



#3 ECUADOR & PERU FIXED DEPARTURES 2024
PROGRAM 11 DAYS / 10 NIGHTS
Guayaquil, Galapagos, Lima, Cusco, Sacred Valley & Machu Picchu

GUARANTEED DEPARTURE DATES FROM JANUARY UNTIL DECEMBER 2024

Month	Arrival	Departure
	Tuesday	Friday
January	2-Jan	12-Jan
April	9-Apr	19-Apr
May	21-May	31-May
July	30-Jul	3-Ago
August	27-Aug	6-Sep
October	1-Oct	11-Oct
November	5-Nov	15-Nov
December	3-Dec	13-Dec

TRIP SUMMARY

Day	Route	Lodging	Meals
1	International arrival	Guayaquil	-
2	Guayaquil – Galapagos (Santa Cruz island)	Santa Cruz	B/(D)
3	Galapagos: Bay exploration	Puerto Ayora	B
4	Galapagos: Full Day navigation	Puerto Ayora	B/L
5	Galapagos – Guayaquil – Lima	Lima	B
6	Lima: City tour	Lima	B
7	Lima – Cusco (optional tours)	Cusco	B
8	Cusco: Full Day Sacred Valley	Sacred Valley	B/L
9	Full Day Machu Picchu – return to Cusco	Cusco	B/L
10	Cusco day at leisure (optional tours)	Cusco	B
11	Cusco – Lima – International departure	-	B

DETAILED ITINERARY

Day 1: Tuesday: Guayaquil

Transfer in Guayaquil. English speaking assistance.

*Note that this first night can be changed to Quito for an extra cost.

Overnight at Unipark (Standard Room) or similar

Optional Upgrade: Wyndham Guayaquil (Deluxe) or similar

Included: transportation, English speaking guide.

Meals: none.

Day 2: Wednesday: Guayaquil, Galapagos (Santa Cruz Island)

After breakfast, transfer to the airport to take flight to Galapagos.

Suggested flight (subject to change) from Guayaquil: XL1413 GYE/GPS 1115-1212 – not included

Suggested flight (subject to change) from Quito: XL1413 UIO/GPS 0935-1212 – not included

*****Not Included: Galapagos National Park entrance fee (US \$100 per adult/\$50 per child under 12), tourist transit card (Ingala) (US \$20 per person)**

Arrival in the Galapagos. English speaking assistance.

Today we arrive on Baltra Island, the gateway to the Galapagos. This tiny island was a military base during the Second World War and hosts the Islands' principal airport. The airport was built using the most advanced environmental techniques to reduce emissions and energy use, some of which you'll notice as you transit through the facility. It was the first ecological airport in the world. Ferry to Santa Cruz Island.

Afterwards drive to our exclusive giant tortoise reserve where our tented camp is located. Perched high on a hillside overlooking the ocean, Magic Galapagos Tented Camp will be our home for the night. The sounds of nature will be our lullaby in the evenings, and the Milky Way will be our night-light. We'll be able to feast our eyes on the mountains and forest surrounding the lodge, and enjoy the peace of having the entire hillside to ourselves, with the exception of seasonal resident giant tortoises.

Watching the colorful sunset from Magic's western perch is the perfect segue into evening. Dinners are scrumptious three course affairs, prepared by expert chefs in an open-air kitchen in the main lodge. A favorite post-dinner activity is a short walk to the natural lava tubes on the reserve for a nightcap in the one-of-a-kind 'Lava Lounge!' It's the perfect spot to relax around the fire and share stories from the day's adventures.



*Check in at Galapagos Magic Tented Camp is at 3pm. If guests are arriving earlier, the transfer included in the program will drive them to Puerto Ayora (not to the hotel). **Lunch is not included this day, so you can take advantage of your time at Puerto Ayora to explore on your own, and enjoy of a meal in a local restaurant (ask our team for recommendations).** Luggage will be stored until the moment of the check in, so guests have time to explore on their own Puerto Ayora and have lunch at town (not included). Later, a taxi will pick them up to be transferred to Galapagos Magic.

**Magic Galapagos doesn't have an open restaurant. Breakfasts and dinners are included with the stay. Lunch is only available upon request, with previous notification.

Overnight at Galapagos Magic or similar (double tree house) and optional upgrade to (double tent).

****Note: Some departures have limited availability at Galapagos Magic. Whenever unavailable, this night will be changed to your selected hotel in Puerto Ayora and an extra visit to El Chato turtle ranch will be included to**

round off the experience. In this case, dinner will be on your account. Please, confirm availability at the time of booking.

Included: transport, English speaking guide and lodging
Meals: Breakfast and dinner (*only when lodged at Galapagos Magic).

Day 3: Thursday: Galapagos

Breakfast.

Half-day excursion to Bay Exploration (SIB – shared service)

This morning we will join a Puerto Ayora's bay exploration, at the main dock we will have a quick 10-minute navigation to la Loberia Island named after a sea lion colony that inhabits there. This small island is a great place to snorkel in amongst sea turtles and a great variety of colorful fish, and for playing with the ever-friendly and inquisitive sea lions.

Our next stop will be a hike to the Túnel del Amor (lover's tunnel) with a great viewpoint from where if lucky you can watch resting white-tip sharks. On the way back we will visit Punta Estrada's dock, where we'll go on a walk to watch marine iguanas.

OPTIONAL FULL DAY EXPERIENCE WITH EXTRA COST: Visit to Cerro Meza & Kayak at Garrapatero. (This tour replaces the Bay Exploration. Minimum 2 passengers.)

Overnight at Mainao hotel (Standard room) or similar
OPTIONAL UPGRADE: Night at Hotel Ikala Galapagos (Standard Room) or similar

Included: local guide, transportation and lodging
Meals: Breakfast.



Day 4: Friday: Galapagos

Breakfast.

Daily Tour on board a motor yacht (shared basis excursion)

Embark our motor yacht and enjoy of a daily excursion with a welcoming crew members and knowledgeable naturalist guide, and experience the remote islands in comfort and style.

Our daily excursions will take you to experience the Galapagos Islands in a safe and comfortable manner. Check the boat's weekly itinerary. We may visit North Seymour and Bachas, South Plazas, Santa Fe Island or Bartolome and Sullivan Bay, according to boats' schedules allowed by the National Park.



**** These excursions are subject to availability and change without prior notification.**

Later, drive to Puerto Ayora to spend the night.

Overnight at Mainao hotel (Standard room) or similar

OPTIONAL UPGRADE: Night at Hotel Ikala Galapagos (Standard Room) or similar

Included: transport, excursion and lodging

Meals: Breakfast, lunch on board.

Day 5: Saturday: Galapagos – Guayaquil - Lima

After breakfast, transfer to Baltra's airport to board connection flight to Lima-Peru.

Suggested flights (subject to change) for example via Guayaquil XL1412 GPS/GYE 1255-1547 + LA2415 GYE/LIMA 2040-2245 – not included

Upon arriving in Lima, you will be picked up and taken to your hotel. Our representative will give you a documentation kit with detailed program explanation. Luggage and hotel registration assistance will be offered.

Overnight at the hotel of your choice in Lima

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 6: Sunday: Lima

Breakfast.



H/D CITY TOUR COLONIAL AND MODERN LIMA WITH VISIT TO LARCO MUSEUM

You will visit the modern and colonial parts of Lima, known as The City of Kings, starting at the districts of Miraflores and San Isidro, and passing along a “huaca” or sacred pre-Inca site, before heading to the Historic Center. There, you will walk along some of the most historically important streets of the city, leading to the Plaza de Armas, where you will have some time to take pictures of the amazing colonial architecture that surrounds it. You will also have the chance to take a peek into an iconic building, that has served Lima’s citizens for centuries and continues to be an important landmark. Then you will visit the impressive Convent of Santo Domingo, an astonishing building with colonial style. After exploring the Historical Center, you will head towards the Larco Museum, which houses the incomparable Treasures of Ancient Peru private collection.

Overnight at the hotel of your choice in Lima

Meals included: breakfast

Day 7: Monday: Lima, Cusco

Breakfast.

At schedule time transfer to the airport to board the flight to Cusco city.

Suggested flight time: 9/10am (for example: LA2047 LIM/CUZ Departure 0930 – Arrival 1053) – not included

DAY AT LEISURE IN CUSCO

Enjoy the charm of this beautiful colonial city that was built upon the remains of amazing Inca buildings. Not to miss: Temple of the Sun (Koricancha), the Cathedral, and the Inca Fortress of Sacsayhuaman.



OPTIONAL WITH EXTRA COST:

PM HD CITY TOUR VISIT TO SAN PEDRO MARKET AND RUINS (SIB) – (MINIMUM 2 PASSENGERS)

You will visit the city of Cusco, known as the Imperial City and declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Here you will start your tour at the iconic San Pedro market, a local market where you can explore the colors, flavors and traditions of modern Cusco. The visit continues with the Koricancha Temple, an ancient Inca palace and cult center of the Sun God, above which the order of the Dominicans built a church, which remains standing to this day. You will continue ascending to the Fortress of Sacsayhuaman, an impressive example of Inca military architecture. Afterwards, you will explore Q’eqo archaeological site, where important Inca ceremonies took place. Finally, you will arrive to the Plaza de Armas (main square), where you will visit the Cathedral, the most important temple in the city.

Overnight at the hotel of your choice in Cusco

Meals included: breakfast

Day 8: Tuesday: Cusco, Sacred Valley

Breakfast.



F/D HISTORY AND CULTURE IN MARAS, MORAY & MISMINAY

You will head in the direction of the Maras salt mines, an amazing place where the finest salt in the world is extracted: Maras salt. On the way, you will make a stop at the Raqchi viewpoint, from where you will have an impressive view of the Sacred Valley of the Incas. Then, you will visit the Misminay community. Upon arrival, the villagers will give you a warm welcome with music and typical dances. There, you will be able to learn about the Andean families' lifestyle, by sharing some of their daily activities with them. Then, you will enjoy a delicious and traditional lunch prepared with local products. You will continue with a visit to Moray, a fascinating archeological site with huge concentric terraces, which the Incas used as a botanical laboratory.

Overnight at the hotel of your choice in Sacred Valley

Meals included: breakfast & lunch

Day 9: Wednesday: Sacred Valley, Machu Picchu, Cusco

Breakfast.

At proper time you will board the train from Ollantaytambo to Machu Picchu.

() Timetables are subject to confirm*

FULL DAY MACHU PICCHU (SIB)

You are going to visit one of the most important energy centers of the world: Machu Picchu. You will be driven to the archeological site, the visit of which will be an unforgettable experience, with a professional tour guide to impart to you all the history that surrounds this mysterious and enchanting place. Once the guided tour is over, you will have some free time to explore the site on your own, to relax, or to meditate. At the agreed upon hour, you will descend to Aguas Calientes for lunch and board the train later that afternoon for the return trip.



(*) Timetables are subject to confirm

Meals included: breakfast and lunch

Breakfast.

Enjoy a unique experience filled with beautiful scenery, spectacular views, small communities, and opportunities to observe local wildlife. The Adventure awaits you! Don't miss Vinicunca Rainbow Mountain, Maras y Moray.



FULL DAY VINICUNCA RAINBOW MOUNTAIN (SIB) – (MINIMUM 2 PASSENGERS)

You will leave your hotel in Cusco early in the morning, crossing the South Valley, towards Cusipata. From there, you will be transferred to Phulawasipata where you will begin your walk. After some time to prepare, you will start with the ascending route to Vinicunca, the Rainbow Mountain. The place will amaze you with its vivid colors and natural beauty. There, you will have time to take photos and fill yourself with the energy of the place. At the end of this visit, you will walk back to the starting point. Finally, you will be taken back to your hotel in Cusco.

Meals included: breakfast

Breakfast.

At the scheduled time, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight back to Lima.

Suggested flight time: 12am to 4pm. Kindly note that there diverse options, in case you need to connect to your international flight home.

Meals included: breakfast

****END OF OUR PROGRAM****

The following prices are per person, based on 2024 rates, and subject to the availability of the cited hotels.

	In Double Basis (USD)	Single Supplement (USD)
TOURIST CATEGORY	2,300.00	690.00
SUPERIOR CATEGORY / FIRST CLASS	2,680.00	1,070.00

**** GROUP SIZE: Maximum of 16 passengers per group. Some shared services (tours, trains, bus transfers) are exceptions, where the shared the departure group may join a bigger group for that particular service. ****

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES WITH ADDITIONAL COST (USD)

HD CITY TOUR AND RUINS AND SAN PEDRO MARKET (SIB)	90,00
FULL DAY VINICUNCA RAINBOW MOUNTAIN (SIB)	141,00
FD VISIT TO CERRO MEZA & KAYAK AT GARRAPATERO (SHARING EXCURSION)	333,00

**Note that this tour replaces the HD Bay Exploration. Rate shows the additional price of this alternative.*

HOTEL OPTIONS

HOTELS BY CATEGORY	TOURIST	PRIMERA
Quito (for optional pre-extension)	Hotel Mercure or Similar Standard room	Hotel Hilton or Similar Standard room
Galapagos	Galapagos Magic or Similar Tree House	Galapagos Magic or Similar Standard tent
Puerto Ayora	Mainao Hotel or Similar Standard room	Hotel Ikala Galapagos or Similar Standard room
Guayaquil	Unipark or Similar Standard room	Wyndham Guayaquil or Similar Standard room
Lima	Arawi Express or Similar Standard room	Pullman Miraflores or Similar Standard room
Sacred Valley	AVAT Spot or Similar Standard room	Casa Andina Premium Valle o Similar Standard room
Cusco	Hacienda Cusco or Similar Standard room	Casa Andina Premium Cusco or Similar Standard room

*Hotels are subject to change due to availability on each departure.

****This program can also be combined with some of our other regional Fixed Departures, as follows:**
ECUADOR (GALAPAGOS) + PERU + BOLIVIA (TITICACA, LA PAZ & UYUNI SALT FLATS)