

# Machu Picchu to the Galapagos

September 26-October 11, 2023

16 days from \$8,793 total price from Miami

(\$7,895 air & land inclusive plus \$898 airline taxes and fees)



An Exclusive Small Group Tour for Alumni and Friends of Brown University



#### Dear Graduates, Parents and Friends of Brown,

Join the Brown Travelers on an exclusive 16-day tour to Peru and Ecuador. Explore two of South America's treasures: the enigmatic ruins at Machu Picchu and the fascinating Galapagos Islands.

Begin with a full-day tour of Lima. Next, fly to Cuzco and explore the beautiful Sacred Valley. Enjoy a captivating train ride to Machu Picchu and stay overnight at the on-site Belmond Sanctuary Lodge, which affords virtually private access to the stunning ruins. In the Galapagos Islands, spend four nights in the lush highlands of Santa Cruz Island, your base for exploring North Seymour, South Plaza and Santa Cruz Islands, and embark on day excursions on a privately chartered yacht. Conclude your journey in Quito and enjoy a farewell dinner to celebrate your adventure. Guests may also start the tour early on the four-day/four-night Amazon Rainforest pre-tour option.

This exclusive small group journey is limited to just 20 Brown Travelers. With room for only 20 guests on this popular program, we expect that our limited space will fill quickly. Your deposit is fully refundable up until 95 days prior to departure. I encourage you to make your reservations today.

Sincerely,

Zach Langway '09

Vice President, Alumni Relations

#### BROWN TRAVELERS RESERVATION FORM: MACHU PICCHU TO THE GALAPAGOS

To reserve your place on tour, please call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 888-370-6765. Please have the information outlined below available to share with an Odysseys Unlimited Travel Counselor.

If you prefer, you may also complete this Reservation Form and submit it to Odysseys Unlimited's office. Once this request is received, a Travel Counselor from Odysseys Unlimited will contact you within two business days to take your credit card information securely for the deposit. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, VISA or personal check. If paying by check, please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and include with the form. Final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure.

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Pre-Tour "Amazon Rainforest" Option: Please sign me/us up □					

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They rank as two of South America's greatest treasures and a small group tour is the natural selection for both: the enigmatic ruins at Machu Picchu, where we overnight at an intimate on-site hotel, and the fascinating Galapagos Islands, Darwin's "living laboratory," for a four-night island-based adventure.



#### **Small Group Tour Highlights**

Lima touring • Historic Cuzco and beautiful Sacred Valley
• Overnight stay at Belmond Sanctuary Lodge, adjacent
to Machu Picchu • Two guided visits to Machu Picchu •
Four-night Galapagos stay at beautiful hotel in lush Santa
Cruz highlands • Day cruises on privately chartered yacht,
plus island-based exploration • Expert Galapagos naturalist guide • Unique Galapagos wildlife • Quito city tour

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating
1	Depart U.S. for Lima	Westin Lima Hotel	Sup. First Class
2	Lima	Westin Lima Hotel	Sup. First Class
3-4	Sacred Valley	Aranwa Sacred Valley Hotel	Sup. First Class
5	Machu Picchu	Belmond Sanctuary Lodge	Sup. First Class
6-7	Cuzco	Belmond Hotel Monasterio	Deluxe
8	Lima	Westin Lima Hotel	Sup. First Class
9	Quito	Swissotel Quito	Deluxe
10-13	Galapagos Islands	Royal Palm Hotel Galapagos	Sup. First Class
14	Quito	Swissotel Quito	Deluxe
15	Quito/Depart for U.S. (overnight flight)		
16	Arrive U.S.		

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference.

**Day 1: Depart U.S. for Lima, Peru** We depart today for the Peruvian capital. Upon arrival tonight we transfer directly to our hotel.

**Day 2: Lima** This morning we visit a prominent art museum in Lima. Then we encounter colonial Lima on an afternoon tour followed by a welcome dinner at our hotel. *B*,*D* 

Day 3: Lima/Cuzco/Sacred Valley Arriving in Cuzco today, we stop at the important Incan site of Koricancha, dedicated to the Sun God. Then we continue on to the Sacred Valley, a region of Incan sites and indigenous villages. We visit the colorful Indian market at Pisac before reaching our hotel late in the afternoon. *B,L,D* 

**Day 4: Sacred Valley** Today we explore Ollantay-tambo, both a living town and site of massive Incan ruins that still inspire wonder. Then we visit the Incan farming town of Chinchero, where residents live much as their ancestors did and where we see a traditional weaving demonstration. Before dinner at our hotel tonight, we attend a native "Offering to the Earth" ceremony. *B,L,D* 

Day 5: Sacred Valley/Machu Picchu This morning we board a train for the 1½-hour journey to Aguas Calientes, where we transfer by shuttle bus to our hotel for lunch. Then we embark on our first guided visit of the stunning ruins at Machu Picchu, the "Lost City of the Incas." Thanks to the small size of our group, we will be able to move nimbly through the ruins and have the leisure to absorb both the beauty and the mystery of this impressive site. With an overnight stay here, we have the rare privilege of seeing the ruins after the tourists have departed. *B,L,D* 

**Day 6: Machu Picchu/Cuzco** This morning, before the day trippers arrive, we enjoy our second guided tour of this UNESCO site. Following lunch at our lodge, we return to Aguas Calientes with some free time before our mid-afternoon train to Cuzco. *B,L* 

**Day 7: Cuzco** Known for its Incan and Spanish colonial heritage, Cuzco is the archaeological "hub" of



We encounter plenty of wildlife, like these sunbathing sea lions, in the Galapagos.

the Americas and the continent's oldest continuously inhabited city. This morning we tour this UNESCO site and then stop at the ruins of Sacsayhuaman fortress, a masterpiece of Incan architecture. We enjoy lunch today at a local restaurant. *B*,*L* 

**Day 8: Lima** We fly back to Lima today, arriving mid-day. After lunch on our own, we visit the Larco Herrera Museum of pre-Columbian art and artifacts revealing 3,000 years of Peruvian history. Dinner tonight is on our own. *B* 

**Day 9: Lima/Quito** Today we fly to the Ecuadorian capital of Quito, arriving late afternoon. After checking in at our hotel, we attend a briefing about our Galapagos adventure and then enjoy dinner together. *B,D* 

Day 10: Quito/Baltra/Santa Cruz Island Today we fly to the island of Baltra and then transfer to Santa Cruz, our island-based home for our Galapagos exploration. We reach our beautiful hotel set on 370 lush, unspoiled and secluded acres in the highlands adjacent to Galapagos National Park in time for lunch. Then we visit the Charles Darwin Research Station to see and learn about the giant Galapagos tortoises. *B*,*L*,*D* 

#### Day 11: North Seymour Island/Bachas Beach

This morning we embark on our first excursion aboard the *Santa Fe*, our privately chartered yacht. We set out for North Seymour, a flat, low-lying island, with ample opportunities for close encounters with the wildlife on our naturalist-led walk. After lunch, we head back to Santa Cruz Island for a nature walk. *B*,*L*,*D* 

Day 12: South Plaza Island/Punta Carrion Today's destination is the small in size but rich in flora and

fauna island of South Plaza. Boasting abundant wildlife and colorful flora, and surrounded by turquoise waters, South Plaza ranks as one of the most popular (and colorful) of the Galapagos Islands. During our nature walk, we are on the lookout for such local residents as marine iguanas, bright orange Sally Lightfoot crabs, Nazca and blue-footed boobies and a male colony of sea lions ("the bachelors"). Then we cruise to Punta Carrion, where we have the

#### **Pre-Tour Option**

September 22-26, 2023

#### **Amazon Rainforest**

4 days/4 nights for \$1,295 total price Single Supplement: \$235

Discover the Amazon's amazing flora, fauna and even villages on this exceptional – and comfortable – tour.

#### **Your Tour Price Includes**

- Round-trip air transportation Lima/Iquitos
- 4 nights' accommodations: 1 night in Lima at Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport (First Class), 3 nights in the jungle at Ceiba Tops Lodge (Superior First Class)
- 10 meals: 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 3 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing, including guided Canopy Walkway tour and visit with *ribereños* (Amazon river people)
- Fully escorted by an Amazon-born naturalist guide as your Odysseys Unlimited representative
- Private vehicle transportation
- Gratuities for dining room servers, airport and hotel porters and all drivers

Land Only guests: \$1,395 total price per person



## NATURE ... CARES NOTHING FOR APPEARANCES."

- Charles Darwin

opportunity to snorkel in the calm waters of a shallow cove. B, L, D

**Day 13: Santa Cruz Island** Today we explore Santa Cruz itself, the second largest of the Galapagos Islands. We see the giant Galapagos tortoises in their natural habitat; the huge twin craters of Los Gemelos; and Garrapatero, a secluded white-sand beach where we see an abundance of marine and terrestrial wildlife. *B,L,D* 

**Day 14: Santa Cruz Island/Baltra/Quito** This morning we transfer to Baltra for the flight to Quito, arriving mid-afternoon. Tonight we celebrate our remarkable adventure at a farewell dinner. *B*,*D* 

**Day 15:** Quito/Depart for U.S. Nestled in the Andes foothills, Quito boasts a well-preserved historic center,

### Your Island-Based Galapagos Experience: *Royal Palm Hotel*







We stay in comfort for four nights in spacious rooms at the Royal Palm Hotel, set in the lush highlands of Santa Cruz Island, and enjoy day cruises aboard the Santa Fe, our privately chartered yacht.

#### **Your Tour Price Includes**

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within itinerary
- 14 nights' accommodations in Deluxe and Superior First Class hotels
- 34 meals: 14 breakfasts, 10 lunches, 10 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees; Galapagos National Park fee of \$100
- Services of local Odysseys Unlimited Tour Directors; plus experienced naturalist guides while in the Galapagos
- Private vehicle transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters and all drivers

#### **Brown Faculty Lecturer**

The Brown Travelers program strives to include a representative of Brown on each trip, and we will make every effort to provide an outstanding faculty lecturer for this departure. However, group travel is planned far in advance, and given the current very fluid nature of travel, we cannot guarantee confirmation of Brown faculty participation on this program. If for any reason we are unable to send an accompanying lecturer, please be assured that our tour operators all share our belief that travel should provide an opportunity to learn about the world in deep and meaningful ways, and the educational content of this tour remains very high.

as we see on today's city tour that includes the Middle of the World Monument. Then we return to our hotel for time at leisure before tonight's transfer to the airport for our overnight flight to the U.S. *B,L* 

**Day 16: Arrive U.S.** We arrive in the U.S. this morning and connect with our return flights home.

## Tour Departs: September 26, 2023

Prices include int'l airfare and all taxes, surcharges and fees.

Miami	\$8,793
Orlando, Tampa	\$9,193
Atlanta, Baltimore,	
Boston, Charlotte,	
Chicago, Cincinnati,	\$9,293
Cleveland, Houston,	
Minneapolis, New York,	
Philadelphia, Washington, DC	
Dallas, Denver,	
Detroit, Los Angeles,	\$9,393
Phoenix, Portland (OR),	
San Francisco, Seattle	
Land Only (transfers not included)	\$8,195

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy in a Casita at the Royal Palm Hotel and include airline taxes, surcharges and fees of \$898, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add \$2,595. Your \$500 deposit is fully refundable up to 95 days from departure. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges and fees) are guaranteed.

Upgrade to a Highland Villa at the Royal Palm Hotel: \$295 (\$495 single).

Please note: This trip involves a significant amount of walking on uneven terrain. Also, there are both wet and dry landings in the Galapagos. You should be in good physical condition to participate in this trip. In addition, Cuzco's high altitude (11,150 feet) could pose problems for travelers with certain health conditions. Please consult your physician if you have concerns.

For reservations and information, please call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at

#### 888-370-6765

Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-7:00 PM, Eastern Time

# **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a \$500 deposit per person represents your acceptance of the following fame and Conditions

Not Included in Tour Price: Airfare when purchasing a Land Only package; costs of passports and visas; immunizations, inoculations and COVID-19 testing; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service and meals not specified; airport transfers
when purchasing a Land Only package; communication charges; grautities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director, which are at
your discretion (suggested grautities; \$10.\$15 per traveler, per day); optional sightseeing; and travel protection insurance. Additional
baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Cancellations, Refunds and Changes: If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited, nic's receipt of your notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: cancel 95 days or more before departure: 50% of Your price; cancel 4240 days before departure: 50% of Your price; cancel 4240 days before departure: 50% of Your price; cancel 4240 days before departure. The most of Your price; cancel 4240 days before departure; no refund. If you make any changes to your reservation from 94 to 30 days prior to departure, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. will apply a \$100 per person administrative fee, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure.

Upon reservation, you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport as well as your date of birth and gender. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket's reissue.

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Health and Medical Issues: We request that you be in good health to participate in this tour. There is a considerable amount of walking, and you must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own. We regret that we cannot offer individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our tour itineranses, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical or mental condition, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other passengers. In that event, Brown University and the Brown Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour.

Air Transportation – Important Information: Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round-trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown and contracts with those airlines the company feels provide the level of service, routings and value necessary for your entire trip. While another affirm may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. Please note that seat assignment on your international flight is usually done at anyor theoken, odysseys Unlimited, inc. is unable to guarantee mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and affine taxes and fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available on most tours. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.

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