



TOUR: PUERTO MALDONADO

REFUGIO AMAZONAS LODGE

ITINERARY FOR 04 DAYS

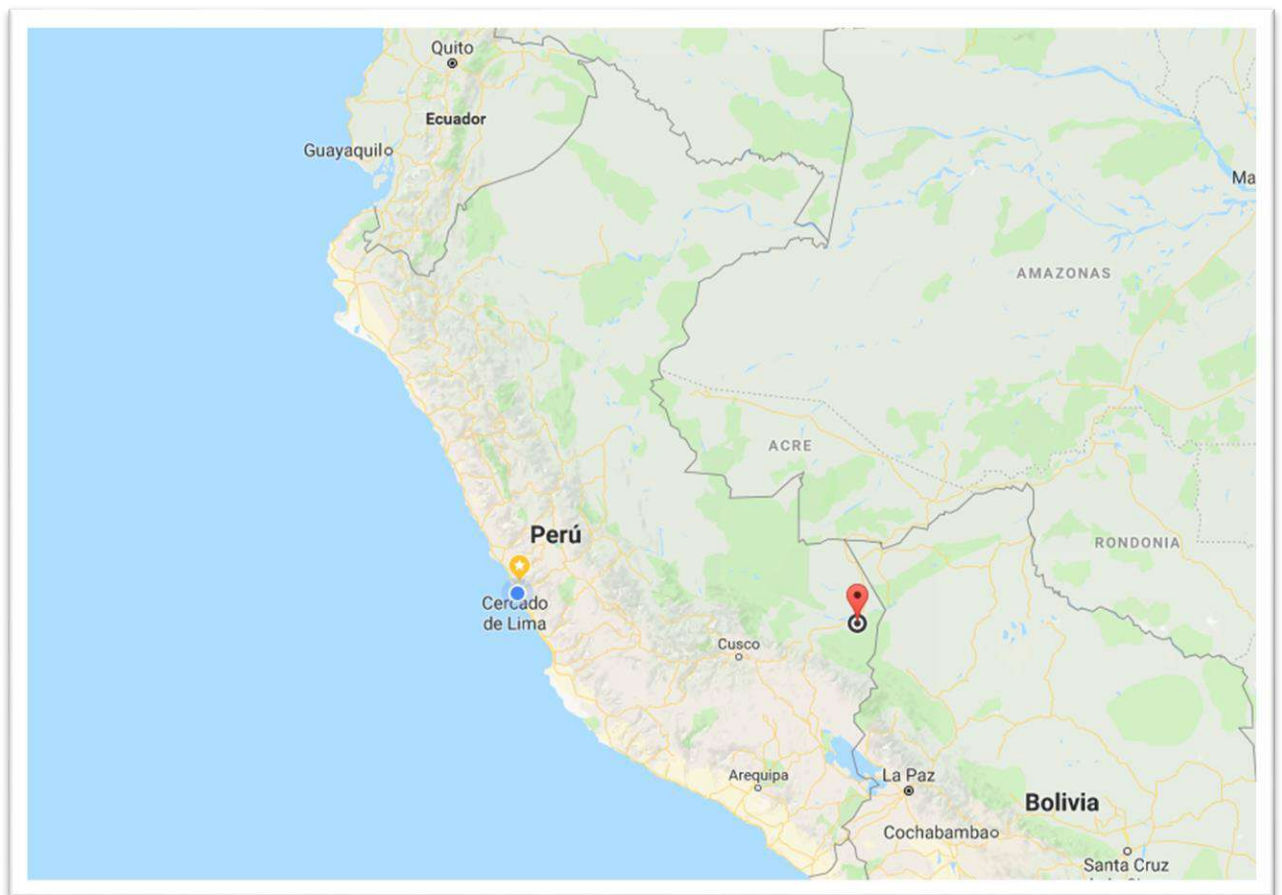
Day 1. Lima or Cusco/Puerto Maldonado

Day 2. Puerto Maldonado

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Day 4. Puerto Maldonado/Lima or Cusco

End of itinerary and service



This expedition will provide you with luxurious yet authentic nature experiences inside the Amazonian rainforest. Visit the 37- meters canopy tower surrounded by Brazil Nuts forests, actively participate as a citizen scientist with the wired amazon team and discover a new species, join in the excursion to the Chuncho clay lick where dozens of macaws, parrots, and parakeets gather all mornings to lick clay

Our ecolodges have the most comprehensive set of activities designed to connect you with the dense rainforest, maximize wildlife encounters and share the local culture. Although you can design your own Amazon experience and let your inner explorer out, here are some ideas for you.

DAY 1. REFUGIO AMAZONAS

Arrive in Puerto Maldonado, capital of Madre de Dios, and join a 1-hour bus and 1-hour boat journey till the lodge. Your first taste of the Amazon culinary will be in the river while you let the city behind to enjoy the amazing jungle landscapes

Refugio Amazonas awaits – a spacious ecolodge, with bar, a massage center, and buffet service with the Tambopata National Reserve behind it. This eco-lodge is home of Wired Amazon, the first citizen science project which turns explorers into a citizen scientist.

Accommodation includes a 45-meter square room with mosquito nets, a private bathroom and an open wall facing the forest.

Your stay includes three meals daily, teas, coffee, guided excursions and activities, refreshments upon arriving, and transfers to and from the airport. We assign guides at 10:1

A thirty-minute walk from the lodge leads to the 34-meter scaffolding canopy tower. A banister staircase running through the middle provides safe access to the platforms above. The tower has been built upon high ground, therefore increasing your horizon of the continuous primary forest extending out towards the Tambopata National Reserve. From here views of mixed species canopy flocks as well as toucans, macaws, and raptors are likely.

The light glares against the sheet, highlighting its white color against the dark jungle night. As the bright light flickers, moths begin to flutter towards it. You study them carefully, noting their shapes and patterns. By the end of the night, you might have discovered a new species unknown to science. Now, you get to name it yourself!

DAY 2. REFUGIO AMAZONAS

You might paddle around Condenado oxbow lake on a canoe, looking for lakeside wildlife such as hoatzin, caiman and horned screamers, hoping to see the otters which are infrequently seen here. You will also be rewarded with overhead sightings of macaws.

Meet the charismatic Don Manuel from the neighboring community of Condenado. Just five minutes downriver from the lodge he grows organically a variety of popular and unknown Amazon crops. On this fruit-farm excursion, every plant and tree you see serves a purpose.

Along the ethnobotanical trail, you will find a variety of plants and trees that are used by the local population with at least the same variety of purposes. Learn about the medicinal (and other) uses of Ajo-Sacha, Yuca de Venado, Uña de Gato, Charcot-Sacha, Para-Para, among several others.

DAY 3. REFUGIO AMAZONAS

Two hours from the lodge, deep in the Tambopata National Reserve you will stop at the Chuncho clay lick. After a brief walk (~5 minutes) you will have the chance to see dozens of large macaws feeding on the special sodium-rich clays of the riverbank. The Chuncho clay lick probably attracts more large macaws than any other clay lick in the world and the sight of dozens of macaws taking flight is truly unforgettable. The details of our stopover will depend on the weather and the amount of macaw activity, as the birds don't visit the clay lick when it is raining.

A few minutes hike from the lodge is a beautiful old growth patch of Brazil Nut forest that has been harvested for decades (if not centuries) where the precarious remains of a camp used two months a year by Brazil Nut gatherers can still be experienced. We will be demonstrating the whole process of the rain forest's only sustainably harvested product from collection through transportation to drying.

Nightly lectures prepared by the scientific researchers from Wired Amazon cover conservation threats, opportunities, and projects in the Tambopata National Reserve.

DAY 4. REFUGIO AMAZONAS/PUERTO TAMBOPATA

It is time to say goodbye, as the expedition comes to an end.

Your visit will make a direct contribution to the scientific projects of Wired Amazon and their conservation efforts onwards learning about the biodiversity of the Tambopata National Reserve.

You will take the journey back to the city to the airport for your national flight onwards.
Es hora de decir adiós, ya que la expedición llega a su fin.

End of service



Available activities during your stay (carefully check the following schedule):

- ❖ Jungle Farm – Available in the morning and afternoon. Activity duration: 3 hours
- ❖ Canopy Tower - Available early morning (before breakfast). Activity duration: 1 hour
- ❖ Jungle Mountain – Available in the morning and afternoon. Activity duration: 1.5 hours
- ❖ Mammal Claylick – Available in the morning and afternoon. Activity duration: 2 hours
- ❖ Oxbow Lake – Available in the morning and afternoon. Activity duration: half day
- ❖ Children’s Trail – Available in the morning and afternoon. Activity duration: 2 hours
- ❖ Overlook Trail – Available in the morning and afternoon. Activity duration: 2 hours
- ❖ Brazil Nut & Camp - Available in the morning and afternoon. Activity duration: 1.5 hours
- ❖ Rainforest Tattoo – Available in the morning and afternoon. Activity duration: 1.5 hours
- ❖ Tambopata Aero botany - Available in the afternoon. Activity duration: 1 hour
- ❖ AmazonCam Tambopata – Available in the afternoon. Activity duration: 1.5 hours
- ❖ Sunset Cruise – Available in the afternoon. Activity duration: 1.5 hours
- ❖ Discovering New Species – Available in the night. Activity duration: 1.5 hours
- ❖ Jungle Orchid Trail – Available in the morning and afternoon. Activity duration: 1.5 hours
- ❖ Medicinal Plants Trail – Available in the morning and afternoon. Activity duration: 2.5 hours
- ❖ Night Walk – Available in the night. Activity duration: 1 hour
- ❖ Night Lectures – Available before dinner. Activity duration: 1 hour
- ❖ Circle of Fire - Available in the night. Activity duration: 1 hour
- ❖ Ese Eja Day Add-On – Available in the afternoon. Activity duration: 3 hours
- ❖ Parakeet Claylick – Available early morning (Breakfast onsite). Activity duration: half day
- ❖ Chunchu Macaw Claylick - Available early morning (Breakfast onsite). Activity duration: half day

NOTES

- All the offered tours are shared tours in Spanish or English, if you prefer a private tour or other language please let us now so we can check the rates for you
- The 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 to 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?

Includes 1 double room, meals, transfers and boat trips, guidance and all the activities established in the program.

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 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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