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## TRIP DETAILS

3 days / 2 nts - Peru

Departures Daily

Trip Ref 2403

## ITINERARY IN BRIEF

Tambopata 2nts

PRICES FROM \$494



## Sandoval Lake, Tambopata

The famous Tambopata reserve is the closest part of the Peruvian Amazon to Cuzco, and is one of the largest protected areas in the country. It can only be reached by a canoe trip down the Madre de Dios river. The Sandoval Lake, beside the lodge, is an attractive jungle lake with caiman, turtles, exotic birds, monkeys and the rare and endangered giant otter. This extension offers a great chance to combine nature with the Inca and colonial splendours of Cuzco and Machu Picchu.

### Day 1: Arrive in Cusco - Puerto Maldonado - Tambopata

Transfer to Cusco airport, assistance on departure flight. Upon arrival in Puerto Maldonado, transfer to the pier, enjoy a twenty-five minute motor-canoe ride down the Madre de Dios River to the starting point of a half hour trek. After arriving at a small channel, board a dugout canoe for a short trip to Lake Sandoval. Continue the journey on a catamaran to reach [Sandoval Lake Lodge](#).

After lunch, board the catamaran again to visit the west side of the Lake. Early in the evening, observe the macaws arriving to the place to spend the night. After dinner, canoe expedition in search of the impressive black caiman. Breakfast /Lunch /Dinner.



### Day 2: Tambopata



Wake up at dawn to be at the lake at sunrise for a hopeful encounter with the family of giant otters, frequently visiting the Lake. A good chance to see and photograph the very rare prehistoric-looking hoatzin bird.

After breakfast, walk through the upper jungle near the lake to see towering wild brazil nut trees, where you can see the natives techniques to collect, open, pack and commercialize this product. This is a very important economic activity in the area.

After lunch, visit to the east area of the lake to appreciate some of the five species of monkeys inhabiting the place, especially the most remarkable brown capuchin. Mid-day is best for resting, due to the heat.

After dinner, evening exploration: this is the time when the rain forest comes alive with about 90 species of bats, 40 species of frogs, 70 species of large katydids (rain forest grasshoppers), and cat species, the jaguar, the puma, the ocelot, and the margay. You will have the opportunity to explore along different trails through the primary forest and to hear the night sounds of the jungle. Breakfast /Lunch /Dinner.



### Day 3: Tambopata - Puerto Maldonado - Fly out from Lima

After a breakfast at about dawn, take a final shorter paddle around the western end of the lake to try to glimpse the giant otters and to take some final pictures of lake birds before entering the canal again, walking back to the river, boarding a motorized canoe from Tambopata to the pier in Puerto Maldonado and transfer to the airport. Breakfast.

Prices are per person

REGULAR GROUP TOURS (2 night / 3 day)

2009 / 2010	Single	Double	Triple
	\$561	\$441	N/A

\* Rates are per person & are subject to change, without notice

\*Prices valid to December 16, 2010

### Price :

Transfers out Cusco airport, Portorage at airport, pier, station and hotel on transfers. Entrance fees on sightseeing tours, Official Spanish/ English speaking guide on all tours, all meals as per itinerary. Hotel taxes & entrance to Lake Sandoval..

**Price does not include:**

Domestic air fares, International (US\$30.25) and domestic (\$6.05) airport departure taxes  
Meals not mentioned in the itinerary, personal expenses (laundry, beverages, communications, etc).

**Note:** for the Peruvian Amazonian you need to obtain a Yellow Fever vaccination.

**WHAT TO BRING**

We recommend:

- Good binoculars
- Camera gear (ASA 50, 100 and 200 recommended)
- Two or three pairs of long pants
- Four pairs of absorbent cotton socks
- Rain suit or long poncho (100% waterproof - test before you leave home)
- Three or four long-sleeved cotton shirts
- Two or three T-shirts
- A bottle or canteen to carry water on outings
- Sunscreen lotion (high factor)
- A hat that will not come off in windy boat-rides
- One pair of shorts
- Sunglasses
- A pair of sneakers or hiking boots (with good gripping soles) and sandals
- Insect repellent (Skin-so-soft for river, and 20% or more deep for forest)
- A photocopy of your passport
- A large, bright flashlight
- Personal toiletries and medications
- Rubber Boots for the rainy season from November to April.
- Cash for souvenirs at the lodge's PeruVerde stand, alcoholic beverages, etc

**Please note:** Guests should arrive in clothes which they do not mind getting slightly dirty or wet, and should wear footwear that is suitable to walk on a rain forest trail. Sun cream, insect repellent, hat and waterproof clothing should be carried in hand luggage and kept accessible for the journey to the lodge.

It's not necessary to bring all of your luggage with you. You will enjoy your trip more if only the essentials are brought. WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND YOU PREPARE YOUR DAY PACK A DAY BEFORE YOUR TRIP. YOUR MAIN BAGGAGE CAN BE LEFT IN OUR STORE ROOM AT OUR OFFICE IN PUERTO MALDONADO.

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