

# AMAZON

INTO THE HEADWATERS OF THE RIVER



EXPLORING PERU'S PACAYA-SAMIRIA RESERVE  
ABOARD *DELFIN II* | 2019-2021





## DEAR TRAVELER,

For many, the mere mention of the word Amazon sparks a shiver of delight. There is something thrilling about the word, and its connotations, chief of which is exploration. And as you'll learn ahead, our elegant river ship, *Delfin II*, is the perfect platform for exploring this massively biodiverse region. It is ideally sized with just 14 cabins—each with an expansive window wall that keeps you connected to the views. Equipped with comfortable, custom-made skiffs that are specially designed to tuck into narrow, canopied waterways, *Delfin II* is your basecamp for discovering the hidden lakes, and flooded forests of the Peruvian Amazon's wild headwaters.

The jungle at the headwaters of the Amazon lives and breathes. It is an entity unto itself. It is the sound of macaws and toucans flitting through the canopy, not just the sight; the change in temperature and humidity on your skin as the day passes to dusk; the shape-shifting jungle horizon as birds hide for the night and caiman and night monkeys emerge. Our explorations in the region are, appropriately, in-depth and immersive—with rewarding natural history experiences and engaging cultural experiences with the local inhabitants of each area, plus wonderful company aboard ship, excellent meals that highlight regional flavors, and music.

And the Amazon is only part of the draw in this part of the planet.

Peru is a land of abundance, offering today's explorers abundant and exhilarating architectural, archaeological, cultural and geographic discoveries. Even the food is some of the most diverse in the world and certainly the most diverse in South America. Peru is utterly fascinating; the mysterious ruins of Machu Picchu in the new world rival the Valley of the Kings in Egypt. The city of Cusco, capital of the Inca Empire, is a remarkable blend of that culture and the grand architecture of the Spaniards. The Sacred Valley with its verdant fields provided wealth and maize to both Cusco and Machu Picchu.

I have been to Peru many times to work, to photograph and to spend time with my children in this most special of places. You should seriously consider combining both the Andes and the Amazon.

All the best,

Sven-Olof Lindblad

P.S. Our team is uniquely skilled at seamlessly blending our Upper Amazon and Machu Picchu & Peru: Land of the Inca itineraries together into one cohesive experience for you. So, consider making the most of your time in the region to enjoy dual facets of Peru. Elect to experience both, and you'll save 10%, as well.

*Cover: Scarlet macaw. © Krista Rossow*

*Left: Exploring the Amazon aboard its finest riverboat, the Delfin II. © David Vargas. Ship's registry: Peru*

# TWO WORLD ONE DIVE



# WONDERS, PERU COUNTRY



In 2011, 100 million people worldwide elected the Amazon as one of the *New Seven Wonders of Nature* and four years prior, in 2007, global citizens voted Machu Picchu one of the *New Seven Wonders of the World*. Both are in the same fantastically diverse country: Peru. And now, you can choose to discover one or both—we offer two enriching itineraries in the region, and if you have the time, they can be effortlessly combined into one 16-night comprehensive land and river experience.

Our **Upper Amazon** voyage aboard the *Delfin II* focuses on 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. Protean in form, this riverine region floods its banks, carves new tributaries, and then retreats to reveal inviting forest clearings and beaches—all in response to Andean snows. The Peruvian Amazon also offers us an unexpected highlight: time with the *ribereños* (traditional river people).

On our **Machu Picchu & Peru's Land of the Inca** adventure you'll progress from sea level, to the temperate Sacred Valley and descend to Machu Picchu, perched in the eyebrow of the jungle. At Machu Picchu's moderate elevation, you'll revel in the soaring vistas, the monumental stone terraces that climb like sinuous staircases to the mountaintops. And once fully acclimatized, you'll explore high-altitude Cusco, which like Rome or Athens is an imperial city, with its own exquisite architectural legacy.



## ASTOUNDING ALONE, EVEN BETTER TOGETHER

On their own, these two journeys are nothing short of spectacular, but pairing them makes for an even more rewarding experience—one that blends superb history, culture, natural history, and beauty and allows you to truly maximize your time in the region. Plus, when you combine itineraries you'll receive a savings of 10%. Our team makes the transition smooth so all you need to do is focus on the unforgettable experience at hand.

*Clockwise from left: Local traditions reflect Inca heritage; Huayna Picchu soars over the archaeological site; Monk Saki Monkey.*

# FALL UNDER THE SPELL OF THE AM

The drama of the passing scenes. The thrill of the invisible. There's a sense of enchantment about being out on the Amazon, as tropical kingbirds, great kiskadees, and other winged wildlife swoop and call. A source of life and wonder, the river is also a thoroughfare, with a passing fisherman in a carved dugout, a larger canoe with children on their way to school, and trees so close in these headwaters that you can reach out and touch them. And once the night curtain drops on a spectacular sunset, a symphony begins, more sonically lush and dense than the world's finest concert halls could contain. And above the din and the dampening canopy of green, Orion and the Southern Cross illuminate the night sky. Tear yourself away if you can, and you may be able to rise early, to hear the song of the oriole blackbird and chattering parrots with your morning coffee. Choose the private adventure of listening, or take advantage of your naturalists' knowledge—one is always on deck when the ship is underway—to learn fascinating facts as the river flows.

*Clockwise from top: Hoatzin;  
giant lily pads; caiman; guests  
explore at dusk, a magic hour  
for both light and wildlife.*



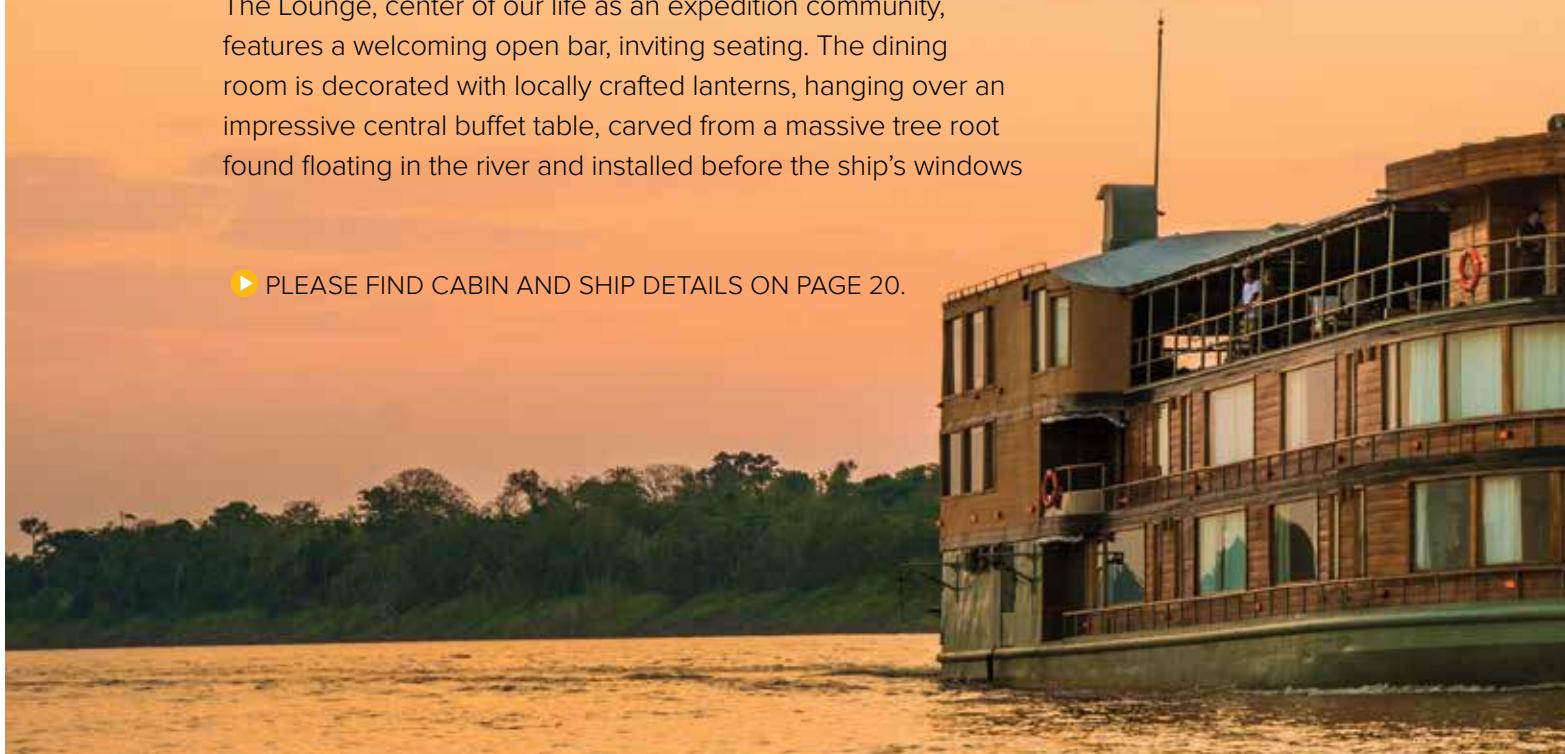
# AZON



# THE PERFECT BASE CA

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 floating between decks, and lazily turning ceiling fans add the right tropical notes, while the AC invisibly cools and dehumidifies. The Lounge, center of our life as an expedition community, features a welcoming open bar, inviting seating. The dining room is decorated with locally crafted lanterns, hanging over an impressive central buffet table, carved from a massive tree root found floating in the river and installed before the ship's windows

► PLEASE FIND CABIN AND SHIP DETAILS ON PAGE 20.



*Dining is a mirror on the region. From the rainbow of fresh squeezed juices in the morning to the chocolate placed on your pillow each night, most of the ingredients used aboard are sustainably sourced from the surrounding rain forest. And Peru's tradition of flavorful fusion cuisine ensures that each day will offer fresh palate pleasures. Watch the river go by and look for wildlife from the spacious, airy Observation Deck.*

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were—three walls of windows keep us connected to the non-stop panorama outside. The dining is superb. And the airy, supremely comfortable cabins are the perfect ending to active days. Slip into bed, well-appointed with crisp, cotton linens, and drift off as you gaze out at the starry night through the generous, river-framing window wall.

Our base for daily explorations, and to which we happily return, *Delfin II* 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.



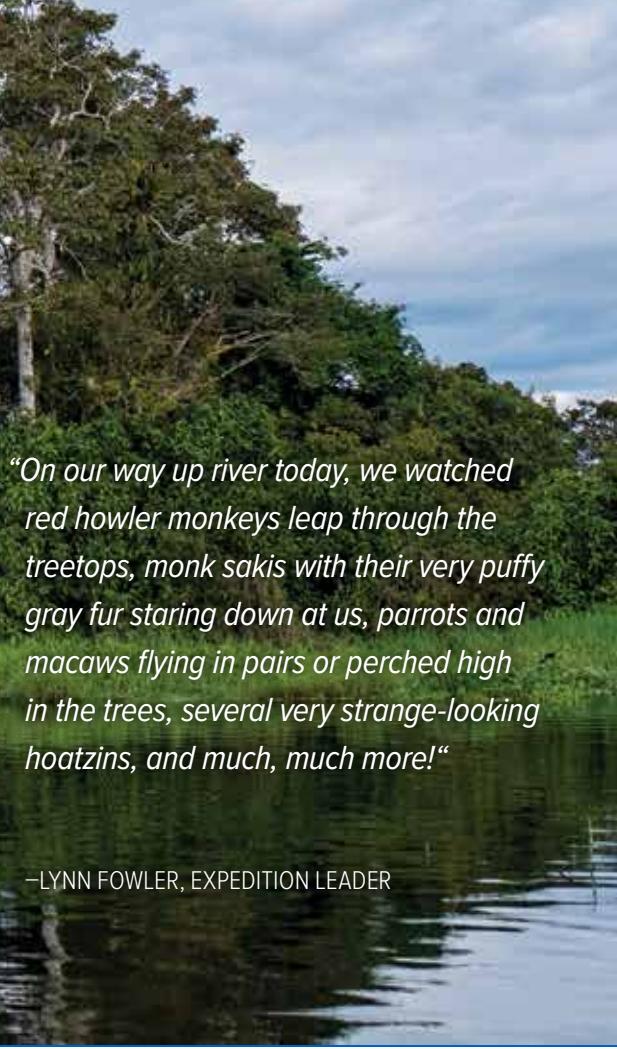
Panoramic windows bring extravagant river views inside the air-conditioned staterooms and enclosed lounge. Cool, beautiful woven rattan sofas in the lounge are perfect for relaxing and watching the riverscapes glide past in the afternoon, and ideal for cocktail-hour recaps, and lively presentations on wildlife photography, medicinal plants in the Amazon, and much more.

# EXPLORE THE WORLD'S MOST BIODIVERSE RAIN

We'll actively explore, getting out on one or more outings each day, with each group following the lead of the naturalist, and interest of the guests, not banding together like a bus tour. To discover the intricate networks of the flooded forest we'll board *Delfin II*'s three skiffs, guided by drivers who are agile navigators and eagle-eyed spotters. They help us develop our jungle eyes—to find the elusive species that make exploring the Amazon so fascinating. Cruising clear water, stained black with tannins mirroring the sky, we might see pink and grey dolphins feeding while chattering terns dive for prey they've chased to the surface. Or in the brown water tributaries, spot common squirrel monkeys, a yellow-handed titi; or perhaps a small group of shy monk saki monkeys will show themselves. Or find myriad bird species—like the motmot, striated herons, blue-and-yellow, and scarlet macaws, along with diverse kingfishers, flycatchers, weaverbirds, and more.



# RAINFOREST



*"On our way up river today, we watched red howler monkeys leap through the treetops, monk sakis with their very puffy gray fur staring down at us, parrots and macaws flying in pairs or perched high in the trees, several very strange-looking hoatzins, and much, much more!"*

—LYNN FOWLER, EXPEDITION LEADER



*Off our skiffs onto dry land and a trail walk, we might see poison dart frogs, a tarantula, night owl monkeys high in a tree nest, or a young green anaconda in a small pool of water. Huge strangler fig, traveling palm, heliconia and other ‘house plants gone wild’ will make a definite impression, and create excellent stationary, not fleeting, photo ops.*

*In addition, we’ll have the opportunity to take out kayaks for personal forays in the stillness of narrow caños, as the tributaries in this watery wilderness are known. Swim in a rain forest lake. And, enjoy engaging and personal encounters with the ribereños, the people who make the river their home.*

*Clockwise from left: Explore the Amazon by skiff; guests hike in the Amazon jungle; swim in the rainforest lake; capped heron; Kayaks offer an intimate way to discover the flooded forest.*



# EMPOWER LOCAL ARTISANS & COMMUNITIES

Through our partnership with innovative nonprofit Minga Peru, you have the chance to visit and support indigenous women who have developed a sustainable living creating beautiful handcrafts. See firsthand how Minga Peru, with the support of Lindblad-National Geographic travelers like you, has developed a network of local women leaders, known as *promotoras*, to empower their communities along the Pacaya-Samiria Reserve. Minga developed a successful radio program that broadcasts stories on the production and marketing of handcrafts, leading to a more sustainable living for countless artisans across the Marañón, Ampiyacu and Tahuayo rivers. Minga invites only Lindblad-National Geographic guests into these communities, giving you a highly personal opportunity to talk to these women and their families, and gain a deeper understanding of their day-to-day lives, and how their work has changed their fates.

► TO LEARN MORE, VISIT [EXPEDITIONS.COM/MINGA](http://EXPEDITIONS.COM/MINGA)



## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPERT

### ELIANA ELIAS

Co-Founder and Executive Director of Minga Peru, Eliana has worked for over two decades



to change the lives in the Peruvian Amazon through communications, women's leadership, and sustainable community development.

Travel with Eliana

Jun. 6 & Sep. 20, 2020

*"Listening to the radio program Bienvenida Salud! has strengthened me and motivates me to continue working as an artisan. Now, I see the value that the artisan work has as an economic impact resource for my family. The visits from guests of Lindblad-National Geographic help us with the sales. This money helps me in many situations like when my son gets sick and I have to buy his medicine or when I need supplies to fix my little house. Being an artisan has helped me in every moment of my life, and that is why I feel proud."*

—MAGALI TARICUARIMA NASHNATE, 30-YEAR-OLD MOTHER OF 4 FROM THE SAN FRANCISCO COMMUNITY IN THE MARAÑÓN RIVER



Minga Community

## MINGA PERU: 20+ YEARS STRONG

Minga Peru is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the lives of women and families in rural communities of the Peruvian Amazon through educational programming focused on health, leadership, and the environment. Minga's radio show, Bienvenida Salud! (Welcome Health), broadcasts up to three times a week, reaching over 120,000 listeners with information on preventing domestic violence and managing natural resources. Minga-trained promotoras, role models in their communities, help design and lead income-generating projects that sustain natural resources while increasing economic security. We are proud to support Minga's work through guest donations to the LEX-NG Fund.

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# FLAVORFUL FUSION CUISINE

Modern Peruvian cuisine is a fusion of flavors, a meeting of tastes from the Inca and European, Asian, and African immigrants, all with an emphasis on what is available in this geographically diverse land. As you travel along the Amazon, you experience this internationally acclaimed cuisine (the first to earn a Cultural Heritage of the Americas award) from the comfort of a welcoming dining room, crafted by local artisans. Wake up to a rainbow of fresh-squeezed juices, experience seasonal ingredients relatively unknown outside the region—like the superfood camu camu (pictured right) and the tomato-like cocona—and end your night with chocolate placed on your pillow. Take the recipes back with you, too, as you'll have the opportunity to make ceviche, Peru's national dish, and a pisco sour, its national drink.



# REOWNED STAFF & REGIONAL EXPERTISE



Clockwise from top: Carlos Romero, Expedition Leader, Lucho Verdesoto, Expedition Leader, Reninger Coquinche Arevalo, Naturalist, Alberto Montaudon, Naturalist.

A seasoned Lindblad-National Geographic expedition leader and an experienced team of Peruvian naturalists accompany each voyage. Many of the naturalists were born in towns along the river-banks and educated in schools in Iquitos. All are fluent in English, and their personal knowledge, along with their scientific training makes for a fascinating story, as authentic as it is well informed.

One naturalist for every ten guests and a spectrum of specialties—biology, ornithology, ichthyology, and lepidopterology—ensures a daily diversity of interest and personalities for you.

In addition to local naturalist guides and our experienced expedition leader, you also travel with a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor on every expedition, trained to help you with your camera and how to best capture images of the rain forest and its inhabitants.



*Hands-on photo instruction.*

## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC AMAZON PHOTO EXPEDITIONS

We add a National Geographic photographer—the ones who shoot the magazine stories you know and love—to give photo enthusiasts an exclusive advantage on select departures.



Join National  
Geographic  
photographer:  
**JEFF MAURITZEN:**  
Mar. 7 & 14, 2020

# UPPER AMAZON

10 DAYS/9 NIGHTS—ABOARD *DELFIN II*

PRICING FROM \$7,290 (See page 20 for complete prices.)

Voyage to the headwaters of the mighty Amazon in the heart of Peru's rainforest aboard the elegant riverboat *Delfin II*. Slip through an intricate network of jungle waterways in a skiff or kayak, spotting diverse birds, as well as caimans, tamarins, and sloths. Skim past massive lily pads, peer up at towering ceiba trees, and witness glorious sunsets on the still waters of the Amazon River basin.

## EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Explore the flooded forest of Pacaya-Samiria National Reserve with a team of experienced naturalists.
- ▶ Spot elusive Amazon wildlife, including pink and gray dolphins, monk saki monkeys, piranhas, and scarlet macaws.
- ▶ Get acquainted with native *ribereños* on a visit to a community at the river's edge.
- ▶ Gaze at the wilderness from the comfort of the *Delfin II*, and enjoy delicious, local meals.
- ▶ Learn from a Lindblad-National Geographic certified photo instructor on board.
- ▶ Add Galápagos or Machu Picchu to your Amazon experience and save 10%. Visit [expeditions.com](http://expeditions.com) or call for details.

## EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE



We have conducted numerous Amazon expeditions in our history, and launched our first voyage aboard the beautiful, 28-guest *Delfin II* in

August 2010. In order to provide expedition leadership in this pristine region, we tapped our tenured expedition leaders to lead our Amazon voyages, providing our guests with the same in-depth interpretation they find on our other expeditions. Our veteran team is highly knowledgeable about this region, and trained to illuminate all the discoveries you'll make.

*Visit our website to read staff bios for this expedition.*

*Red-and-green macaw.*

#### DAY 1: U.S./LIMA, PERU

Arrive in Lima in the late evening and transfer to our conveniently located hotel, Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport Hotel.

#### DAY 2: LIMA/IQUITOS/NAUTA/EMBARK

After breakfast, fly to Iquitos 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. (B,L,D)

#### DAYS 3–8: PACAYA-SAMIRIA NATIONAL RESERVE

Spend this week exploring 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. Bordered by the Marañón and the Ucayali, these two powerful rivers converge to create the famed Amazon, which floods annually with nutrient-rich waters. The Pacaya-Samiria rivers are known locally as the Mirrored Forest for the reflections created by the glassy water.

Set out into this remarkable wilderness on daily excursions by skiff, kayak and, when the water level permits, by foot on dry land. Skim past giant lily pads afloat on black-water lakes, and venture deep into the rain forest on narrow tributaries. Spot 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 signs of the massive *paiche* fish, the Amazon's largest; rare pink dolphins; and the infamous piranhas.

Enjoy an opportunity to swim in a lake in the reserve's interior. Seek out *Victoria amazonica*, a giant water lily that grows in small lagoons. Go on a birdwatching hike, listening for the vocal oropendola and then look for its telltale yellow tail. Watch the sun set and listen to a cacophonous symphony of nocturnal animals calling out across the treetops. Then slip through the forest in a skiff as night falls, using a spotlight to find caimans, frogs, fishing bats and other creatures of the night.

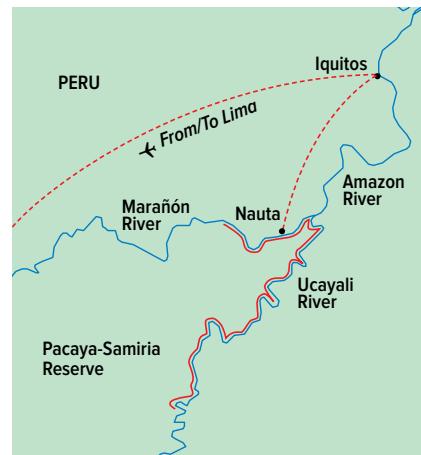
One of the unexpected joys of traveling in the upper Amazon of Peru is the interaction we have with the local *ribereños*, the traditional people who live on the riverbanks. Visit one of the communities and see the projects that we support through a local non-profit, including a variety of handicrafts, women's health initiative and sustainable farming. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 9: DISEMBARK/NAUTA/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. Overnight at the Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport Hotel. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 10: LIMA/U.S.

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight home. (B)



#### EXPEDITION DETAILS

**DATES:** 2019 Oct. 26; Nov. 2, 9, 30; Dec. 7, 14  
2020 Jan. 4, 11, 18; Feb. 1, 8; Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28; May 9, 16, 30; Jun. 6, 13, 20; Jul. 4, 11, 18; Sep. 19, 26; Oct. 3; Nov. 7, 14; Dec. 12, 19  
2021 Jan. 16, 23, 30; Feb. 6; Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27; May 1, 8, 15, 29; Jun. 5, 12, 19; Jul. 3, 10, 24, 31; Aug. 7, 14; Oct. 30; Nov. 6, 13; Dec. 25

Photo Expedition

Limited availability.

#### EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE & SAVE

Make the most of your time in the region by combining your Upper Amazon expedition with a voyage to the [Galápagos](#) and/or [Machu Picchu & the Land of the Inca](#) and take advantage of a 10% savings. Call for details.

#### NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPERT

Travel with Eliana Elias, Co-founder and Executive Director of Minga Peru, Jun. 6 and Sep. 20, 2020.



[Learn more at \[expeditions.com/minga\]\(#\).](#)

#### ENJOY MORE OF LIMA

Arrive early or linger later—let us help arrange a pre- or post-voyage stay in Lima at the luxurious [Belmond Miraflores Park Hotel](#), set along a stunning seaside promenade in the city's chicest district. [Call for details](#).



# MACHU PICCHU & PERU'S LAND OF THE INCA

## 8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS—LAND-ONLY EXCURSION

PRICING FROM \$6,070 per person double occupancy and \$7,510 solo occupancy (Call for pricing details, including holiday rates.)

**M**achu Picchu is a life-list must, offering an ideal mix of ancient culture, award-winning cuisine and stunning archaeological sites. You'll experience colorful contemporary Lima, historic Cusco, the Sacred Valley of the Inca—and your adventure culminates with two days to marvel at Machu Picchu.

### EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Explore the Sacred Valley of the Inca and discover Cusco's rich heritage.
- ▶ See daybreak over Machu Picchu from the fabled Sun Gate.
- ▶ Overnight adjacent to Machu Picchu at the Belmond Sanctuary Lodge.
- ▶ Stroll colorful markets, explore magnificent cathedrals and hear local musicians.
- ▶ Add Galápagos before or the Upper Amazon after for a seamless adventure.

Visit [expeditions.com](http://expeditions.com).

### EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE



For the 30 years we've been exploring here, we've highlighted how Inca cultural heritage influences contemporary life in Peru.

This expedition has been developed with the insight and depth we've obtained from decades in the region. You can be assured that the exhaustive attention to detail that goes into all our ship-based expeditions has gone into planning this exhilarating land journey. Your Peruvian expedition team will be of the same caliber as those on our ships. And your accommodations have been carefully chosen for their location, ambiance, and comfort.



*Machu Picchu.*

## DAY 1: U.S./LIMA, PERU

Upon arrival this evening in Lima, check-in at the conveniently located Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport Hotel.



## DAY 2: LIMA/CUSCO/SACRED VALLEY

Board a short scenic flight to Cusco this morning, and continue to Moray—a visually stunning Inca site with dramatic agricultural terraces in the heart of the fabled and fertile Urubamba Valley. After lunch and an opportunity to experience a local market, check-in at Sol y Luna, our base for two nights. This serene Relais & Chateaux hotel offers individual adobe casitas set in a verdant garden. (B,L,D)

## DAY 3: SACRED VALLEY

Spend the day exploring the archaeological sites and culture of the Sacred Valley in the company of National Geographic grantee Peter Frost, who has lived and worked in Peru for decades. He or a colleague joins us for a talk at our hotel and a visit to the massive Inca stone fortress of Ollantaytambo, set above a thriving Inca community. Lunch is at a working, family owned hacienda, where we are treated to a show of Peruvian Paso horses, and National Geographic grantee Nilda Callañaupa, founder of El Centro de Textiles Tradicionales de Cusco, demonstrates Inca weaving traditions. (B,L,D)

## DAY 4: SACRED VALLEY/MACHU PICCHU

Marvel at the dramatic scenery and life along the river en route this morning by train to Machu Picchu, the Inca royal retreat famously introduced to the world by Hiram Bingham in

the April 1913 issue of *National Geographic* magazine. Check-in at the historic 31-room Belmond Sanctuary Lodge, adjacent to the World Heritage site, with the leisure to explore over two days in the company of our handpicked tour director and local guides. Lunch and dinner at the hotel. (B,L,D)

## DAY 5: MACHU PICCHU/CUSCO

Awaken this morning at Machu Picchu, where options include an early hike to the Sun Gate, the ancient final checkpoint to Machu Picchu on the Inca Trail. After lunch, return by train and bus to Cusco—the center of the Inca universe and a burgeoning cultural capital. Check-in at the Belmond Hotel Monasterio on Plaza Nazarenas in the heart of Cusco for two nights. Occupying a monastery founded in 1592, our hotel—like much of colonial Cusco—is built atop Inca stones. (B,L,D)

## DAY 6: CUSCO

Explore the magnificently ornate 17th-century cathedral, sacred Inca Temple of the Sun, and other treasures of Cusco. Visit nearby Sacsayhuamán, where a series of imposing terrace walls, the most impressive yet, command views over the city. Relax, shop, or visit one of Cusco's many churches and museums this afternoon. Dinner is on your own tonight. (B,L)

## DAY 7: CUSCO/LIMA

Return to vibrant coastal Lima this morning, where we stroll the Plaza Mayor and delight in a private farewell lunch with a special musical presentation at Casa Aliaga, one of the oldest houses in Lima. After a visit to the extraordinary Larco Museum, dedicated to pre-Columbian art, check-in at Belmond Miraflores Park, set along the fashionable seaside promenade. Dinner is on your own. (B,L)



## DAY 8: LIMA/U.S.

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for flights home—or onto Iquitos and Amazon. (B)

## EXPEDITION DETAILS

**DATES:** Expeditions depart weekly, year-round.

## EXTEND YOUR ADVENTURE

Take advantage of your proximity—extend this Peru journey with a **Galápagos** expedition. Or combine it with the **Upper Amazon** expedition (page 15) and take advantage of a 10% savings.

## 2-IN-1 ITINERARY AT-A-GLANCE

### MACHU PICCHU & PERU'S LAND OF THE INCA + UPPER AMAZON

16 DAYS/15 NIGHTS | See page 20 for pricing.

**Day 1:** U.S./Lima, Peru

**Day 2:** Lima/Cusco/Sacred Valley

**Day 3:** Sacred Valley of the Inca

**Day 4:** Sacred Valley/Machu Picchu

**Day 5:** Machu Picchu/Cusco

**Day 6:** Cusco

**Day 7:** Cusco/Lima

**Day 8:** Lima/Iquitos/Nauta/Embark

**Days 9-14:** Pacaya-Samiria

National Reserve

**Day 15:** Nauta/Iquitos/Lima

**Day 16:** Lima/U.S.

## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPERT

Gain insights in the Sacred Valley from National Geographic historian **Peter Frost** or a colleague on our departures.



# GALÁPAGOS + UPPER AMAZON

18 DAYS/17 NIGHTS—ABOARD

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ENDEAVOUR II AND DELFIN II

PRICING FROM \$13,950 (Call for details.)

## EXPEDITION HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Walk and snorkel among the abundant, iconic Galápagos wildlife that is unfazed by your presence.
- ▶ Hike pristine islands, kayak their peaceful shorelines, and explore the Galápagos undersea.
- ▶ In the Amazon, discover an entirely different kind of biodiversity—macaws, monkeys, sloths, and more, plus meet the *ribereños*—inhabitants of the jungle we explore.

## EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE



Celebrating 50 years exploring Galápagos, 1967-2017. The quality of our veteran staff and their companionship is the reason the Lindblad

name is known and respected for top-quality expeditions. Our experts in the Peruvian Amazon and Galápagos include both tenured expedition leaders and local experts, providing our guests with the most in-depth, illustrative experience of both destinations.

*Sea lion at Gardner Bay, Isla Española.*



## DAY 1: DEPART U.S./GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR

Upon arrival in Guayaquil, transfer to the Hotel Hilton Colón. Ask your Expedition Specialist about extra nights.

## DAY 2: GUAYAQUIL/GALÁPAGOS

This morning, fly to the Galápagos Islands and board *National Geographic Endeavour II*. After lunch, we begin our exploration of the islands and their remarkable wildlife. (B,L,D)

## DAYS 3–8: EXPLORING THE GALÁPAGOS

Listed below is a sample of islands we may visit during our expedition.\* (B,L,D Daily)

**NORTH SEYMOUR:** Follow coastal trails past playful Galápagos sea lions on this wildlife-rich central island. Continue inland through a silvery forest of endemic palo santo trees, where frigatebirds nest, blue-footed boobies dance, and where we may also encounter prehistoric-looking land iguanas feeding on cactus.

**ISABELA:** Cross the Equator at Volcán Ecuador, northernmost of Isabela's six great shield volcanoes. Keep an eye open for whales and dolphins, sea turtles and other marine creatures. Over two days, land in the footsteps of Darwin and Melville, and look for wildlife along the wildly eroded volcanic shore.

**FERNANDINA:** One of the most active oceanic volcanoes in the world, Fernandina is the youngest and most pristine island in Galápagos—and home to the strange flightless cormorant, Galápagos penguins and the largest marine iguanas. Hikes ashore lead across impressive recent lava flows.

**ESPAÑOLA:** See swallow-tailed gulls, Española mockingbirds, Nazca boobies and, seasonally, the world's only population of waved albatross at this birdy paradise, also home to vividly colored marine iguanas. Watch sea lions on the wide sand beach, and snorkel offshore, at Gardner Bay.

**FLOREANA:** Follow a trail past a rose pink-tinted lagoon frequented by flamingos. Snorkel among sea lions and abundant fish, or cruise along Champion Islet by Zodiac. Visit the famous barrel at Post Office Bay.

**SANTA CRUZ:** Visit Puerto Ayora, the largest town and headquarters of both the Galápagos National Park and Charles Darwin Research Station. See the monument to Lonesome George, and tour the giant tortoise breeding corrals. See the giant tortoises roaming in the wild in the lush, green highlands.

**BARTOLOMÉ:** Climb the steps to the summit of this 300-foot volcanic wonderland for stunning views. Explore, swim and snorkel from the beach. You might even see Galápagos penguins, one of world's rarest.

**SANTIAGO:** Explore tide pools and look for fur seals sheltered in quiet grottos of black basalt. Swim, snorkel, kayak and paddleboard along Santiago's spectacular coast, and explore an enchanting coastal forest where Charles Darwin once walked.

**GENOVESA:** Sail across the Equator to the remote northern realm of the Galápagos, surrounded by warmer tropical waters.

*Kayaking is a popular activity in Galápagos.*



**SAN CRISTOBAL:** Search for red-footed boobies and the endemic mockingbird and lava lizard—found only on this easternmost island, and dig your toes into the powdery white sand at a gorgeous beach fronted by iconic Kicker Rock.

## DAY 9: GALÁPAGOS/DISEMBARK/GUAYAQUIL

Return this morning to Guayaquil, where we transfer to our hotel. Overnight Hotel Hilton Colón. (B)

## DAYS 10–17: AS PER UPPER AMAZON ITINERARY ON PAGE 15.

## DAY 18: LIMA/U.S.

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight home. (B)

*\*Please note: All ship itineraries are subject to Galápagos National Park regulations. Our expeditions, which sail between Isla San Cristobal and Isla Baltra include Isla Santa Cruz and a hand-picked selection of these and other visitor sites.*

## EXPEDITION DETAILS

DATES: 2019 Oct. 18, 26; Nov. 1, 22,

29 Dec. 6

DATES: 2020 Jan. 10, 17, 24, 31; Feb. 28\*, Mar. 6\*, 13, 20; May 1, 8, 22, 29; Jun. 5, 12, 26; Jul. 3, 10, Sep. 11, 18, 25; Dec. 4, 11

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**CAPACITY:** 28 guests in 14 outside suites.

**REGISTRY:** Peru. **OVERALL LENGTH:** 120 feet.

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**MEALS:** The air-conditioned dining room's large windows provide panoramic views. Beautifully prepared meals are served in a single seating with unassigned tables. Often special dishes will include sustainable products of the rain forest and sauces made with exotic regional fruits.

**SUITES:** Elegant, air-conditioned guest suites on the Main and Upper Decks all offer exceptional vistas. Each spacious suite has a minimalist décor with a luxurious overtone.

**EXPEDITION EQUIPMENT:** 10-person skiffs—with individual seat cushions and plenty of leg room. Fleet of safe, nimble kayaks for up-close, personal exploration. Rain ponchos are kept handy in the skiffs. Rubber boots are provided when needed.

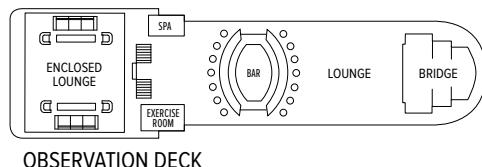
**SUITES:** **UPPER & MAIN DECK #1-6; 11-14** — Most suites have two twin beds which can convert to a king. Some suites can be connected for families traveling together. Each includes a large view window, a closet, easy chair and desk. Bathrooms include a large shower, separate toilet and sink area. Suites 4/6 and 3/5 are available as interconnecting.

**MASTER SUITES:** **UPPER & MAIN DECK #7, 8, 15, 16** — The Master Suites feature all of the amenities listed above plus oversized windows which provide incredible 90-degree views. The Master Suites on the Main Deck and Upper Deck feature two twin beds which can convert to a king.

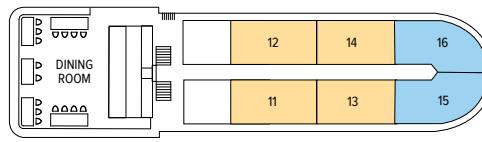
**SOLO OCCUPANCY & SHARED ACCOMMODATIONS:** Due to the limited number of cabins available, solo occupancy and shares are on a request basis only; please call for availability and rates.



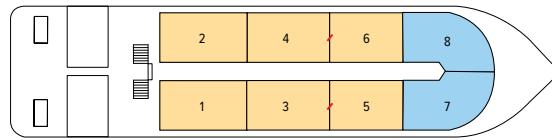
*Insets clockwise from top left: Delfin II on the river; the dining room provides big views and outstanding cuisine; spacious suites offer comfort and panoramic views.*



OBSERVATION DECK



UPPER DECK



MAIN DECK

✓ indicates adjoining cabins

Prices are per person, double occupancy.

ITINERARY	YEAR	SUITE	MASTER SUITE	ADVANCE PAYMENT	NOTE	
<b>Upper Amazon: Exploring Peru's Pacaya-Samiria Reserve – Pages 14-15</b>						
Upper Amazon: Exploring Peru's Pacaya-Samiria Reserve	2019	\$7,290	\$8,690	\$750	International and internal Peru tickets must be issued separately for all Amazon voyages. Sample International Airfares: Round-trip Miami/Lima/Miami: Economy from \$530; Business from \$1,200. Sample Internal Airfare: Lima/Iquitos/Lima: From \$440.	
	2020/2021*	\$7,410	\$8,850	\$750		
<b>Upper Amazon: Exploring Peru's Pacaya-Samiria Reserve Dec. 29, 2020 &amp; Dec. 25, 2021</b>						
<b>Machu Picchu &amp; Peru's Land of the Inca + Upper Amazon – Pages 16-17</b>						
Upper Amazon + Machu Picchu & Peru's Land of the Inca	2019	\$13,180	\$14,580	\$1,500	International and internal Peru tickets must be issued separately for all Amazon voyages. Sample International Airfares: Round-trip Miami/Lima/Miami: Economy from \$530; Business from \$1,200. Sample Internal Airfare: Lima/Cusco/Lima: From \$435. Lima/Iquitos/Lima From \$440.	
	2020/2021*	\$13,480	\$14,920	\$1,500		
Upper Amazon + Machu Picchu & Peru's Land of the Inca Holiday: Dec 22, 2019	2019	\$13,910	\$15,310	\$1,500		
Upper Amazon + Machu Picchu & Peru's Land of the Inca Holiday: Dec. 19 & 27, 2020	2020	\$15,340	\$16,580	\$1,500		
Galápagos + Upper Amazon – Pages 18-19	2019-2021				Back-to-back expeditions combining Galápagos + Upper Amazon are available on a number of 2019-2021 dates. Please call for rates.	

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