as indicated in the itinerary, both aboard and onshore; free beer, wine and Pisco Sours with meals on all 2023 departures aboard Delfin II (starting in 2024, spirits and cocktails are also included); hors d'oeuvres, non-alcoholic beverages, and filtered water; excursions and airport transfers to and from recommended flights, as indicated in the itinerary; exploration tools curated to destination, such as kayaks and skiffs; guidance and company of our leading expedition staff; presentations by expedition staff and expert guest speakers; assistance by the Lindblad Expeditions-National Geographic Certified Photo Instructor; complimentary reusable water bottle; services of a medic assistant; 24-hour access to exercise equipment; 24-hour access to lounges, observation decks, library, and other shared spaces; park and site entrance fees, special access permits, and port taxes. Unused services or items included in our programs are non-refundable.

Not included in price

Airfare (except flights when indicated as included); preand post-expedition extensions; additional hotel nights (except when indicated as included); crew gratuities; private transfers; laundry, spa treatments, Wi-Fi, and phone services (except when indicated as included); travel protection plans; and passport, visa, and immigration fees.

Travel protection plan

We strongly recommend our guests to take advantage of our Travel Protection Plan. This plan offers comprehensive coverage to protect you from cancellation fees, costs incurred due to trip delays/interruption, damage or loss of baggage, medical assistance, and evacuation during your travels. Our Travel Protection Plan is available for U.S. residents only, and may be purchased any time prior to final payment due date, Travel Protection premiums are non-refundable once plan is purchased. Learn more about our Travel Protection "Plus" Plan: https://www.expeditions.com/terms-conditions/travel-protection-plan/

Cancellation policy

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