

Beauty & Mystery of South America:

Peru w/ Amazon & Easter Island

(6 - 23 April, 2012)



Itinerary

FRI APRI 06 DAY 1: USA/Lima

Arrive in Lima late evening and transfer to the hotel for accommodations.
Melia Hotel (D).

SAT APRI 07 DAY 2: Lima

Explore Lima with a tour of the "City of the Kings". Visit the historical center of Lima including the Plaza Mayor, Lima's Main Square and site of the Presidential Palace. Here also are the City Hall, the Cathedral where Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque and Neoclassic styles have all left their mark, and the Archbishop's Palace with carved balconies that are masterpieces. Visit to the beautiful San Francisco Monastery. Drive through the vibrant districts of San Isidro and Miraflores overlooking the Pacific Ocean.



Melia Hotel (B, D).

SUN APRI 08 DAY 3: Lima/Cuzco/Sacred Valley

Flight to Cuzco, drive to the Sacred Valley. Full day tour of the famous Sacred Valley of the Incas, one of the most beautiful scenic drives in Peru, visit the colorful Pisac Market and after lunch visit the impressive Ollantambo ruins.

Sol Luna (B, L, D).

MON APRI 09 DAY 4: Sacred Valley/ Machu Pichu

Transfer to Oallanta station to board the train to Machu Pichu (about 1 ½ hours). Arrive and transfer to hotel. After check in, visit to the archaeological site of Machu Pichu. The Lost City of the Inca was a remote fortress/sanctuary abandoned by the Inca, reclaimed by the jungle and hidden from view until rediscovered in 1911.

El Pueblo Hotel (B, L, D)



TUE APR 10 DAY 5: Mucho Pichu/Cuzco



Return to Machu Picchu for photography and site visit on your own. Transfer to train station and return to Cuzco. Arrival and transfer to the hotel.

Monasterio Hotel (B)

WED APR 11 DAY 6: Cuzco

Visit Cuzco's many museums, the charming chapel of Andaihuadillas and Cuzco's famous San Blas district where you can buy arts and crafts of Peru.

Monasterio Hotel (B)



THU APR 12 DAY 7: Cuzco/Lima

Tour of the city and the famous Inca ruins. Explore the most magical city, capital of the Inca Empire (15th century) on a tour including Plaza Regocijo, Plaza de Armas, the Cathedral, Santo Domingo Monastery -the legendary Korikancha Temple- and the old town with its very narrow streets. Drive out of the city to visit the archaeological Inca remains of Tambomachay or Sacsayhuama, Kenko. Flight to Lima. **Melia Hotel Lima (B, D)**

FRI APR 13 DAY 8: Iquitos/ Explorama Lodge

Reception at the airport, brief city orientation and transfer to the Explorama dock. Fifty mile journey down the Amazon River to Yanamono Stream where Explorama Lodge is located. Afternoon hike along the "Lake Trail" through lowland rainforest which is seasonally flooded. During the high water season, this excursion is done by open boat! After dinner, there is a chance to visit the Lodge's "Bar Tahuampa" where local musicians often play guitar and flute music or the guides will also be pleased to have you invite them to relate some of the many legends of the Amazon forest. **Explorama Lodge (B, L, D)**



SAT APR 14 DAY 9: Amazon

After breakfast, a boat ride down the Amazon and up the Napo River to the ExplorNapo Reserve and ExplorNapo Lodge. Afternoon visit to the ReNuPeRu Ethnobotanical Garden located next to ExplorNapo and tended by a local shaman. This garden is used to show visitors rainforest plants used in modern medicine as well as examples of native plant remedies which science may utilize in the future. Evening excursion by open boat along the Sucusari Stream in search of caiman and to enjoy the night sounds and stars of the Southern sky. **ExplorNapo Lodge (B, L, D)**



SUN APR 15 DAY 10: Amazon

Morning hike to the Canopy Walkway, a suspended bridge spanning 500 meters (one-third of a mile) connected by tree platforms and reaching a height of over 115 feet above the ground. Here you encounter a "bird's eye view" of part of the rainforest rarely seen by man but accessible without any type of climbing skill or equipment. Afternoon boating excursion along one of the many Napo tributaries spotting along the way for birds and sloth. A stop is included for a try at river fishing with cane poles or a chance to swim.



ExplorNapo Lodge (B, L D)

MON APR 16 DAY 11: Iquitos/Lima

Morning excursion to a black water oxbow lake formed when water from the Napo River became separated from the main flow of the river. These lakes are often covered with giant Victoria Regia water lilies and sometimes offer a glimpse of the elusive Hoatzin bird. Afternoon boat trip back to Iquitos passing the town of Francisco de Orellana, where a statue is erected to the intrepid explorer who became the first European to see the Amazon River in 1542. Transfer to the airport for departure. Overnight flight to Lima.



Sheraton Hotel (B)

TUE APR 17 DAY 12: Lima/Santiago

Check out at 11pm. Afternoon flight to Santiago. **Park Plaza Hotel (B)**

WED APR 18 DAY 13: Santiago/Easter Island

Flight to Easter Island. Reception at Mataverí Airport with flower necklaces. Transfer to the hotel in Hanga Roa. Welcome cocktail to meet your guides and discuss the itinerary.

Otai Hotel (B)



THU APR 19 DAY 14: Easter Island

Full-day tour of Rano Raraku: Vahiu, Anakena and Ahu Tongariki The excursion starts in Hanga Roa. Taking the road along the coast, we head toward the ruins of the temple of Vahiu, which is still today as it has been after centuries of neglect. Continue to the site of Akahanga, where several of the statues are face down, as they were abandoned while being transported. Then on to the volcano of Rano Raraku and the "factories" where the Moais were carved from the rock. Here, there



are more than 300 statues in different stages of production. A walk around the crater reveals a small lagoon and more Moais in the center. Continue to Ahu Tongariki (destroyed by a large tidal wave in 1960), which has been recently restored and which houses the largest number of Moais. Finally, the beautiful Anakena beach with two temple platforms or Ahus. Following a picnic lunch (included), time to swim in the Pacific Ocean or explore the surrounding countryside. Return to Hanga Roa in the afternoon, and transfer back to your hotel. **Otai Hotel (B)**

FRI APR 20 DAY 15: Easter Island

Half-day excursion to Orongo: Rano Kau and Vinapu Depart for a visit to Ahu Vinapu which is made up of two ruined Ahus, one of which has stonework remarkably similar to that found in Inca sites. The journey continues along the coastal road toward the Rano Kau volcano. Next to the crater is the ancient ceremonial site of Orongo, featuring many petroglyphs. There are images of the "bird man" Tangata Manu, the god creator Make Make and the fertility symbols Komari. From the edge of the crater, you can see the three small islands of Motu Iti, Motu Nui and Moto Kao Kao,



which play an important part in the bird man legends. Your afternoon is at leisure with time to explore Hanga Roa and the Museum of Sebastian Englert. We recommend paying a visit to the local church with its extraordinary wood carvings. **Otai Hotel (B)**

SAT APR 21 DAY 16: Easter Island/Santiago

Flight to Santiago **Park Plaza Hotel (B)**

SUN APR 22 DAY 17: Santiago

Tour of the Viña Concha y Toro. Founded in 1883 by Don Melchor, Concha y Toro is today the largest producer of export wines in Chile. It has more than 11,000 barrels of French and American oak oriented to the production of fine wine. The tour takes us to the landscaped gardens of the colonial house and the vineyards.

Park Plaza Hotel (B)



MON APR 23 DAY 18: Santiago/USA

Tour Santiago City. PM Flight to Los Angeles, USA

**Tour Cost: \$5250 per person in double room land only
\$ 900 extra for single room supplement**

Tour Includes:

- Guest Lecturers and Tour Guide
- Deluxe accommodations in first class hotels or best available
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary (B - breakfast, L - lunch, D - dinner)
- All transfers to and from airports
- All fees for the sites
- All tips for group services

REGISTRATION FORM

To register, please fill out this form and return it with A PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR PASSPORT and your \$500 per person deposit to the above address. Please make the check payable to Joy Travel International (*Joy Travel International, 11600 Washington Pl Suite 209, Los Angeles, CA 90066*)

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2 COMPANIAN NAME (As on passport) _____ TITLE _____

MAIL ADDRESS: _____

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EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____ BEST TEL #: _____

SPECIAL HEALTH CONDITION(S): _____

SPECIAL AIRLINE SEATING REQUEST: WINDOW _____ AISLE _____

SPECIAL DIET REQUEST FOR AIRLINE: VEGETARIAN _____ OTHERS _____

ROOMMATE NAME: _____ REQUEST ROOMMATE: YES / NO

ROOM ACCOMODATIONS: ONE BED _____ TWO BEDS _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

DEPARTURE CITY: _____

OTHER DESTINATION(S): _____

AIRLINES NAME IF SELF-BOOKING: _____ (attach itinerary)

OTHER ARRANGEMENTS NEEDED: _____

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