

The Explorer

18 Days

From **US\$4699** pp

US\$262/day

Flights included



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Flights (as marked on the map) are included in the tour price.

Only Contiki Includes

- Walking tour of Cusco & entry to La Catedral & the Temple of Koricancha
- City cycling tour in Buenos Aires
- Tango show & lesson in Buenos Aires
- Brazilian BBQ feast in Iguassu
- Schooner boat cruise in Buzios
- City tour & entry to Sugarloaf in Rio
- Visit the Christ the Redeemer statue

Plus Special Stays

- Amazon Rainforest Lodge

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Explore More Optionals

- Cusco White water rafting on the Urubamba River
- Horse riding through the Sacred Valley
- Mountain biking adventure
- Puerto Maldonado Kayaking trip on the Tambopata River
- Buenos Aires Day trip to Colonia, Uruguay
- Visit to the getaway of Tigre's River Delta
- Iguassu Falls (Argentina) Speed boat ride to the falls
- Zodiac boat ride to San Martin Island
- Samba dinner & show
- Iguassu Falls (Brazil) Helicopter flight over the falls
- Buzios Scuba diving adventure
- Learn to surf lesson
- Rio de Janeiro Favela tour
- Hang gliding

visit contiki.com/southam-explorer for all the optional activities you can do

Peru, Brazil & Argentina

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3 Countries visited

Peru, Argentina & Brazil

What's included

- 17 nights accommodation: 16 nights in twin-share hotels 1 night Special Stay experience (more on p.8)
- 27 meals: 17 breakfasts (B) 2 lunches (L) (3 for trekking option) 7 dinners (D)
- An experienced & professional Tour Manager
- English speaking local guides
- 1 international & 4 internal flights & transfers
- Transport in a private air-conditioned coach, mini-coach or van
- Sightseeing tours of all major areas
- Local taxes & service charges
- Number of World Heritage sites visited 



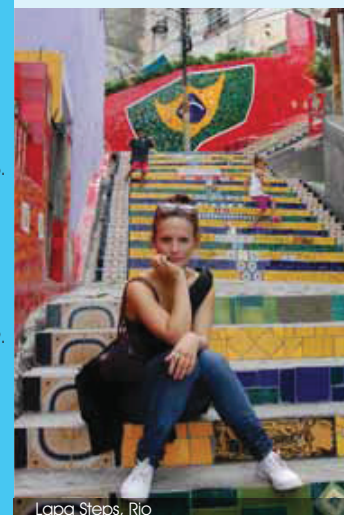
Save More Money
If you pay 12 months in advance you save up to US\$485. Or pay 6 months in advance & save up to US\$245. See p.14 for details.

Book early!

Permits for the Inca Trail are limited. See p.13 for more.

Choose your direction

It's your choice – this tour offers two 21 day reverse itinerary options. See opposite for more details & check out the price panel for dates & rates.



Itinerary and Included Sightseeing

Day 1: Arrive Cusco

As the modern-day starting point for visits to Machu Picchu, we'll explore this ancient city on foot, then the afternoon's yours. From Inca buildings, intricate colonial architecture, artisan shops to boutiques & delicious cuisine & adrenalin activities, there's lots on offer. Hotel (D)

- City walking tour
- Visit San Blas, La Catedral & Koricancha

Day 2: Cusco to Sacred Valley

Today we explore the Sacred Valley. Take a guided tour of the Pisac ruins before a stop in Ollantaytambo, one of Peru's oldest towns. Hotel (B)

- Entry into the Sacred Valley & a guided tour of the ancient ruins of Pisac & Ollantaytambo
- Try some local Chicha de Jora

Day 3: Sacred Valley to Machu Picchu Pueblo

Adventure & adrenalin await! From biking & hiking to rafting there's loads to experience today before we take the train to Machu Picchu Pueblo this afternoon. Hotel (B,D)

Day 3: Inca Trail Trek

Walk in the footsteps of the Inca's on the trail to our highlight Machu Picchu! Take a train to Kilometre 104 & trek amongst the cloudforest to the Sun Gate & Guardian House where your hard work is rewarded with incredible views of this magnificent ancient site. Hotel (B,L,D)

- Train ride to the 104km point
- Tour Machu Picchu with our local guide
- Return train ride from Machu Picchu

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Day 4: Machu Picchu to Cusco

Wake early & be among the first to enter Machu Picchu to see the sun rising above the mountain tops, perhaps climb Wayna Picchu. Learn more about the sites as you tour with your guide, then spend some time exploring before returning to base. Hotel (B)

- Tour the Temple of Three Windows, the ceremonial baths & altar

Day 5: Cusco

Feed your adrenalin urges with activities like mountain biking & rafting. Get into Cusco's amazing nightlife, try a "Cerveza Cusquena" dance the night away & join our lilarly (Sunrise) Club. Hotel (B)

Day 6: Cusco to Puerto Maldonado

Fly over the Andes to Puerto Maldonado in Peru's southern jungle. After a jungle hike to the canopy tower, take to the shores with a flashlight to spot Caiman, a native Amazonian alligator!

★ Contiki Special Stay, Jungle Lodge (B,L,D)

- Visit the Infierno community
- Puerto Maldonado city tour
- Canopy hike for amazing jungle views

Day 7: Puerto Maldonado

Board a simple catamaran & keep your eyes peeled for wildlife like the giant otter, or try your luck fishing for piranha. Later, visit a local fish farm then spend the afternoon relaxing. Hotel (B,L,D)

- Locally guided catamaran excursion
- Visit a local fish farm to see native Amazonian fish

Day 8: Puerto Maldonado to Lima

On arrival in Lima, you could explore the areas of Miraflores, Larcomar Mall or Parque Kennedy, or maybe just have your last Pisco Sour & chill. Hotel (B)

Day 9: Lima to Buenos Aires

Hello Buenos Aires! This cosmopolitan city is filled with culture & diversity in everything from buildings to its people. As the birthplace of Tango there's a love of music, art, dance & football – not to mention world-renowned beef & red wine. Hotel (B)

Day 10: Buenos Aires

Get out on 2 wheels for a city bike tour of the important city spots. Tonight, get ready to Tango with a lesson & show. Later, take it up a notch & experience BA by night. Hotel (B,D)

- City bike tour
- Visit the neighborhoods of San Telmo, Puerto Madero, Recoleta, Palermo Chico & Palermo Llagos y Bosques
- Tango lesson, show & dinner

Day 11: Buenos Aires

Visit Colonia in Uruguay, or kayak the River Delta area of Tigre. In town you might catch a football game, polo matches, shop or pay a visit to the historic Gran Café Tortoni. Hotel (B)

Day 12: Buenos Aires to Iguassu Falls

Today we fly to Puerto Iguassu then travel to the Brazilian side to see the 275 individual waterfalls that make up Iguassu. Tonight, sit back & sample the delicious national drink, a caipirinha. Hotel (B,D)

- Visit Iguassu Falls
- Taste delicious Brazilian BBQ

Day 13: Iguassu Falls

We'll cross back into Argentina & visit their side of Iguassu Falls. Later, the day is all yours. Maybe try a speed boat ride to feel the spray of the Falls, or take a short hike to the edge of the Devil's Throat. Hotel (B)

- Visit Iguassu Falls

Day 14: Iguassu Falls to Buzios

Take it down a notch as we head to Buzios with its white sand & endless beaches. Sit back with a caipirinha on our sailing trip while basking in the sun, snorkelling & taking in the coastline. Hotel (B)

- Sailing tour to beaches & islands

Day 15: Buzios

You could rise early & watch the sunrise over the Atlantic Ocean. If you're up for it try surfing, or other activities like scuba diving. Or simply work on your tan with a cocktail. Hotel (B)

Day 16: Buzios to Rio de Janeiro

Home to the world's largest Carnival celebration, Copacabana Beach & the Brazilian bikini, get ready for good times in Rio. Hotel (B)

- Entry to Christ the Redeemer for amazing city views

- City tour

Day 17: Rio de Janeiro

See the Lapa district & its 150 year-old aqueduct, the Arches of Lapa & Passeio Publico, before we will head to the summit of Sugarloaf Mountain. Hotel (B,D)

- City tour of the Catedral, Lapa Steps & Paseo Publica
- Cable car ride up Sugarloaf Mountain

Day 18: Depart Rio de Janeiro

Our adventure ends after breakfast, when it's time to say 'Tchau' (goodbye) to your travel mates. (B)

When to go and how much

Code: CURJ/CURJT 2011/12

All prices per person US\$

Start	Finish	Tour	Tour plus	Start	Finish	Tour	Tour plus
Cusco	Rio	Only	Inca trail	Cusco	Rio	Only	Inca trail
2011				2012			
NOV 18	DEC 5	4699	4859	JUL 20	AUG 6	4699	4859
DEC 16	JAN 2	4969	5129	AUG 17	SEP 3	4699	4859
				SEP 21	OCT 8	4699	4859
				OCT 26	NOV 12	4699	4859
2012				NOV 23	DEC 10	4699	4859
MAR 16	APR 2	4699	4859	DEC 28	JAN 14	4699	4859
APR 6	APR 23	4699	4859				
APR 20	MAY 7	4699	4859				
MAY 25	JUN 11	4699	4859				

Code: CURJR/CURJRT 2011/12 (REVERSE)

All prices per person US\$

Start	Finish	Tour	Tour plus	Start	Finish	Tour	Tour plus
Lima	Rio	Only	Inca trail	Lima	Rio	Only	Inca trail
2011				2012			
DEC 27	JAN 16	4729	4889	JUN 19	JUL 9	4729	4889

* Prices above are based on twin-share.

CURJ/CURJT - 18 days

Single room supplement (tour only) add US\$1135.
Single room supplement (tour plus Inca Trail) add US\$1135.
• Single room supplement for Dec 16 departure add US\$1520.

Start Cusco 8:00am & end Rio 11:00am.

- This tour does not visit Buzios but spends Xmas in Buenos Aires & 4 nights in Rio for New Years Eve.

CURJR/CURJRT - 21 days reverse tour

Single room supplement (tour only) add US\$1169.
Single room supplement (tour plus Inca Trail) add US\$1169.
Start Lima 5:30pm & end Rio 11:00am.

- New Years Eve in Cusco
 - o Special Departure Sun Festival
- For departure points & stay longer accommodation options see contiki.com/staylonger.
For travel insurance see p.26.

21 Day

Reverse tour option

From **US\$4729** pp
US\$226/day



Save More Money
If you pay 12 months in advance you save up to US\$489. Or pay 6 months in advance & save up to US\$245. See p.14 for details.



This tour follows the 11 day Inca Panorama reverse itinerary on p.18 – starting in Cusco & ending in Lima. The tour then flies to Buenos Aires on day 12 & follows the itinerary as shown on the Argentina & Brazil Experience tour on p.20-21.

For more go to contiki.com/southam-explorer
See price panel opposite for more info
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