

Dear Alumni and Friends,

From the Sacred Valley of the Inca, to the magical heights of Machu Picchu, to the natural wonders of the Ballestas Islands, join us as we uncover the culturally rich region of the Peruvian Andes. This extraordinary journey reveals Peru's enduring charm, centuries-old traditions and enigmatic mysteries.

Take flight over the Nazca Lines during an exciting optional excursion—a unique opportunity to get an aerial view of the mysterious soil carvings, which are a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Savor authentic flavors, textures and aromas of Peruvian cuisine, from the richness of Iomo saltado to perfectly crafted ceviche, every bite tells a story.

Interact with the rich and complex history of the Inca period at the archaeological sanctuary of Sacsayhuaman, and gain a deeper understanding of those who worshiped there.

Space is limited. With significant savings of more than \$1,000 per couple, we anticipate this tour will fill quickly. To reserve, visit msstate.orbridge.com, call (866) 639-0079 or return the attached reservation form.

Sincerely,

Jeff Davis

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Orbridge takes seriously the responsibility to minimize our global environmental impact. Each year we plant 100,000 trees in U.S. State Forests with afforestation needs as an ongoing initiative among our evolving sustainability efforts. Learn more at orbridge.com/going-green.

Mysteries of Peru I Itinerary and Highlights (subject to change)

Day 1: EN ROUTE FROM U.S. I ARRIVE IN
LIMA, PERU Upon arrival to Lima's Jorge
Chavez International Airport an Orbridge
representative will be waiting to assist with
your transfer to the hotel. Later witness the
enchanting Magic Water Circuit at Parque de
la Reserva, an expansive park within the city.
This evening gather with fellow travel
companions for a welcome dinner.
Overnight: Hotel Estelar Miraflores (D)

Day 2: LIMA Today enjoy a guided city tour and market visit plus a cooking class to learn the tips and techniques of crafting traditional Peruvian dishes and the refreshing Pisco sour cocktail. Have a mid-day lunch featuring traditional Peruvian cuisine at a local restaurant. Later explore the extensive collection of ceramics, fabrics and precious metals at the Larco Museum.

Overnight: Hotel Estelar Miraflores (B,L)

Day 3: LIMA I FLIGHT TO CUSCO I SACRED

VALLEY After breakfast return to the airport
for the brief flight to Cusco. Arriving at
Alejandro Velasco Astete International
Airport, board the group transfer to your
hotel. Later today visit the Yucay Museum of
Living Culture for a guided visit. The evening
is at leisure.

Overnight: Sonesta Posada Yucay (B,L)

Day 4: SACRED VALLEY I MACHU PICCHU I SACRED VALLEY I CUSCO Early this morning depart for the Ollantaytambo train station to board the Vistadome train to Aguas Calientes. The journey through breathtaking landscapes is a treat in itself, with panoramic windows framing nature's majesty. Disembark the train for a bus ride up the mountain. Lunch will be at the Machu Picchu Sanctuary Lodge followed by guided exploration of the ruins. In the afternoon return to the Vistadome train for the return to Cusco.

Overnight: Aranwa Cusco (B,L)

Flight to optional
Amazon post-tour

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Day 5: CUSCO Set out on a city tour to discover the archaeological sites of Sacsayhuaman and Qorikancha (Temple of the Sun), followed by a visit to colorful San Pedro market.

Lunch is at Villa Tipon featuring a traditional Pachamama ceremony (offering to the Earth) and a live music performance. Afterward visit a local artisan chocolate shop for an engaging tour and tasting.

Overnight: Aranwa Cusco (B,L)

Day 6: CUSCO I FLIGHT TO LIMA I PARACAS
Following breakfast and the return flight to
Lima, take the approximate 3.5-hour drive to
the coastal town of Paracas. Check into your
hotel and unwind before rejoining the group
for a presentation on the Nazca Lines and
pre-Incan history and cultures. The remainder
of the day and evening are at leisure to enjoy
the luxurious hotel amenities.
Overnight: La Hacienda Bahía Paracas (B,L)

Day 7: PARACAS I ICA I PARACAS This morning includes an optional excursion to fly over the Nazca Lines during a 90-minute aerial tour. Later, set off towards Ica for an exciting open-air dune buggy adventure through the sand dunes, including a visit to a winery followed by a beautiful sunset picnic dinner. Overnight: La Hacienda Bahía Paracas (B,D)

Day 8: PARACAS I BALLESTAS ISLANDS Depart for a morning of discovery during a relaxing boat ride around the Ballestas Islands, and see the Paracas Candleabra. The remainder of the afternoon and evening are at leisure at the property.

Overnight: La Hacienda Bahía Paracas (B)

Day 9: PARACAS I LIMA I DEPART FOR U.S.

After breakfast depart for Lima where a group hospitality room will be provided at the hotel before transferring to the airport for departing flights home this evening. Guests continuing on the post-tour will fly from Lima to Iquitos.

Hospitality Room: Wyndham Costa del Sol (B)

(B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner





What's Included

- 8 nights premium accommodations
- 8 breakfasts, 5 lunches, and 2 dinners (including a special welcome dinner)
- All small-group excursions as noted in the 9-day itinerary, including entrance fees
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director and expert local guides
- Private motor coach transportation
- Luggage porterage
- Gratuities to Orbridge Travel Director, local guides, and drivers
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times



Activity Level: Guests should be able to enjoy two hours or more of walking, be sure-footed on cobbled surfaces, and walk up and down stairs without assistance. Historic city centers are usually more accessible by foot than vehicle. Due to the structure of some buildings, facilities for the disabled may be limited.

Your Expedition Leader:

Enriched from the wealth of expertise provided by your Orbridge Expedition Leader, you'll bring home a deeper understanding of the flora, fauna, natural history, cultural narrative, and diverse landscapes of Peru.

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Accommodations (subject to change)

HOTEL ESTELAR MIRAFLORES - LIMA

Hotel Estelar is located in the heart of the upscale and suburban Miraflores District known for its many galleries, as well as cultural and historical venues. Enjoy contemporary and spacious rooms, a rooftop pool with terrace, a large fitness center and panoramic city views from Estelar's restaurant Piso 21.







SONESTA POSADAS DEL INCA - YUCAY

Located in the heart of the Sacred Valley of the Incas, this hotel is a former 18th-century colonial-style monastery surrounded by beautiful gardens. Rooms offer the comfort of modern amenities and the charm of rustic decorative features.







ARANWA CUSCO BOUTIQUE HOTEL

This luxurious property is situated near Cusco's main square, only minutes away from colonial buildings, restaurants and shops. Built in a 16th-century mansion, its decor, sculptures, and carvings accentuate the colonial period. Each room is well-appointed and elegantly decorated with traditional furniture and frescoes.







LA HACIENDA BAHÍA PARACAS

This coastal property blends details of the surrounding atmosphere with luxurious accommodations. After an exciting day of exploration, escape to the spacious outdoor swimming pool or the fitness room.









Day 9: IQUITOS I AMAZON Upon arriving to Francisco
Secada Vignetta International Airport a guide will
assist with your transfer to the boat that brings
you to Ceiba Tops Lodge. Before dinner take time
to settle into your accommodations and perhaps
explore the property's elaborate gardens or relax in
the lounge.

Overnight: Ceiba Tops Lodge (L,D)

- Day 10: AMAZON After breakfast join a skilled guide on a birding expedition to spot for the wildly diverse avian species in the area. Embrace the beauty of this vibrant forest as you listen to the melodious symphony of its inhabitants. Later venture into the heart of the rainforest on the Bushmaster Trail, a hiking experience that takes you through various ecosystems. A visit to a Yagua Indian Village highlights the living traditions of indigenous communities. End the day's adventures with a scenic trail walk before returning to the lodge for dinner. Overnight: Ceiba Tops Lodge (B,L,D)
- Day 11: AMAZON Embark upon a scenic boat ride on the Amazon River to reach the Explornapo Lodge amidst the Sucusari Reserve. Take an exhilarating canopy walk through the forest. Afterward, explore the fascinating local flora and their traditional uses during an ethnobotanical garden tour.

 Overnight: Ceiba Tops Lodge (B,L,D)
- Day 12: AMAZON I IQUITOS I LIMA Set out for a final hike along the river followed by a sugar cane rum factory tour. Return to Iquitos by boat, then transfer to the airport for the return flight to Lima.

 Overnight: Wyndham Costa del Sol Airport (B,L)
- Day 13: LIMA I DEPART FOR U.S. After breakfast guests departing during the suggested times take the complimentary transfer to the airport for flights home. (B)

What's Included

- 3 nights accommodations at Ceiba Tops Lodge (or similar)
- 1 night at Wyndham Costa del Sol Airport (or similar)
- 4 breakfasts, 4 lunches, and 3 dinners
- All guided excursions and activities listed in the 5-day itinerary, including entrance fees
- Luggage porterage
- Gratuities to local guide, driver, and porters
- Airport transfers for guests departing during the suggested times

Daily activities on this post-tour will be determined by weather, opportunities to view wildlife, and other various elements that make up the incredibly diverse landscape. This itinerary is a general listing of activities and excursions that may happen during any part of the tour.



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APRIL 23 - MAY 1, 2025

Amazon	Post-Tour: May 1-5, 2025

Reserve by Credit Card:

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Travel Insurance: An application for trip cancellation, baggage and medical insurance will be sent to you by the MSU Alumni Association's travel program once you are registered for the tour. Travel insurance is strongly recommended. Contact Leanna Smith at (662) 325-3360 or Ismith@alumni.msstate.edu for further information.

Category	Standard Rate	Special Rate*
Double	\$5,999	\$5,495
Double Deluxe	\$6,399	\$5,895
Single	\$7,499	\$6,995
Single Deluxe	\$7,899	\$7,395

Deluxe package includes room upgrades at Hotel Estelar Miraflores, Sonesta Posada del Inca, and Aranwa Cusco Boutique Hotel and La Hacienda Bahía Paracas. Availability limited.

	Amazon Post-Tour*				
Category	Standard Rate	Special Rate*			
Double	\$2,699	\$2,495			
Double Deluxe	\$2,999	\$2,795			
Single	\$3,89 9	\$3,695			
Single Deluxe	\$4,199	\$3,995			

Deluxe package includes room upgrades at Ceiba Tops Lodge Availability limited.

Rates are per person based on double occupancy except where noted as Single, in U.S. dollars.

GUEST INFORMATION:	
Guest #1 Name (Title/Salutation): _	
Email:	Class Year:
Home Phone:	Alt. Phone:
Address:	
City:	State: Zip:
Guest #2 Name (Title/Salutation):_	
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^{*}Special group rate; limited offer. For the main program, internal roundtrip airfare between Lima and Cusco is included. Airfare otherwise not included. For the post-tour, roundtrip airfare between Lima and Iquitos is included. Airfare otherwise not included. Single availability limited. **A complement to the educational component of this journey, Expedition Libraries are curated collections of useful resources and background reading tailored to this program. Place your deposit on or before the specified date, and one Expedition Library per household will be sent after receipt of final payment. Libraries may be purchased; please call for details.



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