

TOTALLY:LATIN:AMERICA

Evocative Journeys Beyond the Ordinary



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Day 01, Arrival Quito, Collection and Private Transfer Airport to Quito Hotel

- 1) International flight arrival Quito (times to be confirmed).
- 2) Private transfer from Quito Airport Quito Hotel.
- 3) Overnight at the **5 Star Swissotel Hotel** Quito, (See hotel section in summary for full details).



Day 02, Morning Private Quito City Tour, Free Afternoon Quito (B, L)

- 1) Breakfast at hotel.
- 2) Morning private tour of Colonial Quito. Includes lunch.
- 3) Free evening to enjoy Quito.
- 4) Overnight at the **5 Star Swissotel Hotel** Quito, (See hotel section in summary for full details).

Colonial Quito, is a city of narrow cobblestone streets lined with whitewashed walls and, rising above, the steeples and cupolas of the city's many spectacularly decorated historic churches. The city has one of the best-preserved colonial centers in all South America, and its integrity was assured in 1978 when the United Nations declared Quito a World Cultural Heritage site. During the morning we will walk through the Main Plaza, where you will see the Government Palace, the spectacular gilded church of La Compañía, and some of the most important churches built around the XVI and XVII centuries, including the San Francisco Monastery, which was begun 5 days after the founding of the city in 1534. Then we will visit 'La Ronda', the city's most famous colonial street, where we will learn about the traditional jobs of Colonial Quito.

The final stop of our colonial visit will be the 'Panecillo', the hill that divides Quito in North & South, and where we will be able to admire the famous statue of Our Lady of the Panecillo, built by Bernardo de Legarda where we will have the chance to enjoy spectacular views of Quito. Lunch included in old town. We will have the chance to enjoy a chocolate experience, which starts with a guided tour explaining the history of cocoa in Ecuador, followed by a chocolate tasting. Ecuador's unique equatorial climate provides the perfect environment for growing the world's finest cocoa - Cacao Arriba. Cocoa has been revered in Latin America for over 5,000 years. Spanish explorers loved it so much they called it the 'Food of the Gods'. The Republica del Cacao's founders began their voyage over ten years ago when they set themselves an ambitious mission: to produce the most authentic chocolate while protecting and developing sustainable fine cocoa production.







Day 03 - 07, Flight to Galapagos, 5 Day / 4 Night Luxury Galapagos Cruise (B, L, D)

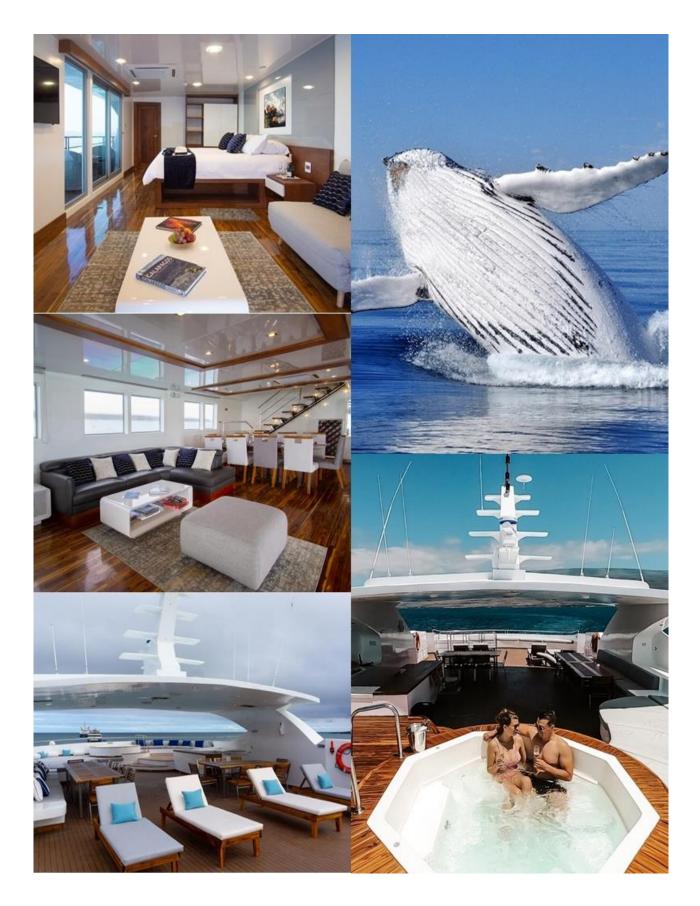
- 1) Breakfast at hotel.
- 2) Private transfer Quito Hotel to Quito Airport. Driver + rep.
- 3) Flight: Quito (UIO) Galapagos (3 hours). Flights purchased with Galapagos operator to take advantage of their special rates. Flight times to be confirmed.
- 4) 5 Day Galapagos Cruise, aboard the <u>Royal Galapagos Infinity Cruise</u>, including all meals, and private excursions lead by professional naturalist guides. 1 x Matrimonial/ Twin Main Deck Stateroom Cabin. For a full insight to the Royal Galapagos Infinity Cruise, please click this link <u>HERE</u> and select 5 day cruise.

Note: All Galapagos itinerary routes are subject to change.















Day 07, Last Day in the Cruise, Flight to Lima (via Guayaquil), Overnight at the Lima Airport Hotel (B)

- 1) Breakfast on cruise ship.
- 2) Transfer to Galapagos airport.
- 3) Flight: Galápagos (GPS) Quito (UIO), Times to be confirmed.
- 4) Flight: Quito (UIO) Lima (LIM): LATAM Airlines, LA 1455, 20.17 22.30 hrs. (or similar).
- 5) Walk to Lima Airport Hotel (1 min).





6) Overnight at the **4 Star Costa del Sol Wyndham Hotel,** Lima Airport (See hotel section in summary for full details).

The Superior Costa del Sol Wyndham Hotel is conveniently located just 2 minutes on foot from the international arrivals gate. Using this hotel means that you won't require a lengthy 40 – 60 minute transfer to downtown Lima (Miraflores), allowing you more time to relax after your international flight, and meaning you are at the airport for your early departure the next day.



Day 08, Flight to Cusco, Tour of Pisac Ruins Sacred Valley, Lunch Hacienda Sarapampa (B, L)

- 1) Breakfast at hotel.
- 2) Walk to Lima Airport (1 min).
- 3) Flight: Lima (LIM) Cusco (CUZ), LATAM Airlines, LA 2040, 09.40 – 11.03 hrs. (or similar, we only use LATAM or Avianca).
- 4) Collection from Cusco Airport, driver + transfer rep.
- 5) Tour of Sacred Valley, Including: Pisac Ruins, Private Service.
- 6) Lunch at Hacienda Sarapampa, 3 course meal, shared service.
- 7) Overnight at the **Luxury Sol y Luna Hotel** Urubamba, the Sacred Valley, (See hotel section in summary for full details).

The Sacred Valley is a beautiful and peaceful region of Peru located 32 Kilometers (20 Miles) from the city of Cusco. This scenic and mountainous part of the Andes was a sacred and important place for the Inca's. Reminders of this deeply **mystic** and **spiritual** civilization can be found at the **ruins of Pisac**, where a majestic temple stands at the junction of three valleys surrounded by vast and picturesque mountains.

Lunch Hacienda Sarapampa. Sarapampa" is a word from the Quechua language meaning "cornfield". Situated in a privileged location in the Sacred Valley of the Incas, the property is just 40 minutes from the city of Cusco and 5 minutes from the town of Pisac. Hacienda Sarapampa offers visitors the opportunity to have a unique cultural experience around traditions associated with corn production practices in a beautiful yet authentic and natural environment.

















Day 09, Full Day Private Sacred Valley Tour, including Lunch (B, L)

- 1) Breakfast at hotel.
- 2) Full day excursion to the Sacred Valley, Including Ollantaytambo Ruins, Misminay Andean community and Moray Ruins. Private service.
- 3) We recommend dinner at the excellent <u>Killa Wasi</u> restaurant at your hotel.
- 4) Overnight at the **Luxury Sol y Luna Hotel** Urubamba, the Sacred Valley, (See hotel section in summary for full details).

Built in huge circular terraces, it is unclear exactly what the purpose of **Moray** was to the Incas, but it is assumed that it was built for farming purposes. Moray is a fantastic place to explore and walk down to the core of the circular terraces or take a picture from atop surrounded by stunning mountain scenery.

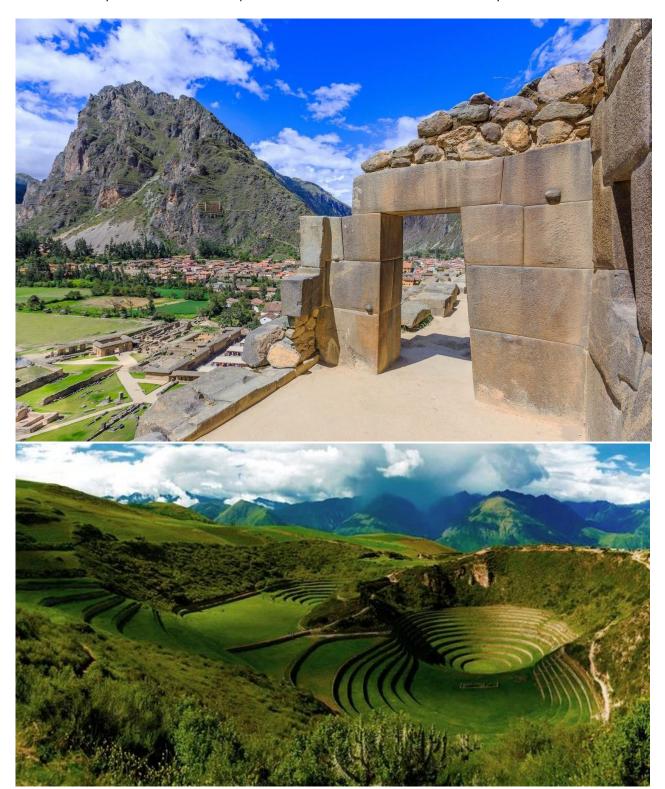
You will also visit the Andean community of **Misminay** and share their tasks with local inhabitants, who still preserve ancient Inca traditions. Then you can choose between ploughing or harvesting, or learning





ancient weaving techniques, among many other activities. Local women also spin and dye the wool using natural ingredients and weave according to ancient techniques. Lunch included.

Towards the eastern end of the Sacred Valley is the **famous ruin of Ollantaytambo.** This impressive and large ruin was one of the last strong holds for the Incas after the invasion of the Spanish nearly 500 years ago. Built into the mountain side and ascending rapidly to the peak of the ruins, Ollantaytambo was almost certainly **built as a fortress** to protect the eastern end of the Sacred Valley.









Day 10, Private One Day Inca Trail Hike to Machu Picchu (B, L, D)

- 1) Breakfast at hotel.
- 2) Private transfer to trail head KM 104 for the 1-day Inca Trail (bus and train).
- 3) Private One Day Inca Trail from KM104 to Machu Picchu, including professional guide, Inca Trail permits, entrance to Machu Picchu. Box lunch is included. Difficultly: Easy Moderate, Trekking Time: Approx. 6 hours, Distance: 6 miles. All porterage included.
- 4) Overnight at hotel at **Luxury Inkaterra Machu Picchu Hotel**, Aguas Calientes (See hotel section in summary for full details).
- 5) Dinner included at your hotel.

Machu Picchu was revealed to the world, when the famous historian, explorer and archeologist **Hiram Bingham** stumbled upon the site whilst on an expedition in 1911. Initially the importance of the citadel was overlooked, and only when he returned over a year later the true significance was realized.

Perched high up on the edge of a cliff set deep in the high jungle of Southern Peru, Machu Picchu fabled 'The Lost City of the Incas' is truly a first-class destination for many world travelers. Invisible from the Urubamba Valley below, Machu Picchu lay dormant for more than 4 centuries, nestled neatly at 2,800m





(4,000 feet) above sea level. It was considered to have been abandoned by the Incas at the time of the Spanish invasion, and became something of folklore and mystery, until it was re-discovered hidden and preserved in the dense jungle of Vilcabamba.









Day 11, Guided Tour of Machu Picchu, Luxury Hiram Bingham Train to Poroy, Transfer Cusco (B)

- 1) Breakfast at hotel.
- 2) Three hour guided tour of UNESCO World Heritage Site Machu Picchu, including: Caretakers Hut, Temple of the Sun, the Royal Tomb, Three Windowed Temple, Intihuatana / Solar Clock, and the quarry. Private Service.
- 3) Shuttle bus to Aguas Calientes.
- 4) Luxury Hiram Bingham Train to Poroy Train Station. Hiram Bingham 12, Machu Picchu Pueblo - Poroy, 17.50 - 21.15 hrs.
- 5) 4 course gourmet lunch with wines included.
- 6) Private transfer from Poroy train station to Cusco hotel, driver + transfer rep.
- 7) Overnight at hotel at the **5 Star Monasterio Hotel** Cusco, (See hotel section in summary for full details).















Day 12, Free Morning to Relax, Afternoon Private Tour of Cusco and San Pedro Market (B)

- 1) Breakfast at hotel.
- 2) Free morning to relax.
- 3) Afternoon private half day tour of Cusco City and surrounding areas (5 hours).
- 4) Also, we recommend lunch or dinner at the excellent Baco restaurant in Cusco
- 5) Overnight at the **5 Star Monasterio Hotel** Cusco, (See hotel section in summary for full details).

You will visit the city of Cusco, known as the Imperial City and declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Here you will start your tour at the iconic San Pedro market, a local market where you can explore the colors, flavors and traditions of modern Cusco. The visit continues with the Koricancha Temple, an ancient Inca palace and cult center of the Sun God, above which the order of the Dominicans built a church, which remains standing to this day. You will continue ascending to the Fortress of Sacsayhuaman, an impressive example of Inca military architecture. Afterwards, you will explore Q'enqo archeological site, where important Inca ceremonies took place. Finally, you will arrive to the Plaza de Armas (main square), where you will visit the Cathedral, the most important temple in the city.











Day 13, Free Morning, Afternoon Flight to Lima, Private Transfer to Miraflores Hotel (B)

- 1) Breakfast at hotel.
- 2) Private transfer from Cusco Hotel Cusco Airport, driver + transfer rep.
- 3) Flight: Cusco (CUZ) Lima (LIM), LATAM Airlines, LATAM Airlines, LA 2020, 12.45 - 14.17 hrs., (or similar, we only use LATAM or Avianca).
- 4) Private transfer from Lima Airport Mairaflores Hotel, driver + transfer rep. (40 60 min).
- 5) We recommend dinner at the world-renowned <u>Central Restaurant</u>. Website <u>here.</u>
 Address: Lima, Av. Pedro de Osma 301, **Barranco** 15063. Telephone: (01) 2428515
- 6) Overnight at **5 Star Miraflores Park Hotel -** Miraflores, (See hotel section in summary for full details).

At **Central restaurant** you can enjoy true Peruvian cuisine, right in the heart of the Bohemian district of Barranco in Lima. This restaurant is consistently in the top echelon of world cuisine; in 2018 it rated as the number six in the World Top 50 Restaurants. World-renowned house chef **Virgilo Martinez** celebrates the biodiversity of Peru in his creations. He strives to source fresh produce and has an insatiable curiosity to





discover and integrate new ingredients into the menu. With a visit here, you assured to charm your taste buds on a completely fresh array of mouth-watering exotic textures and flavors.











Day 14, Morning Private Tour of Lima & Larco Museum, Connect to Onward Flight Home (B)

- 1) Breakfast at hotel.
- 2) Morning private Lima City tour, including: Historic Lima & Modern Lima. Including Plaza de Armas, Plaza Miguel Grau, Santa Domingo Monastery and Church, the temple of Huallamarca and El Parque del Amor (the park of Love). Also includes Larco Museum.
- 3) Private transfer from Miraflores hotel to Lima airport, driver + rep (40-60 mins.)
- 4) International departure: TBC

Lima known locally as 'The City of the Kings' is the capital of Peru and has a rich a colorful history. Founded in 1535 by the Spanish conquistador Francisco Pizarro, it was once the most powerful and important trading posts in the continent. The city fell into decline when the Spanish created a rival vice regency in Rio de la Plata (River of the Silver), which later became supremely rich though the mining of Silver. Nowadays, only the colonial buildings in the center remain as a reminder to riches of the past. Modern day Lima has become a sprawling metropolis of contrasting extreme wealth and poverty.

Larco Herrera Museum. In an 18th-century viceroy's mansion, this museum offers one of the largest, best-presented displays of ceramics in Lima. Founded by pre-Columbian collector Rafael Larco Hoyle in 1926, the collection includes over 50,000 pots, with ceramic works from the Cupisnique, Chimú, Chancay, Nazca and Inca cultures. Highlights include the sublime Moche portrait vessels, presented in simple, dramatically lit cases, and a Wari weaving in one of the rear galleries that contains 398 threads to the linear inch – a record.







Convent of San Francisco

Square of San Martin

Lima Cathedral





Hotels

The hotels quoted below are our first-choice hotels for your itinerary and are chosen by our quality assessment process. Hotels are quoted subject to availability. Should you require specific hotels in your itinerary please consult a travel advisor. Our standard hotel policy is available on request.

Swissotel Hotel, Quito,

5 Star Hotel, Premier Room, Includes breakfast https://www.swissotel.com/hotels/quito/

Costa del Sol Wyndham – Lima Airport,

4 Star Hotel, Suite Room, Includes Breakfast

http://www.wyndham.com/hotels/peru/lima/wyndham-costa-del-sol-lima-airport/hotel-overview

Sol y Luna, Urubamba, the Sacred Valley, Luxury Hotel, Deluxe Casita, Includes Breakfast http://www.hotelsolyluna.com/

Inkaterra Machu Picchu Hotel – Machu Picchu Pueblo

Luxury Hotel, Junior Suite, Includes Breakfast & Dinner http://www.inkaterra.com/inkaterra/inkaterra-machu-picchu-pueblo-hotel/

Belmond El Monasterio Hotel – Cusco,

5 Star Hotel, Deluxe Room, Includes Breakfast http://www.belmond.com/hotel-monasterio-cusco/

Belmond Miraflores Park Hotel – Miraflores, Lima,

5 Star Hotel, Ocean View Junior Suite, Includes Breakfast http://www.belmond.com/miraflores-park-lima/

What is Included

- 1) Tours as described in the preceding itinerary. Subject to change by us or by force majeure (including health pandemics) without prior notice.
- 2) Full BTC Touristic Ticket.
- Accommodations as shown in the hotel section, 2 people sharing 1 x Matrimonial/ Twin Room. (Hotels are quoted subject to availability, none of the hotels have been pre-checked for availability).
- 4) Breakfasts at your accommodations.
- 5) All airport and bus station transfers in private.
- 6) Assistance with airport check-in.
- 7) 24-hour emergency contact telephone and assistance whilst travelling.





What is not Included

- 1) International airfare and taxes.
- 2) Domestic flights quoted separately.
- 3) Other Meals unless specifically stated in the Itinerary.
- 4) Personal expenses such as telephone bills, laundry expenses, beverages, etc.
- 5) Travel Insurance covering medical, cancellation, theft/loss, and force majeure incidents outside our control.
- 6) Baggage porterage and other extras not specified.
- 7) Tips and gratuities.

Terms & Conditions

When purchasing a tour from us our full 'Terms and Conditions' will apply. These can be found on our website: Terms & Conditions

Covid 19 Book with Confidence.

In addition to the terms and conditions noted above, in the event of a global health pandemic preventing



throughout your stay with us.

the operation of tours in our destinations in 2021 we will reschedule the trip to 2022 at the cost price of doing so.

We work to recommended standards of the **World Travel & Tourism Council**. In all destinations the travel company is fully compliant with all government protocols which may be required regarding Covid – 19. These include, but are not limited to, sanitization, social distancing, wear of face coverings and the requirements of PCP testing. The required procedures change on a continual basis and your expert adviser will be happy to keep you informed of any procedural requirements prior to booking and

Our Company Protocols

As a professional travel company, we have developed and implemented the following procedures to deliver the safest trip possible.

- ✓ All relevant certifications for operations required by local government
- ✓ COVID-19 prevention plan including an action/checklist for infection prevention and a special cleaning and disinfection plan
- ✓ Implemented protocols and guidelines for staff health, including health checks for staff as required by local legislation
- ✓ Issue and communicate a stay-home policy for anyone displaying any Covid 19 symptoms as per World Health Organization (WHO) guidelines
- ✓ Reflected physical distance in office layout and limiting the number of staff in common back-of-house areas where possible if required by local legislation
- ✓ Implemented protocols to minimize physical contact. Implemented physical distancing protocols if required by local legislation





- ✓ Personal protection equipment (PPE) made available to staff, such as masks, as long as required as per risk-based approach if required by local legislation
- ✓ Integrated technologies to enable automation such as contactless payment where possible. If contactless payment is not possible, we consider using gloves and hand sanitation
- ✓ Established with suppliers and partners including restaurants, hotels, parks, transport partners and venues that they follow likeminded health and hygiene protocols and guidelines to protect guests as required by local
- ✓ Explored different options for operations, where possible, such as advanced tickets, timed entries, smaller groups
- ✓ Requested that key stakeholders such as partner venues, hotels and transport partners have trained their staff based on likeminded protocols to enable consistent approach across sector
- ✓ All training informed by the latest advice from public health authorities and/or WHO
- ✓ Regular monitoring of well-being of team members by leadership, encouraging them to following governmental and WHO guidelines

Delivering A Safe Experience

As tour operators we work to deliver a safe experience for our staff and guests through enhanced cleanliness and hygiene best practices, which include but are not limited to:

Logistical Procedures

- ✓ Confirmed supplier processes focused on enhanced sanitation, disinfection, and deep cleaning practices for coaches and other vehicles used as well as increase their cleaning/disinfection frequency:
- ✓ Selected disinfecting products approved by health authorities
- ✓ Revisited guidance to our cleaning team with a specific focus on high-frequency touch points, including handrails, door handles, tables, board toilets, air conditioning filters, overhead lockers and headsets if applicable. Enhance cleaning frequency as appropriate
- ✓ Approved disinfecting products made available at sanitation stations to guests in the form of alcohol-based hand sanitizer as appropriate. Provide or make available for purchase additional individual disinfecting products for guests where possible
- ✓ Allocated seating plans with no rotation. Implement seat spacing if required by local legislation
- ✓ Explored providing bins with liner bags and regular disposal where possible
- ✓ Established with transport partners that they have likeminded processes for sanitation, disinfection and deep cleaning practices
- ✓ Implementing customer processes including guest information and minimizing physical contact
- ✓ Implemented guest health checks and testing if appropriate and required by local legislation
- ✓ Limited physical contact and queuing where possible
- ✓ Make masks available to guests if required by local authorities
- ✓ Developed online check-in and contactless check-out tools and procedures where appropriate and possible
- ✓ Explored staggered timing when possible of access to venues, hotels and restaurants among others
- ✓ Established with partners and suppliers, including shops, showrooms, tasting venues/shops, museums, shows, theatre, concert halls, factories & farms, that they follow likeminded health, sanitation, disinfection, and hygiene protocols aligned with local regulation





Restaurants

- ✓ Established that partner restaurants follow likeminded health, sanitation, disinfection and hygiene and food safety protocols
- ✓ Approved disinfecting products made available at restaurant entrance to guests in the form of alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- ✓ Established with restaurant that restaurant staff are trained and adhere to likeminded health & hygiene
- ✓ Avoid guest own handling of food at buffets
- ✓ Regular cleaning of coffee/drinks machines and where possible operated by staff member
- ✓ Enhanced cleaning, including disinfecting of tables and chairs after guest has left and using dishwasher over handwashing where possible
- ✓ Minimized physical contact through table spacing and guest seating if required by local legislation
- ✓ Considered minimizing what is placed on guest tables and provide mono-packaged items if feasible
- ✓ Reviewed payment method to prioritize contactless and pre-payment methods
- ✓ Considered having longer opening hours to reduce the number of guests served at any given time and facilitate the implementation of the new measures
- ✓ Reviewed payment method to prioritize contactless and pre-payment methods

Itinerary Notes

We quote many tours per day, so it is not possible for us to pre-check availability on hotels, trains, buses, flights or any other service included in this itinerary. We cannot guarantee any specific hotels, train times or flight times. Should the first-choice item as quoted in this itinerary not be available, we will work with you to find a suitable alternative. If the suitable alternative is more expensive than the originally planned item, we may request the difference in price. Equally, if the alternative is less expensive, we will deduct the amount from the final balance. Flight times may change to those quoted in the itinerary, depending on airlines schedules.





Giving Back to Local Communities: Our Commitment

As part of our social responsibility, TLA Travel engages in various community activities every year to help the most vulnerable and impoverished Peruvians. It is only possible to do this with profits earned from the touristic packages that we sell. For this reason, we thank every one of the clients that have travelled with us, that inturn have allowed us to fund such events. If you purchase a trip with us, be confident that part of the profits made from your trip will go to fund more community events in the future. As per our ongoing commitment to giving back to local communities, Totally Latin America partnered with Medlife and Picaflor House. Sample article click here. Our work is simply focused on offering hope, and delivering real change, to our less fortunate fellow citizens here in Latin America.





