



Alumni Association

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO **BOULDER**

ROAMING**BUFFS**

Machu Picchu to the Galapagos

September 30-October 15, 2025

16 days for \$9,793 total price from Denver

(\$8,895 air & land inclusive plus \$898 airline taxes and fees)



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An Exclusive Small Group Tour for Alumni
and Friends of the University of Colorado Boulder



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Dear CU Boulder Alumni and Friends,

We invite you to join us on an exclusive 16-day tour to Peru and Ecuador. Explore two of South America's treasures: the enigmatic ruins at Machu Picchu and the fascinating Galápagos Islands.

Begin with a tour of Lima. Next, fly to Cuzco and explore the beautiful Sacred Valley. Enjoy a captivating train ride to Machu Picchu, and stay overnight at the Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel, with two opportunities to visit the stunning ruins. In the Galápagos Islands, spend four nights in the lush highlands of Santa Cruz Island, your base for exploring North Seymour, South Plaza and Santa Cruz Islands, and embark on day excursions on a privately chartered yacht. Conclude your journey in Quito and enjoy a farewell dinner to celebrate your adventure. Guests may also start the tour early on the four-day/four-night Amazon Rainforest pre-tour option.

Space is limited to 20 guests and we expect this tour to fill quickly. Book today!

Sincerely,

Tricia Essenpreis
Director, Roaming Buffs

CU BOULDER RESERVATION FORM: MACHU PICCHU TO THE GALAPAGOS

To reserve your place on tour, please call **Odysseys Unlimited toll-free at 888-370-6765**. Please have the information outlined below available to share with an Odysseys Unlimited Travel Counselor.

If you prefer, you may also complete this Reservation Form and submit it to Odysseys Unlimited's office. Once this request is received, a Travel Counselor from Odysseys Unlimited will contact you within two business days to securely take your credit card information for the deposit. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA, or by personal check. If paying by check, please make check payable to **Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.** and include with the form. Final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure.

Send to: **Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.**

Attn: Special Interest Groups

One Newton Place

275 Washington Street, Suite 300

Newton, MA 02458

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I/We would like to request _____ place(s). (Deposit amount is \$500 per person.)

Full Passport Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Gender _____

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Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

E-mail(s) _____ Badge Name(s) _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

Please book my/our air from _____ I/We request an upgrade to a Highland Villa ☐

I will share a room with _____ I request a single room (limited availability) ☐

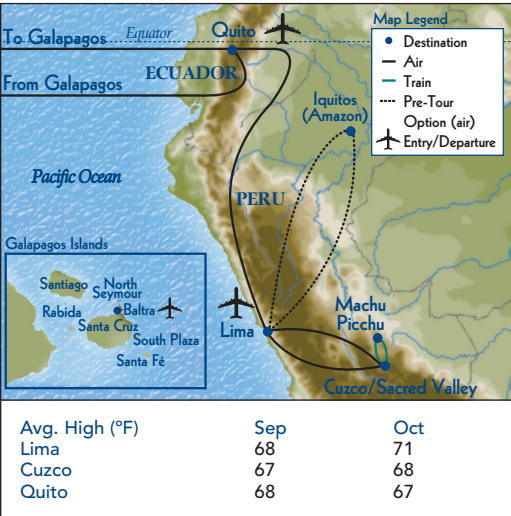
Pre-Tour "Amazon Rainforest" Option: Please sign me/us up ☐

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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, “Lost City of the Incas;” and the fascinating Galapagos Islands, Darwin’s “living laboratory,” for a four-night island-based adventure.



Physical Activity Level

4 **Moderate/Challenging**

Substantial walking, up to 4-6 miles, often on uneven terrain; many stairs throughout tour; wet and dry landings in the Galapagos; high elevation

Your Tour at a Glance

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating
1	Depart U.S. for Lima	Westin Lima Hotel	Sup. First Class
2	Lima	Westin Lima Hotel	Sup. First Class
3-4	Sacred Valley	Aranwa Sacred Valley Hotel	Sup. First Class
5	Machu Picchu	Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel	Sup. First Class
6-7	Cuzco	Belmond Hotel Monasterio	Deluxe
8-9	Quito	Swissotel Quito	Deluxe
10-13	Galapagos Islands	Royal Palm Galapagos	Sup. First Class
14	Quito	Swissotel Quito	Deluxe
15	Quito/Depart for U.S. (overnight flight)		
16	Arrive U.S.		

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference.

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 We meet our tour director and fellow travelers at a briefing, then embark on a tour of colonial Lima and the MALI art museum. Tonight, enjoy a welcome dinner at our hotel. *B,D*

Day 3: Lima/Cuzco/Sacred Valley Arriving in Cuzco today, we stop at the ruins of Sacsayhuamán fortress, a masterpiece of Incan architecture. Then we continue on to Sacred Valley, a region of Inca sites and indigenous villages. We visit the colorful town of Pisac before reaching our hotel late afternoon. *B,L,D*

Day 4: Sacred Valley We begin our day attending a traditional “Offering to the Earth” ceremony. Next we explore Ollantaytambo, both a living town and site of massive Incan ruins that still inspire wonder. Then we visit the Incan farming town of Chinchero, where residents live much as their ancestors did and where we see a demonstration of Peruvian weaving. Dinner tonight is at our hotel. *B,L,D*

Day 5: Sacred Valley/Machu Picchu/Agua Calientes This morning we board a train for the 1½-hour journey to Aguas Calientes, where after lunch we travel by bus for Machu Picchu to embark on our first guided visit of the stunning ruins here. Thanks to the small size of our group, we will be able to move nimbly through the ruins and have the leisure to absorb both the beauty and the mystery of this impressive site. *B,L,D*

Day 6: Machu Picchu/Cuzco This morning, we enjoy our second guided tour of this UNESCO site. Later, we return to Aguas Calientes with some free time before our mid-afternoon train to Cuzco. *B,L*

Day 7: Cuzco Known for its Incan and Spanish colonial heritage, Cuzco is the archaeological “hub” of the Americas and the continent’s oldest continuously inhabited city. This morning, we tour this

Cover photo: We'll encounter plenty of wildlife in the Galapagos, including relatives of this land iguana.



We encounter plenty of wildlife, like these sunbathing sea lions, in the Galapagos.

UNESCO site, which bears the marks of its mixed Inca and Spanish heritage. *B,L*

Day 8: Cuzco/Lima/Quito Early today we fly via Lima to the Ecuadorian capital of Quito, arriving late afternoon. This evening, we attend a briefing about our Galapagos adventure and then dine together tonight. *B,D*

Day 9: Quito Nestled in Andes foothills, Quito boasts a well-preserved historic center, as we see on today's city tour that includes the Middle of the World Monument. *B,L*

Day 10: Quito/Baltra/Santa Cruz Island Today we fly to the island of Baltra then transfer to Santa Cruz, our island-based home for our Galapagos exploration. We reach our beautiful hotel set on 370 lush, unspoiled, and secluded acres in the highlands within Galapagos National Park in time for lunch. Then we visit the Charles Darwin Research Station to see and learn about the giant Galapagos tortoises. *B,L,D*

Day 11: North Seymour Island/Bachas Beach This morning we board the *Santa Fe*, our privately chartered yacht, for North Seymour, a flat, low-lying island with ample opportunities for close encounters with the wildlife on our naturalist-led walk. After lunch, we head back to Santa Cruz island for a nature walk. *B,L,D*

Day 12: South Plaza Island/Punta Carrion Today's destination via our private yacht is the small in size but rich in flora and fauna island of South Plaza. Boasting abundant wildlife and colorful flora, and surrounded by turquoise waters, South Plaza ranks as one of the most popular (and colorful) of the Galapagos islands. During our nature walk, we are on the lookout for such local residents as marine

iguanas, bright orange Sally Lightfoot crabs, red-billed tropic birds, Nazca and blue-footed boobies, and a male colony of sea lions ("the bachelors"). Then we cruise to Punta Carrion, where we have the opportunity to snorkel in the calm waters of a shallow cove. *B,L,D*

Day 13: Santa Cruz Island Today we explore Santa Cruz itself, the second largest of the Galapagos islands. We see the giant Galapagos tortoises in their natural habitat; the huge twin craters of Los Gemelos; and

Pre-Tour Option

September 26-30, 2025

Amazon Rainforest

4 days/4 nights for \$1,495 total price

Single Supplement: \$235

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: 1 night in Lima at Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport (First Class); 3 nights in the jungle at Ceiba Tops Lodge (First Class)
- 10 meals: 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 3 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing, including guided Canopy Walkway tour and visit with *riberños* (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



LIGHT MAY BE SHED
ON MAN AND HIS ORIGINS.”

— CHARLES DARWIN

Garrapatero, a secluded white-sand beach where we see an abundance of marine and terrestrial wildlife. *B,L,D*

Day 14: Santa Cruz Island/Baltra/Quito This morning we transfer to Baltra for the flight to Quito, arriving mid-afternoon. Tonight we celebrate our remarkable adventure at a farewell dinner. *B,D*

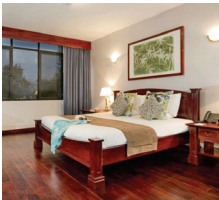
Day 15: Quito/Depart for U.S. This morning we visit Quito’s Botanical Gardens, featuring an orchidarium with more than 1,200 species of orchids; and Iaquito Market, a colorful riot of fresh produce and spices. Then we return to the hotel for an afternoon at leisure before tonight’s transfer to the airport for our overnight flight to the U.S. *B*



We explore the amazing ruins at Machu Picchu on Days 5 & 6.

Day 16: Arrive U.S. We arrive in the U.S. this morning and connect with our return flights home.

Your Island-Based Galapagos
Experience: *Royal Palm Galapagos*



We stay in comfort for four nights in spacious rooms at the Royal Palm Galapagos, set in the lush highlands of Santa Cruz island, and enjoy day cruises aboard the Santa Fe, our privately chartered yacht.

Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within itinerary
- 14 nights’ accommodations 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; plus, experienced naturalist guides while in the Galapagos
- 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:
September 30, 2025

Prices include int'l airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

Miami	\$9,193
Orlando, Tampa	\$9,593
Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Charlotte, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Houston, Minneapolis, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, DC	\$9,693
Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Los Angeles, Phoenix, San Francisco, Seattle	\$9,793
Land Only (transfers not included)	\$8,495

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy in a Casita at the Royal Palm Galapagos and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$898, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add \$2,195. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Upgrade to a Highland Villa at the Royal Palm Galapagos: \$295 (\$495 single).

Please note: 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, Inc. toll-free:

888-370-6765

Monday–Friday, 9:00 AM–7:00 PM, Eastern Time

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The following is intended to provide you with a description of what to expect when you reserve this tour. Upon booking, you will be asked to acknowledge your acceptance of the full Terms and Conditions on the secure on-line portal, My Odyssey.

Not Included in Tour Price: Airfare when purchasing a Land Only package; costs of passports and visas; immunizations and inoculations; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; airport transfers when purchasing a Land Only package; communication charges; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: \$10-\$15 per traveler, per day); optional sightseeing; and travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Cancellations, Refunds, and Changes: If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.'s receipt of your 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 you make any changes to your reservation from 94 to 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. **No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure. Upon reservation, you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport, as well as your date of birth and gender. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket's reissue.**

Responsibility: The liability of the CU Boulder Alumni Association, as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and 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, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. The CU Boulder Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, 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(s), 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.

Health and Medical Issues: We request that you be in good health to participate in this tour. There is a considerable amount of walking, and **you must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own as well as keep pace with the tour group.** 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 many of our tour itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. 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, the CU Boulder Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. 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 the company feels 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 assignment on your international flight is usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. 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 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.**



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