

CUSCO ● MACHU PICCHU ● QUITO ● MINDO CLOUD FOREST ● SANTA CRUZ

The Offer

There's nowhere else quite like the Galapagos Islands - a destination of rare wildlife and unique natural beauty. On this 21-day highlights package taking in Peru and Ecuador, together with the incredible Galapagos, you have all the makings of a truly unforgettable adventure!

Begin in Cusco, the Incan capital where you'll find South America's richest heritage. Descend 1500 feet to the Sacred Valley floor, alongside the Urubamba River and the village of Pisac, a village renowned for its Incan ruins and markets. Travel via train from Ollantaytambo to beautiful Aguas Calientes, known for its thermal baths and as the gateway to the Incan ruins of Machu Picchu. Head to the grand citadel the following morning and enjoy a guided tour of this mysterious ancient city, before returning to Cusco for a day at leisure.

From here, your trip takes on a wild turn as you head to Ecuador. Experience the UNESCO World Heritage site of Quito and check out the 'Middle of the Earth', where you can stand on both sides of the hemispheres at the

same time. Tour a chocolate factory, explore the Mindo Cloud Forest, enjoy the indigenous town of Otavalo, soak in the hot springs at Papallacta and take in the Cotopaxi Volcano. Then immerse yourself in the Galapagos Islands of Santa Cruz, Isla Lobos and San Cristobal. Take the opportunity to snorkel and tour in search of local wildlife including giant tortoises, blue-footed boobies, sea lions, frigate birds, white-tipped reef sharks and more.

This package includes all international and internal flights, 18 nights of quality hotel accommodation, 20 meals, return airport transfers and so much more!

Want more? Add extra days to your itinerary with Arrive Early in Lima, Peru and Stay Behind in Quito, Ecuador packages.





The Itinerary

Day 1 Australia - Lima, Peru

Today depart from either Sydney, Melbourne, *Brisbane, *Adelaide or *Perth to Lima, Peru via Santiago, Chile. Fly with LATAM Airlines, Qantas Airways or Air New Zealand (subject to availability). Upon arrival into Lima, a representative will be waiting to transfer you to the hotel.

Please note:

- Due to flight scheduling and availability, some Perth departures may occur on Day 0. Affected customers must be at the airport the night before. Flight times will be indicated on your final documents at least 6 weeks prior to departure.
- Some customers may experience and extended layover. Lounge passes may be purchased at your own expense.

Overnight: Costa Del Sol Wyndham Lima Airport or similar, Lima, Peru

Meals included: In-Flight

Day 2 Lima - Cusco - Sacred Valley

This morning you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Cusco. Upon arrival, be met by your guide and drive onwards to the Sacred Valley, where you can enjoy lunch in a local restaurant (not included).

Afterwards travel to the village of Chincheros, northwest of Cusco. This picturesque village was an important Inca centre and is known for the traditional Andean weaving techniques still used by its people. Wearing traditional clothes, the people of Chincheros meet in the Main Square to sell local handicrafts to visitors - a colourful and beautiful spectacle. Here you may enjoy the opportunity to learn a little about traditional weaving techniques and also do a bit of souvenir shopping. Afterwards, travel onwards to Urubamba and check

into the hotel and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure after an approximately 70km travel day.

Overnight: San Agustin Hotel or similar, Urubamba, Peru Meals included: Breakfast

Day 3 Sacred Valley - Aguas Calientes

This morning, descend 1500 feet to the valley floor and find yourself by the sacred Urubamba River and the village of Pisac. In Pisac enjoy a quick visit to a traditional market, where you can browse and buy some local souvenirs if desired. Afterwards, drive to the ruins of Pisac where you can explore the extensive ruins whilst enjoying stunning views over the beautiful valley. Enjoy a guided tour of the Citadel of Pisac, in which you will see temples, homes, altars, carvings, tunnels, caves and the famous Intihuatana, 'the hitching post of the sun'.

Next continue back towards Urubamba, where there will be a stop for lunch (not included), then a short drive onwards is Ollantaytambo, which is surrounded by the sacred mountains. Here, you will enjoy further exposure to Incan constructions, mainly the amazing temple of the sun, enormous blocks of rock perfectly carved, stone water fountains, stairs and terraces. See the beauty of the local people in their traditional dress.

Afterwards, transfer to Ollantaytambo Train Station (approx. 30 mins) and board a train bound for Aguas Calientes, a beautiful thermal town down the valley from the ancient citadel of Machu Picchu. Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to the hotel.

Overnight: Casa Andina Machu Picchu, Aguas Calientes, Peru Meals included: Breakfast





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Day 4 Grand Citadel Machu Picchu - Cusco

After an early breakfast, a local guide will pick you up from the hotel to begin the short bus ride to the gates of Machu Picchu where you may have the opportunity (weather permitting) to enjoy one of the most spectacular sunrises of your life! After entering the Citadel you will begin a guided walking tour (approx. 2 hours), learning about the history of the area and the ruins.

Enjoy some free time afterwards to explore this mysterious ancient city at leisure. This afternoon, meet your guide back in Aguas Calientes for lunch (not included). Be transferred to the train station for the journey to Ollantaytambo where on arrival you will be met and transferred by road back to Cusco on an approximately 3.5 hour total journey.

Overnight: Ramada Costa Del Sol or similar, Cusco, Peru Meals included: Breakfast

Day 5 Cusco Free Day

Today is free at leisure to explore Cusco. An optional Folklore Show and Dinner is available in the evening (not included).

Optional Activity: Folklore Show and Dinner - \$40 per person

Tonight head to the Tunupa Restaurant, located just past the central Plaza de Armas of Cusco (a short walk from hotel), for a fabulous buffet dinner. There is a large selection of typical dishes including meat, fish, vegetables and desserts. The night becomes more enjoyable when the traditional dance show begins and you can get involved with folk, traditional and classical music, and sweeten your ears with the sounds of Andean instruments: Quena, charango, flute, zampoña. If you wish, you can also share the dance floor with the dancers and enjoy a great experience.

Overnight: Ramada Costa Del Sol or similar, Cusco, Peru Meals included: Breakfast

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Day 6 Cusco, Peru - Quito, Ecuador

Today transfer to the airport for your one-way international flight via Lima to Quito, the capital of Ecuador. On arrival, you will be welcomed and transferred to the hotel.

Overnight: Sheraton or similar, Quito, Ecuador

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 7 Quito Free Day

Quito is the largest, best-preserved colonial city of America and was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1978. The city is considered the cultural capital of South America and is located on the equator in a valley at the foothills of the Pichincha Volcano. Today is yours free at leisure to enjoy this amazing city. Alternatively, you can take the opportunity to join an optional city tour (not included).

This evening, meet your tour leader in the hotel lobby for a welcome briefing. At this time, you will discuss the details and any questions you may have regarding the upcoming journey through Ecuador & The Galapagos Islands. Enjoy the remainder of the evening at leisure.

Optional Tour: Full Day Quito City Tour - \$80 per person

Enjoy a truly unique experience in the heart of Quito city and discover its history from a local eye. Walk around its narrow streets visiting the most iconic buildings such as; the Golden Church, San Francisco Square, the Main Square. Visit Luis 'local workshop "Cruz Verde", a well know artisan whose family has prepared the local candy "Colaciones" for the last 100 years keeping alive Quito's tradition. For lunch you will have the opportunity to sit with locals and enjoy a tasty meal freshly prepared using local products and flavours. In the afternoon, you will go for a walk on the colourful Ronda





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Street, you can enjoy a giant empanada and to finish the day, go to Panecillo Hill to enjoy a panoramic view of Quito.

Overnight: Sheraton or similar, Quito, Ecuador

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 8 Ecuador 'Middle of the Earth' - Pululahua Crater - Mindo

Today drive north of Quito to the Ecuador monument complex. The visit to the 'middle of the world' is a must when in Ecuador. It's the place where you will be able to stand on both sides of the hemispheres, north and south at the same time and feel the neutral forces of the equator. On the way, stop for a view of the Pululahua Crater, the third biggest inhabited volcano crater in the world. Then you will continue onwards to the little town of Mindo, a village in the Andes Mountains. It's known for the many bird species, butterflies and orchids found in the surrounding cloud forest, it's a bird lovers paradise!

In the afternoon take the opportunity to enjoy a guided tour of a chocolate factory (not included - \$12 USD per person) where you will have the chance to follow the process of the cocoa, from harvesting the seed to the final product. Here you may also enjoy a delicious brownie or a cup of hot cocoa. Afterwards, transfer to the hotel after an approximately 100km travel day and enjoy being situated in the middle of the beautiful cloud forest.

Overnight: El Septimo Paraiso or similar, Mindo, Ecuador Meals included: Breakfast

Day 9 Mindo Cloud Forest Hike - Free Afternoon

Today explore the pristine cloud forest, crossing cable cars and hiking along waterfalls during a moderate hike (approx. 15 - 20 mins), surrounded by a lush green forest filled with toucans and colourful birds. In the afternoon enjoy some free time to enjoy the several optional activities offered in this area. Join an optional activity of water "tubing" (several large inner-tubes tied together) as the guides steer you through thrilling rapids (not included - approx. \$20 USD per person). Or try a canopy zip-line where you'll sail along one of 13 zip-lines over the beautiful canopy of the cloud forest (not included - approx. \$25 USD per person).

One of the highlights of today is the opportunity to visit a butterfly farm (entrance fee not included – approx. \$10 USD per person) located on a private reserve called 'Mariposas of Mindo'. Here, watch gargantuan butterflies dry their wings after emerging from their jewel-like cocoons. You can dip your fingers into a banana concoction and then be thrilled as butterflies the size of birds land on your hands for a snack.

Overnight: El Septimo Paraiso or similar, Mindo, Ecuador Meals included: Breakfast

Day 10 Otavalo Market - Cotacachi Town - Otavalo

The day starts with a unique scenic drive back up to the highlands where you will reach the Pan-American Highway travelling north to the world-famous indigenous town of Otavalo. Enjoy some time to stroll along the narrow cobblestone streets, which are filled with Otavalo indigenous people wearing the typical blue ponchos. You will have the opportunity to explore the handicraft market, with its wonderful textiles, native paintings, ceramics, jewellery, tapestries and more. In Otavalo, there will be enough time for shopping and spending time with the locals.





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In the afternoon, drive to Cotacachi town on an approximately 180km travel day. This town is made famous for the most amazing leather goods and its beauty as a small village. You will have some free time to explore the shops or simply stop and enjoy one of the best coffees in Ecuador at the main square. Later, arrive at the historical hacienda of Cusin and enjoy a typical Andean cocktail as a welcome, and learn about the history of Hacienda.

Overnight: Hacienda Palmeras or similar, Otavalo, Ecuador Meals included: Breakfast

Day 11 Cuicocha Crater Lake - Papallacta Hot Springs

Today start the day with a visit to Cotacahi-Cayapas Ecological Reserve and witness the breathtaking scenery of the crystalline-clear waters of this active volcano and the amazing surrounding landscapes. At the end of a short hike, enjoy a boat ride on Cuicocha Crater Lake to the centre of the crater to observe the activity of the volcano. Watch bubbles coming up from the centre of the caldera.

Later transfer to Peguche, a small village located in the heart of the Andes, where you will have an unforgettable cultural experience, immersing yourself in the true spirit of the South American highlands. You will help the local people prepare a delicious lunch using fresh products harvested the same day from the surrounding organic fields and share with them precious moments of conviviality. In the late afternoon, reach the luxury volcanic hot-springs resort of Papallacta. Here you will have the chance to relax and enjoy the facilities surrounded by views of the majestic Andean mountains after an approximately 150km travel day.

Overnight: Termas de Papallacta (Spa resort) or similar, Papallacta, Ecuador

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

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Day 12 Cotopaxi Volcano - Quito

This morning enjoy the chance to take one last dip in the open-air hot springs, before driving south on the Pan-American Highway towards the highest active volcano in the world, Cotopaxi. The snow-capped volcano is surrounded by national park and is home to abundant plant life, rich fauna and Inca ruins. You will begin at the Interpretation Centre which is at the park's entrance, before continuing across the paramo to Limpiopungo Lake. During a short walk around the lake, observe a variety of birds and enjoy the stunning views of the almost symmetrical cone of Cotopaxi. Afterwards, continue back to Quito where you will check into the hotel and enjoy the remainder of the evening at leisure after an approximately 70km travel day.

Overnight: Sheraton or similar, Quito, Ecuador

Meals included: None

Day 13 Quito - Baltra - Santa Cruz Island (Galapagos)

Today you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to the Island of Baltra in the Galapagos Islands. On arrival you will be picked up and transferred to Santa Cruz, a nearby island, crossing the narrow Itabaca channel by ferry and then continuing by car. Your first stop will be at the highlands of Santa Cruz. The "Parte Alta" as the highlands are called in Spanish are very lush and green and home of the iconic giant Galapagos tortoises. Here you will visit a private ranch where you will enjoy lunch before heading out on a walk in search of the giant tortoises.

During this visit you will also visit some lava tubes, which are formed when the surface of a lava stream solidifies, but the inside remains a liquid and flows out like a river. After this tour, you will continue by private transport to the hotel. Here you will have a meet and greet with a local guide who will





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explain the following days itinerary to you. Enjoy the rest of the evening at leisure to explore this beautiful Island.

Overnight: Hotel Fiesta or similar, Puerto Ayora, Santa Cruz, Galapagos

Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch

Day 14 Academy Bay Tour

Today, after breakfast, you will enjoy a half day tour of Academy Bay. Be sure to pack sun protection, a bathing suit, towel, camera and comfortable walking shoes. Optional snorkel equipment will be provided free of charge to anyone who wishes to use it. During the tour you will take a boat to Academy Bay where you can swim and snorkel with sea lions and all kinds of colourful fish. Here you can see the blue footed boobies who are resting at the edge of the cliffs.

Afterwards climb to a nearby viewpoint and if you are lucky, you can see white-tipped reef sharks swimming in the ocean below. Afterwards take a walk to 'Playa de los Perros' where many sea iguanas are found resting in the sun. The enormous cacti, the red colour of the rocks and the turquoise colour of the ocean make for great photo opportunities.

Overnight: Hotel Fiesta or similar, Puerto Ayora, Santa Cruz, Galapagos

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 15 Santa Cruz - Charles Darwin Research Station - San Cristobal Island

This morning, visit the Charles Darwin Research Station to learn more about many of the endemic species seen in the wild, as well as the ongoing conservation and management efforts on the Galapagos Islands. In the afternoon you will be

met and transferred from the hotel to the dock of Santa Cruz from where you will take a boat (approx. 2 hours) to the island of San Cristobal.

Upon arrival at the dock in San Cristobal, you will be transferred to the hotel in the town of Puerto Baquerizo Moreno. Here you will have a meet and greet with another local guide who will explain the rest of your itinerary to you. The remainder of the evening is yours to enjoy at leisure on this stunning island.

Overnight: Hotel Galapagos Planet or similar, Puerto Baquerizo Moreno, San Cristobal, Galapagos

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 16 Isla Lobos Tour

After breakfast this morning, you will be met and transferred to a dock where you will take a quick boat ride to the nearby Isla Lobos. During this boat trip you will observe a lot of sea life before even setting foot on the island. Upon arrival, enjoy a guided tour where you will have the chance to observe frigate birds, blue footed boobies and sea lions that all inhabit the island. Afterwards you will have time for a swim or snorkel in the beautiful waters.

Continue onwards to a nearby beach on San Cristobal where you may enjoy an included packed lunch and some time at leisure. The white coral beaches of San Cristobal are great to walk around, relax and swim in the shallow waters before returning to Puerto Baquerizo Moreno.

Overnight: Hotel Galapagos Planet or similar, Puerto Baquerizo Moreno, San Cristobal, Galapagos

Meals included: Breakfast;Lunch





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Day 17 San Cristobal Free Morning - Quito

Enjoy some free time this morning before transferring to the airport of San Cristobal. From here, you will take a quick flight back to Ecuador's mainland. Upon arrival in Quito, you will be collected from the airport and transferred to the hotel.

Overnight: Sheraton or similar, Quito, Ecuador

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 18 Quito Free Day

Today enjoy a free day at leisure in Quito.

Optional Activity: Cable car tour to Pichincha Volcano - \$65 per person

If you like the height and want to have a spectacular panoramic view of Quito, and even observe the snow-capped mountains that surround the city, the best option is to visit the Cable Car. In their traditional cabins you will be able to admire the whole city and the Pichincha Volcano. After ascending to 4,000 meters above sea level in the Teleferico, enjoy a walk in the open air, where you will find different trails available for those looking for a low-impact sport. Not only will you be able to hike on various trails, there you will also see an incredible view of the city surrounded by local flora and fauna. Finally, you will be able to hike the Pichincha Volcano.

The weather can change suddenly, so it is advisable to wear the appropriate clothing, a windbreaker, non-slip shoes, comfortable clothing that protects against possible rain and cold wind.

Inclusions: Hotel to hotel transfers and an English speaking guide.

Does not include: Cable car fee (\$8.5 USD per person)

Overnight: Sheraton or similar, Quito, Ecuador

Meals included: Breakfast

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Day 19 Quito, Ecuador - Australia

Today you will be transferred to Quito International Airport for your return flight back to Australia.

Please note:

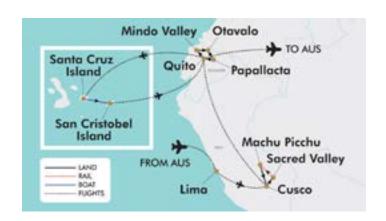
- Due to limited flight availability between Australia and South America, some customers may experience a layover of up to 7 hours in Lima, Peru or Santiago, Chile and lounge passes can be purchased at your own expense.
- A Santiago stopover package is available for travellers who want to break up their journey in Chile on the way home. Please see the important information for further information.

Meals included: Breakfast;In-Flight

Day 20 In Transit

Day 21 Arrive in Australia (or New Zealand)

Please note: Some flights may arrive + 1 days.





Tour Inclusions

HIGHLIGHTS

Visit Peru's beautiful Sacred Valley and Ollantaytambo's Inca ruins, including Temple of the Sun

Learn about traditional Andean weaving techniques in the village of Chincheros

Enjoy a guided tour of a traditional market and the picturesque ruins of Pisac

Scale the heights of the Andes Mountains to tour the historic ruins of Machu Picchu

Explore the 'Imperial City' of Cusco on a day free at leisure

Enjoy a day at leisure in the UNESCO world heritage listed city of Quito, Ecuador

Travel to the 'middle of the world' and stand on both sides of the Northern and Southern hemisphere

Discover the world's third largest inhabited volcanic crater

Explore the magnificent Mindo Cloud Forest

Enjoy a boat ride on Cuicocha Lake, a volcanic crater

Relax in Papallacta's geothermal hot springs in the Andes Mountains

See Cotopaxi, world's highest snow-capped volcano

Island hop through the breathtaking Galapagos Islands

Search for Galapagos tortoises in the wild

Snorkel amongst sea lions and spot sea iguanas on Playa de Los Perros, Santa Cruz

Enjoy a half day tour on Isla Lobos

Enjoy a day at leisure in Guayaquil, the biggest city in Ecuador

ACCOMMODATION

13 nights quality 3-4 star accommodation in Peru & Ecuador

5 nights 5-star hotel accommodation in Quito, Ecuador

FLIGHTS

Return international full-service flights (economy class), departure city surcharges may apply

1 x international flight (economy class) from Cusco, Peru to Quito, Fcuador

1 x internal flights in Peru (economy class) from Lima to Cusco

 $2\,x$ internal flights in Ecuador (economy class) from Quito to Baltra, and San Cristobal to Guayaquil

DINING

Enjoy 20 meals including daily breakfast & a traditional Ecuadorian lunch

TOUR ESSENTIALS

English-speaking tour leaders & guides

Airlines taxes and surcharges

TRANSPORT

Transportation by private air-conditioned vehicles

Return train tickets to Machu Picchu Station with Inca Rail Company or Peru Rail Company

Return bus tickets from Aguas Calientes to Machu Picchu

Shared marine transportation and the Galapagos, shared navigation activities in the islands

TRANSFERS

All airport transfers



*Please note: All information provided in this brochure is subject to both change and availability. Prior to purchase please check the current deal for up-to-date information. If you have already purchased this deal, the terms and conditions on your Purchase Confirmation apply and take precedence over the information in this brochure.

Booking information

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. You must complete the Passenger Information Form within 72 hours of purchase.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras MUST be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the Schedule of Fees below.

On purchasing this Travel Offer, you are bound by the <u>General Terms and Conditions</u> and the specific terms and conditions outlined in this Important Information.

Please note: All countries and territories have different entry requirements in relation to vaccinations, quarantine/isolation periods and travel restrictions. Due to the evolving nature, we would ask all of our customers to monitor, meet and adhere to the specific requirements of their intended destination(s) in the lead-up to and immediately before travel, as well as any requirements post-travel upon their return.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Covid-19 Booking Policy

TripADeal Tour packages are non-refundable. If your Tour package is affected by Covid-19-related travel restrictions and you are unable to travel, you will receive either a free date change (credit that is specific to your original package and purchase value) or an open credit less any non-recoverable supplier fees to the value of your original purchase for use on any other package available via the TripADeal website.

Please note: Date change credits are subject to availability and not guaranteed until confirmed by TripADeal, not the tour operator you are due to stay with. The standard cancellation policy will apply if you cannot travel because you have

tested positive for Covid-19.

Please note: All additional charges are payable direct to your Travel Consultant in AUD (unless otherwise stated).

Offer essentials

Travel offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 17th of October 2023.

This travel offer is priced for one person based on twin share.

Single Traveller Supplement

For pricing, please refer to the payment cart upon checkout.

Departure Dates

Please see TripADeal website for current departure dates.

Surcharges

For pricing, please refer to the payment cart upon checkout.

Flights

International Full-Service Airline(s) Used

• Cabin Class: Economy Class

International Flight - Australia to Peru & Ecuador to Australia:

LATAM Airlines and Qantas Airways plus any codeshare partners (subject to availability).

International Flight - Lima, Peru to Quito, Ecuador only

LATAM Airlines or Avianca Airlines plus any codeshare partners (subject to availability)

Domestic Airline(s) Used in Peru & Ecuador

LATAM Airlines, Avianca or TAME plus any codeshare partners (subject to availability)

Please note: One way flights can not be accommodated. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

Departure Cities

Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth

Departure City Surcharges

For pricing, please refer to the payment cart upon checkout.

Missed Flights

If you fail to arrive for your outbound flight on Day 1 (or Day 0), you risk all flight and land arrangements in your destination being automatically cancelled by the airlines and land operator, respectively. Additional fees may apply to reinstate these services. If you will miss your flight for whatever reason, please contact TripADeal as soon as possible to make arrangements.

Preferred Airline Surcharge

For pricing, please refer to the payment cart upon checkout.

Please note:

- Preferred airlines are subject to availability. If we are unable to fulfil your request, the above extra cost will be refunded.
- On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed, subject to aircraft configuration.
- In the event that a purchased stopover package and a purchased preferred airline upgrade are not compatible, you will have the option to receive a refund for the preferred airline upgrade or be offered an alternative stopover city option, e.g if you choose to fly with Singapore Airlines you cannot stopover in Dubai.
- Preferred airline refers to the marketing carrier and could include codeshare partners.

Arrive Early or Stay Behind

If available, please refer to the payment cart upon checkout

Please note:

- This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals or airport transfers.
- No flight booking changes or cancellations are permitted after air tickets have been issued.
- Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

Stopover Packages

If available, please refer to the payment cart upon checkout

Please note:

- When a pre and post-tour stopover is chosen, the same stopover location must be chosen each way, due to the airline used
- Stopover packages are subject to availability.

Flight Class Upgrades

If available, please refer to the payment cart



upon checkout

Please note:

- Flight upgrades are subject to availability and pricing changes (if we cannot fulfil your request, the upgrade cost will be refunded).
- On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed, subject to aircraft configuration.

Accommodation

Accommodation Used

Accommodation/rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type and are subject to availability based on seasonality. In the instance a property is not available, a similar standard of accommodation will be provided. Properties will be confirmed and included in your travel pack, which you will receive 4-6 weeks before travel.

Extra Nights

Not available.

Please note: If you are interested in booking additional nights of accommodation pre or post-tour, please wait until you receive your travel documentation approximately 4-6 weeks before departure for the confirmed list of hotels. If booking your own additional accommodation directly with the hotel, please be aware that you may be required to change rooms at the start/end of your tour.

Maximum Room Capacity

2 People (subject to availability).

Child Policy

Please refer to the TripADeal website

Triple Share

Not available

Bedding Configuration

Twin or Double bedding (subject to availability).

Adjoining / Interconnecting Rooms

Subject to availability and at the hotels discretion. Please enquire on booking if you require this option.

General information

Minimum group size 12, maximum group size 15 per vehicle.

Please note: A small group tour is defined as a tour with no more than 20 travellers per vehicle.

Optional Tours/Activities

If available, please refer to the payment cart upon checkout.

Exclusions

- Visa fees and requirements (A visa for Peru & Ecuador is not required if travelling on an Australian passport)
- Meals/beverages not stated in the itinerary
- Recommended gratuities/tipping: \$10 USD per person/day when tour or transfer services are provided.
- INGALA Transit Control Card (Galapagos) \$20 USD per person (subject to change).
- National Park Entrance Fee (Galapagos) \$100 USD per person (subject to change).
- Optional activities/tours
- · Personal expenses
- Travel insurance (Mandatory)

Please note: A comprehensive travel Insurance policy must be organised BEFORE all details can be finalised.

Other important information

INGALA TRANSIT CONTROL CARD (GALAPAGOS)

INGALA, the Ecuadorian governmental agency regulates all things pertaining to the Galapagos Islands issues a "Transit Control Card". This card is designed to help control immigration to the islands. INGALA has instituted the transit control card is to help keep track of who is visiting the islands. Visitors must go to a booth in the airport with their plane tickets before they board their flight to get the card, which costs around \$20 USD per person. The card is returned at the end of the trip. More information can be found here.

Please note: This fee is subject to change.

NATIONAL PARK ENTRANCE FEES (GALAPAGOS)

All tourists visiting the Galapagos Islands must pay an entry tax to visit the archipelago. The amount of this entrance fee depends on the age and nationality of the tourist. Most foreign tourists including Australians over

the age of 12 pay \$100 USD per person. For some, this entry tax may seem a bit high, but it is important to keep in mind that these fees are helping to protect the wonderful islands. On its website, the Galapagos National Park announces that, "Funds from the entry tax for tourists are used to finance the conservation of biodiversity of flora and fauna, terrestrial and marine, and benefits the local community by improving basic services, education projects, sports, health, environmental sanitation, environmental services and services directly related to tourists."

Please note: This fee is subject to change.

TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

Tour Guide

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on the history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction where they are guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves it at the end of the tour; they do not travel with the group.

Tour Leader

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides at each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village and offer information on the place visited on the bus. However, they are not required to have specific art, architecture, or historical knowledge. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and, if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.



CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

Lima

Lima is usually described as mild and warm throughout the year without noteworthy rain making Lima one of the driest capitals in the world. The average temperatures range from 18°C to 28°C.

Cusco

Cusco has a subtropical highland climate due to its elevation (3500m above sea level). It is generally dry and temperate, with two defined seasons. The dry season lasts from May to August, with abundant sunshine and occasional night time freezes; July is the coldest month with an average of 9.7°C. The wet season lasts from December to March, with night frost less common; November averages 13.3°C. Although frost and hail are common, the only snowfall ever recorded was in June 1911. Temperatures usually range from 0.2°C to 20.9°C.

Quito

The Quito lies on 2832m above sea level In Quito, the climate is warm and temperate. The is a great deal of rainfall in Quito, even in the driest month. According to Köppen and Geiger, this climate is classified as Cfb. In Quito, the average annual temperature is 13.9 °C | 57.0 °F. Precipitation here is about 1273 mm | 50.1 inch per year.

With an average of 14.1 °C | 57.4 °F, May is the warmest month. The lowest average temperatures in the year occur in June, when it is around 13.6 °C | 56.5 °F.

Santa Cruz (Galapagos)

No time of year is too hot or too cold to enjoy the Galapagos, but the climate is not exactly the same throughout. June through December are considered the cooler months in terms of both the air and water. This is also the time of the dry season, where the highlands of the major islands are kept lush but the beaches and flatlands receive very little rain. Blue skies interrupted by sparse and sporadic afternoon showers are the norm.

FLIGHTS

Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points

At TripADeal we do not arrange seat selection. It is essential to highlight that some airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the airline directly with seating allocation requirements and/or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings, you can do this directly with the airline once you have your flight information.

Passport Validity

Customers must provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase or no later than 45 days before the departure date. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of the booking. Customers will be responsible for any costs and fees incurred in this instance.

COACH TOUR

Meals

For meals not included, the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify TripADeal of any dietary requests/requirements. Please note: We will do our best to meet your requests/requirements; however, we cannot guarantee that we will always be able to.

Luggage

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on tour. You must carry your own luggage from the vehicle to the hotel room and back to the vehicle. The driver will assist with the uploading and unloading of bags from the vehicle.

OTHER

Fitness Level required/Mobility

Our vehicles are not equipped with wheelchair access, so unfortunately our tours are currently not suitable for wheelchair users and those less mobile.

Please note: A general level of fitness will be required. If you have any concerns please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

High Altitude Illness

Altitude illness occurs when there is a lack of oxygen in the air at high altitudes. Altitude illness will affect some travellers, with no apparent regard to age, gender or physical condition.

If you have any concerns please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

Yellow Fever

A valid international certificate of vaccination against Yellow Fever is required in many countries. You may need to present this on arrival at the airport or border crossing. Some countries will refuse entry if you are unable to present your certificate. It's also quite common for your home country to request a Yellow Fever certificate on your arrival back home.

It is your responsibility to check with your doctor well in advance of leaving home about the Yellow Fever requirements for the countries you'll be visiting.

Gratuities / Tipping

Land

Gratuities (tips) are not included for the services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. The recommended tip is \$10 USD per person per day. This covers the guide/leader and the driver and will be collected on tour.

Please note: tipping for services provided is always a matter of personal discretion; however, please be aware that many locals consider tipping part of their normal remuneration, and they may approach you for payment; there's no need to be intimidated by the request.

Sightseeing

Please note: If entrance to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary, where possible, may be adjusted, or a similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).

Shopping

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card, please pay close attention to the amount you are being charged and keep all your receipts.



Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader.

Please refer to our <u>Terms and Conditions</u> regarding shopping for further information.

Visas

Tourist visas for Peru and Ecuador are not required if travelling on an Australian Passport.

Chile (TRANSIT FLIGHTS)

If your travel includes transiting through Chile, you should contact the nearest Embassy or Consulate of Chile to confirm if you'll need a visa.

If you transit in Chile without a visa and miss your connecting flight, you won't be able to pass the immigration point. You'll be required to remain airside and not leave the airport until a new onward flight has been arranged. Australians have previously been required to remain airside for several days due to missed flight connections.

Important:

- Please start arranging your visa three weeks before departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.
- Visa rules may have changed since Covid-19. Some countries and airlines may require you to obtain an additional visa before arrival. Please check with the nearest embassy, consulate or immigration department of the destination you're entering.

Please note:

- Passengers who are not Australian citizens must also check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required.
- It is also important to note that some areas of employment, such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations, may have additional restrictions in applying for Visas. This may, in turn, affect the type of application required.

Travel insurance

Embarking on your next trip is exciting, and while you hope the unexpected does not happen, it is best to be prepared. We strongly recommend you take out travel insurance when making your booking. Whether it's a potential medical emergency, a flight cancellation, a delayed suitcase, or an unforeseen event, it's important to ensure you're adequately protected. For more information or advice visit https://www.tripadeal.com.au/travel-insurance.

Schedule of fees

Please note: Due to limited availability, passenger name and date changes are strictly prohibited for this offer. This overrides the Schedule of Fees in our standard Terms & Conditions. Please read the Refund and Cancellation policy before purchase, as strict conditions apply beyond this point.

Voluntary Changes

Includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring an airline ticket or a Purchase Confirmation reissue.

• Changes - \$100.00 per booking + additional charges from the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Name Changes Due To Passenger Error

• If the incorrect name has been advised to TripADeal, charges of \$100.00 per booking + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Supplier Fees

In the event the Travel Offer you have purchased is unable to proceed, and/ or a travel Supplier is unable to fulfil the Travel Offer due to external circumstances (Limitation of Liability e.g. a Force Majeure event), there may be a fee or amount of money that is withheld by our Suppliers and is unrecoverable. This may be due to non-refundable airline tickets, cancellation penalties with cruise cabins or unrecoverable payments with our land/accommodation partners. TripADeal has committed to these costs as your Agent and will endeavour to recover all funds committed and/or paid for your Travel Offer, but this may not be

possible in all circumstances. If refunds are unavailable from Suppliers, we will endeavour to obtain a travel credit on the best terms available and communicate these outcomes to you. If TripADeal cannot obtain a refund or travel service credit, or part thereof, this cost is passed on to the customer as a Supplier Fee. This fee is not revenue-raising and is paid to or withheld by our suppliers when recovering payments.

