Michigan State University presents

MACHU PICCHU TO THE GALAPAGOS

November 24-December 8, 2015

15 days for $7,893 total price from Detroit
($7,195 air, land & cruise inclusive plus $698 airline taxes and departure 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 the MSU Alumni Association

Featuring MSU Professor Dr. Alan Prather
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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.

Tour membership limited to 20 MSU alumni and friends

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

Average High (°F) Nov Dec

Lima 74 78
Cuzco 67 66
Quito 67 66

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

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

Iabela: 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

November 20-24, 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 Celba 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
Fernandina: From Tagus Cove we hike to Darwin Lake for deep-water snorkeling with sea turtles and penguins, and a panga ride to observe sea birds. Beautiful volcanic landscape.

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).

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.

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.

M/Y Coral II

- Crew: 10
- Guide: Galapagos naturalist
- Passenger Capacity: 20
- Length: 110 ft
- Decks: 4
- 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
- 14 nights’ accommodations: 4 nights aboard privately chartered Superior First Class boat M/Y Coral II; 10 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

Tour Departs: November 24, 2015

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

- Miami $7,393
- Orlando, Tampa $7,693
- Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Charlotte, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Houston, Minneapolis, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, DC $7,793
- Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Portland (OR), San Francisco, Seattle $7,893
- Land Only (transfers not included) $7,395

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 reservations and information, please call Odysseys Unlimited 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
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Go Green!

Regina Cross
Director of Alumni Travel

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THE MSU RESERVATION FORM: MACHU PICCHU TO THE GALAPAGOS

Enclosed is my/our deposit for $______($500 per person) for ____ person/people on Machu Picchu to the Galapagos departing November 24, 2015. I/we understand the final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard or VISA or by personal check. Please make deposit check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and mail deposit check (along with completed reservation form) to: Odysseys Unlimited, 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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Please Note: The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for Machu Picchu to the Galapagos, November 24-December 8, 2015, and agrees that their signature below represents his/her acceptance of the General Terms and Conditions.

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Method of Payment ❑ Check ❑ American Express ❑ Discover ❑ MasterCard ❑ 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.
GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a $500 deposit per person represents your acceptance of the following Terms 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 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. If a guest makes any changes between 94 and 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. 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.

Responsibility

The liability of the MSU Alumni Association, as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. 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 MSU Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, death, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within our control, including without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or 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. 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 tour. There is a reasonable amount of walking, and you must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and ships 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, Odysseys Unlimited and the MSU Alumni Association 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 they feel 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 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 flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel 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 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.