



5day Tour to Manu Park that ends in Pto. Maldonado

Day 1: Cusco – Cloud Forest – Bamboo Lodge

Departure from Cusco city very early in the morning in one of our trucks specially prepared for this road. We will pass through interesting Inter-Andean valleys and picturesque farmer communities. In the middle of the day we are going to visit the pre-Inca buried towers of Ninamarca, known as "chullpas". After that we will arrive to Paucartambo city, which is a typical colonial town. It had a lot of importance and it still conserves its flavor. Continuing our trip we drive up until the Abra of Accjanaco which is found at 3850 meters over the sea. From this point we start to go down passing through the cloud forest, which is an area rich in endemic species as the spectacular "Andean Bear" (Tremarctos Ornatus) and "The Cock of the Rock" (The Peruvian National Bird), "Orquis", "Bromelias" and "Ferns" etc. Then in the cloud forest we will visit a lek of "Cock of the Rock", in which these birds every morning and afternoon made during a very interesting dance called "Displays". We will spend the night at Bamboo Lodge.

Day2: Bamboo Lodge – Hummingbird Lodge.

After eating our breakfast we continue the tour by bus going through the high forest arriving to Atalaya which is found next to Alto Madre de Dios River (700 meters over the sea). From this point we start to go down river in a motorized boat (60 hp). At the riverside we will have the opportunity to see a lot of bird species such as "Herons", "Vultures", "Cormorants" etc. Along the river there is a hot spring where we will stop for the bath; passing fourth in the afternoon we will arrive to our lodge, where we accommodate and get new water resources to be able to take a two or three hour walk through the forest the whole afternoon as well as at night, along the trail we can see several species of frogs, lizards, spiders, some birds, monkeys, etc. we will return to the lodge for dinner.

With luck in this walk we will have a possibility to see a lot of wildlife including caimans from a catamaran (floating platform). After this impressive experience we go back to the lodge where our delicious dinner is going to wait.

Day3: Hummingbird Lodge – Cocha Blanco – Blanquillo Lodge

This morning after a short morning walk we will travel towards Cocha Blanco, in this oxbow lake using a floating catamaran we will look for monkeys, giant otters, birds such as macaws, toucans, horned screamers, egrets, herons, cormorants, woodpeckers, and hoatzins. We can also see caimans and turtles around the lake.

****Option: We can do some Piranha fishing in this oxbow lake.

Day4: Blanquillo lodge- Macaw Clay Lick - Camungo Oxbow Lake.

Very early in the morning before having our breakfast, using a totally camouflaged hidden place we will observe a Macaw Clay Lick. This is a clay wall on the riverside, where different species of Parrots and Macaws come down each morning to extract necessary minerals for their diet balance. "The Parakeets", "Amazon Parrot", "The Blue headed Parrot" give an unforgettable pallet of colored wild life and as a perfectly finish to this picture the fabulous "Macaws" will arrive. Impressed by nature we return to our lodge. Digesting a good, strong lunch we continue the adventure with a walk for a few

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minutes to arrive to Camungo Oxbow lake. Before sailing on the lake, we will climb a metal tower (42 meters high) next to the lake from where we can get a beautiful view over the landscape. We will be enjoying this lake on a Catamaran all afternoon with the possibility of spotting "Giant Otters".

****Option: This afternoon we can visit a Mammal Clay lick that is found in the middle of the forest, in order to reach the clay lick we will have to walk about 2 hours. During the night we can have the chance to see Tapirs licking the clay at this mammal clay lick.

Day5: Blanquillo – Boca Colorado – Puerto Maldonado

Today we will start our journey back from the Jungle to Cusco or Lima. After we sail for a couple of hours we will reach Colorado mining town, from here we will continue our trip to Puerto Maldonado by the new Interoceanic road that joins Brazil with Peru. We will arrive to Puerto Maldonado City around 1:00pm; and from there you can flight back to Cusco or Lima (flight tickets are not included on the price).

This tour to Manu Park includes:

- Tour guide in English and Spanish with spotting scope, (Tour guide specialized on bird watching or biologist with previous request),
- Water proof Binoculars 10x42
- Transportation (bus and boat)
- Cook
- Three meals a day
- Mineral water
- All Nights in Lodge
- Fresh fruit
- Snacks,
- Rain Poncho
- Rubber boots
- Entrance fee to the Oxbow Lakes
- Entrance fee to Manu National Park
- Entrance fee to all the private Natural Reserves
- First aid kit

We recommend to bring the following:

- Repellent with a minimum of 15 % deet
- Binoculars (if you want your own pair)
- Camera with extra batteries
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Sun Screen
- Pocket money
- Daypack
- Water bottle/canteen or camel pack
- T-shirts, Socks
- Light pants, Shorts
- Swimsuit

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- Sun hat / hat
- Sandals
- Toilet paper
- Dark clothes (for the walking days)
- converter /adaptor for the electricity (Plugs are typically the 2 pronged flat type found in the US)

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