Michigan State University presents

MACHU PICCHU TO THE GALAPAGOS

November 21-December 6, 2017

16 days for $8,293 total price from Detroit
($7,595 air & land inclusive plus $698 airline taxes and fees)

This tour is provided by Odysseys Unlimited, six-time honoree Travel & Leisure's World's Best Tour Operators award.

An Exclusive Small Group Tour for Alumni and Friends of MSU
Dear MSU Alumni and Friends,

The MSU Alumni Association invites you to travel with us on an exclusive 16-day journey to 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, featuring a visit to a prominent art museum and an afternoon tour of the colonial capital. Next, fly to Cuzco to explore the important Incan site of Koricancha and tour 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, you spend four nights in the lush highlands of Santa Cruz Island, your base for exploring North Seymour, South Plaza, and Santa Cruz islands, embarking on day excursions on a privately chartered yacht. Conclude your journey back in Quito with a visit to Quito’s Botanical Gardens and Iñaquito Market, and a farewell dinner to celebrate your adventure. An optional 4-day/4-night Pre-Tour option to the Amazon Rainforest is also available.

Space is limited to just 20 guests and will fill quickly. We invite you to reserve your spot on this memorable tour through Peru and the Galapagos!

Go Green!

Regina Cross  
Director of Alumni Travel  
MSU Alumni Association

THE MSU RESERVATION FORM: MACHU PICCHU TO THE GALAPAGOS

Enclosed is my/our deposit of $_____ ($500 per person) for ____ person/people on Machu Picchu to the Galapagos departing November 21, 2017. I/We understand the final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, VISA, or by personal check. Please make deposit check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., and send, along with completed reservation form, to: Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., Attn: Special Interest Groups, One Newton Place, 275 Washington Street, Suite 300, Newton, MA 02458. Or, call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 888-370-6765. You may also call the MSU Alumni Association toll-free at 888-697-2863.

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E-mail ___________________________________________ Badge Name(s) ___________________________________

Please book my/our air from _______________________________ I/We request an upgrade to a Highland Villa q

I will share a room with _______________________________ I request a single room (limited availability) q

Pre-Tour “Amazon Rainforest” Option: Please sign me/us up q

Please Note: The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for Machu Picchu to the Galapagos, November 21-December 6, 2017, and agrees that their signature below represents their acceptance of the General Terms and Conditions.

Signature(s) _________________________________________________________________________ Date __________

Method of Payment  q Check  q American Express  q Discover  q MasterCard  q VISA

Account # ______________________________________ Security Code _________ Exp. Date ______________

Name of Cardholder __________________________________________________________________________

Signature _____________________________________________________________________________________

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.
Your 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 … Quito city tour … 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

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 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 Sacred Valley, a region of Inca sites and indigenous villages. We visit the colorful Indian market at Pisac before reaching our hotel late afternoon.

Day 4: Sacred Valley
Today we explore Ollantaytambo, both a living town and site of massive Incan ruins that still inspire wonder. Then we visit the Incan farming town of Chinchero, where we see a traditional weaving demonstration. Before dinner at our hotel tonight, we attend a native “Offering to the Earth” ceremony.

Day 5: Sacred Valley/Machu Picchu
Early this morning we board a train to Aguas Calientes, where we transfer to the ruins at Machu Picchu for our first guided visit of the stunning “Lost City of the Incas.” With an overnight stay here, we have the rare privilege of seeing the ruins after the tourists have departed.

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.

Day 7: Cuzco
Known for its Incan and Spanish Colonial heritage, Cuzco is the archaeological “hub” of the Americas and the continent’s oldest continuously inhabited city. This morning we tour this UNESCO site then stop at the ruins of Sacsayhuaman fortress, a masterpiece of Incan architecture. We enjoy lunch today in the home of a gracious Cuzco family.

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.

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Day 8: Cuzco/Lima/Quito, Ecuador  Early today we fly via Lima to Quito, arriving late afternoon. We attend a briefing about our Galapagos adventure then dine at our hotel.  B,D

Day 9: Quito  Nestled in the Andes foothills, Quito boasts a well-preserved historic center, as we see on today’s city tour that includes the Intiñan Museum and the Middle of the World Monument.  B,L

Day 10: Quito/Baltra/Santa Cruz Island  Today we fly to the island of Baltra then transfer to Santa Cruz, our island-based home for our Galapagos exploration. This afternoon 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 magnificent frigate bird, land iguanas, and lava lizards on our naturalist-led walk. After lunch, we head back to Santa Cruz island, weighing anchor in the calm waters off Bachas Beach. Highlights of our nature walk here include flamingos, nesting sea turtles, and both aquatic and migratory birds.  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. During our nature walk, we are on the lookout for such local residents as 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 opportunity to snorkel.  B,L,D

Day 13: Santa Cruz Island  Today we explore Santa Cruz itself. We see the giant Galapagos tortoises in their natural habitat; Los Gemelos, the huge twin craters formed by volcanic eruptions millions of years ago; and Garrapatero, a secluded white-sand beach. Finally, we have a chance to explore the “lava tunnels” at our hotel: to literally

Pre-Tour Option

November 17-21, 2017
AMAZON RAINFOREST
4 days/4 nights for $1,195 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: 3 nights in the jungle at Ceiba Tops (Superior First Class), 1 night in Lima at Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport (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: $1,295 total price per person
walk through the naturally-formed tube through which lava flowed eons ago.  \textit{B,L,D}

\textbf{Day 14: Santa Cruz Island/Baltra/Quito}  This morning we transfer to Baltra for the return flight to Quito, arriving mid-afternoon. We have some time to relax and repack, and to enjoy the amenities at our hotel upon arrival. Tonight we celebrate our remarkable adventure at a farewell dinner.  \textit{B,D}

\textbf{Day 15: Quito/Depart for U.S.}  We have free time in Quito until early afternoon for further shopping and exploring and lunch on our own. This afternoon we transfer to the airport our overnight flights to the U.S.  \textit{B}

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

\textbf{Your Island-Based Galapagos Experience: Royal Palm Hotel}

\textit{We stay in comfort for four nights in spacious rooms at the Royal Palm Hotel, and enjoy day cruises aboard the Santa Fe, our privately chartered yacht.}

\textbf{Your Tour Price Includes}

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

\textbf{Tour Departs: November 21, 2017}

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  City & Price \tabularnewline  \hline
  Miami & \$7,693 \tabularnewline
  Orlando, Tampa & \$8,093 \tabularnewline
  Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Charlotte, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Houston, Minneapolis, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, DC & \$8,193 \tabularnewline
  Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Portland (OR), San Francisco, Seattle & \$8,293 \tabularnewline
  Land Only (transfers not included) & \$7,295 \tabularnewline
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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 $698, which are subject to change until final payment is made. Single travelers please add $2,495. 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 considerable walking (up to 2-3 miles per day) 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. If you have any concern regarding your mobility, please contact us. 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 Or call The MSU Alumni Association toll-free at 888-697-2863
If you make any changes to your reservation from 94 to 30 days prior to departure with Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., we 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. If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.’s receipt of your written notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: cancel 95 days or more before departure: $200 charge; cancel 94-65 days before departure: 50% of tour price; cancel 64-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price; cancel 29-0 days before departure: no refund.

Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline 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. 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. 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.

Health and Medical Issues
Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and the MSU Alumni Association request that you be in good health to participate in this Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. tour. There is a reasonable 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 our itineraries cannot accommodate wheelchairs. 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 MSU 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 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 assignment on your international flight is usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is unable to guarantee any seat assignments. Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline 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.

% Travel Insurance
We strongly suggest purchasing travel insurance. Travel insurance information will be sent to you with your confirmation letter from the MSU Alumni Association.