Smith College presents

MACHU PICCHU TO THE GALAPAGOS

March 17-31, 2015

15 days from $7,693 total price from Miami
($6,995 air, land & cruise inclusive plus $698 airline taxes and departure fees)

An Exclusive Small Group Tour for Smith Travel

Featuring Professor Ann Zulawski

This tour is provided by Odysseys Unlimited, six-time honoree of Travel & Leisure’s World’s Best Tour Operators award.
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They rank as two of South America’s greatest treasures, and a small group tour is the natural selection for both: the enigmatic ruins at Machu Picchu, where we spend the night at an intimate on-site hotel, and the fascinating Galapagos Islands, Darwin’s “living laboratory,” where we cruise aboard a privately chartered boat. It’s an exhilarating discovery of lost worlds.

Tour membership limited to 20 alumnae and friends of Smith College

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Lima, Peru
We depart today for the Peruvian capital. Upon arrival tonight we transfer directly to our hotel.

Day 2: Lima
This morning we tour the Larco Herrera Museum, whose ceramics collection includes a renowned set of erotic pre-Columbian pots. This afternoon we take a city tour of the Peruvian capital followed by a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. B,D

Day 3: Lima/Cuzco/Sacred Valley
Today we fly to Cuzco, where we travel to the beautiful Sacred Valley, a region of Inca sites and indigenous villages. After visiting the Indian market at Pisac, we reach our hotel mid-afternoon. Before dinner we attend a native Offering to the Earth ceremony. B,L,D

Day 4: Sacred Valley
Today we visit the Incan farming town of Chinchero, where residents live much as their ancestors did. Then we explore Ollantaytambo, a living town and site of massive Incan ruins that continue to inspire wonder. We return to our hotel late this afternoon and dine there tonight. B,L,D

Day 5: Sacred Valley/Machu Picchu
Early this morning we travel by train for the 1½-hour journey to Aguas Calientes, where we board a bus for Machu Picchu. Our first guided visit of the stunning “Lost City of the Incas” begins late this morning. Thanks to its small size, our group will move nimbly through the ruins and have the leisure to absorb the beauty and mystery of this site, whose original purpose has been lost to time. Following our tour, we check in at the 31-room Belmond Sanctuary Lodge, just steps from the entrance to the ruins. While most visitors see Machu Picchu on a day trip, we have the rare privilege of spending the night and seeing the ruins after all the tourists have left. B,L,D

Cover Photo: We tour the enigmatic ruins of Machu Picchu over two days.
Day 6: Machu Picchu/Cuzco  Today before the day trippers arrive we take our second guided tour of this UNESCO World Heritage site. Then we return to Aguas Calientes for lunch and free time before our mid-afternoon train to Cuzco.  B,L

Day 7: Cuzco  This morning we tour Cuzco, the archaeological hub of the Americas, the continent’s oldest continuously inhabited city and a UNESCO World Heritage site. We stop at the ruins of Sacsayhuaman, an Incan masterpiece, then enjoy lunch in the home of a gracious Cuzco family.  B,L

Day 8: Cuzco/Quito  Early today we fly via Lima to Quito, arriving late afternoon. This evening we have a briefing and dinner at our hotel.  B,D

Days 9-12: Galapagos Cruising  Our Galapagos adventure begins with an early departure on Day 9 for the flight to Baltra or San Cristóbal, where we board the privately chartered M/Y Coral II, our home for the next four nights. While exact cruise itineraries are subject to the dictates of Galapagos National Park authorities, each cruise features expert Galapagos naturalist guides and the opportunity to see giant Galapagos tortoises, Blue-footed Boobies, sea lions, iguanas and abundant bird life. On all cruises we also will enjoy opportunities for swimming, snorkeling, panga boat rides and nature walks.  B,L,D daily

Following is a representative sample of the islands we may visit on our cruise:

Isabela: The largest island in the chain features as many as 20 species of migratory birds, many of which we could see on our hike here.

Santiago: Espumilla Beach features a sea turtle nesting site, mangrove forests, deep-water snorkeling and beautiful views from the island’s highest point.

Pre-Tour Option

March 13-17, 2015
AMAZON RAINFOREST
5 days/4 nights for $1,193 total price
($1,095 air & land inclusive plus $98 airline taxes and departure fees)

Discover the Amazon’s amazing flora, fauna and even villages on this exceptional – and comfortable – tour.

Your Tour Price Includes

• Round-trip air transportation Lima/Iquitos
• 4 nights’ accommodations: 3 nights in the jungle at Ceiba Tops (Superior First Class); 1 night in Lima at Costa del Sol Hotel (First Class)
• 10 meals: 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 3 dinners
• Extensive sightseeing, including guided Canopy Walkway tour and visit with ribereños (Amazon river people)
• Fully escorted by an Amazon-born naturalist guide as your Odysseys Unlimited representative
• Private vehicle transportation
• Gratuities for dining room servers, airport and hotel porters and all drivers

Land Only: $1,495 total price per person
Fernandina: From Tagus Cove we hike to Darwin Lake for deep-water snorkeling with sea turtles and penguins and a panga ride to observe sea birds. Beautiful volcanic landscape.

Day 13: Galapagos/Quito Fly from Baltra or San Cristóbal to Quito (via Guayaquil). We celebrate our adventure at tonight’s farewell dinner at a local restaurant. B,D

Day 14: Quito Nestled in a valley surrounded by staggering Andes peaks, Quito boasts the largest historic center in the Americas and was the first city to be named a UNESCO World Heritage site. We discover this capital city on M/Y Coral II.

Our privately chartered ship is an eco-friendly vessel built specifically for Galapagos cruising. Cabins are small but comfortable, each with private facilities.

Crew: 10
Guide: Galapagos naturalist
Passenger Capacity: 20
Length: 110 ft
Decks: 4
Berths: All lower

Your Tour Price Includes
- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within itinerary
- 13 nights’ accommodations: 4 nights aboard privately chartered Superior First Class boat M/Y Coral II; 9 nights in Deluxe and Superior First Class hotels
- 33 meals: 13 breakfasts, 10 lunches, 10 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees; Galapagos National Park fee of $100
- Services of local Odysseys Unlimited Tour Directors; experienced naturalists aboard M/Y Coral II
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters and all drivers

Meet Your Faculty Lecturer

Ann Zulawski is Syndenham C. Parsons Professor of History and Latin American Studies at Smith College. She has extensive experience as a researcher and traveler in Latin America. The author of two books on Bolivian history and numerous articles about Latin America, Ann is currently working on a book about the connections between urbanization, the environment and public health in Puerto Rico. Ann’s teaching includes survey courses on Latin America in the colonial and national periods as well as specialized classes on the history of public health in the region, the Andes (primarily Peru and Bolivia), Puerto Rico and Cuba.

Today’s tour and also visit Middle of the World Monument. Later we transfer to the airport for our overnight flight to Miami. B,L

Day 15: Arrive U.S. We arrive in the U.S. and connect with our flights home.
Dear Alumnae and Friends

Join us for an exciting 15-day tour and cruise to experience two of South America's treasures - the enigmatic ruins at Machu Picchu and the fascinating Galapagos Islands - on this exclusive Smith Travel departure. Joining us to offer educational insight is Professor Ann Zulawski, Sydenham C. Parsons Professor of History and Latin American Studies at Smith.

Your tour begins with a full day in Lima, including a visit to the Larco Herrera Museum. Next, fly to Cuzco, the archaeological hub of the Americas and South America's oldest continuously inhabited city. Acclimate to the high altitude while touring the beautiful Sacred Valley. A thrilling train ride delivers you to Machu Picchu; your overnight stay at the on-site Belmond Sanctuary Lodge affords virtually private access to the ruins. Next, you’ll board an intimate, privately chartered ship to cruise Darwin's “living laboratory.” Here you’ll have opportunities to get up close to Galapagos wildlife on guided nature walks and while swimming and snorkeling. Conclude your journey back in Quito.

This air-inclusive small group journey is limited to just 20 Smith travelers. Please register today to guarantee your place.

Warm Regards,

Elizabeth Bigwood
Director, Smith Travel

SMITH TRAVEL RESERVATION FORM: MACHU PICCHU TO THE GALAPAGOS

Enclosed is my/our deposit for $______($500 per person) for ____ person/people on Machu Picchu to the Galapagos departing March 17, 2015. I/we understand the final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard or VISA or by personal check. Please make deposit check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and send, along with completed reservation form, to: Smith Travel, Office of Alumnae Relations, 33 Elm Street, Northampton, MA 01063. For more information, please call Smith Travel at (800) 225-2029 or contact us via e-mail at alumtrav@smith.edu or fax us at (413) 585-2015.

Full Passport Name _______________________________________________ Date of Birth _______ Gender _______

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Address ___________________________________________________________________________________________

City ___________________________________________________________ State ________ ZIP ___________________

Home Ph. (______)________________________________ Bus. Ph. (______)___________________________________

Please book my/our air from ________________________                      I /we request a Business Class upgrade q

I will share a room with ____________________________                 I request a single room (limited availability) q

I/we request an upgrade to the ______ Deck Pre-Tour Amazon Rainforest Option: Please sign me/us up q

E-mail ___________________________________________ Badge Name(s) ___________________________________

Please Note: The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for Machu Picchu to the Galapagos, March 17-31, 2015, and agrees that their signature below represents his/her acceptance of the General Terms and Conditions.

Signature(s) _________________________________________________________________ Date __________________

Method of Payment       q Check     q American Express    q Discover    q MasterCard    q VISA

Account # ____________________________ Security Code ____________ Exp. Date _______________

Name of Cardholder ________________________________________________________________

Signature ________________________________________________________________

Final invoicing will be sent by our tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. The balance of the program price must be paid to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure and is payable by check or credit card.
GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a $500 deposit per person represents your acceptance of the following Terms and Conditions.

Not included in tour price

Airfare when purchasing a Land Only package; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; airport transfers when purchasing a Land Only package; communication charges; optional sightseeing; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Directors and shipboard personnel, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: $10-$15 per day, per traveler); travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline prior to departure.

Cancellations, refunds and changes

If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited’s receipt of your written notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: cancel 95 days or more before departure: $200 charge; cancel 94-65 days before departure: 50% of tour price; cancel 64-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price; cancel 29-0 days before departure: no refund. If a guest makes any changes between 94 and 30 days prior to departure Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. will apply a $100 per person administrative fee, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure. All cancellations must be submitted in writing to Odysseys Unlimited.

Upon reservation you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport, your date of birth, and your gender. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket’s reissue.

Responsibility

The liability of Smith College, as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under our control. We serve only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, their employees, agents, servants or representatives. Smith College and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within our control, including without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise line, and other independent suppliers.

We will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality.

Health and Medical Issues

We request that you be in good health to participate in this tour. There is a reasonable amount of walking, and you must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and ships on your own. If you require the use of a wheelchair or have other personal needs, you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical or mental condition, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other passengers. In that event, Smith College and Odysseys Unlimited assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour.

Air Transportation – Important Information

Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown and contracts with those airlines they feel provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. Please note that seat assignments on your international flight are usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited is unable to guarantee any seat assignments. Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and departure fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available on most tours. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.

Please note that the Smith College Faculty Lecturer’s participation is contingent on a minimum number of travelers. We cannot guarantee the size of the group.