



# TOUR: PUERTO MALDONADO

## CORTO MALTES AMAZONIA

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## ITINERARY FOR 04 DAYS

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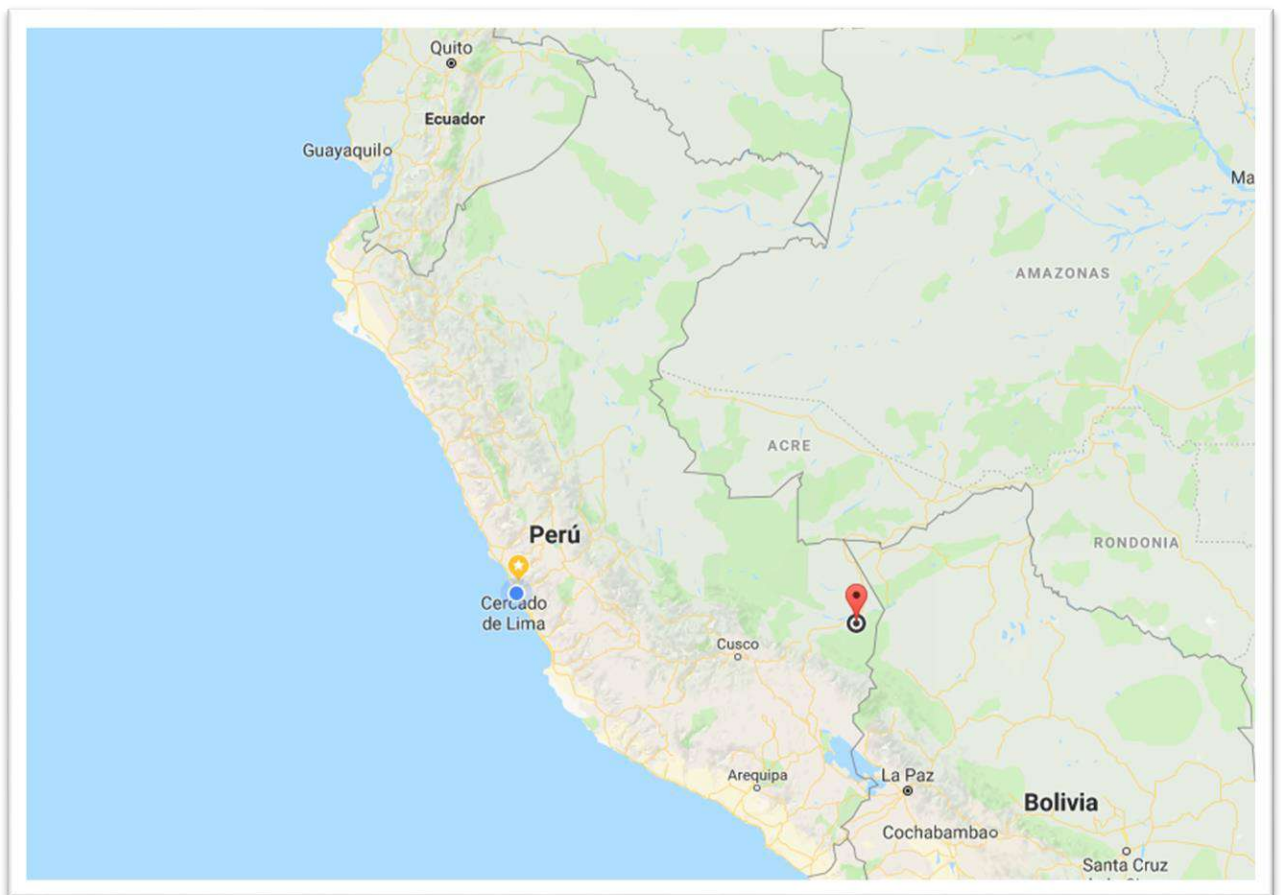
Day 1. Lima or Cusco/Puerto Maldonado

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Day 4. Puerto Maldonado/Lima or Cusco

End of itinerary and service





The Corto Maltes Amazonia lodge has 27 comfortable bungalows built of wood and are beautifully finished. Each bungalow is divided into rooms with single, double, or triple occupancy. We also have two-storey bungalows with four rooms offering double or single occupancy and private bathrooms with separate entries, and terraces complete with hammocks.

### DAY 1. CORTO MALTES AMAZONIA, ARRIVAL AND RECEPTION

**Arrival:** Reception at the airport with transfer to our office, which is in the center of Puerto Maldonado. Any luggage that you do not require during your stay in the rainforest can be safely kept in our storage room. This is to facilitate the transport by boat to the lodge.

We will embark for our lodge traveling on the river-vessel "Puerto Bolívar". It is 40 minutes of navigation on the Madre de Dios River.

After arrival at the facilities of the Lodge Corto Maltes Amazonía you will be received with refreshments made from seasonal fruits. Later, your guide will give you the necessary information for your stay and hand over the keys to your bungalow and security safe, followed by the lunch and some time to rest until the first excursion. Passengers arriving with flights after 1 pm lunch, will be served with Box Lunch made of 100% recyclable material.

**Trek and visit the Shiringuero Camp:** 3:30 pm. Depart for your first contact with the jungle. You will be accompanied by your guide, who will show you the tropical trees, medicinal plants, and other aspects of the exuberant nature among the 60 hectares of Brazil nut concession that Corto Maltés Amazonia stewards.

Visit a shiringuero encampment, which is another one of the most important economic activities in the Madre de Dios region. This is a reproduction of a real camp, in which you can see the process of collecting rubber (better known as latex) and see how it is used for many products. The time for this trek is 2 hours.

**Free Time:** Back at the Lodge you can relax by the pool or in the hammocks on the terrace of your bungalow, savor an exotic cocktail at the bar, enjoy a relaxing massage by our qualified staff, visit our shop for a handcrafted souvenir of the rainforest or head to the riverside to view the breathtaking sunset.

**Caiman safari:** 7:00 pm. Before dinner, we will leave for a nocturnal boat trip to observe caimans and, with a bit of luck, other animals which populate the riverbank at night.

**Dinner:** 8:00pm dinner in our riverside dining room.

### DAY 2. CORTO MALTES AMAZONIA

**Breakfast:** Wake up at 5:30 am for some coffee or tea before leaving for Lake Sandoval. Your guide will hand out a bagged breakfast and snack for the excursion.

**Lake Sandoval:** 6:00 am: After roughly 20 minutes of travel on the river Madre de Dios, we arrive at the landing stage of Lake Sandoval. During a 3 km hike through the wild vegetation, we will enter the territory of Tambopata National Reserve, where you will have the chance to admire giant trees, different snakes, monkeys (squirrel monkeys, howler monkeys and capuchin monkeys) and various birds (notably the Hoatzin – also known as the stink bird-, kingfishers and snakebirds).

Once on Lake Sandoval, we will embark in small rowboats in search of giant river otters. We will also have the possibility to spot a good number of other reptiles, mammals, and birds in their natural habitat. When the guide finds an opportune spot where you can continue to observe the nature, we will eat breakfast. For the return trip, make sure you have gathered your belongings and we will row back to the pier.

**Lunch:** 1:30pm. Return to the Lodge for lunch. Visit to the Lookout tower and a Brazil nut harvesting camp: 3:30 pm. We will visit one of the two lookout towers of Corto Maltés Amazonía, with a height of 20 and 42 meters and designed for bird watching and the viewing of other types of animals living at this altitude in the canopy. In addition, you will enjoy an incredible view of the sunset. (The guide will consult with the guests on their preferences and adapt this excursion accordingly.)

There will also be a visit to a Brazil nut camp, where harvesters stay for the duration of the season. The Brazil nut (also known as castaña, as it is known locally) is one of the most important economic activities in the Madre de Dios region.

**Free time:** You will then have some free time to enjoy the pool or a massage, get refreshed at the bar or visit our souvenir shop.

**Dinner:** 8:00pm.



## DETAILS

### DAY 3. CORTO MALTES AMAZONIA

**Breakfast:** 8:00am.

**Native Machiguenga Family:** 9:00pm. The Machiguenga are one of the many ethnic groups that exist in the Peruvian Amazon. A family of native Machiguenga will receive us for a visit. They will show us the cultural value of their ancestors, as well as language and customs, including traditional clothes, hunting gear, handicrafts, and the music they play during ayahuasca ceremonies. They will teach us how to take advantage of natural products to make tools, and what they use to make their houses, dresses, and ornaments, each important for their daily life.

**Chacra:** 11:00am. After a 20-minute boat trip down-river, we will arrive at a chacra, which is a farm owned by a local family. Here we will recognize and even taste different seasonal tropical fruits as well as other native products (cacao, banana, cocona, breadfruit, noni, yucca, lime...) This place belongs to a typical rural family who maintain with care and without chemicals some native plants that grow naturally. They sell their products in the main markets of Puerto Maldonado for consumption.

**Lunch:** 1:00pm. Return to the Lodge for lunch.

**Free time:** 2:00pm. Return to the lodge to relax and have free time to visit the boutique, refresh in the pool, have a cocktail in the bar or have a relaxing massage.

**Dinner:** 8:00 pm

### Day 4. Corto Maltes Amazonia

**Clay Lick:** Wake up at 5:30 am for some coffee or tea before leaving for a 20-minute walk to the clay lick, where you will have the possibility to observe 3 to 5 types of parrots. The parrots come to the clay lick to ingest a kind of clay, only found in certain areas of this region. The clay is vital for the metabolic regulation of the birds, and therefore is host to a colorful and veritably delightful and exciting event.

**Breakfast and free time:** 8:00 am. Breakfast and free time

**Visit of the local city market:** After breakfast, we will return to the city of Puerto Maldonado by boat. One of our vehicles will receive you at the port. After a short stop at our office, we will drive to the local market where the local population supplies itself with foods and other products. During a short visit of around 20-minutes, you will be able to appreciate the different typical products of the area. We will then head to the airport to check-in for your respective flights.

\*The order and schedules of the excursions can be modified according to your guide, and as seen fit through coordination with the management by considering the physical condition of the passengers, and the climate of the moment.

**End of services**

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## NOTES

- All the offered tours are shared tours in Spanish or English language, if you prefer a private tour or other language please let us now so we can check the rates for you
- They itinerary may vary due to weather conditions or other factors.
- The tour schedule is subject to change without prior notice because it could be affected by multiple factors and circumstances.
- Domestic flights are not included but can be reserved with us upon request.
- The program includes meals.

## ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TRANSFER

The boats are 12 meters in length roofed boats with 4 stroke outboard eco-friendly motors. The suggested flights for the program are the following:

- Arrival transfer (Puerto Maldonado–Albergue): 2 transfers per day at 13:00 hrs. and 14:00 hrs.
- Departure transfer (Albergue – Puerto Maldonado): 2 transfers per day at 07:00 hrs. and 8:00 hrs.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The guides are biologists, tourism professionals or community members. Most guides speak English but there could be exceptions, in that case you will be previously informed. Guides are assigned to small groups of 6 to 10 persons. If you prefer a private guide or a guide that speaks other language than English, please let us know (subject to extra charge).

### Baggage

You will have to carry your own baggage in different phases and for long distances. We strongly suggest you limit the weight of your baggage up to 10 kilograms (22 pounds per piece). You can leave some of your baggage at Puerto Maldonado office. If you will visit different destinations in Peru or South America that require different types of clothes, you can always pack them in different bags and leave them at Puerto

Maldonado office in the first day so you will not carry too much weight. Your baggage will be ready for you at the airport the day of your departure.

### Things you could bring

Here are some suggestions:

- Camera gear and telephoto lens!
- Light material, bright color, cotton pants
- Cotton long sleeves shirts, bright color
- Boots and sneakers for trekking
- Flashlight
- Sun screen
- Sunglasses
- Wide brimmed hat
- Raincoat or poncho
- Insect repellent
- Small denomination bills
- Small daypack
- Sneakers or sandals

### WHAT DOES THE PROGRAM INCLUDE?

- Transfers by land and by river
- Meals and drinks
- Excursions

#### Not included

- Domestic and International flights.
- Airport taxes and Visa cost.
- Additional stay due to flight cancellation.
- Alcoholic or bottled drinks
- Snacks.
- Insurance.
- Laundry.
- Phone calls and messages.
- Flight reconfirmation

### RESERVATIONS

If you want to get a quote for a program or make a reservation, please send us an email to [hola@andean-tours.com](mailto:hola@andean-tours.com) with the following information:

- ✓ Number of adult passengers:
- ✓ Number of children (specify their age):
- ✓ Type of room: single, double (two beds or matrimonial), triple:
- ✓ Arrival date:
- ✓ Departure date:
- ✓ Special request:

Take into consideration that the Lodges are subject to availability.

### PAYMENTS

- Once we send you the quote and finish any modification, we will make the reservations which will take about 24-48 hours.
- Once we confirm all the reservations, we will send you an email with all the information and we will specify the payment date if a pre-payment is required.
- We accept bank transfer (must include transfer expenses) or PayPal

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