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Brazil, Argentina & Peru highlights

Day 1: Arrive in Rio de Janeiro
Upon arrival in Rio, our representative will be waiting for you at the airport and he will take you to your hotel. Overnight in Rio.

Day 2: Rio (Full day Sugar Loaf & Corcovado)
Corcovado and Sugar Loaf are the two largest tourist attractions in the city of Rio de Janeiro. The Corcovado, that holds the Statue of Christ Redeemer, is the face of faith and sympathy of the Carioca people. Sugar Loaf, in turn, is a tourist complex in a privileged location because of its panoramic view. Our tour includes the ride out the hotel in the morning and the visit to the Sugar Loaf where we have a panoramic view of Guanabara Bay, Copacabana, Urca, Botafogo, Flamengo and its surroundings. The visit continues in a vehicle with air-conditioning through the Flamengo Park, Downtown and Maracana Stadium. In the afternoon we stop for lunch at a buffet restaurant (drinks not included) and then climb the Corcovado in the historical train ("Electric Car"), stopping a few feet away from the access stairs of the statue of Christ the Redeemer where we have a wide view of Rio de Janeiro, with its beaches and mountains. Finally, at the end of the tour, we pass by the beaches of Sao Conrado, Leblon, Ipanema and Copacabana. Tour in group basis. Overnight in Rio.

(Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 3: Rio (Free day)
Free day to relax or explore the area on your own. Overnight in Rio.

(Included meals: Breakfast)

Day 4: Rio - Iguazu (Brazilian falls)
Morning transfer to the airport for your flight to Iguazu. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel. Then our trip begins at the Iguaçu National Park where we will drive through the lush, subtropical vegetation of the park en route to the falls. We will take a stroll on the trail that descends down the canyon, to offer panoramic views of more than 240 falls. We will then take the glass elevator up the cliff face for an exquisite view from the upper deck. The Iguassu National Park along with its "sister" park in Argentina form the most significant remaining rainforest in the southern cone of South America which along with the waterfalls, have been declared a National Heritage Site by UNESCO (for passengers staying at Hotel Das Cataratas, the tour departs from the hotel. We will end the tour with a visit to the artisans fair). Overnight in Iguazu.

(Included meals: Breakfast)

Day 5: Iguazu (Argentine falls with great adventure tour)
Today, we will cross the Tancredo Neves Bridge, heading towards the Iguazu National Park in Argentina. At the entrance, a small train will take visitors on a tour through the park, making 2 stops. We will follow the pathways to the top of the waterfalls that provide spectacularly unique views of the 'Cataratas', amidst the abundant nature filled with orchids, colorful birds and other wildlife. The highlight of the tour is a visit to the suspended platform at the very brink of the 'Garganta do Diabo' waterfall (Devil's Throat) - the largest fall in the park. This tour highlights the Argentinean side of Foz do Iguazu.

The Great Adventure Boat Tour (group basis)* is unique, and combines the whole essence of the 240 waterfalls and surrounding Jungle of the Iguassu National Park in one tour. The tour is offered daily, every hour, and departs from the Head Office or The Visitors Center. The tour starts by entering the jungle from the "Sendero Yacaratía" trail with special transportation that allows a panoramic view of the surrounding nature along with experienced and knowledgeable guides. After an 8 km truck ride, we will arrive at the Puerto Macuco Base, at a floating platform where the second part of the tour begins. With motor-boats, we will take visitors 6 km through the Canyon of the Iguazu River, through the rapids, up until the falls. After enjoying the view from the calm side of the San Martin Island, we will sail to the "Tres Mosqueteros" waterfall, where the Brazilian and Argentinean sides of the Garganta do Diabo waterfall (Devil's Throat) can be clearly appreciated. After that, we will sail along the shore of the island until we get to the most exciting part of the tour where we face the San Martin waterfall, a wonderful and unforgettable experience, for it's the largest waterfall any motor-boat can approach safely. When the tour is complete, passengers will disembark at the base of the lower circuit where visitors can follow the trail back to the park. *The tour lasts approximately 1.5 hours. Transfer back to your hotel. Overnight in Iguazu.

(Included meals: Breakfast)

Day 6: Iguazu - Buenos Aires
Transfer (group basis) to airport for flight to Buenos Aires. Arrival at Aeroparque airport (local). Assistance on arrival by one of our representatives, who will take you to the hotel. Our representatives will help with check-in procedures. Overnight in Buenos Aires.

(Included meals: Breakfast)

Day 7: Buenos Aires (City tour)
After a delicious breakfast at the hotel, depart on a guided half day tour to the most important places in the Capital Federal. The tour includes the National Congress, the Metropolitan Cathedral, Government House and the area of Plaza de Mayo. You will be at the heart of the Tango activity where these sensuous dance is performed in the street for passers by to enjoy in the traditional neighborhood of San Telmo, where this typical dance dwells. Then you will visit La Boca and stop at this colorful suburb of the city adopted years ago as his home by the first Italian immigrants. Today is home for important artists. Then, a visit to Palermo is scheduled, a residential neighborhood with parks and elegant buildings. Finally, you will visit the sophisticated Recoleta, one of the most exclusive neighborhoods in which among other attractions, you can take a look at the famous cemetery alongside fine restaurants and cafes. Free time afternoon. Overnight in Buenos Aires.

Optional (not included):
Evening trip to the elegant Casa de Tango "Esquina Carlos Gardel" to enjoy the glamour, excitement and sophistication of the best Music in Argentina.

(Included meals: Breakfast)

Day 8: Buenos Aires (Free day)
Free day. Overnight in Buenos Aires.

Optional (not included):
We suggest you will go on a tour to Fiesta Gaucha. You will visit an Estancia Argentina "Don Silvano", located in San Antonio de Areco, to enjoy a perfect day in the country and discover aspects of the life of the traditional character the Argentinean Gaucho. You will experience a horseback riding exhibition and you will enjoy a banquet of "empanadas" and a delicious "grill" with an excellent Argentine wine.

(Included meals: Breakfast)

Day 9: Buenos Aires - Lima
Transfer to Ezeiza international airport (spanish speaking driver only) to take your flight to Peru. Upon your arrival in Lima, we will provide assistance at the airport and transfer you to the hotel. Overnight in Lima.

(Included meals: Breakfast)

Day 10: Lima (City tour)
Half day tour of the "City of the Kings". Panoramic visit to the Huaca Pucllana, archaeological center that was active between the 5th and 8th centuries A.D. Proceed to San Isidro and enjoy a panoramic view of the Olivar of San Isidro, that stands out among the parks of the hemisphere and symbolizes the virreynal and republican tradition of this district, highlighted by its magnificent olives dating from virreynal times. Continue to the Historical Centre of Lima and see the Plaza Mayor, the Government Palace, the City Hall, the Cathedral and the Archbishop's Palace. Then on to the San Francisco Monastery, a masterpiece of colonial architecture housing important colonial paintings. At the end of the tour, transfer to your hotel. Overnight in Lima

(Included meals: Breakfast)

Day 11: Lima - Cuzco
We will transfer you from the hotel to Lima airport for your departure flight to Cuzco. Upon arrival in Cusco, assistance at the airport and transfer to the hotel. Rest of day at leisure to acclimatize. Overnight in Cuzco.

(Included meals: Breakfast)

Day 12: Cuzco (City tour)
Morning at leisure, then in the afternoon enjoy a half day City tour of Cusco, including the Santo Domingo convent monastery. This former Colonial monastery was previously the Korikancha temple, one of the most important temples devoted to the worship of the sun.

According to the chronicles, it was covered in gold Leaf and filled with golden representations of nature. Visit also the Cathedral, the most important temple of the city which houses the headquarters of the Diocese.

After touring the most interesting sites of the city, you will be driven to the countryside outside Cusco to visit some of the remarkable Inca ruins in the area. Included are the cult centre of Sacsayhuaman, the temple and amphi- theatre of Kenko, and the Red Fortress of Puca Pucara. Finally the tour will take you to visit Tambomachy, It consists of a series of aqueducts, canals and waterfalls that run through the terraced rocks. The function of the site is uncertain: it may have served as a military outpost guarding the approaches to Cusco, as a spa resort for the Incan political elite, or both. At the end of the tour, transfer to your hotel. Overnight in Cuzco.

(Included meals: Breakfast)

Day 13: Cuzco - Sacred Valley of the Incas
Take a trip to Urubamba, the Sacred Valley of the Incas. You will begin your tour visiting Awanakancha, where SouthAmerican camelidae are bred. Learn about the llamas, alpacas; and vicuna superb fibres, as well as the ancient weaving techniques which are still in use. Proceed to Pisac where you will have the opportunity to bargain with vendors at its local handicrafts market. Enjoy lunch at a pleasant hostelry in the countryside and continue to the Inca fortress of Ollantaytambo. The site was built just as the Spaniards arrived and evidence of how it was is still visible. Overnight in the Sacred Valley.

(Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 14: Sacred Valley of the Incas - Machu Picchu
Transfer to Ollanta station to board the train to Machu Picchu. Upon arrival to Aguas Calientes you will take a 25-minute motorcoach ride to "The Lost City of the Incas", which was discovered by American explorer Hiram Bingham in 1911. Located on the left bank of the Vilcanota river lies the wonderful old city of Machu Picchu, which in quechua means "Old Mountain". According to research, Machu Picchu would have been one of the vacation residences of Pachacutec, the first Inca emperor between 1438 and 1470.

However, some of its finest buildings and the evident ceremonial purpose of the main access road to the village, prove that it was used as a religious shrine. Machu Picchu is considered both a masterpiece of architecture and engineering because of its unique architectural and landscaping features.

Prominent constructions among its buildings are the Main Square, the Royal Quarters, the Temple of the Three Windows, the Circular Towers, the Sacred Sun Dial and the Burial Grounds, among others of singular architecture and importance.Your guide will narrate and explain all about this splendid citadel, which is a truly amazing experience. After the guided tour you will have free time to stroll around the archaeological site. Lunch at café Inkaterra. Overnight in Aguas Calientes.

(Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch)

Day 15: Aguas Calientes - Machu Picchu - Cuzco
We strongly recommend that you wake up early to see the sunrise over Machu Picchu. This is a once-in-a-lifetime sight. In the afternoon return by train and then transfer to the Hotel in Cusco. Overnight in Cuzco.

Optional: for hiking enthusiasts, we suggest a walk up to the peak of Huayna Picchu.

(Included meals: Breakfast)

Day 16: Cuzco - Lima - Departure
Transfer from the hotel to Cuzco airport. Assistance on departure flight. Upon arrival in Lima, assistance to connecting internacional flight.

(Included meals: Breakfast)

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Includes:
Welcome and transfer from airport upon arrival. Accommodations, meals, transfers and tours as noted in day-by-day itinerary. Entrance fees on sightseeing, tours. Official English / Spanish speaking local guide on tours. Services in group basis (sharing transfers and tours with others).

Does not include:
International and domestic flights. International and domestic airport departure taxes. Meals/ services not mentioned in the itinerary. Optional activities. Personal expenses (laundry, beverages, communications, etc).

Notes:
- Prices per person in USDollars.
- Specific properties may be replaced for others of same quality.
- The order of the itinerary may be altered according to flight schedules.
- All prices may vary on special holidays, Easter week and/or long Weekends.
- Official English / Spanish speaking local guide on tours.
- Triple rooms with 2 beds only, hotels don´t guarantee 3 beds.
- Specific properties may be replaced for others of same quality.
- For all those guests wanting to hike Huyna Picchu located inside the Machu Picchu site, it is important that you advise us so we can purchase the entrance prior to your hike. The cost of the entrance is $15pp.
- Check in at hotels is normally at 3pm. Check out at 12.00 (noon)
- Services in shared basis (SIB) only available from 7 am to 8 pm. Arrivals and departures out of this schedule will require private services.
- The itineraries are planned with great care, although, for operational and/or weather reasons, it may be necessary to change the sequence of activities in the itinerary or the specified route and visits, and though such cases are exceptional, in general the itinerary should be treated only as a basic guideline.
- Category of hotels is based on standards of the country (only to be used as a guide). One star being the most limited of services and, five stars having superior amenities and closer to international standards.
- Also please note: In some cities like Rio de Janeiro, Salvador, São Paulo etc the hotels charge a Tourism City Tax (per room and per

night), on behalf of the Conventions Bureau. Prices vary depending on hotel category, from USD$2 to $7). These taxes are not included on hotel rates and may change without previous notice. (Hotels charge this tax directly).

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