

## 10 Days Amazing South America

### Highlights

CITIES	NIGHTS	SIGHTSEEING	PAID ATTRACTION / ENTRANCES
<u>Rio De Janeiro</u>	2	Guided City Tour, visit golden beaches including, Ipanema and Copacabana beach, Metropolitan Cathedral	Christ the Redeemer, Cable Ride to Sugar Loaf Mountain
<u>Iguassu Falls</u>	2	-	Iguassu Falls from Brazil & Argentina side, Itaipu Dam Tour
<u>Buenos Aires</u>	2	Guided City Tour	Fiesta Gaucho tour, Tango Show.
<u>Lima</u>	1	Guided City tour, Plaza Mayor, Government Palace, The Cathedral, Osambela house.	Gold Museum
<u>Cuzco</u>	2	Guided City Tour	Machu Picchu
EXTENSION TOUR (OPTIONAL)			
<u>Amazon (Peru)</u>	2	Bushmaster Trail	Boat ride along Rio Negro River, and finally, the Meeting of the Waters, handicraft fair

### Day 1: Arrive Rio de Janeiro

Arrive **Rio de Janeiro** begin your memorable journey. Upon arrival, you will be transfer to the restaurant for lunch. **HALF DAY HISTORIC & CULTURAL RIO** -Rio de Janeiro is rich in cultural diversity, with numerous cultural centers, museums of diverse interests, many themed bookstores and excellent libraries. Many of these places are installed in secular buildings of great historical value, which have marked part of the country's history. We will start our tour of the Cultural Heritage of Unesco, the church of São Bento, we will continue our tour through the XV square, Arcos do Teles, Banco do Brasil Cultural Center, post office, Fine Arts Museum and finalize our tour in the newest Complex of the city, The Boulevard Olimpico, our guide will take you to explore the historic Mauá Square and its charms, strolling past the Mauá Pier, Rio Museum of Art.

**(Meals: L, D)**

## **Day 2: Full day in Rio de Janeiro**

Today we will visit the **Sugar Loaf**, drive to "Praia Vermelha" (Red beach), to take the two-stage car up to the top of Sugar Loaf (270 meters-high), which grants the entrance to Rio's harbor and Guanabara Bay. The Italian made cable car holds 80 passengers and each of the two stages takes two minutes. The first stage is Morro da Urca at 170 meters. The second stage goes to the Sugar Loaf itself, thus named for its resemblances to the loaf made with sugar baked by the Portuguese at the time of the city's discovery. Ascend on **Corcovado Mountain** by train to visit one of the world's most famous landmarks, the gigantic statue of **Christ, the Redeemer**. Then proceed to Cascatinha, Tijuca Forest, to the top of Corcovado Mountain. Cidade Maravilhosa, "the marvelous city" as it is known to its residents (or carioca's) and to the rest of Brazil is known as the most beautiful city in the world.

**(Meals: B, L, D)**

## **Day 3: Rio de Janeiro to Iguassu Falls by flight**

Today we enjoy the tour of **Itaipu Dam** which is one of the world's largest hydroelectric power plant and a technological wonder. Stop at panoramic overlooks for photo opportunity. The spectacle of the spillway of the dam, with its huge flow of water is particularly impressive and then we proceed to enjoy the falls by touring the Brazilian side of Iguassu falls National Park. You will walk with the guide, descending a walkway, contemplating the overly waterfalls in all of nature's exuberance, with panoramic views of both sides- Brazilian and Argentinean. Reach the highest elevation then descent into the Brazilian side lookout, this provides magnificent photo. Opportunities and views. Overnight in Iguassu.

**(Meals: B, L, D)**

## **Day 4: FULL DAY ARGENTINEAN SIDE OF THE FALLS**

Departure from the hotel to Iguazú National Park —a total of 55,500 hectares— bears the name of the river serving as northern border, which means 'great waters' in the guaraní language. Surrounded by a lush subtropical rainforest, we will find the majestic Iguazú Waterfalls. Its water volume and more than 275 falls places it among the most important and spectacular waterfalls in the world. On different footbridges, we will visit the heart of the waterfalls, appreciating them from different angles. We will visit the lower circuit, and feel part of nature, refreshing ourselves with waterfall drizzle. On the upper circuit, we will stop at different viewpoints, and then reach the balcony at Gargantadel Diablo (Devil's Throat). No doubt, this is the most amazing of all falls: water falls down from 80 meters. Lunch at local restaurant.

### **BIG ADVENTURE NAVIGATION TOUR (ARGENTINEAN SIDE – Optional)**

A tour that combines rainforest and waterfalls. We will drive trucks into the vast wild vegetation joined by experimented guides. We will get off at the pier and board a boat to sail the Iguazú Inferior River canyon, rafting the river rapids to appreciate falls from the San Martín Island peaceful backwater.

Then we will visit the TresMosqueteros (Three Musketeers) fall, and Gargantadel Diablo (Devil's Throat) will crown the tour. Sailing the coast of the island, we will get to the next exciting point: **the San Martín fall**, the greatest a boat can approach.

**(Meals: B, L, D)**

### **Day 5: Iguassu Falls to Buenos Aires by flight**

We fly to **Buenos Aires and proceed for lunch after reaching. After lunch we go for city** tour of Buenos Aires. This tour allows you to get a first-hand look at the historic architectural and demographic aspects of the city of Buenos Aires. On this tour we will visit "Plaza de Mayo", the Pink House, the Buenos Aires Cathedral, the 9 of July Avenue, the Colon Theatre, the Obelisk, the National Congress, La Boca neighborhood with the traditional "Caminito Street", "San Martin Plaza", Recoleta Cemetery, and the Palermo Woods. Overnight in Buenos Aires.

**(Meals: B, L, D)**

### **Day 06: Buenos Aires**

Enjoy a full day **Fiesta Gaucho Tour** at Estancia Santa Susana and meet 'gauchos' in their own environment. Ride to the countryside, the 'pampas', cradle of the gauchos and their rich tradition. Visit typical Estancia in Buenos Aires Province who welcomes you with delicious 'empanadas.' After dinner, proceed to enjoy the **Tango Show**. This is a superb show with the great tango orchestras of the forties. A group of master tango musicians invite you to listen to excellent music while the passion, fire and charm of the tango dance is expressed by dancing couples. Also included are a folklore show with dancers and musicians from the Altiplano. Overnight in Buenos Aires.

**(Meals: B, L, D)**

### **Day 07: Buenos Aires to Lima by flight**

Today we check out and transfer to airport and board flight for Lima. On arrival we proceed for lunch and then to Lima city tour visiting Main Square (Plaza Mayor), Government Palace, City Hall, the Cathedral, the San Francisco Convent and its "Catacombs" ancient underground cemetery of Lima, El Oidor, Torre Tagle Palace, a beautiful mansion dating back to the 18th century and the Osambela House. Afterwards visit the Gold Museum and splendid collection of guns. The tour continues to the modern and high-end side of Lima city, the Mira Flores. Overnight in Lima.

**(Meals: B, L, D)**

### **Day 08: Lima – Cuzco by flight**

After breakfast, transfer to airport to take an early morning flight to Cuzco. Arrive at the hotel. After acclimating to the altitude, we continue to enjoy a city tour in the afternoon. Visit nearby Ruins "Cusco" of Tambo Achy, Kenki, Puca - Pucara, and finally the fortress of Sacsayhuaman. Also visit the Koricancha or Temple of the Sun. Overnight in Cuzco.

**(Meals: B, L, D)**

### **Day 09: Cuzco - Machu Picchu – Cuzco**

Today, begin your day with a breathtaking train ride which goes through Urubamba Valley and mountain top ruins of Machu Picchu. Machu Picchu is eye tantalizing tribute to man in harmony with nature. It is located high above the clouds. The city's streets, temples, and staircases spread across a jungle ridge that eventually plunges more than 300 meters into the treacherous waters of the Rio Urubamba below. High above the Sacred Valley, Machu Picchu has become one of most popular destinations in South America. Take an afternoon train back to Cusco. Overnight in the hotel.

**(Meals: B, L, D)**

### **Day 10: Cuzco – Back USA**

Today we will check out from the hotel, transfer to airport and board the flight. Your memorable trip to South America ends here as you return back home or take a flight to Iquitos (Peru Amazon).

**(Meals: B, L, D)**

## **Extension of Peru Amazon Tour (Optional)**

**Yellow fever vaccination required**

### **Day 10: Cuzco - Lima - Arrive Iquitos (Peru Amazon)**

Today we fly from Lima to Iquitos, reception at the airport, brief city orientation and transfer to the Lodge. Afternoon hike in the beautiful primary rainforest reserve surrounding the lodge which includes many huge trees festooned with epiphytes. We also go for open **boat trip along the Amazon River** in search of either of the two species of freshwater dolphin found in the river. After dinner your guide will take you on a short walk to a small lake where caiman can be spotted at night and where you can find some of the insects and frogs that produce the cacophony of sounds that begin after dark.

**(Meals: B, L, D)**

### **Day 11: Iquitos - Peru Amazon Meeting of the Waters**

Go for tour of **Meeting of the Waters and Pilpintuwasi Butterfly Farm**. This river tour includes a visit to the main nearby attractions in Iquitos, Peru. You will navigate through the Amazon River, one of the greatest natural wonders of the world. You can observe and interact with some of the species of flora and fauna best known of the Amazon rainforest: monkeys, turtles, caimans, piranhas and a jaguar. Observing river dolphins is possible on the **Meeting of the Waters of the Amazon and Nanay Rivers**. You will visit only formal places that take care of and heal captive wildlife. This 6-hour tour will include Iquitos, Itaya River, Nanay River, Pilpintuwasi Butterfly Farm and wildlife rescue center, Amazon River, Viewpoint Tower, Farm for alligators, piranhas and the Amazon giant fish (Arapaima Gigas), Meeting of the waters of the Nanay and Amazon River. Walk along the "**Bushmaster Trail**", where scientific studies by the Missouri Botanical Gardens have found the world's highest biodiversity of trees per square hectare.

Your guide will point out many plants used in medicine today and many that we may use in the future.

(Meals: B, L, D)

### Day 12: Iquitos – Lima - USA

Today we will check out from the hotel, transfer to airport and board the flight. Your memorable trip to South America ends here as you return back home.

(Meals: B)

## Package Cost & Details

<p><b>South America:</b> Cost based on min 25 people  <b>Land Package cost:</b> Per person on twin share  <b>USD 3095</b>          (Single Occupancy Additional Supplement – USD 850 per person)</p>
<p><b>Peru Amazon Cost:</b> Cost based on min 20 people  <b>Land Package cost:</b> Per person on twin share  <b>USD 795</b></p>
<p><b>Departure Date 2025:</b>  <b>Feb 3 / Mar 5, 26/ Sep 1, 12, 21/Oct 3/ Nov 12</b></p>

<b><u>Inclusions:</u></b>	<b><u>Exclusions:</u></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Deluxe 4 * Hotel Accommodation</li> <li>● All Transfers, Sightseeing and Entrance Tickets as Per the Itinerary</li> <li>● All Entrance Tickets as Per the Itinerary</li> <li>● Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner as per the itinerary</li> <li>● Services Of Maxim Tour Escort</li> <li>● 2 water bottle per person per day (500 ml)</li> <li>● All Taxes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● International &amp; Internal Airfare &amp; taxes</li> <li>● Expenses of personal nature such as laundry, baggage handling, shopping, drinks</li> <li>● Any incidental Charges at the Hotel</li> <li>● Cost of Visa if any</li> <li>● Tips USD 5 per person per day</li> <li>● Any other services that are not mentioned in this package.</li> </ul>



Location	Nights	Hotel Name or Similar [Deluxe Category]
Rio De Janeiro	2	Rio Othon Palace / Windsor or Similar
Iguassu Falls	2	Recanto Park Hotel or Similar
Buenos Aires	2	Conte Hotel / Holiday Inn or Similar
Lima	1	Novotel / Casa Andina or Similar
Cuzco	2	Hotel Sonesta / Eco Inn or Similar
<b>Optional Peru Amazon hotel</b>		
Amazon (Peru)	2	Explorama Lodge or Similar

### **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

- ❖ We reserve the right to change any information, route or attractions before or after your booking due to events beyond our control like bad weather, natural Calamity, accident, and or logistic issues. Hotels are subject to change without prior notice based on availability and citywide events.
- ❖ All payments must be made by check/Cashier's check/Money order. Payment done by credit card will be charged 3.5% processing fees. Please send a copy of the check, money order or deposit confirmation upon payment.
- ❖ There will be no refund for any unutilized services (e.g., meals, entrance fees, optional tours, hotel and sightseeing) on the tour due to unavoidable circumstances.
- ❖ Airline rates are approx. and subject to change at the time of booking. Any payments made to Maxim Tours towards any airline are non-refundable. Flights and schedules are subject to change even after booking. Confirmed tour itinerary will be adjusted accordingly. No additional services or compensation will be provided.
- ❖ Please note that Airline seats, wheelchair assistance, meals, frequent flyer & other special requests are request only. We do not guarantee any seating preferences as seating arrangements is airline discretion
- ❖ The tour will operate with a min. group size of 25 passengers. Please note that Group operating less than 25 passengers may incur a supplement cost of Approx. 5 - 10% on the original land tour package. Also, local tour manager assistance upon arrival to the destination country for group size less than 25 passengers
- ❖ The package price is subject to change if there is fluctuation in currency exchange.
- ❖ Passengers joining this tour must travel to/from the hub city at their own expense.
- ❖ We advise to book 60 days prior to the date of Departure as the internal ticket rate may increase closer to the departure date, result an increase in the tour cost.
- ❖ Any damages caused to the hotel/coach during your stay shall be payable by the passengers. Maxim is not responsible for the same.
- ❖ We reserve the right to substitute a hotel of similar class if it is deemed advisable or necessary.
- ❖ The management is not responsible for delay or changes in schedules of train, flight, bus, cruise or other services. The management also reserves the right to claim any additional expenses incurred due to delay or changes in schedules of train, flights, bus, cruise or other services.
- ❖ Children 2-11 years of age must share a room. Passengers 12 years or above are considered as adults.
- ❖ Full airline deposit is required at the earliest to confirm airline booking as quotes are subject to change within 24 hours.
- ❖ Maxim Tours shall not be liable for damage occasioned by delay in the carriage by air of passengers or baggage.
- ❖ There will be a charge of USD 100 per person for any cancellation/refund or exchange request.
- ❖ Visa information is subject to change.
- ❖ Jain and Special Meals may be limited.
- ❖ Published packages and prices are valid for our fixed departures only. Rates quoted for any other travel dates are subject to change based on availability, blackout dates, major holidays, trade fairs, sporting events, citywide or nationwide events, special event periods, or other peak travel seasons.
- ❖ Hotel confirmation and airline reservation will be provided 7-15 days prior to the departure.
- ❖ In case of a triple room, the 3<sup>rd</sup> person in the room will get a rollaway bed. The room size may be the same as the double room.
- ❖ The standard check in time at all hotel is 3:00 pm and check out time is 11:00 am.
- ❖ Due to major international events and convention the hotels may be blocked out in advance. In view of this you may have to stay in hotels further away from the cities/different city and the itinerary may have to be altered/ amended.



- ❖ Luggage compartment of coach and internal flight regulations, we strongly recommend you to carry 1 medium size bag of 20 kg for check-in and 1 carryon bag of 7 kg per person.
- ❖ It is extremely important to possess an overseas travel insurance policy before you travel on your tour.
- ❖ Please refer to our detailed "Terms & Conditions" on our website at <http://www.maximtours.net/tos/>

**Payments:**

At the time of booking: USD 1000/- Per Person as a Non-Refundable Deposit  
Nonrefundable airline payment upon confirmation  
Balance Payment: 60 Days prior to the departure date

**Cancellation Charges:**

Cancellation 45 days or more prior to the departure date: Non-Refundable Booking deposit, airline charges and cancellation fees.  
Cancellation 44-31 days prior to the departure date: 50% of the land package cost after deducting deposit.  
Cancellation 30 days or less prior to the departure date or a 'NO SHOW' on the tour: 100% of the total tour cost