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# Peru...Cradle of the Inca Empire

In terms of natural beauty, Peru is one of the wealthiest nations in the world. Its awesome geographical area, from beaches to snow-capped mountains, has bestowed the country with both cultural and ecological treasures. Within Peru's borders are found 84 of the 104 ecosystems in the world today and Peru is recognized as one of the most diverse countries on earth. Peru is blessed with a rich and ancient past, chronicled by the thousands of archeological sites that are left from the mighty Inca civilization. We invite you as our guest to come discover the vibrant diversity of this natural, cultural and historical wonder.



## Peru, Enigmas of Ancient Civilizations

### 8 Days / 7 Nights. Daily Arrivals

*Escape from the ordinary and enjoy a different look at the Peruvian landscape by visiting the mysterious Nazca Lines and the Galapagos-like Ballestas Islands on the Pacific Coast with an overnight in Paracas Bay. Your Journey also includes visits to Lima and Cusco with an overnight in Machu Picchu.*

**Day 1: Welcome to Peru.** Meet and greet at the Lima airport, and transfer to the Casa Andina San Antonio Hotel in the fashionable district of Miraflores for an overnight stay. Other hotels are available throughout the itinerary. Please visit our website.

**Day 2: Lima / Cusco.** Transfer to the airport for flight to Cusco (airfare is NOT included). On arrival, transfer to the Casa Andina Koricancha Hotel for an overnight stay. Enjoy a hot coca tea to help you get used to the Andean altitude. Morning at leisure. In the afternoon, partake of a guided excursion to visit the Cathedral with its beautiful woodwork and Spanish colonial paintings; the Koricancha and the Temple of the Sun where the Convent of Santo Domingo was built; and the Archaeological Park of Sacsayhuaman including Q'enqo, the old temple of the Puma to see a sacrifice altar, Tambomachay, the sacred fountains of life, and the fortress of Sacsayhuaman with its huge stones. B.

**Day 3: Cusco / Machu Picchu.** Morning transfer to the train station to board the Expedition train for your journey to Machu Picchu. Enjoy a scenic 3 ½ hour ride

following the course of the plentiful river Urubamba and advancing gradually through the Sacred Valley of the Incas. On arrival, meet your guide for a short ride to the entrance of the archeological park to begin your guided visit to the Sacred City of "Machu Picchu", considered one of the New Wonders of the World, a place where you can get together with the energy of the Peruvian Andes and get inspired by the mystic surroundings of this impressive citadel. Buffet lunch at a local restaurant. Overnight at the El Mapi Hotel in the Township of Aguas Calientes (located on the foot hills of the citadel). B. L.

**Day 4: Machu Picchu / Cusco.** Half day at leisure.

Time on your own to enjoy an optional new visit to the citadel or meditate to receive the energy of this sacred place. You may also have the opportunity to ascend Intipunku, the entrance to the ancient Inca Trail to Machu Picchu. In the afternoon, return to Cusco by train. Overnight at Casa Andina Koricancha Hotel. B.

**Day 5: Cusco / Lima - City Tour.**

Morning transfer to the airport for your flight to Lima (airfare is NOT included). On arrival, transfer to the Casa Andina San Antonio Hotel for an overnight stay. In the afternoon enjoy a guided visit to the city highlights. Visit the Main Square with its Presidential and Municipal Palaces, the Cathedral in which lays the tomb of the Spanish Conqueror Francisco Pizarro

and the museum of Religious Art. Then, continue visiting the residential districts of San Isidro and Miraflores; enjoy a wonderful view of the Pacific Ocean. Return to the hotel. B.

**Day 6: Lima / Paracas Bay / Ica - Nazca Lines.**

Morning transfer to the Lima bus station for a scheduled tour bus transfer to Paracas, the City by the Bay. On arrival, transfer to the La Hacienda Bahía Paracas Hotel for an overnight stay. Then on to the Ica airport for a flight over the mysterious Nazca Lines. The pilot of the aircraft will share with you interesting facts about these mysterious lines. Return to Paracas. Afternoon at leisure. B.

**Day 7: Paracas / Ballestas Islands Nature Reserve /**

**Lima.** Morning, transfer to the pier to board a tour boat to visit the Ballestas Islands, enjoying the view of sea lions, penguins and sea birds. On your way back to the pier, you will observe the famous Candelabra (El Candelabro) a giant figure marked in the sand in the style of the Nazca lines. In the afternoon, depart by regular tourist bus to Lima. Arrival and transfer to the Casa Andina San Antonio Hotel for an overnight stay. B.

**Day 8: Lima / Home.** Breakfast at the hotel. At the appropriate time, transfer to the international airport for your return flight home. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje! B.

**From \$1,629**



## Peru for Family and Friends Option 1:

8 Days / 7 Nights. Daily Arrivals

*Yes, friends and families can have a wonderful time exploring the most-asked-for Peruvian sites and at the same time enjoy exciting adventures, such as River Rafting and Horseback Riding.*

**Day 1: Welcome to Peru.** Meet your guide at the Lima airport for a transfer to the Casa Andina San Antonio Hotel for a two night stay. Other hotels are available throughout the itinerary. Please visit our website.

**Day 2: Lima City Tour.** Enjoy a guided visit to the city highlights. Visit the Main Square with its Presidential and Municipal Palaces, the Cathedral in which lays the tomb of the Spanish Conqueror Francisco Pizarro and the museum of Religious Art. Then, continue visiting the residential districts of San Isidro and Miraflores; enjoy a wonderful view of the Pacific Ocean. Return to the hotel. Free afternoon. B.

**Day 3: Lima / Cusco.** Transfer to the airport for flight to Cusco (airfare is NOT included). On arrival, transfer to the Casa Andina Koricancha Hotel for a four night stay. Enjoy a hot coca tea to help you get used to the Andean altitude. Morning at leisure. In the afternoon, partake of a guided excursion to visit to the Cathedral with its beautiful woodwork and Spanish colonial paintings; the Korikancha, the Temple of the Sun where the Convent of Santo Domingo was built; and the Archaeological Park of Sacsayhuaman, including Q'enco, the old temple of the Puma to see a sacrifice altar, Tambomachay, the sacred fountains of life, and the fortress of Sacsayhuaman with its huge stones. B.

**Day 4: Cusco / Machu Picchu / Cusco.** Morning transfer to the train station to board the Expedition train for your journey to Machu Picchu. Enjoy a scenic 3 ½ hour ride following the course of the plentiful river Urubamba and advancing gradually through the Sacred Valley of the Incas. On arrival, meet your guide for a short ride to the entrance of the archeological park to begin your guided visit to the Sacred City of "Machu Picchu", considered one of the New Wonders of the World, a place where you can get together with the energy of the Peruvian Andes and get inspired by the mystic surroundings of this impressive citadel. Buffet lunch at a local restaurant. Afternoon train back to Cusco and transfer to the hotel. B. L.

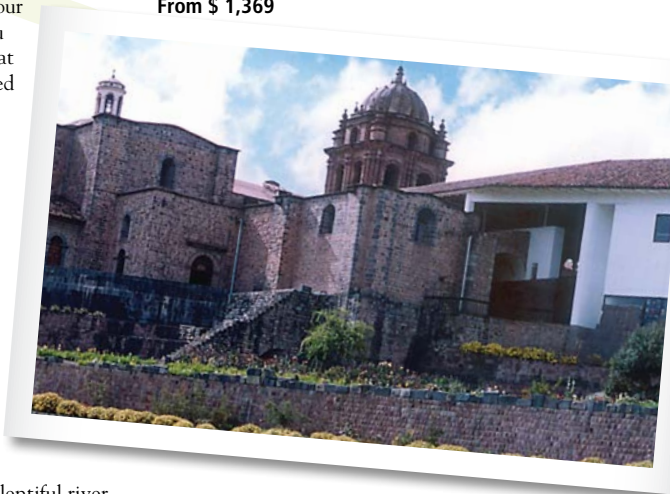
**Day 5: River Rafting in the Sacred Valley.** Early in the morning we pick you up from your hotel and drive through the mountains towards the Sacred Valley of the Incas until we reach our private river put-in located in Pachar. Here you will receive your rafting equipment and a safety briefing. (Toilet facilities are available). After a brief period practicing on the flat parts of the river, we will start our journey on easy waters, while we admire the spectacular views of the mountains and archaeological remains. Continue towards Ollantaytambo and its amazing Inca terraces, as we experience Class II and III rapids, to finish with "El Resbaladero" (The Slide), a strong Class III rapid that includes waves and small whirlpools. We will then have lunch in a traditional restaurant located on the riverside and owned by the local community. This is a great chance to enjoy the Andean cuisine while supporting community projects. Proceed on foot to Ollantaytambo, one of the last Inca cities remaining. Enjoy a guided visit to the ruins that crowns the town. Return to Cusco after lunch. B. L.

**Day 6: Horseback Riding in the Cusco Countryside.** Enjoy a morning Horseback Ride Adventure through fields, Andean-style villages and Inca's vestiges. You will have a chance to enjoy a wonderful view of the city of Cusco on your way to the Temple of the Moon, where we will leave the horses and drive back to Cusco to enjoy the balance of the day at leisure. Lunch is included. B. L.

**Day 7: Cusco to Lima.** Transfer to the Cusco airport for your flight to Lima (airfare is NOT included). On arrival, transfer to the Casa Andina San Antonio Hotel for an overnight stay. Rest of the afternoon at leisure for last minute shopping. B.

**Day 8: Lima / Home.** Breakfast at the hotel. At the appropriate time, transfer to the international airport for your return flight home. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje! B.

**From \$ 1,369**



## Peru for Family and Friends Option 2:

8 Days / 7 Nights. Daily Arrivals

*If you are looking to fill several blanks in your own Bucket List we recommend this itinerary, it features the City of Lima and its Museums, the Spanish Colonial City of Cusco, a Train Ride to the Ancient Machu Picchu Citadel and a 3 Day Expedition to the Jungles of the Peruvian Amazon.*

**Day 1: Welcome to Peru.** Meet your guide at the Lima airport for a transfer to the Casa Andina San Antonio for a two night stay. Other hotels are available throughout the itinerary. Please visit our website.

**Day 2: Lima / Cusco.** Transfer to the airport for flight to Cusco (airfare is NOT included). On arrival, transfer to the Casa Andina Koricancha Hotel for a two night stay. Enjoy a hot coca tea to help you get used to the Andean altitude. Morning at leisure. In the afternoon, partake of a guided excursion to visit the Cathedral with its beautiful woodwork and Spanish colonial paintings; the Korikancha, the Temple of the Sun where the Convent of Santo Domingo was built; and the Archaeological Park of Sacsayhuaman including Q'enco, and the old temple of the Puma to see a sacrifice altar, Tambomachay, the sacred fountains of life, and the fortress of Sacsayhuaman with its huge stones. B.



**Day 3: Cusco / Machu Picchu / Cusco.** Morning transfer to the train station to board the Expedition train for your journey to Machu Picchu. Enjoy a scenic 3 ½ hour ride following the course of the plentiful river Urubamba and advancing gradually through the Sacred Valley of the Incas. On arrival, meet your guide for a short ride to the entrance of the archeological park to begin your guided visit to the Sacred City of "Machu Picchu", considered one of the New Wonders of the World, a place where you can get together with the energy of the Peruvian Andes and get inspired by the mystic surroundings of this impressive citadel. Buffet lunch at a local restaurant. Afternoon train back to Cusco and transfer to the hotel. B. L.

**Day 4: Cusco / Puerto Maldonado - The Amazon.** Transfer to the airport for flight to Puerto Maldonado (airfare is NOT included). On arrival, meet your guide from Posada Amazonas and begin your journey to the lodge. Enjoy a scenic 45 minute boat ride through Primary Forest. During your two night stay at the lodge all meals and activities are included. **Afternoon Canopy Tower**, at 30 meters high, the platforms allow you to view the vast expanses of forest, home to toucans, parrots and macaws. B. L. D.

**Day 5: Exploring the Amazon. Tres Chimbadas Oxbow Lake.** Partake of a catamaran ride, searching for the resident family of nine giant river otters (seen by 60% of our lake visitors) and other lakeside wildlife such as caiman, hoatzin and horned screamers. **Parrot Clay Lick:** Observe dozens of parrots and parakeets descend on most clear mornings to ingest the clay on a river bank. After lunch, partake of an **Ethno Botanical Expedition.** Cruise downriver to the Medicinal Trail designed by Centro Nape, a communal organization that produces medicines out of forest plants. B. L. D.

**Day 6: Puerto Maldonado / Lima.** Boat transfer back to Puerto Maldonado. Fly to Lima (airfare is NOT included). Arrival in Lima, meet and greet at the airport, transfer to the Casa Andina San Antonio Hotel for a two night stay. B.

**Day 07: Lima City Sightseeing Excursion.** Enjoy a guided visit to the city highlights. Visit the Main Square with its Presidential and Municipal Palaces, the Cathedral in which lays the tomb of the Spanish Conqueror Francisco Pizarro and the museum of Religious Art. Then, continue visiting the residential districts of San Isidro and Miraflores; enjoy a wonderful view of the Pacific Ocean. B.

**Day 8: Lima / Home.** Breakfast at the hotel. At the appropriate time, transfer to the international airport for your return flight home. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje! B.

**From \$ 1,314**

## Wonders of Peru, a Value Journey 12 Days / 11 Nights. Daily Arrivals

Come and join us while we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the discovery of Machu Picchu. Enjoy your Personal Holiday Adventure while visiting the many wonders of Peru, including Lima, Arequipa, the Colca Canyon and the majestic Cross of the Condor, Puno and Lake Titicaca, the ancient city of Cusco, the impressive Sacred Valley of the Incas and a scenic train ride to the world famous citadel of Machu Picchu.

**Day 1: Welcome to Peru.** Meet your guide at the Lima airport for a transfer to the Casa Andina San Antonio for a two night stay. Other hotels are available throughout the itinerary. Please visit our website.

**Day 2: Lima City Tour.** Enjoy a guided visit to the city highlights. Visit the Main Square with its Presidential and Municipal Palaces, the Cathedral in which lays the tomb of the Spanish Conqueror Francisco Pizarro and the museum of Religious Art. Then, continue visiting the residential districts of San Isidro and Miraflores; enjoy a wonderful view of the Pacific Ocean. Return to the hotel. Free afternoon. B.

**Day 3: Lima to Arequipa.** Transfer to the Airport for a flight to Arequipa (airfare is not included). On arrival, transfer to the Casa Andina Jerusalem Hotel for an overnight stay. Afternoon tour with visits to the Main Square, the Cathedral, the Cloisters, the Compañía de Jesus Church, the colonial district of Yanahuara, the residential areas of Selva Alegre and the Santa Catalina Monastery. B.

**Day 4: Arequipa to Colca Valley.** Meet your guide and begin a spectacular journey to the Colca Valley. View the foothills of Chachani volcano and admire the Misti and Picchu Picchu Volcanoes. Drive through the Vicuñas Reservation of Pampa Cañahuas where you can see them running free in the high Andean lands. Stop for lunch on your way to the lodge. Overnight at the Casa Andina Lodge. B. L.

**Day 5: Colca Canyon, the Amazing Flight of the Condor. Puno / Lake Titicaca.** Early morning visit to the Condor Cross lookout to observe these huge Andean birds fly between the walls of the canyon, which depth is twice the depth of the Grand Canyon. Visit the Maca and Yanque towns and, after lunch, continue with a scenic drive to the city of Puno for two night stay at the Hotel Casa Andina Plaza. B. L.

**Day 6: Puno / Lake Titicaca.** Day excursion of Lake Titicaca to visit the Floating Islands of the Uros, an old pre-Inca community that took refuge on the waters of the lake while escaping from both the Spanish Conquistadores and the Inca warriors. Also visit the Greek-like Island of Taquile where you may see the local folks wearing their typical costumes. After lunch return boat trip to Puno. B. L.

**Day 7: Puno to Cusco, a Journey through the Andes via a scheduled tour bus.** En-route, visit the Pucara Museum. After lunch, you may view La Raya, the natural border between Puno and Cusco. Stop at Andahuaylillas for a visit to its beautiful chapel. Arrive Cusco by the end of the afternoon for a three night stay at the Casa Andina Korikancha Hotel. B. L.

**Day 8: Morning and Afternoon visits of Ancient and Colonial Cusco.** Partake of a guided excursion to visit to the Cathedral with its beautiful woodwork and Spanish colonial paintings; the Korikancha, the Temple of the

Sun where the Convent of Santo Domingo was built; and the Archaeological Park of Sacsayhuaman including Q'enqo, the old temple of the Puma to see a sacrifice altar, Tambomachay, the sacred fountains of life, and the fortress of Sacsayhuaman with its huge stones. B. L. D.



**Day 9: Cusco at leisure.** Free day to enjoy the charming city of Cusco on your own. B.

**Day 10: Cusco to the Sacred Valley.** Enjoy a day trip to the Pisac Market with enough free time to go around and admire the local handicrafts. After lunch, continue to Ollantaytambo, a small town full of local color and inhabited since Inca times. Overnight stay at the Casa de Yucay Hotel. B.

**Day 11: Machu Picchu Day Visit / Cusco.** Enjoy a scenic train ride to one of the Seven Wonders of the World, Machu Picchu. The Lost City of the Incas, Machu Picchu, will astonish us with its terraces, ceremonial shrines, steps and urban areas. After a guided visit and lunch, you will train back to Cusco to be transferred to the Casa Andina Korikancha Hotel for an overnight stay. B. L.

**Day 12: Cusco / Lima / Home.** At the appropriate time, departure transfer the Cusco airport to check in for your flight to Lima (airfare not included) to connect with your home-bound flight. Adios Amigos and Gracias. B.

From \$ 1,749

## Peru, a Cultural Celebration 8 Days / 7 Nights. Daily Arrivals

*Experience a close encounter with the Old and the Modern side of Peru as you travel through Lima, Cusco, Machu Picchu, Puno and Lake Titicaca interfacing with the three most outstanding Peruvian cultures, the Incas, the Aymaras, and Quechuas. This will be a Journey of a Life Time!*

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**Day 2: Lima / Cusco.** Breakfast. Transfer to the airport for flight to Cusco (airfare is NOT included). On arrival, transfer to the Casa Andina Korikancha Hotel for a two night stay. Enjoy a hot coca tea to help you get used to the Andean altitude. Morning at leisure. In the afternoon, partake of a guided excursion to visit to the Cathedral with its beautiful woodwork and



Spanish colonial paintings, the Korikancha, the Temple of the Sun where the Convent of Santo Domingo was built; the Archaeological Park of Sacsayhuaman including Q'enqo, and the old temple of the Puma to see a sacrifice altar, Tambomachay, the sacred fountains of life, and the fortress of Sacsayhuaman with its huge stones. B.

**Day 3: Cusco / Machu Picchu / Cusco.** Morning transfer to the train station to board the Expedition train for your journey to Machu Picchu.

Enjoy a scenic 3 ½ hour ride following the course of the plentiful river Urubamba and advancing gradually through the Sacred Valley of the Incas. On arrival, meet your guide for a short ride to the entrance of the archaeological park to begin your guided visit to the Sacred City of "Machu Picchu", considered one of the New Wonders of the World, a place where you can get together with the energy of the Peruvian Andes and get inspired by the mystic surroundings of this impressive citadel. Buffet lunch at a local restaurant. Afternoon train back to Cusco and transfer to the hotel. B. L.

**Day 4: Cusco / Puno.** Breakfast. Transfer to the bus station to board a tour bus to Puno; stop en-route to visit the chapel of Andahuaylillas and one of the most important temples for Wiracocha god. Enjoy this real Andean experience as you travel through the countryside with beautiful views of the high Andes. Lunch is included en-route. Before arriving to Puno, visit the Museum of Ruins of Pucara. On arrival, transfer to the Casa Andina Puno Plaza for a two night stay. B. L.

**Day 5: Puno / Lake Titicaca.** Day excursion of Lake Titicaca to visit the Floating Islands of the Uros, an old pre-Inca community that took refuge on the waters of the lake while escaping from both the Spanish Conquistadores and the Inca warriors. Also visit the Greek-like Island of Taquile where you may see the local folks wearing their typical costumes. After lunch return boat trip to Puno. B. L.

**Day 6: Puno / Juliaca / Lima.** Transfer to the Juliaca airport; stop en-route to visit the pre-Inca cemetery of Hatun Colla Chiefs in Sillustani at the shore of the Lake Umayo. Fly to Lima (airfare is NOT included). On arrival, transfer to the Casa Andina San Antonio Hotel for a two night stay. B.

**Day 7: Lima City Tour.** Enjoy a guided visit to the city highlights. Visit the Main Square with its Presidential and Municipal Palaces, the Cathedral in which lays the tomb of the Spanish Conqueror Francisco Pizarro and the museum of Religious Art. Then, continue visiting the residential districts of San Isidro and Miraflores; enjoy a wonderful view of the Pacific Ocean. Return to the hotel. Free afternoon. B.

**Day 8: Lima / Home.** Breakfast at the hotel. At the appropriate time, transfer to the international airport for your return flight home. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje! B.

From \$ 1,199

## Peru, the Highlands and the Southern Amazon

### 8 Days / 7 Nights. Daily Arrivals

*This Extraordinary Experiential Journey combines three diverse regions of Peru, the Andes with its world famous landmark of Cusco, Machu Picchu, the ancient gateway to the Jungle; and the Amazon area of Tambopata. Enjoy the Journey and re-live the Legends of the Past!*

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**Day 2: Lima / Cusco.** Breakfast. Transfer to the airport for flight to Cusco (airfare is NOT included). On arrival, transfer to the Casa Andina Koricancha Hotel for a two night stay. Enjoy a hot coca tea to help you get used to the Andean altitude. Morning at leisure. In the afternoon, partake of a guided excursion to visit to the Cathedral with its beautiful woodwork and Spanish colonial paintings; the Koricancha, the Temple of the Sun where the Convent of Santo Domingo was built; the Archaeological Park of Sacsayhuaman including Q'enqo, and the old temple of the Puma to see a sacrifice altar, Tambomachay, the sacred fountains of life, and the fortress of Sacsayhuaman with its huge stones. B.

**Day 3: Cusco / Machu Picchu / Cusco.** Morning transfer to the train station to board the Expedition train for your journey to Machu Picchu. Enjoy a scenic 3 ½ hour ride following the course of the plentiful river Urubamba and advancing gradually through the Sacred Valley of the Incas. On arrival, meet your guide for a short ride to the entrance of the archeological park to begin your guided visit to the Sacred City of "Machu Picchu", considered one of the New Wonders of the World, a place where you can get together with the energy of the Peruvian Andes and get inspired by the mystic surroundings of this impressive citadel. Buffet lunch at a local restaurant. Afternoon train back to Cusco and transfer to the hotel. B. L.

**Day 4: Cusco / Puerto Maldonado - The Amazon.** Transfer to the airport for flight to Puerto Maldonado (airfare is NOT included). On arrival, meet your guide from Posada Amazonas and begin your journey to the lodge. Enjoy a scenic 45 minute boat ride through Primary Forest. During your three night stay at the lodge all meals and activities are included. **Afternoon Canopy Tower**, at 30 meters high, the platforms allow you to view the vast expanses of forest, home to toucans, parrots and macaws. B. L. D.

**Day 5: Tres Chimbadas Oxbow Lake.** Partake of a catamaran ride, searching for the resident family of nine giant river otters (seen by 60% of our lake visitors) and other lakeside wildlife such as caiman, hoatzin and horned screamers. After lunch, partake of an **Ethno Botanical Expedition**. Cruise downriver to the Medicinal Trail designed by Centro Nape, a communal organization that produces medicines out of forest plants. **Night walk.** You will have the option of hiking out at night, when most of the mammals are active but rarely seen. Frequent finds are frogs with bizarre shapes and sounds. B. L. D.

**Day 6: Parrot Clay Lick.** Observe dozens of parrots and parakeets descend on most clear mornings to ingest the clay on a river bank. **Ceiba Trail Hike:** a 2 hour hike to view the largest tree in the vicinity, a giant Ceiba. During the hike we will focus on the natural history of the rain forest and its principal taxonomic groups. After lunch; **Farm Visit:** a thirty minute boat ride downriver takes us to the most complete farm in the community of Inferno. The owner grows a diverse variety of popular and unknown Amazon crops. In his garden, just about every plant and tree serves a purpose. B. L. D.

**Day 7: Puerto Maldonado / Lima / Lima City Tour\*.** Boat transfer back to Puerto Maldonado. Fly to Lima (airfare is NOT included). Arrival in Lima, meet and greet at the airport, transfer to the Casa Andina San Antonio Hotel for an overnight stay. Enjoy a guided visit to the city highlights. Visit the Main Square with its Presidential and Municipal Palaces, the Cathedral in which lays the tomb of the Spanish Conqueror Francisco Pizarro and the museum of Religious Art. Then, continue visiting the residential districts of San Isidro and Miraflores; enjoy a wonderful view of the Pacific Ocean. \*If time allows it, you will enjoy a city tour this afternoon, if not, the tour will be provided on day 8 prior to your home bound flight. B.

**Day 8: Lima / Home.** Breakfast at the hotel. At the appropriate time, transfer to the international airport for your return flight home. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje! B.

**From \$ 1,443**

## Machu Picchu and Galapagos Premier Combo

### 13 Days / 12 Nights. Arrivals on Thursday: Galapagos Legend. Other Cruise Options are available on request

*One of our most popular combos featuring Peru and Ecuador Mainland Adventures with a 5 day / 4 night Nature Cruise on the Premier Class M/V Galapagos Legend with shore excursions included.*

**Day 1: Thu. Welcome to Peru.** Meet your guide at the Lima airport for a transfer to the Casa Andina San Antonio for a two night stay. Other hotels are available throughout the itinerary. Please visit our website.

**Day 2: Fri. Lima City Tour.** Visit the Main Square with its Presidential and Municipal Palaces, the Cathedral in which lays the tomb of the Spanish Conqueror Francisco Pizarro and the museum of Religious Art, and the residential areas of San Isidro and Miraflores for a wonderful view of the Pacific Ocean. Return to the hotel. B.

**Day 3: Sat. Lima / Cusco.** Transfer to the airport for flight to Cusco (airfare is NOT included). On arrival, transfer to the Casa Andina Koricancha Hotel for a four night stay. Enjoy a hot coca tea to help you get used to the Andean altitude. In the afternoon, partake of a guided excursion to visit the Cathedral; the Koricancha, the Temple of the Sun and the Archaeological Park of Sacsayhuaman including Q'enqo, and the old Temple of the Puma to see a sacrificial altar, Tambomachay, the sacred fountains of life, and the fortress of Sacsayhuaman. B.

**Day 4: Sun. The Sacred Valley.** Begin your visit to the Sacred Valley of the Incas. Visit the artisans' market of Pisac, where colorful local clothing is shown and get familiar with old traditions still alive. Time to do some shopping. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. In the afternoon visit the rest of Ollantaytambo, where you will see the technique used by Incas to sculpt stones. B. L.

**Day 5: Mon. Cusco / Machu Picchu / Cusco.** Enjoy a scenic 3 ½ hour train ride following the course of the plentiful river Urubamba and advancing gradually through the Sacred Valley of the Incas. Meet your guide for a visit of the archeological park of the Sacred City of "Machu Picchu", considered one of the New Wonders of the World. Buffet lunch at a local restaurant. Afternoon train back to Cusco and transfer to the hotel. B. L.



# Ecuador and Galapagos Islands... Lands of color and Contrasts

*Ecuador is a country full of diverse cultures, climates and landscapes. From the spectacular Andean highlands to the remote Amazon jungle; from the untamed tropical coastline of the Pacific to the wondrous natural beauty of the Galapagos Islands. Here, dramatic scenery imposes on wild settings in a vast and beautiful land of contrasts. Each region abounds in colorful and fascinating varieties of Indian cultures still practicing traditional customs. A country of overwhelming beauty and unique natural attractions, Ecuador offers its guests a wealth of possibilities, a flavor of Latin culture and a spirit of adventure.*



**Day 6: Tue. Cusco / Lima/ Quito, Ecuador.** Transfer to the airport for your return flight to Lima (airfare is NOT included) to connect with your Quito, Ecuador flight (airfare NOT included). On arrival in Quito, meet and greet service, transfer to the Hotel Quito for a two night stay. Free afternoon for independent activities. B.

**Day 7: Wed. Quito City Tour.** Visit the old Spanish Colonial District of Quito with its beautiful plazas and unique churches. The Spanish architecture converts Quito in a very special place. After the visit to the old town, we will take you to the south side for a magnificent view of the city from "El Panecillo" lookout point. B.

**Day 8: Thu. Quito / Galapagos / Baltra Island.** Transfer to the airport for your 2 ½ hour flight to the Galapagos (airfare IS included). Upon arrival, meet your guides from the M/V Galapagos Legend and proceed to board your Expedition Ship and begin your cruise. B. L. D.



## Galapagos Islands Cruise on Board the Galapagos Legend – Option A

Day 8	Thursday	Arrive Baltra Airport. Afternoon visit to Ballena Bay & Eden Islet in Santa Cruz Island.
Day 9	Friday	Isabella Island. Morning visit to Moreno Point (snorkeling opportunity). Afternoon visit to Elizabeth Bay.
Day 10	Saturday	Isabella Island. Morning visit to Urbina Bay. Afternoon visit to Tagus Cove (snorkeling and kayaking opportunity).
Day 11	Sunday	Fernandina Island. Morning visit to Espinosa Point (snorkeling opportunity). Afternoon visit to Vicente Roca Point in Isabela Island.
Day 12	Monday	The Highlands in Santa Cruz Island. Baltra airport. Early afternoon flight to Guayaquil.

## Galapagos Islands Cruise on Board the Galapagos Legend – Option B

Day 8	Thursday	Arrive San Cristobal Island airport. Afternoon visit to the Interpretation Center & Tijereta Hill.
Day 9	Friday	Espanola Island. Morning visit to Gardner Bay / Osborne Islets (snorkeling and kayaking opportunities). Afternoon visit to Suarez Point.
Day 10	Saturday	Floreana Island. Morning visit to Post Office (snorkeling opportunity). Afternoon visit to Cormorant Point (snorkeling opportunity).
Day 11	Sunday	Santa Cruz Island. Morning nature walk at the Cerro Mesa Reserve. Afternoon visit to the Charles Darwin Research Station.
Day 12	Monday	Morning visit to Daphne Island. Baltra airport. Early afternoon flight to Guayaquil.

**Day 12: Mon. Baltra Island / Guayaquil.** You will be transferred to the Baltra airport for your Guayaquil bound flight. On arrival, transfer to the Hampton Inn or best available for an overnight stay. Balance of the day is spent at leisure for your own exploration of the Port City. B.

**Day 13: Tue. Guayaquil / Home.** At the appropriate time, transfer to the airport for your home bound flight. B.

**From \$ 3,555**

**Important Note:** The Galapagos National Park Authority has restricted weekly access to most of the islands; therefore, the two different itineraries listed above are operated every other week. Park fees and immigration card are not included.



# Galapagos Cruise and Mainland Ecuador Tour on your choice of Motor Yachts Coral I/II or the Expedition Style M/V Galapagos Legend

9 Days / 8 Nights. Arrivals on Monday: Coral I/ II • Arrivals on Tuesday: Galapagos Legend

Enjoy the natural wonders of the Galapagos Islands during a 5 day cruise with all shore excursions included and explore the best of mainland Ecuador with guided excursions in Quito and the Otavalo Open Air Indian Market.

## Pre-Cruise Mainland Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day 1	Monday or Tuesday	Welcome to Quito, Ecuador (UIO). Meet your EcoAmerica representative at the airport for a private van transfer to the Quito Hotel for a two night stay.
Day 2	Tuesday or Wednesday	<b>Sightseeing Excursion of Quito.</b> Visit some of the city highlights such as Independence Plaza, the Presidential Palace, the Cathedral and many other sites, including La Ronda Street, a great way to observe the traditional life in Quito while strolling through this cobblestoned street. B.
Day 3	Wednesday or Thursday	<b>Quito / Galapagos / San Cristobal Island or Baltra Island.</b> After breakfast at the hotel, transfer to the Quito airport for your flight to the Galapagos (airfare is included). On arrival, meet your Galapagos based host for a transfer to the pier to begin boarding the vessel of your choice, with All Meals included: <b>Wednesday: Coral I or Coral II. Thursday: Galapagos Legend.</b>

## Galapagos Islands Cruise on Board the Coral I or Coral II – Option A

Day 3	Wednesday	Arrive Baltra Airport. Afternoon visit to Ballena Bay & Eden Islet in Santa Cruz Island.
Day 4	Thursday	Isabela Island. Morning visit to Tintoreras Islet, The Wetlands, Villamil Port's Tortoise Breeding Center. Afternoon visit to Sierra Negra Volcano.
Day 5	Friday	Isabela Island. Morning visit to Moreno Point (snorkeling opportunity). Afternoon visit to Elizabeth Bay.
Day 6	Saturday	Fernandina Island. Morning visit to Tagus Cove (snorkeling and kayaking opportunities). Afternoon visit to Espinosa Point.
Day 7	Sunday	Baltra Island. Afternoon flight to Quito.

## Galapagos Islands Cruise on Board the Coral I or Coral II – Option B

Day 3	Wednesday	Arrive San Cristobal Island airport. Afternoon visit to Cerro Colorado Tortoise Reserve.
Day 4	Thursday	San Cristobal Island. Morning visit to Cerro Brujo. Afternoon visit to Pitt Point & Islet (snorkeling and kayaking opportunities)
Day 5	Friday	Santiago Island. Morning visit to Espumilla Beach and Buccaneer Cove (snorkeling and kayaking opportunities). Afternoon visit to Egas Port.
Day 6	Saturday	Morning nature walk on Bartolome Island. Afternoon visit to Sullivan Bay in Santiago Island.
Day 7	Sunday	The Highlands in Santa Cruz Island. Baltra airport. Early afternoon flight to Quito.

## Galapagos Islands Cruise on Board the Galapagos Legend – Option A

Day 3	Thursday	Arrive Baltra Airport. Afternoon visit to Ballena Bay & Eden Islet in Santa Cruz Island.
Day 4	Friday	Isabela Island. Morning visit to Moreno Point (snorkeling opportunity). Afternoon visit to Elizabeth Bay.
Day 5	Saturday	Isabela Island. Morning visit to Urbina Bay. Afternoon visit to Tagus Cove (snorkeling and kayaking opportunity).
Day 6	Sunday	Fernandina Island. Morning visit to Espinosa Point (snorkeling opportunity). Afternoon visit to Vicente Roca Point in Isabela Island.
Day 7	Monday	The Highlands in Santa Cruz Island. Baltra airport. Early afternoon flight to Quito.

## Galapagos Islands Cruise on Board the Galapagos Legend – Option B

Day 3	Thursday	Arrive San Cristobal Island airport. Afternoon visit to the Interpretation Center & Tijereta Hill.
Day 4	Friday	Espanola Island. Morning visit to Gardner Bay / Osborne Islets (snorkeling and kayaking opportunities). Afternoon visit to Suarez Point.
Day 5	Saturday	Floreana Island. Morning visit to Post Office (snorkeling opportunity). Afternoon visit to Cormorant Point (snorkeling opportunity).
Day 6	Sunday	Santa Cruz Island. Morning nature walk at the Cerro Mesa Reserve. Afternoon visit to the Charles Darwin Research Station.
Day 7	Monday	Morning visit to Daphne Island. Baltra airport. Early afternoon flight to Quito.

## Post-Cruise Mainland Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day 7	Sunday or Monday	<b>Galapagos flight to Quito</b> (airfare is included). At the appropriate time, meet and greet service at the Quito airport, transfer to the Quito Hotel for a two night stay. B.
Day 8	Monday or Tuesday	<b>Otavalo Market.</b> After breakfast, your local guide will call for you at the hotel to begin today's journey to Otavalo, the town where a famous indigenous market takes place. The local people are perhaps best known for their exquisite weavings and people can be seen wearing their traditional dress. The women wear white embroidered blouses, long wool skirts, belts according to marital status and necklaces according to stature and wealth. Paintings, jewelry, table cloths, ceramics and all sorts of arts and crafts are on sale at the market. If you don't like shopping, this is still a place to visit, the culture is rich and Otavalo offers a visual experience in itself. After lunch, return to Quito. B. L.
Day 9	Tuesday or Wednesday	<b>Quito/ Home.</b> At the appropriate time, you will be transferred to the Quito International Airport (UIO) to check in for your continuing flight. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje! B.

From: \$ 2,889

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# Deluxe Galapagos Cruise on the M/V Galapagos Explorer II & Ecuador Mainland Exploration for Family and Friends

**9 Days / 8 Nights. Arrivals on Thursday or Monday**

*Enjoy the natural wonders of the Galapagos Islands during a 5 day Deluxe Cruise with all shore excursions included, and explore the best of mainland Ecuador with private guided excursions in Guayaquil, Quito, and Otavalo.*

### Pre-Cruise Mainland Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day 1	Thursday or Monday	<b>Welcome to Guayaquil (GYE), Ecuador.</b> Meet and greet service at the airport. Transfer to the Hampton Inn for an overnight stay. Afternoon sightseeing excursion of the Port City of Guayaquil.
Day 2	Friday or Tuesday	<b>Guayaquil / Galapagos / San Cristobal Island or Baltra Island.</b> After breakfast at the hotel, transfer to the Guayaquil airport for your flight to the Galapagos (airfare, Park entrance, immigration card and fuel surcharge are included). On arrival, meet your Galapagos based host for a transfer to the pier to begin boarding the <b>Galapagos Explorer II</b> , with All Meals included.

### Galapagos Islands Cruise – Option A

Day 2	Friday	Puerto Ayora Township and Charles Darwin Research Station in Santa Cruz Island.
Day 3	Saturday	Morning visit to Bachas Beach in Santa Cruz Island. Afternoon visit to Puerto Egas in Santiago Island.
Day 4	Sunday	Morning visit to El Barranco in Genovesa Island. Afternoon visit to Darwin Bay in Genovesa Island.
Day 5	Monday	Morning visit to North Seymour Island. Afternoon visit to Punta Carrion / El Chato Santa Cruz Island
Day 6	Tuesday	Morning Interpretation Center, San Cristobal Island. Early afternoon flight to Quito.

### Galapagos Islands Cruise – Option B

Day 2	Tuesday	Puerto Baquerizo and Wizard Hill in San Cristobal Island.
Day 3	Wednesday	Espanola Island: Morning Options (to be determined on-board) Gardner Bay, Gardner's Islet or Osborn Islet. Afternoon visit to Punta Suarez.
Day 4	Thursday	Morning visit to Whale Bay / Eden in Santa Cruz Island. Afternoon visit to Rabida Island.
Day 5	Friday	Morning visit to Puerto Ayora Township and Charles Darwin Research Station in Santa Cruz Island. Afternoon visit to South Plazas in Plazas Island.
Day 6	Saturday	Morning visit to Baltra Island. Early afternoon flight to Quito.

### Post-Cruise Mainland Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day 6	Tuesday or Saturday	<b>Galapagos flight to Quito</b> (airfare is included). At the appropriate time, meet and greet service at the Quito airport. On arrival, transfer to the Mercure Alameda Hotel for a three night stay. B.
Day 7	Wednesday or Sunday	<b>Sightseeing Excursion of Quito and the Middle of the World Equator Line.</b> Visit some of the city highlights such as Independence Plaza, the Presidential Palace, the Cathedral and many other sites, including La Ronda Street, a great way to observe the traditional life in Quito while strolling through this cobblestoned street. Continue towards the Middle of the World (Mitad Del Mundo), Quito's most famous attractions, where you can literally have one foot in the southern hemisphere and the other in the northern hemisphere. Return to the hotel after lunch. B. L.
Day 8	Thursday or Monday	<b>Otavalo Market.</b> After breakfast, your local guide will call for you at the hotel to begin today's journey to Otavalo, the town where a famous indigenous market takes place. The local people are perhaps best known for their exquisite weavings and people can be seen wearing their traditional dress. The women wear white embroidered blouses, long wool skirts, belts according to marital status and necklaces according to stature and wealth. Paintings, jewelry, table cloths, ceramics and all sorts of arts and crafts are on sale at the market. If you don't like shopping, this is still a place to visit, the culture is rich and Otavalo offers a visual experience in itself. After lunch, return to Quito. B. L.
Day 9	Friday or Tuesday	<b>Quito / Home.</b> At the appropriate time, your local host will drive you to the airport to check in for your home bound flight. B.

**From: \$ 3,999**

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# Exclusive Luxury Galapagos Adventures on your choice of First Class Odyssey or Deluxe Grand Odyssey Motor Yachts & Highlights of Mainland Ecuador

**10 Days / 9 Nights. Arrivals on Monday or Saturday**

*Discover the beauty of Quito, Ecuador's modern and Spanish colonial capital city, the Middle of the World Monument and the Otavalo Open Air Indian Market. Experience the awesome natural wonders of the Galapagos Islands during a 6 day upscale cruise with all shore excursions, kayaking and snorkeling included.*

## Pre-Cruise Mainland Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day 1	Monday or Saturday	Welcome to Quito, Ecuador (UIO). Meet your EcoAmerica representative at the airport for a private van transfer to the hotel of your choice for a three night stay. <b>First Class: Dann Carlton or Patio Andaluz. Deluxe: Hilton Colon.</b>
Day 2	Tuesday or Sunday	<b>Sightseeing Excursion of Quito and the Middle of the World Equator Line.</b> The main highlights to visit are Independence Plaza, Presidential Palace, the Cathedral and many other sites. Continue towards the Middle of the World Monument, Quito's most famous attraction, where you can literally have one foot in the southern hemisphere and the other in the northern hemisphere. B.
Day 3	Wednesday or Monday	<b>Otavalo Native Market.</b> A journey to the northern Andean Region town of Otavalo, famous for its indigenous market filled with weaving and artisan culture. Visit a local Rose plantation (Ecuador is one of the leading Rose producers) and continue towards the shore of San Pablo Lake at Puerto Lago to enjoy a delicious lunch. Continue with your choice of visits to either Cotacachi Village, Cuicocha Lake, or Peguche workshops. Afterwards, return to Quito. B. L.
Day 4	Thursday or Tuesday	<b>Quito / Galapagos / San Cristobal Island or Baltra Island.</b> After breakfast at the hotel, transfer to the Quito airport for your flight to the Galapagos (airfare is included). On arrival, meet your Galapagos based host for a transfer to the pier to begin boarding the vessel of your choice, with All Meals included: <b>First Class: Odyssey. Deluxe Class: Grand Odyssey.</b>

## Galapagos Islands Cruise – Option A

Day 4	Thursday	Puerto Ayora Township and Charles Darwin Research Station in Santa Cruz Island.
Day 5	Friday	Isabela Island. Morning visit to White Tipped Reef Shark Canal. Afternoon visit to Sierra Negra Volcano.
Day 6	Saturday	Isabela Island: Morning visit to Punta Moreno. Afternoon visit to Elizabeth Bay.
Day 7	Sunday	Morning visit to Punta Espinoza in Fernandina Island. Afternoon visit to Tagus Cove in Isabela Island.
Day 8	Monday	Santiago Island: Morning visit to Espumilla Beach. Afternoon visit to Puerto Egas.
Day 9	Tuesday	Morning visit to Isla Lobos. Early afternoon flight San Cristobal to Guayaquil.

## Galapagos Islands Cruise – Option B

Day 4	Tuesday	San Cristobal Island. Afternoon visit to Cerro Colorado / Puerto Chino Beach.
Day 5	Wednesday	Espanola Island: Punta Suarez. Afternoon visit to Gardner Bay.
Day 6	Thursday	Floreana Island. Morning visit to Punta Cormorant. Afternoon visit to Baroness Lookout / Post Office Bay.
Day 7	Friday	Morning visit to Santa Fe Island / Barrington Bay. Afternoon visit to South Plaza Island.
Day 8	Saturday	Morning visit to North Seymour. Afternoon visit to Bachas Beach in Santa Cruz Island.
Day 9	Sunday	Morning visit to Mosquera Island. Early Afternoon flight Santa Cruz to Guayaquil.

## Post-Cruise Mainland Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day 9	Tuesday or Sunday	<b>Galapagos flight to Guayaquil</b> (airfare is included). At the appropriate time, transfer to the Baltra or Santa Cruz Airport for your 1 1/2 hour flight to Guayaquil. On arrival, transfer to the hotel of your choice for an overnight stay. <b>First Class: Hampton Inn. Deluxe: Hilton Colon. B.</b>
Day 10	Wednesday or Monday	<b>Guayaquil/ Home.</b> At the appropriate time, you will be transferred to the Guayaquil International Airport (GYE) to check in for your continuing flight. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje! B.

**From: \$ 4,983**

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# Highlights of the Andes and the Upper Amazon

9 Days / 8 Nights. Daily Arrivals (except Wednesdays)

*Discover Ecuador's Andean and Amazonian Regions while enjoying a private guided expedition of the cloud forests and paramo areas of the highlands, relax in the thermal pools of Papallacta, explore native markets, colonial haciendas, old and modern Quito, partake of nature walks and jungle activities, observe the beauty of the Waterfalls' Alley in Baños, and delight with fresh and tasty Ecuadorian food.*

**Day 1. Bienvenidos to Quito, Ecuador.** Meet your EcoAmerica representative at the airport for a private van transfer to the hotel of your choice for a two night stay. Tourist Class: Reina Isabel. First Class: Dann Carlton or Patio Andaluz. Deluxe: Hilton Colon.

**Day 2. Sightseeing Excursion of Quito and the Middle of the World Equator Line.** Visit some of the city highlights such as Independence Plaza, the Presidential Palace, the Cathedral and many other sites, including La Ronda Street, a great way to observe the traditional life in Quito while strolling through this cobblestoned street. Continue towards the Middle of the World (Mitad Del Mundo), Quito's most famous attraction, where you can literally have one foot in the southern hemisphere and the other in the northern hemisphere. B.

**Day 3. Quito / Otavalo Market and Overnight at an authentic Colonial Hacienda.** After breakfast, begin your journey to the northern Andean Region town of Otavalo, famous for its indigenous market filled with weaving and artisan culture. Visit a local Rose plantation (Ecuador is one of the leading Rose producers) and continue towards the shore of San Pablo Lake at Puerto Lago to enjoy a delicious lunch. Continue with your choice of visits to either Cotacachi Village, a small town well-known for its leather goods, Cuicocha Lake, an impressive crater-lake garnished with two islets in the middle, or Peguche workshops, to admire the craftsmanship of the locals. Afterwards, check-in at the hacienda of your choice: Tourist and First Class: Hacienda Pinsaqui. B. L. Deluxe: La Mirage. B. L. D.

**Day 4. Otavalo to Papallacta.** After breakfast, meet your guide to continue your journey to Papallacta; your resort is perched on a high eastern Andean valley en-route to the Ecuadorian Amazon jungle. Enjoy the beautiful landscapes and amazing views of the Antisana Volcano while relaxing in the thermal-pools. Indulge yourself in the Spa with a Massage, compliments of EcoAmerica Tours and your local travel agent. Overnight at this exclusive Spa-Resort. Tourist and First Class: Standard Rooms. Deluxe: Room with Jacuzzi. B.

**Day 5 .Papallacta to the Upper Amazon Jungle.** After Breakfast, meet your guide to continue your trip towards the Upper Amazon Basin. En-route, stop at a hummingbird sanctuary in the Cloud Forest; continue your expedition to the town of Tena, gateway to the Upper Amazon Region. Check in at your Jungle Lodge, located along the Napo River, one of the many tributaries of the great Amazon River. After Lunch, enjoy a guided excursion which will be defined on-site by your guide. The lodge has private facilities and hot water, but no electricity in the cabins, at night, oil lamps are provided. Two nights stay. Tourist and First Class: Cotococha. Deluxe: Hamadryade B. L. D.

**Day 6: Amazon Jungle Expedition.** After breakfast, enjoy a full day of excursions in the Upper Amazon Basin. There are plenty of excursion possibilities and the available alternatives will be discussed at the lodge, depending on weather conditions. The excursions are shared in a group, together with other guests at the Lodge. After concluding this day's Amazon experience, you'll head back to relax at the Lodge and have a sumptuous dinner. Optionally we can also go for a night walk through the forest to experience the abundant nightlife of insects and other animals, a great way to enjoy the sounds and sights of the jungle in the darkness! B. L. D.

**Day 7: Amazon Jungle to Puyo and Baños.** After breakfast, meet your guide for the journey to Baños, stop in the town of Puyo to visit a local balsa wood factory to witness the process of how the most colorful souvenirs are made out of this lightweight wood. Then, begin to climb towards the Andean Region of the Pastaza Gorge, surrounded by cloud forest and the spectacular "Cascades Avenue" with many falls on both sides of the road. Lovely Baños is situated in a valley of waterfalls and hot springs at the bottom of the active Tungurahua Volcano. Check in at the hotel of your choice for on overnight stay. Balance of the afternoon is free for independent activities, to relax and enjoy the subtropical climate, or stroll through Baños' central area enjoying its restaurants, bars, and boutiques. Tourist Class: Volcano Hotel. B. First Class: Luna Runtun. B. D. Deluxe: Luna Runtun (Suite) B. D.

**Day 8: Baños to Quito with stops in Salasaca and Cotopaxi.** Breakfast at the hotel. Meet your guide for your journey to the central Andean valley with stops en-route at the indigenous Salasaca community, an authentic Andean village. Then, travel north through the "Avenue of Volcanoes"

of your choice. Tourist Class: Reina Isabel. First Class: Dann Carlton or Patio Andaluz. Deluxe: Hilton Colon. B. L.

**Day 9: Quito/ Home or Galapagos Extension** (check with your travel agent for additional details). At the appropriate time, you will be transferred to the Quito Intl. airport to check in for your continuing flight. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje! B.

**From \$ 1,367**



to the Cotopaxi National Park and its Interpretation Center to learn about the Park's flora and fauna. You, along with your guide, will assess your level of altitude acclimatization and determine the activity to take place within the Park's many venue choices. Lunch is included at the Tambopaxi Refuge. In the afternoon, continue your journey to Quito for an overnight stay at the hotel

## Ecuador for Friends and Family

### 9 Days / 8 Nights. Daily Arrivals

*Mainland Andean and Amazonian Adventures, including Mountain Biking, Hiking, River Rafting and Horseback Riding, with a stop at the Papallacta Hot Springs and Thermal Pools.*

**Day 1: Bienvenidos to Quito, Ecuador.** Meet your EcoAmerica representative at the airport for a private van transfer to the hotel of your choice for a three night stay. Tourist Class: Reina Isabel. First Class: Dann Carlton or Patio Andaluz.

**Day 2: Mountain Biking Nono Adventure and Mindo Cloud Forest Tree Canopy Zip Line.** After breakfast, meet your Adventure Guide for a scenic drive to the Tandyapa area. Begin your downhill descent to Nono village; watch the vegetation change from paramo to cloud forest until reaching the small birding paradise of Tandyapa. Enjoy a Box Lunch, in the afternoon, drive to the Mindo Cloud Forest area to enjoy the tree canopy zip line adventure. During the tour, the guides will share with you the diversity in flora and fauna that exist in this area. B. L.

**Day 3: Sightseeing Excursion of Quito and the Middle of the World Equator Line.** Visit some of the city highlights such as Independence Plaza, the Presidential Palace, the Cathedral and many other sites, including La Ronda Street, a great way to observe the traditional life in Quito while strolling through this cobblestoned street. Also visit the Equator Line and Inti-Nan Solar museum. Return to the hotel after lunch. B. L.

**Day 4: Quito / Papallacta / Tena in the Upper Amazon.** After breakfast, meet your guide for a scenic ride to the Papallacta Spa & Resort. Visit one of the most complex SPAS in the world and enjoy a swim in the thermal pools. Lunch is included at this magical place; afterwards drive to Cotococha Lodge for a three night stay. B. L. D.

**Days 5 & 6: Activities at Cotococha Lodge.** During these two days, your host will schedule some fun adventures, one of them is the rafting expedition of the Anzu River. The perfect trip for those looking for adventure with beautiful scenery. The Anzu is a beautiful tropical river that provides a relaxing and fun day running over small and mid-sized rapids and crystal clear pools amid an incredible forest. Other activities may include, river tubing, visits to the local communities, hikes in the rain forest, canoe trips, night walks, and cascade visits; all led by experienced native guides. B. L. D.

**Day 7: Tena to Baños. Horseback Riding Expedition.** After breakfast, travel to Baños, on the way visit Puyo and one of the balsa wood factories, arrival in Baños in the early afternoon. Check in at the hotel for an overnight stay. In the afternoon, enjoy a horseback riding expedition around the beautiful valley of Baños. Tourist Class: Posada del Arte. B. L. First Class: Luna Runtun B. L. D.

**Day 8: Baños / Cotopaxi National Park / Quito.** Early departure to Cotopaxi; stop at Limpiopungo Lake to get acclimatized to the altitude. If you feel up to it, enjoy a nature walk to view semi-wild horses, a variety of ducks and hummingbirds and the Andean gull and lapwing. Other strenuous walks are available under the direction of your guide. Enjoy incredible photo opportunities and spectacular scenery before heading back to Quito. Stop en-route for lunch. Check in at the hotel of your choice for an overnight stay. Tourist Class: Reina Isabel. First Class: Dann Carlton or Patio Andaluz. B. L.

**Day 9: Quito/ Home or Galapagos Extension (check with your travel agent for additional details).** At the appropriate time, you will be transferred to the Quito Intl. airport to check in for your continuing flight. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje! B.

**From \$ 1,469**

## Ecuador Explorer, from the Andes to the Amazon to the Pacific

### 12 Days / 11 Nights. Daily Arrivals (except Wednesdays)

*Explore Ecuador's diverse regions, from the Andes to the Amazon to the Colonial City of Cuenca to the Pacific Tropical Coastal Port of Guayaquil. Enjoy your private guided expedition in the company of your English speaking host while partaking of the many activities available during this extraordinary Adventure of Discovery.*

**Day 1: Bienvenidos to Quito, Ecuador.** Meet your EcoAmerica representative at the airport for a private van transfer to the hotel of your choice for a two night stay. Tourist Class: Reina Isabel. First Class: Dann Carlton or Patio Andaluz. Deluxe: Hilton Colon.

**Day 2: Sightseeing Excursion of Quito and the Middle of the World Equator Line.** Visit some of the city highlights such as Independence Plaza, the Presidential Palace, the Cathedral and many other sites, including La Ronda Street, a great way to observe the traditional life in Quito while strolling through this cobblestoned street. Continue towards the Middle of the World (Mitad Del Mundo), Quito's most famous attraction, where you can literally have one foot in the southern hemisphere and the other in the northern hemisphere. B.

**Day 3: Quito / Otavalo Market and Overnight at an authentic Colonial Hacienda.** After breakfast, begin your journey to the northern Andean Region town of Otavalo, famous for its indigenous market filled with weaving and artisan culture. Visit a local Rose plantation (Ecuador is one of the leading Rose producers) and continue towards the shore of San Pablo Lake at Puerto Lago to enjoy a delicious lunch. Continue with your choice of visits to either Cotacachi Village, a small town well-known for its leather goods, or Cuicocha Lake, an impressive crater-lake garnished with two islets in the middle, or Peguche workshops, to admire the craftsman-



ship of the locals. Afterwards, check-in at the hacienda of your choice: Tourist and First Class: Hacienda Pinsacqui. B. L. Deluxe: La Mirage. B. L. D.

**Day 4: Otavalo to Papallacta.** After breakfast, meet your guide to continue your journey to Papallacta, your resort is perched on a high eastern Andean valley en-route to the Ecuadorian Amazon jungle. Enjoy the beautiful landscapes and amazing views of the Antisana Volcano while relaxing in the thermal-pools. Indulge yourself in the Spa with a Massage, compliments of EcoAmerica Tours and your local travel agent. Overnight at this exclusive Spa-Resort. Tourist and First Class: Standard Rooms. Deluxe: Room with Jacuzzi. B.

**Day 5 : Papallacta to the Upper Amazon Jungle.** After breakfast, meet your guide to continue your trip towards the Upper Amazon Basin. En-route, stop at a hummingbird sanctuary in the Cloud Forest; continue your expedition to the town of Tena, gateway to the Upper Amazon region. Check in at your Jungle Lodge, located along the Napo River, one of the many tributaries of the great Amazon River. After lunch, enjoy a guided excursion which will be defined on-site by your guide. The lodge has private facilities and hot water, but no electricity in the cabins; at night, oil lamps are provided. Two nights stay. Tourist and First Class: Cotococha. Deluxe: Hamadryade. B. L. D.

**Day 6: Amazon Jungle Expedition.** After breakfast, enjoy a full day of excursions in the Upper Amazon Basin. There are plenty of excursion possibilities and the available alternatives will be discussed at the lodge, depending on weather conditions. The excursions are shared in a group, together with other guests at the Lodge. After concluding this day's Amazon experience, you'll head back to relax at the Lodge and have a sumptuous dinner. Optionally you can also go for a night walk through the forest to experience the abundant nightlife of insects and other animals, a great way to experience the sounds and sights of the jungle in the darkness! B. L. D.

**Day 7: Amazon Jungle to Puyo and Baños.** After breakfast, meet your guide for your journey to Baños, stop in the town of Puyo to visit a local balsa wood factory to

witness the process of how the most colorful souvenirs are made out of this lightweight wood. Then, begin to climb towards the Andean region of the Pastaza Gorge, surrounded by cloud forest and the spectacular "Cascades Avenue" with many falls on both sides of the road. Lovely Baños is situated in a valley of waterfalls and hot springs at the bottom of the active Tungurahua Volcano. Check in at the hotel of your choice for on overnight stay. Balance of the afternoon is free for independent activities, to relax and enjoy the subtropical climate, or to stroll through Baños' central area enjoying its restaurants, bars, and boutiques. Tourist Class: Volcano Hotel. B. First Class: Luna Runtun. B. D. Deluxe: Luna Runtun (Suite). B. D.

**Day 8: Baños to Riobamba with stops in Salasaca and Chimborazo.** After breakfast, leave Baños for a visit to the indigenous Salasaca community, then on to the "Avenue of Volcanoes" to the lower slopes of the mighty Chimborazo (20,700 ft. / 6310 mts.). Partake of a nature walk in the Biological Reserve with its moon-like landscape. On your way up to the slopes, chances are good for viewing vicuñas (South American camelid species). Lunch is included at the Chimborazo Refuge. Continue your descent for a late afternoon arrival in the city of Riobamba for an overnight stay. Tourist Class: El Troje Hotel. First Class: Hosteria Abraspungo. Deluxe: Hosteria Abraspungo. B. L.

**Day 9: Riobamba to Cuenca with Devil's Nose Train Ride and Ingapirca Inca Ruins.** In the morning, you will enjoy an exhilarating ride on board the Trans-Andean Train or auto-ferro. If today is a Monday, a local project for indigenous people of Guamote village will be visited instead of the train ride. Afterwards we will continue to the Ingapirca Ruins. On the way we will enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. Late afternoon arrival in Cuenca for a two night stay. Tourist Class: Victoria Hotel. First Class: Santa Lucia. Deluxe: Mansion Alcazar. B. L.

**Day 10: Cuenca Sightseeing Excursion and Free Time.**

Enjoy a sightseeing tour through Colonial Cuenca, the third largest city of Ecuador. Walk along the cobblestoned streets and colorful squares surrounded by small local markets within the historical center, enjoying the wealthy architecture of this charming city, declared a Cultural Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1999. In the afternoon, enjoy your free time to discover on your own the many boutiques, museums, bars and restaurants. B.

**Day 11: Cuenca to Guayaquil with a stop at the Cajas National Park.**

After breakfast, begin your drive to the Pacific Coast with a stop at Cajas, one of Ecuador's most impressive paramo areas covered by mysterious lakes and enchanting forest. After a delicious lunch, continue to Guayaquil, on a great drive down the western Andean slopes. Enjoy a dramatic change in the landscape, now to hot and humid. We will come along many plantations of bananas and other tropical fruits, cocoa, coffee and rice, before arriving late afternoon at Guayaquil. Drop off at your Hotel for overnight. Tourist Class: Continental Hotel. First Class: Hampton Inn. Deluxe: Hilton Colon. B. L.

**Day 12: Guayaquil / Home or Galapagos Extension.**

If you have an afternoon flight, you will enjoy a sightseeing excursion of Guayaquil, otherwise your will be driven to the airport to check-in for your flight. B.

**From \$ 1,989**



# Costa Rica ...the Rich Coast

Located just 10 degrees north of the Equator, and ideally situated between the Pacific Ocean and the Caribbean Sea, this tropical paradise is a natural wonder, rich in exotic flora and fauna. With over eighteen different ecosystems found in a country the size of West Virginia, this unique country houses such places as a cloud forest, a Caribbean humid forest, a tropical dry forest and a flooded forest. A great diversity of fauna such as monkeys, turtles, fish, frogs insects and various land mammals call Costa Rica home. We invite you to join us as our honored guest, and discover all the wonders that Costa Rica has to offer.



## Costa Rica Value Journey 9 Days / 8 Nights. Daily Arrivals

With Day Expeditions through quaint and colorful villages, the extraordinary beauty of the Arenal Volcano, the Tabacon Hot Springs and Thermal Pools, the Doka Coffee Plantation, the Poas Volcano, La Paz Waterfall Gardens and Nature Exhibits, Sarapiquí River Nature Cruise, Selva Verde Rainforest Trails, the Caribbean Rainforest Aerial Tramway and a stay at an All-Inclusive Beach Resort at the Guanacaste Coast.

**Day 1: Bienvenido to San Jose, Costa Rica.** Your EcoAmerica representatives will meet you at the airport, and transfer you to the 4-Stars **Ramada Plaza Herradura Hotel** for a four night stay. Our guests enjoy admission privileges to the exclusive Cariari Country Club.

**Day 2: Doka Coffee Plantation.** The Poas Volcano National Park with its active Geyser crater and the dwarf Rainforest. The beautiful **La Paz Waterfall Gardens** with its Nature Walkways, Butterfly Garden, Hummingbird Gallery, Bird House and Reptile exhibits are just some of the features included today. Enjoy an authentic Costa Rican breakfast while visiting a real Coffee Plantation. Then continue with your journey of discovery. Lunch is included at the La Paz Waterfall Gardens. Return to the hotel in the mid-afternoon. B. L.

**Day 3: Sarchi Village, Arenal Volcano Hot Springs and Thermal Pools at the Tabacon Resort and Spa.** After breakfast, meet your guide to begin your tour which includes visits to the Village of Sarchi famous for its Ox Cart factories, the Arenal Volcano Area where you will enjoy a delicious lunch at a local restaurant. After lunch, enjoy the thermal pools of the resort where you will also enjoy a delicious Buffet Dinner. After dinner, your guide will drive you to the best location at the foot

of the volcano to view the lava flows (weather permitting). Return to the Ramada Plaza hotel after viewing the lava flows. B. L. D.

**Day 4: Descend through the Cloud Forest of the Braulio Carrillo Park en route to the Sarapiquí Rainforest for a Nature River Cruise, Selva Verde Nature Hike and Caribbean Rainforest Aerial Tramway.** Breakfast at the hotel.

Meet your guide and enjoy a scenic drive through the Braulio Carrillo Park, the gateway to the Tortuguero Canals and the jungles of the Sarapiquí river basin. Cruise on the Sarapiquí River where chances are good to view crocodiles, monkeys, and Jesus Christ lizards. Enjoy lunch and a stroll along the private jungle trails at the Selva Verde Lodge. After lunch, we will stop for a tree canopy gondola ride on the famous Caribbean Rainforest Aerial Tram. B. L.

**Day 5: Playa Hermosa Beach in the Pacific Coastal Province of Guanacaste.** Early breakfast. Meet your driver for a shared transfer through the savannas of the pacific lowlands of Guanacaste. Arrive at the beach on time for lunch. Check in for a three-night stay in an ocean view room at **Villas Sol All Inclusive Beach Resort.** the 4-Star While at the resort, all your meals and local drinks are included; during your three night stay at the beach resort, you may opt to have an a la Carte dinner at the formal restaurant, the Heliconias, to do so, you need to make your reservation upon your arrival. B. L. D.

**Day 6 and Day 7: Leisure time at the beach!** Days 6 and 7 will be to enjoy the beach or partaking in the resort's daytime activities such as aqua-aerobics, dance lessons, cooking classes, and use of Non-motorized water sports like kayaks, body (boogie) boards, and snorkeling gear. Nightly entertainment is provided by the resort. B. L. D.

**Day 8 : Hermosa Beach / San Jose .** Enjoy breakfast and an early lunch at the hotel. Meet your local driver for a shared transfer back to San Jose. Check-in at the **Ramada Plaza Herradura Hotel** for an overnight stay. Balance of the day is spent at leisure. B. L.

**Day 9: San Jose / Home.** Breakfast at the hotel. At the appropriate time, a hotel provided shuttle transfer to the International Airport for your home bound flight. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje! B. L. D.

**From \$ 1,199**



## Costa Rica on a Budget 9 Days / 8 Nights. Daily Arrivals

With Day Expeditions through quaint and colorful villages, the extraordinary beauty of the Arenal Volcano, the Tabacon Hot Springs and Thermal Pools, Sarapiquí River Nature Cruise, Selva Verde Rainforest Trails, the Caribbean Rainforest Aerial Tramway, the serene beauty of the Orosi Valley and the Lankester Orchid Gardens, and a stay at an All-Inclusive Beach Resort at the Guanacaste Coast.

**Day 1: Bienvenido to San Jose, Costa Rica.** Your EcoAmerica representatives will meet you at the airport, and transfer you to the 4-Stars **Ramada Plaza Herradura Hotel** for a three night stay. Our guests enjoy admission privileges to the exclusive Cariari Country Club.

**Day 2: Sarchi Village, Arenal Volcano Hot Springs and Thermal Pools at the Tabacon Resort and Spa.** After breakfast, meet your guide to begin your tour which includes visits to the Village of Sarchi famous for its Ox Cart factories, the Arenal Volcano Area where you will enjoy a delicious lunch at a local restaurant. After lunch, enjoy the thermal pools of the resort where you will also enjoy a delicious Buffet Dinner. After dinner, your guide will drive you to the best location at the foot of the volcano to view the lava flows (weather permitting). Return to the Ramada Plaza Hotel after viewing the lava flows. B. L. D.

**Day 3: Descend through the Cloud Forest of the Braulio Carrillo Park en route to the Sarapiquí Rainforest for a Nature River Cruise, Selva Verde Nature Hike and Caribbean Rainforest Aerial Tramway.** Breakfast at the hotel. Meet your guide and enjoy a scenic drive through the Braulio Carrillo Park, the gateway to the Tortuguero Canals and the jungles of the Sarapiquí river basin.





## Costa Rica Holiday for Bargain Hunters

### 8 Days / 7 Nights. Daily Arrivals

*With Day Expeditions through quaint and colorful villages, the luxury of the Springs Resort at the Arenal Volcano, the dwarf rainforest at the Poas Volcano, the majestic La Paz waterfall, a fun-filled All Inclusive beach stay in the Guanacaste Coast and a wonderful nature cruise across the Palo Verde national park.*

**Day 1: Bienvenido to San Jose, Costa Rica.** Your EcoAmerica representatives will meet you at the airport, and transfer you to the 4-Stars **Ramada Plaza Herradura Hotel** for a three night stay. Our guests enjoy admission privileges to the exclusive Cariari Country Club.

**Day 2: Sarchi Village and Arenal Volcano Hot Springs and Thermal Pools at the deluxe The Springs Resort and Spa.** After breakfast, meet your guide and begin your journey to the Tilaran Mountain Range; en-route stop at the Arts & Crafts Village of Sarchi. Once in the Arenal Volcano area, enjoy a delicious lunch, the extraordinary volcano views and the Thermal Pools of the Springs Resort & Spa. On the way back to San Jose, stop for dinner and to view the lava flows (weather permitting). B. L. D.

**Day 3: Doka Coffee Plantation. The Poas Volcano National Park** with its active Geyser crater and the dwarf Rainforest. The beautiful **La Paz Waterfall Gardens** with its Nature Walkways, Butterfly Garden, Hummingbird Gallery, Bird House and Reptile exhibits are just some of the features included today. Enjoy an authentic Costa Rican breakfast while visiting a real Coffee Plantation. Then continue with your journey of discovery. Lunch is included at the La Paz Water Fall Gardens. Return to the hotel in the mid-afternoon. B. L.

**Day 4: Playa Hermosa Beach in the Pacific Coastal Province of Guanacaste.** Early breakfast. Meet your driver for a shared transfer through the savannas of the Pacific lowlands of Guanacaste. Arrive at the beach in time for lunch. Check in for a three-night stay in an ocean view room at the 4-Star **Villas Sol All Inclusive Beach Resort**. While at the resort, all your meals and local drinks are included. During your three night stay at the beach resort, you may opt to have an a la Carte dinner at the formal restaurant, the Heliconias; to do so, you need to make your reservation upon your arrival. B. L. D.

**Day 5: Playa Hermosa Beach.** Enjoying the beach or partaking in the resort's daytime activities such as aqua-aerobics, dance lessons, cooking classes, and use of non-motorized water sports like kayaks, body (boogie) boards, and snorkeling gear. Nightly entertainment is provided by the resort. B. L. D.

**Day 6: Palo Verde National Park Nature Cruise.** After breakfast, meet your local guide for a scenic drive to the village of Ortega where you will board a boat for a nature cruise of the Rio Tempisque. The Park is one of the best wildlife and bird-watching spots in Costa Rica; this remote wetland sanctuary houses one of the largest concentrations of aquatic birds in the region. Palo Verde is also home to monkeys, crocodiles and iguanas. After lunch return to the hotel. B. L. D.

**Day 07: Hermosa Beach / San Jose.** Enjoy breakfast and an early lunch at the hotel. Meet your local driver for a shared transfer back to San Jose. Check-in at the

**Ramada Plaza Herradura Hotel** for an overnight stay. Balance of the day is spent at leisure. B. L.

**Day 08: San Jose / Home.** Your Journey of Discovery ends after breakfast at the hotel. At the pre-arranged time, board the hotel's vehicle for a transfer to the San Jose International Airport to check-in for your flight. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje! B.

**From \$ 1,099**



## Costa Rica for Family and Friends. Option 2:

### 8 Days / 7 Nights. Daily Arrivals

*Enjoy the easy pace of this one week exploration of two of the country's most remarkable Eco-systems, the Cloud Forest of the Monteverde Reserve and the beauty of the rainforest by the sea at the Manuel Antonio National Park.*

**Day 1: Bienvenido to San Jose, Costa Rica.** Meet your EcoAmerica representative at the airport for a private van transfer to the **Ramada Plaza Herradura Hotel** for an overnight stay.

**Day 2: San Jose / Monteverde Cloud Forest.** After an early breakfast, meet your driver for a private transfer to the Cloud Forest Reserve for a two-night stay at the **Poco a Poco Hotel**. In the afternoon, you will enjoy a wonderful **Horseback Riding Expedition** through the forest. Balance of the day is at leisure, we suggest a visit to the town of Santa Elena. B.

**Day 3: Guided Nature Walk of the Reserve.** Early this morning, you will partake of a private guided exploration of the Monteverde Cloud Forest Reserve. The reserve is located in both the west and east side of the Tilaran Mountain Range, its six (6) ecosystems house over 100 species of mammals, 1,500 species of plants and 400 species of birds including the elusive Quetzal. Balance of the day is spent at leisure. B.

**Day 4: Monteverde to Manuel Antonio Beach Park, the Rainforest by the Sea.** Breakfast at the hotel. Early morning private transfer to the Manuel Antonio Beach Park, stop en route to view the Crocodiles at the Tarcoles River located alongside the Carara Biological Reserve. Accommodations for three nights at the Mandarina Boutique Hotel (ROH Rooms). Balance of the afternoon free to enjoy the pool or the beach. B.

Cruise on the Sarapiquí River where chances are good to view crocodiles, monkeys, and Jesus Christ lizards. Enjoy lunch and a stroll along the private jungle trails at the Selva Verde Lodge. After lunch, we will stop for a tree canopy gondola ride on the famous Caribbean Rainforest Aerial Tram. B. L.

**Day 4: Playa Hermosa Beach in the Pacific Coastal Province of Guanacaste.** Early breakfast. Meet your driver for a shared transfer through the savannas of the Pacific lowlands of Guanacaste. Arrive at the beach in time for lunch. Check in for a three-night stay in an ocean view room at the 4-Star **Villas Sol All Inclusive Beach Resort**. While at the resort, all your meals and local drinks are included. During your three night stay at the beach resort, you may opt to have an a la Carte dinner at the formal restaurant, the Heliconias; to do so, you need to make your reservation upon your arrival. B. L. D.

**Day 5 and Day 6: Leisure time at the beach!** Days 5 and 6 will be to enjoy the beach or partaking in the resort's daytime activities such as aqua-aerobics, dance lessons, cooking classes, and use of Non-motorized water sports like kayaks, body (boogie) boards, and snorkeling gear. Nightly entertainment is provided by the resort. B. L. D.

**Day 7: Hermosa Beach / San Jose.** Enjoy your last morning at the beach and right after lunch, meet your local driver for a shared transfer back to San Jose to check-in at the **Ramada Plaza Herradura Hotel** for a two night stay. Balance of the day is spent enjoying one of the pools at the hotel or visiting the Cariari Country Club. B. L.

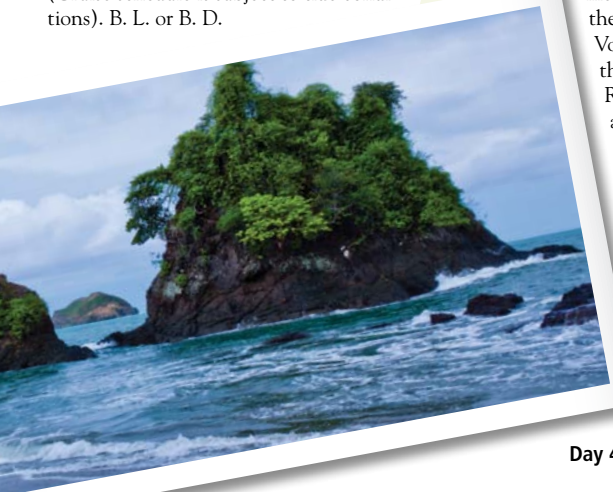
**Day 8: Orosi Valley and Lankester Gardens.** Breakfast at the hotel. Today, explore the **City and Province of Cartago**, former capital of Costa Rica. Visit to the Basilica of our Lady of the Angels, home of the Saint Patron of Costa Rica. Then, on to the Lankester Gardens with its more than 800 species of orchids, bromeliads and countless species of plants. Continue to the lush Valley of Orosi where creation overflows in unparalleled beauty. Visit one of the few remaining colonial churches, and enjoy lunch at the beautiful **Casona del Cafetal Inn** before returning to the hotel. B. L.

**Day 9: San Jose / Home.** Breakfast at the hotel. At the appropriate time, a hotel provided shuttle transfer to the International Airport for your home bound flight. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje! B.

**From \$ 1,155**

**Day 5: Exploring Manuel Antonio Beach Park, the Rainforest by the Sea.** Today, your guide will escort you through the nature trails en route to a pristine white sandy beach. Although it is the country's smallest national park, the stunning beauty and diversity of wildlife in its 683 hectares is unequalled. Manuel Antonio contains a charming combination of rain forest, beaches and coral reefs. The beaches are ones of the most beautiful in the country, lined with lush forest, and the snorkeling is excellent too. The forest is home for sloths, iguanas, the rare and adorable squirrel monkeys and millions of colorful little crabs. Return to the hotel, or remain in the park area to enjoy the beach and for some relaxation. (Park closed on Mondays). B.

**Day 6: Damas Island Estuary and Mangrove Forest.** Today you will enjoy a different nature cruise as you experience the peaceful Damas Island Estuary and Mangrove Forest. This adventure of Costa Rican natural history allows you to experience firsthand the pulse of the mangrove ecosystem and how it interacts with the surrounding ecosystems. Let the wildlife come to you - sometimes right into the boat and enjoy observing curious families of monkeys as they migrate across the mangrove forest in search of food and adventure. Wind through acres of a protected, pristine Costa Rican estuary and be ready to spot the caimans, sloths, crocodiles, stunning rainbow boas, white face monkeys, egrets, and so many more species of wildlife, as your boat leisurely winds its way through the mangrove channels along the gentle currents of the coastal tides. At the end of your nature cruise, you will enjoy either lunch or dinner. (Cruise schedule is subject to tide conditions). B. L. or B. D.



**Day 7: Manuel Antonio Beach to San Jose.** After breakfast, begin your private van transfer to San Jose. Check-in at the Ramada Plaza Herradura Hotel. Balance of the day at leisure. B.

**Day 8: San Jose / Home.** At the appropriate time, private van transfer to the international airport for your return flight home. B.

**From \$ 999**

## Costa Rica for Family and Friends. Option 4: 9 Days / 8 Nights. Daily Arrivals

*Enjoy another one-week, easy-pace exploration of two of the country's most diverse Eco-systems, the rainforest of the highlands at the Arenal Volcano Park and the Flooded Dry Forest of the Palo Verde National Park in the Guanacaste Coast, plus Tree Canopy Zip Line and Horseback Riding adventures, the Tabacon Hot Springs and a wonderful beach stay at an All Inclusive Beach Resort in Playa Hermosa.*

**Day 1: Bienvenido to San Jose, Costa Rica.** Meet your EcoAmerica representative at the airport for a private van transfer to the **Ramada Plaza Herradura Hotel** for an overnight stay.

**Day 2: San Jose / Arenal Volcano Park.** After breakfast, meet your private van driver for a scenic ride across the Tilaran Mountain Range. Arrive at the Arenal Volcano Park Area at mid-day to begin enjoying the **Magic Mountain Resort Hotel** (Volcano View Rooms) your home for the next three nights. Balance of the day at leisure. B.

**Day 3: Arenal Volcano Park and Tabacon Hot Springs.** Breakfast at the hotel. At the appropriate time, your local host will call for you at the hotel for a Guided Expedition of the Arenal Volcano National Park to observe the dry lava beds and the flora and fauna of the highland forest, followed by a visit to the Tabacon Hot Springs to enjoy a swim in the thermal pools and a wonderful buffet dinner. After dinner, return to the hotel. B. D.

**Day 4: Adventure Day.** Breakfast at the hotel followed by a visit to the Go Adventure Park for a Tree Canopy Zip Line Adventure and a Horseback Riding Expedition through the countryside en route to the Arenal River Waterfalls. Balance of the day is free to enjoy the resort. B.

**Day 5: Arenal to Playa Hermosa Beach in the Guanacaste Coast.** Breakfast at the hotel. Early morning private transfer to Playa Hermosa Beach. En route view the scenic Lake Arenal shoreline, the New Zealand-like countryside and the Savannahs of the Pacific lowlands. Ocean View Accommodations for three nights at the **All Inclusive Villas Sol Beach**

**Resort** (Ocean View Rooms). Balance of the afternoon free to enjoy the pool or the beach. B. L. D.

**Day 6: Day at leisure to enjoy the beach and the resort.** B. L. D.

**Day 7: Palo Verde National Park and Wildlife Refuge.** Today you will enjoy a different activity as you experience a nature cruise through the Tempisque and Bebedero Rivers. This adventure of Costa Rican natural history allows you to experience firsthand the pulse of the dry forest ecosystem and how it interacts with the surrounding ecosystems. Let the wildlife come to you - sometimes right into the boat and enjoy observing curious families of monkeys as they migrate across the dry forest in search of food and adventure. Wind through waterways and be ready to spot iguanas, crocodiles, sloths, stunning rainbow boas, white face monkeys, and lots of migrating and resident birds. You will enjoy a typical lunch before returning to the hotel. Afternoon is free to enjoy the beach. B. L. D.

**Day 8: Playa Hermosa Beach to San Jose.** After breakfast, begin your private van transfer to San Jose. Check-in at the **Ramada Plaza Herradura Hotel**. Balance of the day at leisure. B.

**Day 9: San Jose / Home.** At the appropriate time, private van transfer to the international airport for your return flight home. B.

**From \$ 1,199**

## Costa Rica Discovery from Coast to Coast, a Free Style Experiential Journey 9 Days / 8 Nights. Daily Arrivals

*Select the class of accommodations that best suits you and enjoy your Free Style Personal Adventure. Pick from First Class, Deluxe or Boutique hotels.*

*Please join us through this Most Rewarding Journey of Discovery and embrace nature as you visit and experience our most popular National Parks in both, the Caribbean and the Pacific Coasts and in the Highlands of Tilaran*

*Tortuguero Caribbean Rainforest Park, Arenal Volcano Park in the Eastern Slope of the Central Mountain Range, and Manuel Antonio Beach Park, the Rainforest by the Pacific Sea.*

**Day 1: Bienvenido to San Jose, Costa Rica.** Meet your EcoAmerica representative at the airport for a private van transfer to the hotel of your choice for an overnight stay. First Class: Ramada Plaza Herradura (Standard rooms). Deluxe: Real Intercontinental Hotel and Club Tower (Standard rooms). Boutique: The Alta (Deluxe rooms).

**Day 2: San Jose / Tortuguero Rainforest Park.** Morning departure for the Park with your English speaking guide. Drive through the Braulio Carrillo Park en route to the Caribbean. Arrival at Cano Blanco landing, board a riverboat for a nature, cruise of the Amazon like region of Costa Rica, en route to the Tortuguero Rainforest Park for a two-night stay at the lodge of your choice. All meals and use of non-motorized water toys are included. Visit Tortuguero Village and the local Museum, or other activity as selected by your host. First Class: Pachira Lodge. Deluxe and Boutique: Manatus Lodge. B. L. D.

**Day 3: Exploring the waterways of Tortuguero.** After breakfast, join your guide for a nature cruise of the park's

creeks, rivers, and lagoons in search of exotic flora and fauna. Look for toucans, monkeys, turtles, herons, caimans, and iguanas. Afternoon trail exploration. \$10.00 entrance fee to the National Park is not included. The order of the activities is subject to change by the lodge. B. L. D.

**Day 4: Tortuguero / Arenal Volcano Park.** After breakfast, boat transfer to Caño Blanco Landing and to Guapiles. Enjoy lunch. After lunch, meet your private driver for a transfer to the Arenal Volcano Park Area for two nights stay at the selected hotel. First Class: Magic Mountain (Volcano View Rooms). Deluxe and Boutique: Nayara Hotel, Spa & Gardens (Deluxe Volcano View Casita). Balance of the day is spent enjoying the pool. B. L.

**Day 5:** Breakfast at the hotel, then, enjoy the Sky Tram & Sky Trek Zip Line. Transfer to the Sky Tram & Sky Trek Adventure Center where you will enjoy a gondola ride. Experience at first hand the rainforest canopy while enjoying spectacular views of the Arenal Volcano and the Lake. Start your Sky Trek zip line tour featuring 4.5 miles of cables ranging from 99 to 660 feet in length and 66 to 660 feet above ground. Afternoon visit to the **Tabacon Hot Springs & Spa** for a swim in the thermal pools and to enjoy a great buffet dinner. After dinner, return to your hotel. B. D.

one of the most beautiful rainforest parks in Costa Rica combining the Pacific Ocean white sand beaches and wildlife. Manuel Antonio is a charming combination of rainforest, beaches and coral reefs. Look for sloths, iguanas, the rare and adorable squirrel monkeys, white-faced monkeys, and howler monkeys. Enjoy the balance of the day at the beach or by the pool at your hotel, or visiting the town of Quepos. (Park is closed on Mondays). B.

**Day 8: Manuel Antonio / San Jose.** After breakfast, meet your private driver for a transfer to San Jose for an overnight stay at selected hotel. First Class: Ramada Plaza Herradura. Deluxe: Real Intercontinental. Boutique: The Alta. B.

**Day 9: San Jose / Home or next destination.** Breakfast at the hotel. At the appropriate time, private van transfer to the international airport for your return flight home. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje! B.

**From \$ 1,329**

## Costa Rica as You Like It! A Free Style Experiential Journey

### 9 Days/ 8 Nights. Daily Arrivals

*Enjoy your Personal Adventure and travel around the country from one site to another utilizing the mode of transportation that best suits your own travel plans and budget. Pick Your Own Mode of Transportation from the following selections:*

- U-Drive 4x4+ with unlimited miles. Shared Van Transfers with a fixed schedule.
- Private Transfers with one of our Spanish-speaking Drivers.
- Exclusive Deluxe "At-Your-Own-Pace Private Guided Transfers" with one of our certified English-speaking Tour Guides.



**Day 6: Arenal / Manuel Antonio Park, the Rainforest by the Sea.** After breakfast, meet your private driver and begin your journey to the Mid-Pacific town of Quepos, home to the Manuel Antonio Beach Park, the Rainforest by the Sea. Check in at the hotel of your choice for a two-night stay in an ocean view room. First Class: La Mansion Inn (Deluxe rooms). Deluxe: Parador Resort & Spa (Premium rooms). Boutique: Si Como No Resort, Spa and Wildlife Refuge (Deluxe rooms). B.

**Day 7: Manuel Antonio National Park Guided Expedition.** Today you will have the opportunity to explore

Visit the Poas and Arenal Volcano National Parks, La Paz Waterfall Gardens and Rainforest Trails, and Enjoy Days at Leisure with Ocean View Accommodations at an All Inclusive Resort in Playa Hermosa Beach at the Guanacaste Coast.

**Day 1: Bienvenido to San Jose, Costa Rica.** Your EcoAmerica representatives will meet you at the airport, and transfer you to the 4-Stars Ramada Plaza Herradura Hotel for a two night stay. Our guests enjoy admission privileges to the exclusive Cariari Country Club.

**Day 2: Doka Coffee Plantation. The Poas Volcano National Park** with its active Geyser crater and the dwarf Rainforest. The beautiful **La Paz Waterfall Gardens** with its Nature Walkways, Butterfly Garden, Hummingbird Gallery, Bird House and Reptile exhibits are just some of the features included today. Enjoy an authentic Costa Rican breakfast while visiting a real Coffee Plantation. Then continue with your journey of discovery. Lunch is included at the La Paz Water Fall Gardens. Return to the hotel in the mid-afternoon. B. L.

**Day 3: San Jose to Arenal with your choice of transportation.** After breakfast, meet your chosen service representative to begin your journey to the Arenal Volcano Area where you will enjoy a two night stay in an A/C Volcano View Room at the Magic Mountain Resort Hotel. In the afternoon, admission will be provided to the Tabacon River fed EcoTermales Hot Spring's pools (round trip transfers are included, except for guests with the 4x4 option). In the evening enjoy a delicious dinner at the resort. Balance of the day is spent enjoying the volcano views. B. D.

**Day 4:** Enjoy breakfast at the hotel, followed by your choice of one activity from the following selections. Guided Visit of the **Arenal Hanging Bridges Nature Reserve** for a close up look at the rainforest of the highlands (round trip transfers are included, except for guests with the 4x4 option). OR: Enjoy a visit of the Go Adventure Park to partake on a **Guided Horseback Riding Expedition and Tree Canopy Zip Line** (round trip transfers are included, except for guests with the 4x4 option). Enjoy lunch at the resort, after lunch; we suggest a visit to the La Fortuna Township. B. L.

**Day 5: Arenal to the Beach.** Breakfast at the hotel. Continue your journey (utilizing your selected mode of transportation) around beautiful Lake Arenal en-route to the Pacific Coastal Resort area of the Papagayo Peninsula. Check in at the **All Inclusive Villas Sol Beach Resort** for a three night stay in an A/C Ocean View Room with all meals, drinks and resort planned activities included. During your stay you may opt to have an a la Carte dinner at the formal restaurant, the Heliconias, to do so, you need to make your reservation upon your arrival. B. L. D.

**Days 6 & 7: Leisure time at the beach!** These days are yours to enjoy the beach or partake in the resort's daytime activities such as aqua-aerobics, dance lessons, cooking classes, and use of Non-motorized water sports like kayaks, body (boogie) boards, and snorkeling gear. Nightly entertainment is provided by the resort. B. L. D.

**Day 8: Playa Hermosa to San Jose.** Enjoy breakfast at the beach resort. At the appropriate time begin your journey back to San Jose using your selected mode of transportation. Check in at the Ramada Plaza Herradura for an overnight stay. Balance of the day is spent at leisure or visiting the Cariari Country Club. If you opted for the U-Drive 4x4 transportation please return the vehicle at the agreed time at the pre-arranged location. B.

**Day 9: San Jose / Home.** Breakfast at the hotel. At the appropriate time, a hotel provided shuttle transfer to the International Airport for your home bound flight. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje! B. L. D.

**From \$ 1,165**



# Costa Rica Adventure Thrills

8 Days/ 7 Nights. Daily Arrivals

*Experience thrills galore as you partake of exciting River Rafting, Zip Lines, ATV, Sea Kayaking and Horseback Riding Adventures from the Caribbean Rivers to the Tilaran Central Mountain Range to Manuel Antonio, the Rainforest by the Mid-Pacific Coast.*

**Day 1: Bienvenido to San Jose, Costa Rica.** Your EcoAmerica representatives will meet you at the airport, and transfer you to the 4-Star **Ramada Plaza Herradura Hotel** for a two night stay. Our guests enjoy admission privileges to the exclusive Cariari Country Club.

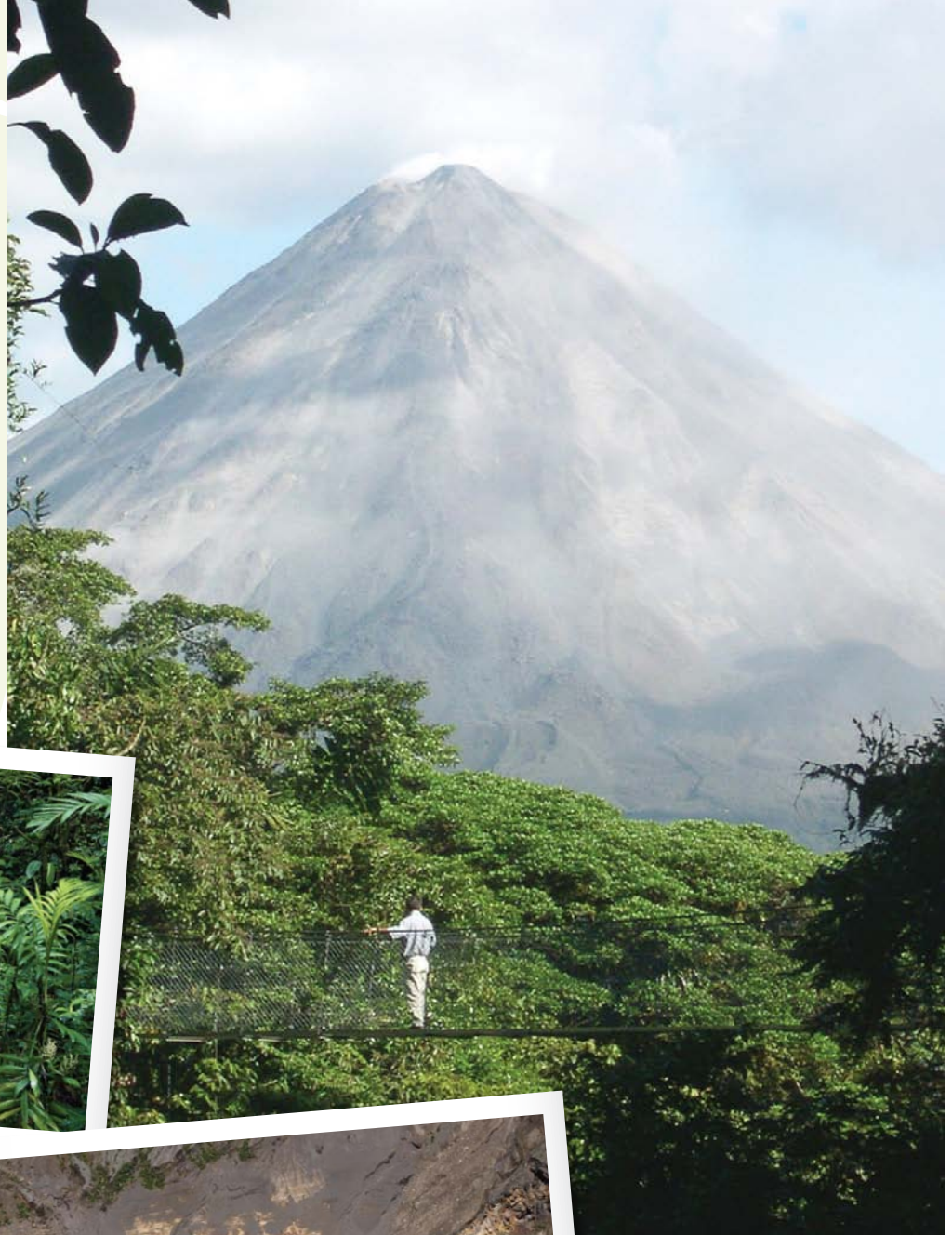
**Day 2: Pacuare River Rafting\*.** Enjoy an exciting rafting adventure in one of the most scenic tropical rivers in Costa Rica, the Rio Pacuare (Class IV). Enjoy a Costa Rican breakfast en route to the put-in site to begin your 18-mile journey down the waterway. Enjoy the pristine tropical forest home to toucans, parrots and other birds. Stop for a swim in the waterfalls that plummet into the river. After a healthy lunch by the riverbank paddle through more adrenaline-pumping rapids. Afternoon drive back to San Jose. B. L. \*If traveling with children, the river will be substituted by the Sarapiquí River (Class II-III).



**Day 3: Arenal Volcano Sky Trek Zip Lines.** Shared transfer to Arenal for an overnight stay at the **Casa Luna Lodge**. In the afternoon, enjoy the thrills of the Zip Lines Adventure at the Sky Trek on the top of the Arenal Reserve. This adventure full of adrenaline above the treetops consists of a system of zip lines, which allows you to observe the rainforest and its landscape from a different perspective, safely in an innovative and different system. In the afternoon, visit the **Tabacon Hot Springs and Spa** for a swim in the thermal pools and to enjoy a great buffet dinner. B. D.

**Day 4: Arenal / Manuel Antonio National Park and Beach.** After breakfast, share a transfer to the Manuel Antonio Beach Park for a four-night stay at the **Mandarina Hotel**. Balance of the day is at leisure enjoying the pool or the beach. B.

**Day 5: Today you will enjoy a Wet and Wild ATV\* Countryside Adventure.** Prepare to get dirty and wet as you experience an ATV Adventure with a drive through rugged mountains on unpaved roads alongside giant African Palms, real working cattle farms, and typical Costa Rican villages. Your ATV trails allow you to experience the primary rain forest jungle. Enjoy a typical Costa Rican lunch before heading back to the hotel. B. L. \*If traveling with children, the ATV will be a double seat.



**Day 6: Sea Kayak\* Coastal Paddle and Snorkeling Adventure to the Manuel Antonio Beach.** Paddling at an easy pace while enjoying the views and stopping for refreshing swims is just part of today's world-class adventure. Your kayak adventure stops at stunning Biezas Bay for snorkeling and includes unbelievable nature spotting near Manuel Antonio's world-class beaches. Some experience in open-seat kayaking is necessary for this open coastal water Kayak Tour. If you do not have experience, or are traveling with children, we can substitute the trip for a Mangrove Kayaking Adventure in calm estuary waters. B. L. \*If traveling with children, the kayak will be a double open seat.

**Day 7: Horseback Riding Expedition.** Whether it is the stunning Tocori waterfalls year round, the private Tocori biological reserve, or the world famous Manuel Antonio beaches, Don Gilberto and his family will show you the real Costa Rica on horseback. Enjoy breathtaking landscapes, exotic and savory Tico style treats, and experience an adventure on an unforgettable horseback expedition. Return to the hotel after lunch. B. L.

**Day 8: Manuel Antonio National Park / San Jose / Home or next destination.** Transfer to the Quepos airstrip for Nature Air flight to Pavas Municipal airport in San Jose. (local airfare is included; fuel surcharge and airport taxes, if any, are not included); on arrival, private van transfer to the San Jose International Airport for your home bound flight. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje! B.

**From \$ 1,569**

# Belize ... Ruins, Reefs and Rainforest

*Belize is a contrast of colors, images, cultures and feelings. It is the deep green of the jungle and the clear blue of the sky. It is an old Mennonite man selling produce and a young school boy's smile. It is a Mayan ruin that has seen its glory days and a creole village on the banks of a river. It is a Caribbean casualness with a touch of British sophistication. Filled with Mayan ruins, clear mountain streams, dense tropical forest, and colorful coral reefs, Belize is this and so much more. It is easy to see a lot and still not see it all. Come and enjoy the small, friendly land that is Belize.*



## Belize Eco Adventure and Beach Get-Away

9 Days / 8 Nights. Daily Arrivals

*With your choice of a Day Expedition To Tikal In The Jungles Of Guatemala or To Belize's Caracol Maya Site in the foothills of the Maya Mountains, plus 4 days at a Beach Resort In Ambergris Caye Island.*

**Day 1: Welcome to Belize international airport.** Meet your host from the **Windy Hill Resort** and proceed to enjoy a scenic ride to the Inland Jungle of the Cayo District. If time allows it, we will stop at the **Xunantunich Maya** site for a quick introduction to the World of the Maya and to enjoy views of western Belize and eastern Guatemala (if there is no time, we will stop on day 5 on your way back to Belize City). Your four-night stay at the resort includes deluxe accommodations in an A/C Cabana by the pool with views of the Maya Mountains. While at the resort, all meals are included. Spend the rest of the day at leisure enjoying the pool or exploring the estate of Windy Hill Resort. L. D.

**Days 2, 3 & 4: Exploring the World of the Maya.** Three thousand years ago the ancient Maya Civilization laid claim to this exotic wilderness and founded great cities whose temple remains can be found today by hiking into the lush tropical canopy that blankets this coastal oasis just south of the Yucatan Peninsula. We invite you to join us for your own personal adventure as you hike the rain forests and explore ancient Maya sites. These and a lot more adventure and leisure opportunities are here for you to experience firsthand the natural wonders of Belize and the friendliness of its people. B. L. D.

**Barton Creek Cave Canoeing Expedition and Creek Swimming.** A drive-by the Barton Creek Mennonite community and your choice of one of the following tours with lunch included:

**Mountain Pine Ridge Reserve, Rio Frio Cave, and Rio On Pools and the Caracol Maya Archaeological Site.** Here you will find a scenic combination of cool pine forests, tumbling streams, lush river valleys, caves and beautiful waterfalls with lots of swimming holes, and beyond is an encounter with Caracol, the Supreme Maya City. The largest pyramid at Caracol, the Canaa (Maya word for "sky place") rises 140 feet and is the tallest man-made structure in all Belize.

**Day visit to the Ancient Maya City of Tikal.** It is the largest and most spectacular of all the Maya Archaeological Sites in Meso-America and is located in Peten, Guatemala, deep in the high canopy jungle. The flora and fauna in this area is almost as breathtaking as the Maya temples themselves.

**Day 5:** At the appropriate time, transfer to the Belize City municipal airport to check in for your Tropic Air flight (local airfare IS included) to **San Pedro Township in Ambergris Caye**. On arrival, meet your local host for a short transfer to your selected resort for a four night stay with breakfast, taxes and service charges included. Balance of the day is spent enjoying the beach and the pool. B.

**Days 6, 7 & 8: These will be three full days at the beach.** Spend the rest of your holiday enjoying the resort, swimming in the warm tropical waters, exploring white sand beaches, and partaking of your snorkeling tour to Hol Chan Marine Park. B.

**Day 9:** At the appropriate time, your host will transfer you to the local airstrip for your Tropic Air flight to the **Belize International Airport** to check in for your home bound flight. B.

From \$ 1,615



## Belize Beach Adventure Holiday

8 Days / 7 Nights. Daily Arrivals

*Your choice of two seaside locations, and three beachfront resorts; In Ambergris Caye, Ramon's Village Resort or Portofino Deluxe Resort; in Placencia Peninsula, The Inn at Robert's Grove.*

**Enjoy Two Exciting Adventures at the Selected Beach Location.**

**Day 1: Welcome to Belize International Airport.** Check in at the Tropic Air counter for your short flight (airfare IS included) to either San Pedro Township in Ambergris Caye or Placencia Peninsula in the southern district of Stann Creek. On arrival, meet your local host for a transfer to your selected resort for a seven night stay

with daily breakfast, taxes and service charges included. Balance of the day is spent enjoying the pool or the beach.

**Days 2 through 7: Six full days at the beach.** Partake of your selected adventures and spend the rest of your holiday enjoying the resort, swimming in the warm tropical waters, exploring white sand beaches, sign up for additional optional tours, or just mingle with the locals and embrace the easy-going and fun culture of Belize. B.

**Adventures in Ambergris Caye:** Day Boat Expedition to the mainland for a cruise up the New River to the New River Lagoon in the Inland Jungles of Lamanai to explore an ancient Maya site and to observe the abundant fauna, which includes, tropical birds, howler monkeys, crocodiles and, if you are lucky, you may spot a manatee. Return to the resort after lunch (included).

**Half Day Snorkeling Tour to Hol Chan Marine Park to observe and feed the fish.** There is a lot of life at this reserve which is a natural break in the reef and attracts lots of fish; expect to see a multitude of colorful fish and some bigger fish like Groupers and Snappers.

**Adventures in Placencia Peninsula:** A Day Expedition to the Cockscomb Jaguar Reserve to enjoy a Rainforest Hike with guides that know every bush and bird. Visit the Interpretation Center that houses interesting exhibits that explain the importance of the reserve. After lunch (included), swim under a waterfall to cool down. Stop at a working banana plantation en route to the resort.



**Day Snorkeling Tour to the offshore reef and Cayes.**  
Enjoy this exciting adventure in the clear blue waters of the Caribbean. Delight to a box lunch on the beach before cruising back to the resort.

**Day 8:** At the appropriate time, your host will transfer you to the local airstrip for your Tropic Air flight to the Belize International Airport to check in for your home bound flight. B.

**From \$ 1,379**

## Belize Sea Adventures at Ambergris Caye

### 8 Days / 7 Nights. Daily Arrivals

*Your choice of accommodations at two beachfront properties: Ramon's Village Resort or Portofino Deluxe Resort and your personal selection of either Diving\* or Fishing.*

#### **Day 1: Welcome to Belize International Airport.**

Check in at the Tropic Air counter for your short flight (airfare IS included) to San Pedro Township. On arrival, meet your local host for a transfer to your selected resort for a seven night stay with daily breakfast, taxes and service charges included. Balance of the day is spent enjoying the pool or the beach.

**Days 2 through 7: Six full days at the beach.** Partake on your selected adventure and spend the rest of your holiday enjoying the resort, swimming in the warm tropical waters, exploring white sand beaches, sign up for some optional tours to the mainland jungles and Maya ruins, or just mingle with the locals and embrace the easy-going and fun culture of Belize. B.

**Diving: Two Days of Reef Diving,** two 2- Tank Boat Dives along the Barrier Reef with guide and weights. Don't forget your underwater camera. Bring your own gear or rent it from the Dive Shop.

**Fishing: Two Half Days of Reef Fishing,** Snapper, Grouper, Jack, Barracuda and more. Boat (up to 4 anglers), guide, loaner light tackle and trolling equipment are included.

**Day 8:** At the appropriate time, your host will transfer you to the local airstrip for your Tropic Air flight to the Belize International Airport to check in for your home bound flight. B.

**From \$ 1,275**



# Guatemala...the land of the Maya

Guatemala is a land that is rich in history and tradition. Beginning with the mysterious Maya, the Spanish colonial period, and today's modern culture, Guatemala is a time machine that allows glimpses of past imperial glories.

With Mayan ruins that are unmatched for their splendor, colorful Indian markets, quaint Spanish Colonial cities, world class museums, verdant jungles and friendly people, the temptations that Guatemala has to offer are limitless. We invite you to be our guest, and explore this historic, colorful and exotic country.



## Glimpses of Guatemala

7 Days / 6 Nights.

Wednesday or Saturday Arrivals

We invite you to visit Guatemala and partake of this well planned brief expedition of one of the Americas' most fascinating regions, where folklore, tradition and hospitable people await your visit. Enjoy explorations of the City, Antigua, Chichicastenango, Lake Atitlan and an overnight stay in Tikal.

### Day 1: Wed or Sat. Bienvenido to Guatemala City.

Meet and greet service at the Aurora International Airport. Private transfer to the hotel of your choice for an overnight stay. **First Class: Stofella. Deluxe: Westin Camino Real.** Balance of the day is spent exploring the area around your hotel.

### Day 2: Thu or Sun. Guatemala City / Chichicastenango Market Day / Lake Atitlan.

After an early breakfast, depart for the village of Chichicastenango to witness ancient Indian rituals at the Santo Tomas Church and to enjoy the picturesque outdoor market, where locals from the region, gather to buy and sell fruits, vegetables, flowers, grains, animals, textiles and handicrafts. Enjoy lunch at a local Inn, then continue to Lake Atitlan for an overnight stay at the hotel of your choice; **First Class: Posada de Don Rodrigo. Deluxe: Atitlan Hotel.** B. L.

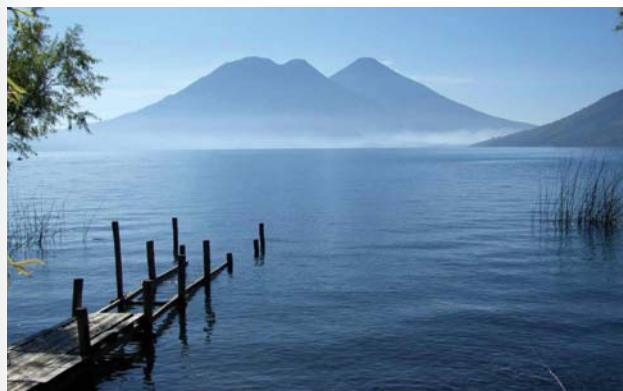
### Day 3: Fri or Mon. Lake Atitlan Crossing/ Santiago Atitlan Village / Antigua.

After breakfast at the hotel, meet your guide for a scenic ride across Lake Atitlan for a visit to the artists' village of Santiago de Atitlan famous for its Primitive Art Works, including some of the most beautiful Naïf Paintings. Browse around the many little shops and meet some of the local artists. Then, continue with a drive to Antigua for a two night stay at the hotel of your choice. **First Class: Posada de Don Rodrigo. Deluxe: Casa Santo Domingo.** Balance of the day is spent at leisure. B.

**Day 4. Sat or Tue. Exploring Antigua.** Experiencing Antigua Guatemala is like stepping back in time; cobbled stone streets, bougainvillea bursting from crumbling ruins, pastel façades under terracotta roofs, parks with fountains amidst a dramatic setting surrounded by three volcanoes. Antigua was declared by UNESCO to be one of the most beautiful colonial cities in the Americas "Cultural Heritage of Humankind". Antigua's focal point is the lovely Parque Central, surrounded by the Cathedral, the Captain-Generals Palace, the City Hall and the Portal de las Panaderas, the Cultural Center "La Azotea", where you can taste one cup of the best Guatemalan Coffee and learn all about it. B.

### Day 5: Sun or Wed. Antigua / Tikal Day Expedition / Overnight Tikal.

Early transfer to the airport for your flight to the city of Flores (airfare is included) in the jungles of Peten, home to the Tikal Archeological Park. On arrival, meet your guide for a visit to the majestic city of Tikal, considered the largest, and most monumental of all sites discovered in the Mayan World, was declared by UNESCO as a "World Heritage Site". Enjoy a guided walking tour to visit the most important plazas, complexes, temples, ball courts, palaces and stelae. Also enjoy the tropical forest, nesting place of hundreds of exotic birds and the habitat of a wide variety of wildlife. Enjoy lunch at a local Inn. Check in at the hotel of your choice for an overnight stay. **First Class: Villa Maya. Deluxe: Camino Real Tikal.** B. L.



### Day 6: Mon or Thu. Flores -Tikal / Guatemala City.

Enjoy breakfast at your leisure. At the appropriate time, transfer to the Flores airport for a flight to Guatemala City, on arrival, transfer to selected hotel. **First Class: Stofella. Deluxe: Westin Camino Real.** Balance of the day is free. B.

**Day 7: Tue or Fri. Guatemala / Home.** At the appropriate time, morning, transfer to the airport to check in for your home bound flight. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje. B.

From \$ 1,195

## Guatemala Discovery

7 Days /6 Nights.

Tuesday or Friday Arrivals

### Day 1 Tue or Fri. Bienvenido to Guatemala City / Antigua.

Meet and greet service at the Aurora International Airport. Private transfer to the Spanish colonial city of Antigua (45 minute drive) for a two night stay at the hotel of your choice; **First Class: Posada de Don Rodrigo. Deluxe: Casa Santo Domingo.** Balance of the day is spent exploring the grounds of your unique hotels.

### Day 2: Wed or Sat. Exploring Antigua.

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**Day 4: Fri or Mon. Lake Atitlan Crossing / Santiago Atitlan Village / Guatemala City.** After breakfast at the hotel, meet your guide for a scenic ride across Lake Atitlan for a visit to the artists' village of Santiago de Atitlan famous for its Primitive Art Works, including some of the most beautiful Naïf Paintings. Browse around the many little shops and meet some of the local artists. Then, continue with a drive to Guatemala City for a three night stay at the hotel selection of your choice; **First Class: Stofella Hotel. Deluxe: Camino Real Westin. B.**

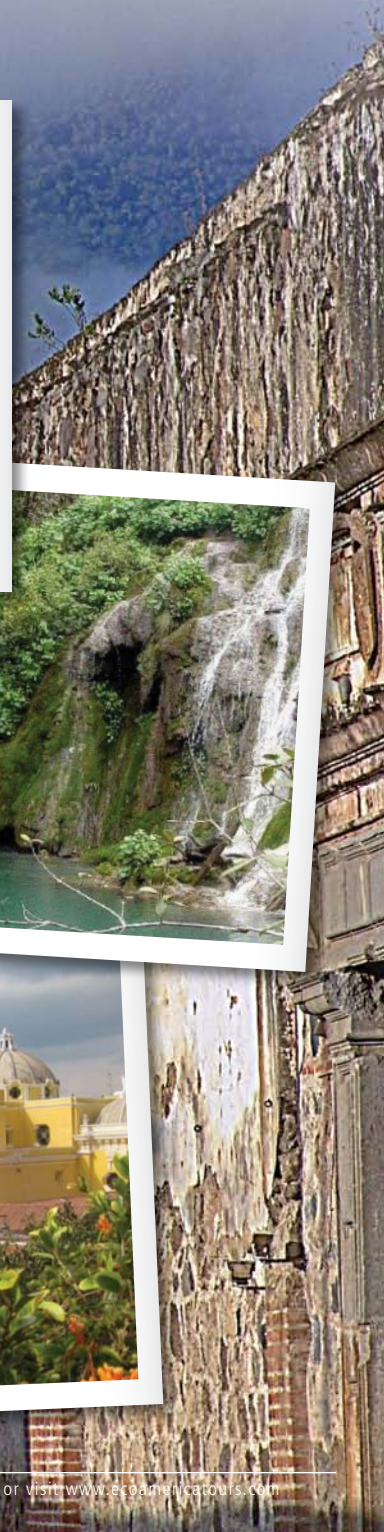
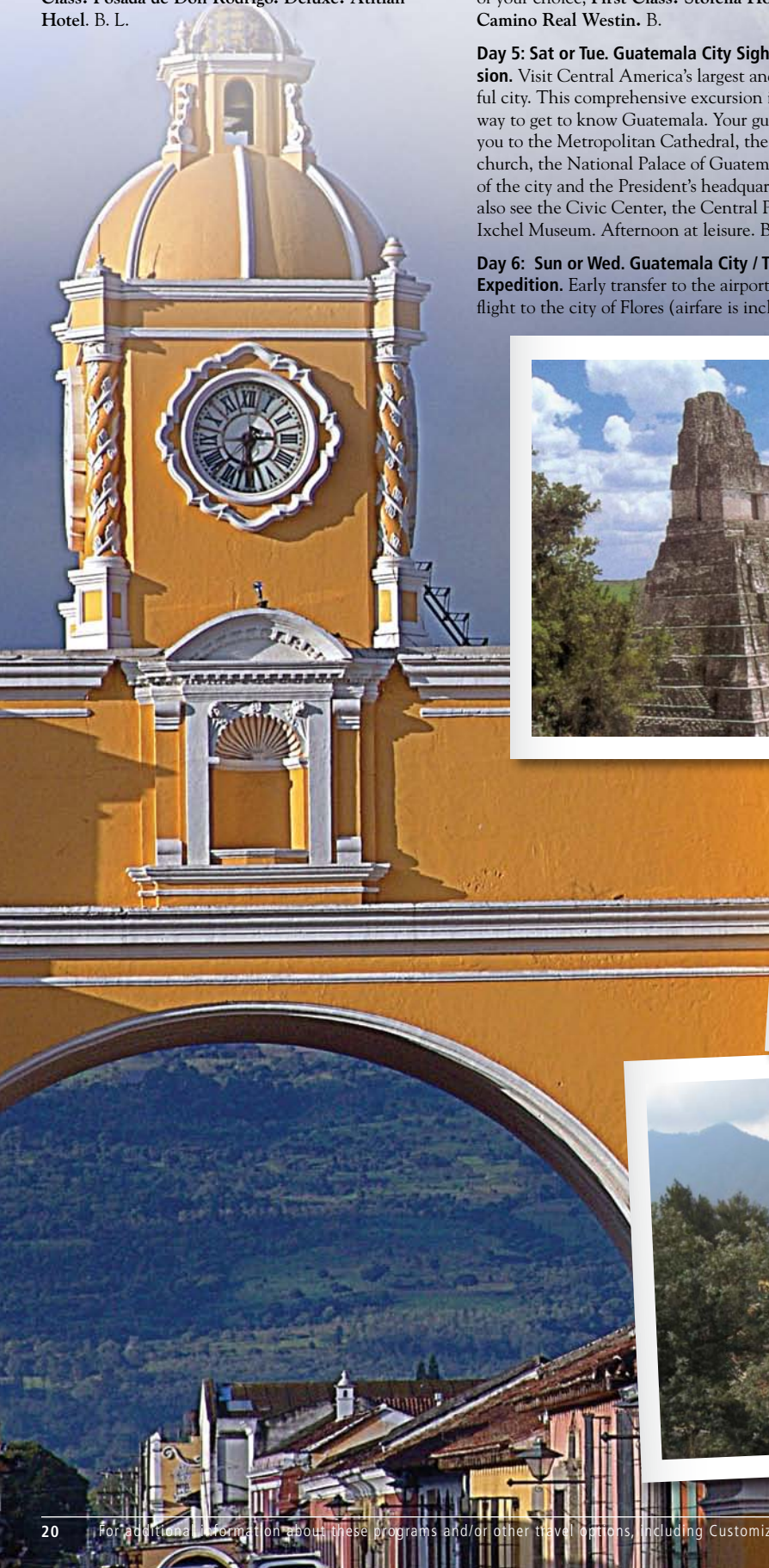
**Day 5: Sat or Tue. Guatemala City Sightseeing Excursion.** Visit Central America's largest and most beautiful city. This comprehensive excursion is the perfect way to get to know Guatemala. Your guide will take you to the Metropolitan Cathedral, the city's main church, the National Palace of Guatemala, the symbol of the city and the President's headquarters. You will also see the Civic Center, the Central Plaza and the Ixchel Museum. Afternoon at leisure. B.

**Day 6: Sun or Wed. Guatemala City / Tikal Day Expedition.** Early transfer to the airport for your flight to the city of Flores (airfare is included) in the

jungles of the Peten, home to the Tikal Archeological Park. On arrival, meet your guide for a visit to the majestic city of Tikal, considered the largest, and most monumental of all sites discovered in the Mayan World, was declared by UNESCO as a "World Heritage Site". Enjoy a guided walking tour to visit the most important plazas, complexes, temples, ball courts, palaces and stelae. Also enjoy the tropical forest, nesting place of hundreds of exotic birds and the habitat of a wide variety of wildlife. Enjoy lunch at a local Inn. Afterwards, transfer to the Flores airport for the afternoon flight to Guatemala City, on arrival, transfer to the hotel. B. L.

**Day 7: Mon or Thu. Guatemala / Home.** At the appropriate time, morning, transfer to the airport to check in for your home bound flight. Gracias Amigos y Buen Viaje. B.

**From \$ 1,193**



# The EcoAmerica Tours Responsibility and Terms & Conditions

**Deposit:** A \$300.00 deposit per person is required to activate your booking process. Some suppliers may require additional deposits, if so you will be notified accordingly.

**Final Payment:** The balance is due 65 days prior to the start of your tour. If full final payment has not been received by the due date, EcoAmerica Tours reserves the right to cancel the reservation without notice.

**Method of Payment:** For your convenience, we accept major credit cards, checks, and PayPal.

**What is Included:** When listed in the itineraries and/or service orders: Airport, train station, and/or pier transfers, accommodations at listed hotels, lodges, and/or cruise ships. Meals as specified in the itinerary, activities, excursions, and entrance fees (where applicable) as specified in the itinerary, English-speaking local hosts and guides, Personalized service of our Latin America-based representative operational offices. Local airfares when listed in the itinerary.

**What is Not Included:** International and/or local airfares (unless indicated in the itinerary or service order). Country and/or airport(s) entry or departure fees and/or taxes. Visas, phone calls, laundry, personal expenses, food or beverages not on the regular menu and/or not included in the tour. Tips to guides, drivers, wait staff, porters, and hotel cleaners. Hotel meals are not guide-assisted. Any other item not listed in the itinerary.

**Arrival and Departure Transfers:** With your final payment, we will require you to provide us with complete arriving and departing flights information, with Airline name, flight number and scheduled arrival / departing times. Copy of your passport(s) is also required.

## Important Information and Recommendations:

**International Air Tickets:** EcoAmerica Tours does not issue airline tickets. Most major USA and Canadian carriers offer direct service to any of our destinations in Latin America.

**Travel Protection Plan:** For your peace of mind, we strongly suggest you to purchase travel insurance. We recommend Travel Guard, which offers great coverage for a very reasonable price.

**Cancellations and Refunds:** If you cancel your reservation, the following fees will apply in addition to the suppliers' fees and/or penalties, if any: Up to 66 days before travel date, the cancellation fee is \$200.00 per person. From 65 to 46 days before travel date, \$250.00 per person will be charged. From 45 to 31 days before travel date, the cancellation fee is \$300.00 per person. Cancellations made within 30 days before travel date, are non-refundable. There are no refunds for unused services. Cancellation insurance is recommended.

**Terms of Travel:** Prices and conditions listed as of August 2, 2011, are subject to change without prior notice. Hotel and/or Lodge Rooms and/or Ship Cabins are standard Run-of-the-House Basis unless otherwise indicated. Triples and Children use existing beds. Extra Bed Charges may apply. We accept no responsibility for losses or expenses caused by delays or changes to schedules by the airlines and/or other transportation suppliers. We further decline responsibility for losses or accidental expenses incurred because of defaults, sickness, weather conditions, strikes, war, riots, insurrections or other such similar causes. These losses and/or expenses are the responsibility of the traveler. No refunds for unused services. The operator and its representatives and/or suppliers reserve the right to decline to accept or retain any person as a tour passenger should such person's health or mental condition or physical infirmity or general deportment, impede the operation of the tour or the rights or welfare or enjoyment of the other tour passengers, in which case a refund for unused land services is the limit of EcoAmerica Tours liability.

EcoAmerica Tours acts as service coordinator between the service provider and the end user, as such our responsibility to tour participants is limited. Tour participants agree that the maximum liquidated damages shall not exceed the price of the land and/or cruise tour purchase.

As service coordinator, we are responsible to the participants for coordinating all services offered by independent suppliers such as: hotels, lodges, cruise lines, sightseeing, and transportation by bus, boat, van, car, train, airplane, vessel, or any other type of vehicle, tour and/or sightseeing guides, hotel, lodge, cruise ship, restaurant and/or tour meals, or any other service listed as an included feature in the tour programs. The tour programs are subject to change; such changes may include revisions to pre-scheduled routings, features, locations, and hotels, lodges, cruise ships, and any other included feature and/or service.

In the event that EcoAmerica Tours is unable to substitute the feature and/or service for one of equal value and/or category, our liability shall not exceed the actual cost of such feature and/or service. Tour participant agrees that when booking any of EcoAmerica Tours they fully understand that all services and/or features in any of EcoAmerica Tours are provided by local suppliers, and that in the event that the tour participant seeks damage compensation, he, she, them, will seek such compensation directly from the supplier.

EcoAmerica Tours shall not be held responsible for any medical expense(s) incurred by Tour Participant before, during or after the tour.

**Responsibility:** EcoAmerica Tours, LLC of The Woodlands, TX, is a Destination Management Company and supplier-appointed tour operator. We arrange with cruise lines, airlines, hotels, and other independent parties to provide you with the travel services you purchase. These parties are independent suppliers over whom we have no direct control. We are responsible to you for all services and accommodations offered, which are under the direct control of EcoAmerica Tours. However, in the absence of negligence on our part we are not responsible for any claims, losses, damages, costs, or expenses arising out of injury, accident or death; damage or delay of baggage or other property; or delay, inconvenience, loss of enjoyment, distress or frustration, whether physical or mental arising from (1) the act or omission of any party other than EcoAmerica Tours or its employees; (2) mechanical breakdown, government actions, weather or other factors beyond our control; (3) failure to obtain documents, passports, visas and health certificates valid through the date of reentry, when required, in which case a cancellation charge will be assessed; (4) failure to follow instructions including but not limited to check-in and check-out times and baggage handling; (5) cancellation or change for any reason in travel services offered; and (6) medical or health problems or physical disabilities. Any claims will be decided in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.

EcoAmerica Tours reserves the right to cancel or alter the travel services at its discretion except as otherwise noted herein. In the event of complete cancellation by EcoAmerica Tours, we shall refund all monies paid to us. No agent, employee, or representative of EcoAmerica Tours or any person whose services are used by EcoAmerica Tours has the authority to alter, modify or waive any of the provisions herein.

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