

The Association of Former Students of Texas A&M University presents

MACHU PICCHU TO THE GALAPAGOS

Two Departures: July 7-21, 2015 Aug. 25-Sept. 8, 2015

15 days for \$8,393 total price from Houston

(\$7,695 air, land & cruise inclusive plus \$698 airline taxes and departure fees)



An Exclusive Small Group Tour for Aggies & Friends of Texas A&M University

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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 spend the night at an intimate on-site hotel, and the fascinating Galapagos Islands, Darwin's "living laboratory," where we cruise aboard a privately chartered boat. It's an exhilarating discovery of lost worlds.



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 tour the Larco Herrera Museum, whose ceramics collection includes a renowned set of erotic pre-Columbian pots. This afternoon we take a city tour of the Peruvian capital followed by a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. *B*,*D*

Day 3: Lima/Cuzco/Sacred Valley Today we fly to Cuzco, where we travel to the beautiful Sacred Valley, a region of Inca sites and indigenous villages. After visiting the Indian market at Pisac, we reach our hotel mid-afternoon. Before dinner we attend a native Offering to the Earth ceremony. *B*,*L*,*D*

Day 4: Sacred Valley Today we visit the Incan farming town of Chinchero, where residents live much as their ancestors did. Then we explore Ollantaytambo, a living town and site of massive Incan ruins that continue to inspire wonder. We return to our hotel late this afternoon and dine there tonight. *B,L,D*

Day 5: Sacred Valley/Machu Picchu Early this morning we travel by train for the 1½-hour journey to Aguas Calientes, where we board a bus for Machu Picchu. Our first guided visit of the stunning "Lost City of the Incas" begins late this morning. Thanks to its small size, our group will move nimbly through the ruins and have the leisure to absorb the beauty and mystery of this site, whose original purpose has been lost to time. Following our tour, we check in at the 31-room Belmond Sanctuary Lodge, just steps from the entrance to the ruins. While most visitors see Machu Picchu on a day trip, we have the rare privilege of spending the night and seeing the ruins after all the tourists have left. B,L,D

Your Small Group Tour Highlights

Historic Cuzco and magnificent Sacred Valley ... Lunch in the home of a Cuzco family ... Overnight stay at Belmond Sanctuary Lodge, adjacent to the ruins at Machu Picchu ... Two guided visits to Machu Picchu ... Four-night Galapagos cruise

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	Quito	Swissotel Quito	Deluxe
9-12	Galapagos Crusing	M/Y Coral II	Sup. First Class
13-14	Quito	Swissotel Quito	Deluxe
15	Quito/Depart for U.S.		

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

Cover Photo: Encounter plenty of wildlife in the Galapagos, like this curious land iguana.



Tour the enigmatic ruins of Machu Picchu.

Day 6: Machu Picchu/Cuzco Today before the day trippers arrive we take our second guided tour of this UNESCO World Heritage site. Then we return to Aguas Calientes for lunch and free time before our mid-afternoon train to Cuzco. *B,L*

Day 7: Cuzco This morning we tour Cuzco, the archaeological hub of the Americas, the continent's oldest continuously inhabited city and a UNESCO World Heritage site. We stop at the ruins of Sacsayhuaman, an Incan masterpiece, then enjoy lunch in the home of a gracious Cuzco family. *B,L*

Day 8: Cuzco/Quito Early today we fly via Lima to Quito, arriving late afternoon. This evening we have a briefing and dinner at our hotel. *B*,*D*

Days 9-12: Galapagos Cruising Our

Galapagos adventure begins with an early departure on Day 9 for the flight to Baltra or San Cristóbal, where we board the privately chartered M/Y Coral II, our home for the next four nights. While exact cruise itineraries are subject to the dictates of Galapagos National Park authorities, each cruise features expert Galapagos naturalist guides and the opportunity to see giant Galapagos tortoises, Blue-footed Boobies, sea lions, iguanas and abundant bird life. On all cruises we also will enjoy opportunities for swimming, snorkeling, panga boat rides and nature walks. B,L,D daily

Following is a representative sample of the islands we may visit on our cruise:

Isabela: The largest island in the chain features as many as 20 species of migratory birds, many of which we could see on our hike here.

Santiago: Espumilla Beach features mangrove forests and beautiful views from the island's highest point. At Egas Port we search for birds on a guided walk.

Pre-Tour Option

July 3-7, 2015; August 21-25, 2015

AMAZON RAINFOREST

5 days/4 nights for \$1,193 total price (\$1,095 air & land inclusive plus \$98 airline taxes and departure fees)

Single Supplement: \$295

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: 3 nights in the jungle at Ceiba Tops (Superior First Class); 1 night in Lima at Costa del Sol Hotel (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: \$1,495 total price per person

San Cristóbal: At Pitt Point we see all three species of boobies together: Blue-footed, Red-footed, and Nazca, as well as Magnificent and Great frigate birds and a sea lion colony.

Day 13: Galapagos/Quito Visit a private farm on Santa Cruz Island to observe giant tortoises. Fly from Baltra or San Cristóbal to Quito (via Guayaquil). *B*

Day 14: Quito Nestled in a valley surrounded by staggering Andes peaks, Quito boasts the largest historic center in the Americas and is a UNESCO World Heritage site. We discover this capital city on today's tour and also visit the Middle of the World Monument. Celebrate our adventure at tonight's farewell dinner at a local restaurant. *B,L,D*

Day 15: Depart for U.S. We transfer to the airport this morning. You will arrive in the U.S. and connect with your flights home or overnight in Miami. *B*

M/Y Coral II



Crew: 10 Passenger Capacity: 20 Decks: 4 Guide: Galapagos naturalist Length: 110 ft Berths: All lower

Our privately chartered ship is an eco-friendly vessel built specifically for Galapagos cruising. Cabins are small but comfortable, each with private facilities.

Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within itinerary
- 13 nights' accommodations: 4 nights aboard privately chartered Superior First Class boat M/Y Coral II; 9 nights 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; experienced naturalists aboard M/Y Coral II
- Private motorcoach 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



The beautiful and historic Sacred Valley

Miami

Tour Departs: July 7, 2015 August 25, 2015

Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges and fees.

\$7,993

Orlando, Tampa	\$8,293
Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Charlotte, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Houston, Minneapolis, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, DC	\$8,393
Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Los Angeles,	\$8.493

San Francisco, Seattle
Land Only (transfers not included) \$7,995

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy in an outside cabin on Sea Deck with porthole and include airline taxes, fuel surcharges and departure fees of \$698, which are subject to change until final payment is made. Single travelers please add \$3,195. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, fuel surcharges and departure fees) are guaranteed.

Upgrade to Earth Deck with window: \$395 (\$595 single); upgrade to Sky Deck with window: \$495 (\$795 single). All cabin categories have limited availability.

Depending on flight schedules, guests connecting with ongoing flights may require an overnight stay at an airport hotel in Miami upon their return (provided on a complimentary basis).

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking on uneven terrain. Also, there are both wet and dry landings in the Galapagos. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to the fullest. 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 more information and reservations, please call The Traveling Aggies at

979-845-7514 or toll-free at 800-633-7514



Traveling Aggies

Howdy, Ags!

On an exciting 15-day tour and cruise, experience two of South America's treasures: the enigmatic ruins at Machu Picchu and the fascinating Galapagos Islands. Due to the popularity of this trip, two departure dates are offered exclusively for the Traveling Aggies.

Your tour begins with a full day in Lima, including a visit to the Larco Herrera Museum. Next, fly to Cuzco and tour the beautiful Sacred Valley. Take a thrilling train ride to Machu Picchu, and stay overnight at the Belmond Sanctuary Lodge. Next, you'll board an intimate, privately chartered ship to cruise Darwin's "living laboratory." Here, you'll have opportunities to get up close to Galapagos wildlife on guided nature walks and while swimming and snorkeling. Conclude your journey back in Quito.

With space for only 20 guests on each Traveling Aggies exclusive departure, we expect these tours to fill quickly. Book today to secure your spot!

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Jennifer Bohac '87, Ph.D. Director of Travel Programs

TRAVELING AGGIES RESERVATION FORM: MACHU PICCHU TO THE GALAPAGOS

Galapagos departing either July 7, 2015, or August a east 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be ma or by personal check. Please make deposit check pay completed reservation form) to: The Association of Fo	person/people on Machu Picchu to the 25, 2015. I/we understand the final payment is due at the deep American Express, Discover, MasterCard or VISA table to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and mail (along with brimer Students, 505 George Bush Drive, College States at 979-845-7514 or toll-free at 800-633-7514. Or fax
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Final invoicing will be sent by our tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. The balance of the program price must be paid to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure and is payable by check or credit card.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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

Not included in tour price

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

Cancellations, refunds and changes

If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited's receipt of your written notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: cancel 94-65 days not more before departure: \$200 entage; cancel 94-30 days before departure: \$75% of tour prices; cancel 64-30 days before departure: \$75% of tour prices; cancel 64-30 days before departure: an orefund. If a guest makes any changes between 94 and 30 days prior to departure Ordysseys 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. All cancellations must be submitted in writing to ddysseys Unlimited.

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

Responsibility

The liability of The Association of Former Students, as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, no. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under our control. We serve only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, their employees, agents, servants or representatives. The Association of Former Students and Odysseys Unlimited, inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within our control, including without limitation, acts of terrorism, var, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, of the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise line, and other independent suppliers. We will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality.

No funds donated to The Association of Former Students or to Texas A&M University have been used in the production or mailing of this travel brochure; all such costs are covered by the tour supplier.

Health and Medical Issues

We request that you be in good health to participate in this tour. There is a reasonable amount of walking, and you must be able to get on and off motoroaches and ships on your own. If you require the use of a wheelchair or have other presonal needs, you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. 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, The Association of Former Students and Odysseys Unlimited 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 to be level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline 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 assignments on your international flight are usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited is unable to guarantee any seat assignments. Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including but not limited to, frequent fiyer mileage acrual, stopovers, alternate ravel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and departure 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 ravel reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. If you choose to make your own ravel 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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