

PERU - MANU JUNGLE EXPERIENCE



INTRODUCTION

A fantastic overview for the first time visitor; this tour encompasses highlights of the Amazon. You will explore the mesmerizing forest and learn about the local culture.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: Cusco to Manu Cloud Forest

Depart from Cusco in the morning to Paucartambo, the centre of ancient trading routes of the Incas, and stop for light refreshment. Continue your journey on towards one of the highest points of the day at Acjanaco at 3,500 m, a park ranger's station and the entrance to Manu National Park. If weather conditions permit, you may have the chance of seeing the spectacular views of Peru's largest National Park. Amidst the clouds, travel on towards San Pedro, where you will have lunch. Take in the dramatic changes of the landscape as you go until you reach the Cock of the Rock Lodge in the afternoon, for your overnight stay.



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DURATION

4 Days

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DAY 2: Manu Cloud Forest & Learning Centre

An early morning start takes you out into the cloud forest to see one of its main attractions, the Cock of the Rock bird, the national bird of Peru. The journey will be full of the sights and sounds of the forest, monkeys and some of the richest varieties of birds on earth as well as the spectacled bear. Continue on to visit Pillcopata and the port-town of Atalaya, to board a motorised canoe to the Manu Learning Centre for your first impression of the meandering Amazonian river, the Alto Madre de Dios. In the afternoon, explore the local trail system with your naturalist guides, before relaxing at the lodge to the sounds of forest.



DAY 3: Macaw Clay Lick

Take an early morning boat trip to the clay lick, to observe countless macaws, parrots and parakeets creating a visual and audio spectacle as they flock in. On your way back for breakfast, head into the forest and visit a bio-garden; part of the centre's sustainable project which also supplies the food to the lodge's kitchen. From here head through multiple forest types, spotting squirrel monkeys humming birds and razor-billed curassows. Spend the afternoon at leisure or spend it with one of the specialist guides exploring the 25km of trails in the rainforest. In the evening, the guides and naturalists offer a presentation on the work at Crees on sustainability and conservation.



DAY 4: Depart for Cusco

After breakfast, take the boat back to the porttown of Atalaya where you will board your transport to take you back to Cusco.



INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation

Jungle Lodge

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Inclusions	Return land transportation from Cusco Accommodation All meals daily Programmed excursions on a shared basis Services of local Manu guides EXCLUSIONS: Personal expenses Beverages
Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)
Single Surcharge	Subject to season and availability, contact us for more details.
Notes	Small group tour which operates with minimum 2 people
Price Dependent upon	Season and Availability.

SUSTAINABILITY

Chimu Adventures undertakes a number of sustainability measures within its operations including:

- 1) Only using local guides and office staff to both maximise local employment opportunities and minimise carbon footprints. Local guides also ensure you benefit from the intimate knowledge, passion and culture of the country you're visiting.
- 2) Where possible, using locally owned and operated boutique hotels to maximise the return to the local community.
- 3) Chimu's "Pass it on" programme has provided funding to hundreds of local community projects in Latin America. Our aim is to empower local communities, helping them to develop their own infrastructure for the future. Since 2006, we have been working with Kiva (a well-known Non-Governmental Organisation), providing hundreds of loans to local businesses all over South America.
- 4) In our pre tour information we provide a range of tips and advice on how to minimise your impact on both local environments and communities.
- 5) Chimu Adventures' offices also take a number of sustainability measures including carbon offsets for company vehicles and most staff travel. Chimu Adventure's internal processes are also structures to create a paperless office and to reduce waste. There are also internal programmes to help staff minimise their carbon footprint such as our staff bike purchase assistance plan which encourages office staff to commute to work via bicycle. Currently almost half of our office based staff commute to work via bicycle.

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