



Why you need to add Tambopata National Reserve to your Peru itinerary

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1. You will encounter world-class biodiversity and rare wildlife

Most people either do not know or quickly forget that Peru is actually 60% rainforest! In fact, the lowland forests and tropical savannahs of Tambopata are some of the most biodiverse areas on the globe – home to some 670 bird species and over 200 species of mammals, including a healthy population of Jaguars. Some of its most beloved inhabitants include the Harpy Eagles, Caiman, Red Howler Monkeys, Giant Otters and Side Necked Turtles to name a few. If you're looking for an immersive jungle experience that promises unique wildlife encounters and fascinating insights from local naturalists, Tambopata National Reserve is waiting!

Learn more about the unique wildlife here:

<http://www.perunature.com/about-tambopata/the-wildlife/>

2. It's the perfect destination to escape the crowds and switch off

The Tambopata region is one of Peru's lesser-known treasures, far from Peru's high-energy cities. The tranquility of the rainforest makes it the perfect destination to 'switch off', especially after experiencing the hustle and bustle of Lima or the crowds of Machu Picchu. And it turns out that escaping the crowds doesn't take much. A 30-minute flight from Cusco will bring you to the gateway city of Puerto Maldonado, where most eco-lodges and tour operators transfer their guests into the wilderness.

For travellers looking to completely unplug and enjoy the privacy of their own bungalow, the remote Amazon Villa can cater to your needs. Learn more here:

http://www.perunature.com/amazon_lodge/tambopata-amazon-villas/

3. The whole family will love it

I bet you never imagined that the Peruvian Jungle could be the perfect family getaway? For most parents, travelling with kids is about much more than just 'getting away'. It's about reigniting a sense of adventure and creating memories to last a lifetime. Luckily for you, there is one eco-lodge in the Tambopata region which has been designed specifically with families in mind. It boasts a wide array of jungle activities including the Amazon's only trail for children and the chance to help scientists discover new species of animals! Then there's the world-famous Macaw Clay Lick spectacle, walking amongst the treetops of the Canopy Tower, jungle night walks as well as Stand-Up Paddle Boarding and kayaking. And when you need a break from all the adventure, embrace the sights and sounds of the jungle from the comfort of your own private balcony.

Learn more about Refugio Amazonas Lodge here:

http://www.perunature.com/amazon_lodge/refugio-amazonas/



4. You will be inspired by REAL responsible tourism and conservation

It's fantastic to see a lot more talk about sustainable tourism these days. At the same time, there's also a lot more 'greenwashing' going on, where some travel companies brand themselves as eco-minded yet fail to practice a sustainable ethos on the ground. Situated at the entrance of Tambopata National Reserve is an inspiring example of sustainable tourism, blazing its own trail far from all the 'greenwashers'. On top of extensive conservation efforts, Posada Amazonas Lodge is owned by the local indigenous community of Infierno and run in partnership with Rainforest Expeditions. This initiative ensures that the local community plays a central role in shaping the type of tourism they want in their precious backyard.



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