

RUTAS NEWS

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Hola amigos!

Hi All

It was very nice seeing you all recently at the Turismo Chile Roadshow. I hope you enjoyed the pisco sours as much as I did ;)

As you are probably aware, the new Lares trek from Mountain Lodges of Peru launches next week and I can't wait to get the professional pictures of the Lamay & Huacahuasi lodges so I can share them with you. In the meantime, I would like to show you the latest design renders from the Huacahuasi lodge. Also, a lot of you have asked me what are the main differences between the Salkantay & Lares treks, so I thought I would share with you a comparative chart of both treks. Hopefully you find it useful.

In another news, Hotel Las Torres Patagonia has a very special promotion only for Australian passengers so have a look at the article below to find out more.

And finally, for those of you traveling to TravelMart, have a safe trip and enjoy Salta! I wont be attending this year and will actually be on holidays during September, so talk to you on my return in October.

All the best, Bec



MOUNTAIN LODGES OF PERU

NEW Lares Trek starts operating 1st September 2014

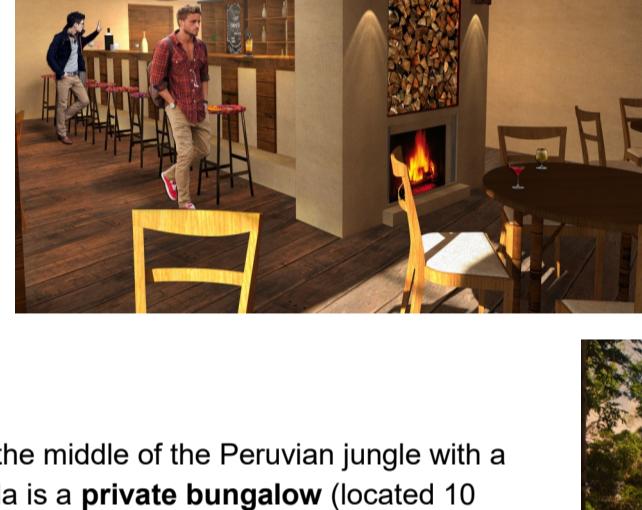
To help you understand the differences between the Salkantay Trek and the Lares Hiking Program, here is a short list of highlights/features:

Salkantay Trek

- 6-day trek from lodge to lodge (no vehicle support)
- Overnight in 4 MLP lodges and 1 night in Aguas Calientes
- Group size is 12 guests in 6 rooms - 2 guides per group - mules/ porters carry the luggage from lodge to lodge
- Hike just below the glaciers and snow capped mountains of Salkantay & Humantay and slowly make your way to the warmer and diverse cloud forest environment
- Hike through 11 bio-zones from 12,000' to 7,000', crossing a 15,000' pass
- Difficulty: moderate to strenuous
- Fixed Departures guaranteed with a minimum of 2 guests / exclusive group departures with a minimum of 10 guests.

Lares Cultural Program

- 6-day or 4-day lodge based hiking with vehicle transportation to/from hikes
- Overnight in 3 MLP lodges and 1 night in Aguas Calientes
- Group size is 16 guests in 8 rooms (2015-16) to expand to 14/26 rooms in later years - vehicles carry the luggage from lodge to lodge
- Hike to archaeological sites, visit rural communities
- Hike at elevations between 10,000' and 12,800' with several passes around 14,000'
- Optional easy hikes each day (or transfer by vehicle to next destination)
- Difficulty: moderate to strenuous / easy to moderate (depending on choice)
- Fixed Departures guaranteed with a minimum of 2 guests / group departures with a minimum of 6 guests / exclusive group departures with a minimum of 10 guests.



Rainforest Expeditions

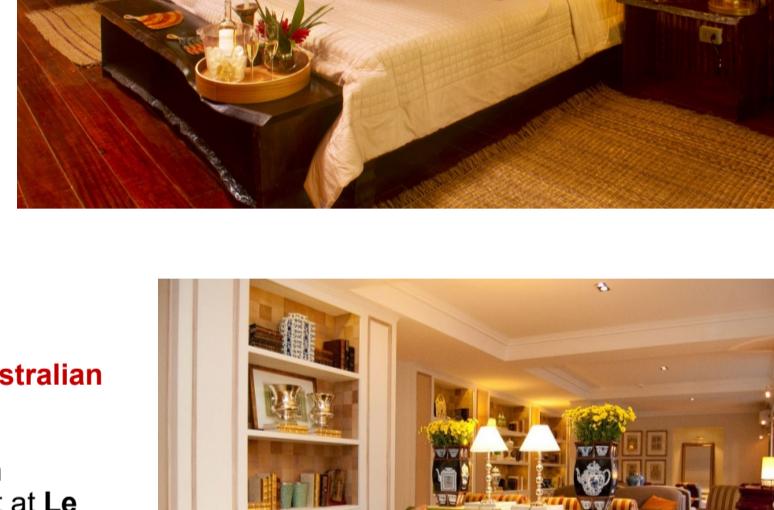
NEW product - Amazon villa

Treat yourself to exclusive lodging and activities in the middle of the Peruvian jungle with a premium stay at our Amazon Villa. The Amazon Villa is a **private bungalow** (located 10 minutes walk from Refugio Amazonas) and designed to provide guests with a comfortable blend of privacy, amenities, and activities that enhance an already unforgettable Amazon jungle experience. The exclusive treatment begins upon arrival to the airport with private transport to the bungalow, continues throughout your stay, and doesn't end until we bring your back to the airport for your departure flight.

Who will enjoy stays at the Amazon Villa the most? It is perfect for honeymooners and romantic gateways. Also for writers and painters or for any guests who need exclusive privacy.

This beautiful furnished bungalow is equipped with:

- A luxurious king-sized bed.
- 40 inch flat screen television to watch nature videos and documentaries.
- A satellite Internet connection.
- Electricity in the middle of the rainforest at all times of the day.
- A dining room where you can take fresh meals delivered to the bungalow.
- Kitchenette with a refrigerator, dining table and a private Chef!
- A spacious bathroom equipped with hot water and a tub for soaking in comfort at the end of a long, incredible day in the Peruvian rainforest.



Hotel Las Torres - Patagonia

Special Promotion exclusively for the Australian Market

For the purchase of an all-inclusive program (minimum 4 nights) we offer you a **free night** at **Le Reve Boutique Hotel** in Santiago de Chile.

Valid for **December 2014** (Black out Christmas and New Years), **March 2015** (Black out Trail Adventure) and **April 2015** (Black out Equestrian Endurance).



Defin Amazon Cruises

Delfin Tops Fodor's Travel's Top 5 Amazon River Cruises Ranking

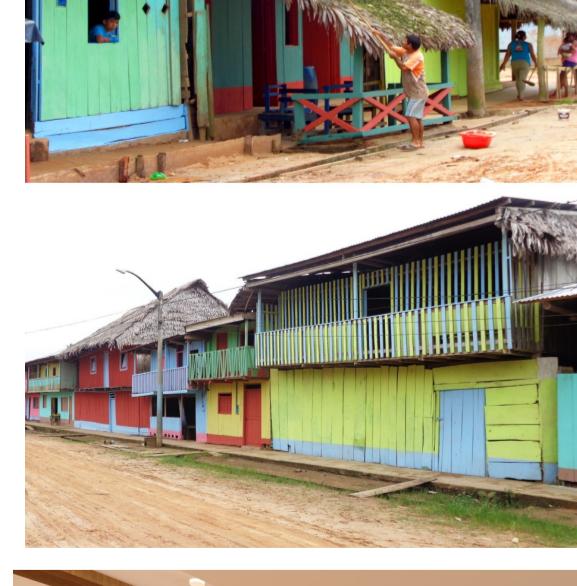
In June, Fodor's Travel named Delfin as its top choice in South America for sailing in the Amazon. Noting especially our expert and experienced naturalist guides, Delfin earned a higher ranking than other vessels that sail along the rainforest's waters

Nauta residents and Delfin team work together to paint local homes

On July 27, Nauta town residents and a team of Delfin crew worked hand in hand to give local homes bright and cheerful makeovers. Amid a fresh rainbow of reds and greens and purples, they also cleaned up the streets of trash. These new looks aim to help Nauta residents better enjoy their community, especially with more pride and unity. Not least, a more beautiful neighbourhood makes for a more pleasant place for children and to raise healthy families.

Last Call! Christmas and New Year's Departures

Sailing in the Amazon in search of crafty monkeys, friendly rare pink dolphins, hungry piranhas, and sneaky caiman alligators... what more exceptional way is there to spend the holidays? Suites are still available on both Delfin I and Delfin II for Christmas and New Year's dates, but they won't last long!



Ecoventura Galapagos Network

Construction of the new MV ORIGIN is now underway at the shipyard in Guayaquil.

See our latest blog post: <http://www.ecoventura.com/mv-origin/> and photos at shipyard: <http://www.originagalapagos.com/construction/july-2014/> UPDATE AUGUST

We plan to have her in operation for the first cruise in Galapagos on **January 3, 2016**. For more details visit: www.originagalapagos.com

