

DESTINATION GUIDEBOOK

A Tapestry of Private Travel



2024

PRE-DESIGNED TRAVEL EXPERIENCES

THE AMERICAS
(South, Central, North)

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Dear Friends,

The anonymous quote in the beginning of Patricia Schultz' book – *1,000 Places To See Before You Die* says it all – "Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take but by the places and moments that take our breath away."

Lakani World Tours is committed to providing extraordinary travel experiences to all of our guests. Whether you choose to journey independently with friends or family, you can be sure that you will encounter people and sights that will take your breath away! This Pre-Designed Travel Experiences of THE AMERICAS (South, Central & North) is designed to be your inspiration for your travel with Lakani. Each program is priced per person with a minimum of two people, and includes accommodation, transfers and sightseeing with some meals as indicated in the itinerary. You may choose to take these programs as presented, customize them to suit your style, or we will plan a journey completely from scratch. It's your choice.

Peruse the pages ahead to find exciting Travel Experiences to all corners of the earth, but your choices are not limited to this brochure. In addition to all of the Pre-Designed Travel Experiences presented here, you will find many more itineraries on our website at www.Lakani.com

Discover the world in Lakani style. Be moved and enriched on a travel experience like no other. Please join us. Best traveling wishes,

Heidi Lakani

P.S. If you wish to travel with a small group in the company of a Lakani Tour Manager, please ask about Lakani Small Group Journeys or Private Jet Tours.



THE LAKANI PROMISE

The Lakani World Tours logo is intentional in its design. The four directional points represents our experience in travel to the far corners of the world, as well as the four fundamental principles which guide each program we create.



QUALITY & VALUE

Every detail matters

Every Lakani World Tours program includes the best sightseeing and services that the area has to offer. While we recognize that quality does not come cheaply, we provide value through our experience and strong relationships with proven suppliers.



INTEGRITY

Worthy of your trust

The Lakani team provides honest answers, objective advice and strong commitments. We also offer the usual industry assurances and safeguards: we are a registered California Seller of Travel. Naturally, references are available.



EXPERIENCE & INNOVATION

Uniquely crafted vacations with cultural enrichment

The Lakani team of seasoned industry veterans draws from their experience and their never ending quest to uncover new and unusual sights, activities and lodging to share with travelers.



SERVICE

Your wish is our command

We believe that attitude is everything. Service begins the first time you call us and continues throughout your entire journey. The Lakani Travel Specialists and its team of expert Tour Managers consistently endeavor to anticipate the desires and expectations of every Lakani traveler.



EXPLORE THE WORLD THE LAKANI WAY: THE LUXURY OF CHOICE

The Lakani World Tours team understands that not all travelers desire the same experience. So, we have put our knowledge into creating Travel Experiences that offer ways of journeying that appeal to guests of all interests.



Pre-Designed Private Travel offers a collection of trips that are ready for you to purchase just as they are to fit in with your time schedule – or you can customize them to suit you and your traveling companion (s) for an additional cost. These tours include breakfast daily, private transfers with VIP Meet & Greet service and sightseeing throughout, and the services of an experienced English-speaking local guide.

Custom Made Journey Ideas offer you suggestions for areas you may wish to travel to on your own, with companions, or family members. Every itinerary we craft includes Lakani approved accommodations, experienced local guides, transfers, and sightseeing. Breakfast is always included, but other meals may be dictated by the destination or route.



Small Group Tours are created particularly for those destinations where travelers enjoy having a Tour Manager for more comfort and security, or simply because they want to meet other like-minded travelers. These tours are for 8 to 14 guests and include private transfers with VIP meet and greet, all meals and Dine by Choice where possible, all sightseeing, and special encounters with locals. These departures are set dates and are ideal for single travelers too.

Lakani Private Jet Journeys are designed for those travelers who wish to include a collection of destinations all on one trip. They may be unusual places that are harder to reach along with some well-loved destinations that deserve another visit. The chartered jet has a hand-picked crew who serve chef-prepared meals and fine wines and beverages. Often times we are using private landing strips with red-carpet arrival service. The small group size of 10 –15 guests are accompanied by a professional Lakani Tour Manager as well as an Operations Director to insure exceptional personal attention. Accommodations are of the highest caliber, and are mostly in suites. Private transfers and VIP meet and greet are included, as well as exclusive venues and performances. Dine by Choice is also offered, including Michelin-star restaurants.



Lakani has the world's countries covered with these travel experiences.
Where do you want to travel next?



CAPTIVATING & INSPIRING

Become immersed in the diverse culture, history, wildlife, and landscapes of the Americas. Walk on massive glaciers and explore distinctive deserts. Ply rivers deep in the rain forest and admire its wildlife. Take in the beauty of mountain lakes and meadows of National Parks far and wide. Watch as eagles soar over deep majestic canyons. Stroll through vineyards and taste extraordinary wines. Learn about the age-old traditions of indigenous peoples across the Americas. Follow historic trails and see the remnants of their colonial and ancient past. Tour marshlands where abundant birdlife make their home. Discover magnificent marine life and wildlife on land and along ocean coastlines like Penguins, Whales, Dolphins, Iguanas, Polar Bears, Black Bears, Bison, Buffalo and much more. And let your tastebuds explode with a variety of flavors on your journey through the Americas.

Encounter remarkable people, unique landmarks, and natural wonders across the Americas. Uncover the pristine beauty and amazing landscapes of the National Parks of the USA. Discover ancient Mayan, Aztec and Incan history in Machu Picchu, Peru, Uxmal, Mexico or Tikal, Guatemala. Admire the incredible birds, fish, and animals in the world's largest flooded grasslands in the Pantanal. Explore the Amazon rainforest on a cruise in Brazil or Peru, or sail on the world highest lake, Titicaca, and see the floating islands made by the Uros people or observe the blue-footed booby or giant tortoises in the Galapagos. See the distinctive architecture of South American capitals where European influence is evidence of a rich heritage. Take a Tango lesson in Buenos Aires, watch colorful textiles being created in Otavalo, or learn about the Alaskan traditional crafts passed down through generations. There are a multitude of incredible sights in the Americas, and many are listed with UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Lakani World Tours will take you to as many of them as you wish to see.

Enriching Encounters

Become immersed in the culture of the people introduced to you by Lakani World Tours. Learn how to be a coffee farmer, plant seedlings and taste the fresh coffee of Colombia. Meet with locals in Costa Rica's Blue Zone and discover the concept that promotes longevity. Step back in time in Mesa Verde National Park and discover the ancient Pueblo people and their culture. Encounter the indigenous Rapa Nui people of Easter Island and learn about their ancient customs. Visit with a winemaker in Colchagua Valley find out the interesting history of winemaking in this region of Chile. Engage with locals throughout the Americas and you will be amazed at how meaningful those encounters become and how long the memories will stay with you.

Extraordinary Guides

Wherever you travel, your guides are key to making your journey the most rewarding and memorable experience. All Lakani guests benefit from experienced guides who have been vetted throughout many years of working in the region. Guides are chosen for their historical and cultural knowledge and experience, as well as their ability to connect with guests and their attention to service. Lakani matches guides to guests. Whether you are traveling as a family with children, with a group of like-minded friends, or on a celebratory trip with your special someone, your guide will make sure that your vacation is all that you expect and more.





SUMPTUOUS SURROUNDINGS TO SUIT YOUR JOURNEY

Lakani standards are high when it comes to your ultimate comfort and enjoyable experience. You can be sure that the Lakani team has inspected each property in the Lakani Hotels of Choice collection. At the end of the day, relax in elegance, and yet be immersed in the locale. Whether you are plying the Amazon on a luxury floating hotel, in the elegant Alvear Palace Hotel in La Ricoleta neighborhood in Buenos Aires, looking out on stunning views of the Utah desert in the secluded Amangiri, or in a 17th century architectural jewel in the heart of Cartagena, you may be assured that Lakani includes the best accommodations suited to your interests. Indulge in suites, sweeping views, or perhaps the character of the destination.

Location, Location, Location! Stay at Monasterio, one of the most unique hotels in Cuzco, and experience the thrill of staying in a protected national monument. Stay at the most exclusive hotel in Bariloche, the Llao Llao for an unforgettable experience.

Wherever you travel, Lakani has the perfect accommodation to suit your style and interests.



AUTHENTICALLY LOOKING AFTER EVERY GUEST

The Lakani team has collectively hundreds of years' experience. Each member has been working in the deluxe arena of international travel throughout their career. Destinations have been thoroughly vetted in person. The select lodging, transportation companies and local guides have been working with the Lakani team for decades. You can be assured that we are in constant communication so that your journey runs as smoothly as you can imagine. These last couple of years have shown us all that the relationships that we maintain overseas are even more important. With the constant changing of protocols throughout the world, we must be vigilant in terms of open and closing times, testing, masking, and vaccination requirements, and overall consistent sanitation. You can rely on Lakani to update you, not only before you travel, but also along the way.

RETURN GUESTS ARE TESTAMENT TO LAKANI'S SUCCESS

Lakani World Tours appreciates the kind comments from so many happy travelers. Additionally, we owe a debt of gratitude to the Travel Advisors and their clients who return again and again for unforgettable vacation experiences. It is one of the reasons why we are always researching and creating new, interesting, and rewarding itineraries.



HERE ARE SOME OF THE TESTIMONIES WE ARE PLEASED TO SHARE:

All of the guides were very knowledgeable and courteous, the sightseeing was beautiful and transportation was well coordinated and the hotel accommodations were best ever. – A. Meyers

The trip was fantastic. Thanks for all who made it work to our specific needs and requests. Hotels were beautiful and often more than expected and our guide was amazing! – C. Brachs

Our trip couldn't have been more perfect. Our guides were well versed, friendly and took time to understand our preferences, and added so much more to the trip. – Mr. and Mrs. M. Henry

*This was our fourth trip with Lakani, and we hope to take that many more with you. Nothing but perfection from the time we called the office until our return home. The wonderful and fond memories we have of our trips are all in the category of "Once in a Lifetime".
– Mr. and Mrs. H. Carter*

MEANINGFUL TRAVEL

Lakani firmly believes in supporting and giving back to local communities with whom we connect. Whether they are traditional artisans or modern artists and craftspeople, we are committed to helping them become successful and financially independent. Wherever you travel throughout the world, you are contributing to the people whose lives depend on working in tourism. Lakani goes one step further in making sure that we give back to the people who open their homes and hearts to show us their special part of the world. For every finalized booking, Lakani World Tours donates to a local non-profit charitable organization.

Voluntourism is becoming more relevant and widespread. If you would like to volunteer in some way to help a community while on tour, Lakani World Tours can make this a reality. This may be as simple as providing and serving breakfast to school children, to a more substantial commitment of assisting with home-building or repairs. The options are many and depend on the destination and your own interests.



Your Choice of freedom and flexibility in travel to

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8 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own personal expert local guides

Signature Experiences Included:

- Explore Lima's markets, historical center and the famous Larco Herrera Museum
- Relax in oxygenated rooms in Cusco
- Travel to Machu Picchu on the Vistadome train
- Visit Pikillaqta, a pre-Inca citadel from the 7th century

2024 Prices

Starts: Lima
Ends: Lima

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

Land Cost: **\$6,495**
Intra-tour Air: From **\$470**

Best Time to Travel: **APR – OCT**



DAYS 1 – 2 • Meals: B

Lima, PERU

Belmond Miraflores Park Hotel

Visit Peru where you can experience the boundless mystery and indisputable energy, from the magnificent remnants of the Inca Empire to the mystical atmosphere of the countryside. Nothing can prepare you for the spectacular sight of Machu Picchu "The Lost City of the Incas".

Arrive in Lima and transfer to your luxury hotel. The capital of Peru, Lima is the largest city and home to one of the oldest higher learning institutions in the New World. Founded on May 12, 1551, the National University of San Marcos is the oldest continuously functioning university in the Americas.

DAYS 3 – 4 • Meals: B

Sacred Valley

Tambo Del Inka

Take a short flight to Cusco and transfer to the hotel. Continue on to the Sacred Valley within the district of Chinchero, and the salt terraces of Maras. The ancient Inca ways of salt "farming" and ritual working traditions are still preserved in this community. Visit Ollantaytambo and its ruins.

DAYS 5 – 6 • Meals: BL

Sacred Valley / Machu Picchu / Cusco

Belmond Hotel Monasterio

Journey on the Vistadome train to Machu Picchu. The Incas left fascinating legends of forgotten cities and treasures, the most incredible of which was the "Lost City", hidden from the world until its rediscovery in 1911. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, the extraordinary Machu Picchu was built of masterfully-fitted stone blocks 8,000 feet above sea level. Have afternoon tea at the Sanctuary Lodge before heading back to Cusco enjoying drinks and dinner on board the Vistadome train.

DAYS 7 – 8 • Meals: B

Cusco & Depart Home

Belmond Hotel Monasterio

Tour the Main Square, the Cathedral and the Santo Domingo Church or Coricancha. Visit Tipón, an archaeological complex where shamans and spiritual persons congregate to pay tribute to earth and worship to water. On Day 8 you'll be transferred to the Cusco airport for your flight to Lima, where you will connect with your onward flight home.

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2024 Prices

Starts: La Paz

Ends: La Paz

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

Land Cost: **\$3,990**Intra-tour Air: From **\$575**Best Time to Visit: **MAY - OCT****10 Days - Pre-Designed Journey**

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own personal expert local guides

Signature Experiences Included:

- Ride the aerial cable car in La Paz and admire fabulous views of the city and surroundings
- Take an excursion to Moon Valley
- Cruise Lake Titicaca to Sun and Moon Islands
- Visit the natural Ojos de Sal, where the subterranean rivers flowing under the world's largest salt pan rise to the surface

DAYS 1 - 2 • Meals: 1B,1L,1D**La Paz, BOLIVIA****Casa Grande Hotel**

Take in the city sights with your private guide, including the immense Cathedral of La Paz and Presidential Palace at Plaza Murillo. See the historic 16th-century San Francisco Church with its unusual rooftop. Journey outside of the city to the interesting Valle de la Luna, a serene and colorful setting of canyons and giant sandstone pinnacles.

DAYS 3 - 5 • Meals: B,L,2D**Sun Island / La Paz****La Estancia Ecolodge/Casa Grande Hotel**

Transfer to Copacabana Town on the edge of Lake Titicaca. Enjoy lunch and then board a boat to vehicle-free Sun Island. Continually inhabited since at least 2200 B.C., the island has numerous archeological sites. Most of the ruins are from the Inca period and it is believed that the founder of the Incan Civilization was from the island. Visit the remains of Pilko Kaina, a religious center. Take an excursion by boat to nearby Moon Island and see the ruins of Inac Uyu, a temple dedicated to the moon.

DAYS 6 - 8 • Meals: B,L,D**Uyuni / Colchani / Ojo de Perdiz Desert****Palacio de Sal/
Hotel Tayka del Desierto**

Fly south to Uyuni, home to the largest salt pan of the world. The 4000 square mile pan or flat is the result of the transformation of several prehistoric lakes. Browse the Train Cemetery with remains of old wagons from the 19th century. Visit Incahuasi Island and admire the magnificent sunset in the middle of the salt lake. Journey to Ojo de Perdiz Desert, stopping to view Bolivia's only active volcano, Ollague. Spot flamingos, wallata geese, vicunas, and other wildlife as you pass beautiful mountain lagoons. Drive through a volcanic ash desert where the natural elements have created strange shapes. Spend a night in the Siloli Desert, surrounded by the splendid colors of nature.

DAYS 9 - 10 • Meals: B,1D**Uyuni / La Paz / Homeward Bound****Casa Grande Hotel**

Continue your touring of Uyuni with a stop at Red Lagoon, home to large colonies of flamingos. Visit the Sol de Manana Geysers and the hot springs at Polques. Then cross Dali's desert to the Green Lagoon. Fly from Uyuni to La Paz for an overnight before departing this amazing country for home.



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9 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own private expert local guides
- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary

Signature Experiences Included:

- Visit Bogota's colonial center of La Candelaria and the famous Gold Museum
- Travel through the Coffee Triangle of Colombia to a traditional coffee finca

2024 Prices

Starts: Bogota
Ends: Cartagena

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$4,995

Intra-tour Air: **\$725**

Best Time To Travel:
JUL - AUG; DEC - JAN



DAYS 1 – 2 • Meals: B, 1L

Bogota, COLOMBIA

Four Seasons Bogota

Colombia was the first constitutional government in South America, and an important promoter of the Pan American organizations, initially through the Congress of Panama and later as founder of the Organization of American States. Arrive in Bogota where you will be met and transferred to your luxury hotel. This Colombian capital is known for colonial grandeur and a modern metropolis. Visit the colonial part of the city La Candelaria and the Paloquemao Market Place where you will have an opportunity to see a cooking demonstration. Visit the famous Gold Museum and the Fernando Botero Museum representing the works of a living artist recognized in the last three decades who has achieved international recognition for his paintings, drawings and sculpture.

DAYS 3 – 5 • Meals: B, 1L

Pereira

Hotel Hacienda Sazagua

Travel to the fertile plateau of Zipaquirá. The town is primarily known for its Salt Cathedral, an underground church built inside a salt deposit in a tunnel made as result of the excavation of the salinas (salt mines). Zipaquirá has a very interesting architecture, and the old city centre's main square is surrounded by old buildings in the Spanish Colonial.

Fly to Pereira, part of the Coffee Triangle of Colombia, where you will learn all about coffee visiting a traditional coffee finca. Visit the traditional towns of Filandia and Salento with a short walk in the Cocora Valley. Stop at Hacienda Venecia for a coffee plantation experience.

DAYS 6 – 9 • Meals: B

Cartagena & Depart Home

Hotel Sofitel Legend Santa Clara

Fly to Cartagena, located on Colombia's northwest coast. Visit the Monastery of La Popa, the fortress of San Felipe and walk along the colorful streets of old Cartagena as well as the old town by horse carriage. Take an excursion to the fishing village of Boquilla to experience the mangrove swamps by dugout canoe. On day 9 you'll transfer to the airport for your departure flight.

Ask about an extension to Medellin or Panama.

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Panama is home to one of world's modern engineering marvels, the incredible Panama Canal. Whether you see the canal on a cruise ship or by land, Panama has much more to discover. There are vast jungles, magical rainforests, and lush mountain forests that boast of amazing biological diversity in both flora and fauna. With miles of coastline, it's easy to find uncrowded beaches as well as idyllic islands ringed with coral reefs; and there are more than 500 rivers, hosting indigenous villages. For an urban experience, Panama City is a vibrant and diverse metropolis with superb dining, lodging, and nightlife.

Panama is a tropical wonderland that offers fun and adventure for animal and nature lovers alike. With Panama's compact size, you can easily use Panama City as a base, and explore the country on day-tours. Lakani World Tours can create a travel itinerary best suited for you – depending on your time, interests, and budget.

Panama City & the Panama Canal – Explore the city's historic Casco Viejo (Old Quarter) with its noted Spanish colonial architecture. Visit Paseo Las Bóvedas and witness Miraflores, one of the Panama Canal's impressive locks, including a stop at the Miraflores Visitor Center.

Soberania National Park and Monkey Island – Explore lush jungle replete with thousands of exotic bird species and native wildlife. Take a boat trip to Monkey Island, with its plethora of monkey species; visit an authentic Indian village to learn about the area's rich local culture.

San Blas Islands – Enjoy, snorkeling among reefs and coral in crystal clear water. Connect with nature and discover the Guna culture and people.

Anton Valley – Visit Panama's wild side, hiking to hot springs nestled in the broad crater of a stratovolcano. See ancient petroglyphs, a hidden waterfall, and then soak in a steaming pool. Tour the Nispero Zoo to see endangered species and exotic orchids.

Panama Canal Train and Colon Tour – Take the train from Panama City to Colon through a scenic route with the Panama Canal, the Chagres River and tropical mountain range on both sides. Tour the city of Colon, its forts, and the Agua Clara Lock Center.

Gatun River & Embera Indigenous People – Travel through tropical rainforest by piragua (canoe) to a Embera Quera village. See sloth and howler monkeys, as well as a variety of birdlife. Enjoy a cultural experience with the Embera that includes music, dancing and visiting their unique traditional homes built on stilts.

Best Time to Visit:
JAN – MID APRIL



10 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own private expert local guides
- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary

Signature Experiences Included:

- Visit the famous Central Market in Santiago
- See the magnificent views of Santiago and the Andes Mountains from San Cristobal Hill
- Experience a sunset in the Moon Valley
- Tour the "Garden City" and coastal resort of Vina del Mar

2024 Prices

Starts: Santiago
Ends: Santiago

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$7,395

Intra-tour Air: **\$950**

Best Time To Travel: **NOV -APR**



DAYS 1 – 2 • Meals: B

Santiago, CHILE

Ritz Carlton

Tour Santiago to see Club Hípico racetrack, Parque O'Higgins, and the Palacio Cousiño. Explore the famous Alameda to see the Chilean University, the San Francisco Church, and Santa Lucia Hill. See the Plaza de Armas and the cathedral. Visit the Historical Museum and the famous Central Market, before crossing the Mapocho River, through the Bohemian Bellavista district, on the way to San Cristobal Hill.

DAYS 3 – 5 • Meals: B

San Pedro de Atacama

Tierra Atacaa Boutique Hotel & Spa

Fly to Calama and experience the Atacama Desert. Tour the village of Chiu Chiu and the Inca Fortress Lasana. During a walking tour of San Pedro, visit the Father Le Paige Museum. Enjoy a sunset in the Moon Valley. Visit the huge Atacama Salt Lake, one of the driest places on earth, and the small Indian village of Toconao. See the Lagunas Miscanti & Meniques, two white salt lakes surrounded by snow-covered volcanoes. Enjoy an early morning outing to the El Tatio Geysers.

DAYS 6 – 7 • Meals: B

Vina Del Mar

Hotel Casa Higuera

Return by air to Santiago then transfer to Vina del Mar. Tour the sophisticated resort known as the "Garden City" for its beautiful gardens and avenues lined with flowering trees and palms. Visit the Fonck Archaeological Museum, displaying artifacts from Easter Island, Chile, Peru and Ecuador. Tour Valparaiso, Chile's main port, and new seat of the national congress.

DAYS 8 – 10 • Meals: B

Colchagua Valley & Depart Home

Hotel Santa Cruz Plaza

Drive from Vina del Mar to the Colchagua Valley, an area known for its wineries and fine vintages. Visit several wineries to learn their process, stroll through the vineyards, and taste the wines. Return to the Santiago airport for your flight home.

Ask about extensions to Easter Island or Patagonia.

This itinerary can be modified based on your specific interests, preferred travel dates & budget. Visit our website for more details.



Easter Island (Rapa Nui) is on the must-see list of every world explorer – because of its unique history, remote, isolated location, and mysterious archaeological sites. The statues called moai attribute to the island's 13th – 16th century inhabitants, but how and why they stand in such a remote geographic location is the stuff of legends. Even Easter Island's location has a bit of mystery – sitting 3000 miles from the South American mainland, Easter Island is part of Polynesia, yet a Chilean territory. Isolated from the rest of the world, the inhabitants developed their own culture, religion, and lifestyle to thrive in the volcanic terrain.

Easter Island is for history and nature lovers. You can hike, bike, walk, or explore the island in a 4x4 jeep. Allow a few days to really explore the incredible landscape of volcanic craters, lava formations, and pink sand beaches adjacent to brilliant blue water.

Easter Island is accessed by a 5-hour flight from Santiago, Chile – fly about 2-3 times a week. Visits are most commonly added to a trip to Chile and/or Argentina, though exploring Peru and Easter Island works well too. Accommodations on the island are comfortable but basic and limited – so early reservations are advised. The usual visit last 3-5 days; staying at one resort location and taking day excursions to the various points of interest. Lakani World Tours can create a travel itinerary best suited for you – depending on your time, interests, and budget.

Hanga Roa – the main town and focal point of Easter Island life with hotels, restaurants, bars, and clubs.

Rano Raraku – a spectacular stone quarry from which the moai were cut; nearly 300 giant carvings, abandoned in various stages of completion in the mid-17th century. You can get spectacular views of the interior crater and walk along the crater's edge to the dazzling natural rock pools at One Makihi.

Rano Kau Crater – the largest volcanic crater on Easter Island. It offers panoramic views of the ocean and the interior of this once-active, massive volcano.

Orongo Ceremonial Site – at Rano Kau Crater, an ancient ceremonial site dedicated to the island's mysterious Bird Man cult. There are 53 houses built with flat stones, and rocks with petroglyphs that symbolize fertility.

Ara O Te Moai – trek this trail once used to transport moai sculptures and view numerous overturned moai along the way.

Togariki Ahu – 15 standing moais at the largest excavated and restored monument in Polynesia.

Best Time to Visit:

APRIL – JUN & OCT – DEC



PATAGONIA



Best Time to Visit:

OCT – APR



The 400,000 square mile Patagonia region encompasses the vast southernmost tip of South America and is shared by Argentina and Chile. The Argentine side features arid steppes, grasslands and deserts, and the pinnacles of Monte Fitz Roy and Perito Moreno Glacier in its Los Glaciares National Park. The Chilean side offers glacial fjords and a temperate rainforest in its Torres del Paine National Park. The Chilean Patagonia is a collage of islands, inlets, and labyrinthine channels.

Patagonia can easily be a 1-2-week excursion by itself or added onto a trip to elsewhere in South America. Lakani World Tours can create a travel itinerary best suited for you – depending on your time, interests, abilities and budget. Just some of the main points of interest are:

Torres del Paine National Park (Chile) – one of the largest and most visited parks in Chilean Patagonia. The park is an extremely popular hiking destination with many marked paths dominated by the Paine massif that rises dramatically over the landscape. Grey Glacier calves huge, intensely colored icebergs into Lago Grey. Explore pristine landscapes that once were home to the prehistoric horse, the giant sloth and the saber-tooth tiger. Today the abundance of wildlife includes guanacos, flamingos, and condors. A UNESCO World Biosphere Reserve.

Los Glaciares National Park (Argentina) - a vast area featuring the southern ice field, with dozens of glaciers, virgin forests, the towering Fitz Roy massif, the huge, turquoise-colored Lago Argentino, and the famous Perito Moreno glacier. Fauna includes Condor, guanaco, and puma. A UNESCO World Heritage site.

The Lakes District (Argentina) – the most populated and developed. The Seven Lakes route winds for 70 miles between a series of lakes surrounded by Andean peaks and beech and myrtle forests. There are a series of small towns, most notably Frutillar with its German-influenced churches, and Puerto Varas. The lake district ends at Bariloche, a major Argentina resort town on the banks of the immense Nahuel Huapi Lake. It offers trekking and mountain biking as well as a cultural blend that has produced notable beer, pretzels, and chocolate.

Punta Arenas (Chile) – a flight gateway and important port with stately mansions and museums. It's the departure port for the Australis small-ship expedition cruises to Cape Horn and Ushuaia.

Puerto Madryn (Argentina) – has some of the world's best whale-watching and is the gateway to penguin spotting on the Valdes Peninsula. It home to Patagonia's preserved and practicing Welsh communities.

Tierra del Fuego (Argentina) – literally the ends of the earth, or at least South America. This is a region of moss-covered forests, craggy mountains, and winding fjords, to be explored on a wilderness trek, by 4x4 or on an expedition cruise.



A 990 mile plateau on the Pacific coast of South America, west of the Andes Mountains, is known as the driest place on earth. Most of the region is in Chile, but the southern coastal area of Peru is considered part of the Atacama Desert. It has been arid for at least 3 million years, making it the oldest continuously dry region in the world. There is even some evidence that sections of the desert have been arid since the Triassic period – over 200 million years. Its dryness comes from its location between two mountain chains which prevents moisture from falling due to a constant temperature inversion. The unusual Mars-like landscape is mostly rocky with salt lakes, sand, and silica lava that flows towards the Andes.

Despite the climatic conditions, both flora and fauna are found in this region. Over 500 species of plants, as well as some reptiles and amphibians are known to have evolved in this region, but the most diverse animal group in the Atacama are birds. Humboldt penguins live along the coast, Flamingos are found in the salt flats and along the coast, and a variety of other birds visit the fog oases to feed on the insects and flowers. South American fur seals and Patagonian sea lions often appear along the coast.

Considered one of the top three destinations in Chile, the Atacama is ready and waiting for you to explore this fascinating region on a Lakani organized vacation. Combine it with Peru or perhaps Chile's wine region. With a base in San Pedro de Atacama, here are some highlights of the Atacama Desert sightseeing:

- Explore the Nature Sanctuary and Monument of Moon Valley where you find unique geological formations, salt sculptures, and caves
- Spend the day on the high plateau of Altiplano where you visit its scenic lagoons and salt flats, the nesting place and habitat for three species of flamingos that are found in Chile
- Tour the Tatio Geysers and geothermal field where there are over 60 geysers spouting steam and water to behold (be there early to see them at their best)

Best Time to Visit:

MAR – MAY & SEP – NOV



ANTARCTICA – *Adventure to the Last Frontier*



Best Time to Visit:

NOV & DEC



This increasingly popular destination is the fifth largest continent and least populated. Surrounded by the Southern Ocean, it is home to the geographic South Pole and is mostly covered by the Antarctic Ice Sheet that is an average of 1.2 miles thick. Antarctica is governed by 30 countries, in accordance with the 1959 Antarctic Treaty System. Tourism, fishing, and research are the main activities in and around Antarctica. On a visit to seventh continent, you can expect to see various species of penguins, seals, and seabirds like albatrosses. Ten cetaceans may be found in the Southern Ocean surrounding Antarctica, including whales and orcas.

Most travelers visit Antarctica by sea, but it is also possible to participate in a land adventure. Camping, hiking, cross-country skiing, and mountaineering are all possible activities along with a visit to the South Pole. For those who have an adventurous spirit but rather like creature comforts, there is a luxury camp where meals are created by an award-winning chef, accompanied by fine wines, and where you sleep in a fully furnished and heated sleeping pod. During the day, you can experience kite-skiing, explore ice caves, and immerse yourself in a colony of Emperor penguins. The other way to see Antarctica is on an overflight.

Whether you are inspired to cruise your way to Antarctica, fly in and spend a week exploring, or wish to see the expansive iceshell from above, Lakani will create the adventure best suited to your interests and style. Your unforgettable experience in this far corner of the world may be combined with South Africa, Australia, South America, or may be a stand-alone adventure. Please contact Lakani World Tours for suggestions.

Antarctica Highlights Include:

- Wildlife sightings of large colonies of adorable and interesting penguins
- Opportunities to explore ice caves
- Glamping in luxurious pods
- Cross-country skiing and mountaineering
- Visit a research station and learn from scientists
- Follow in the footsteps of Amundsen and journey to the South Pole

A Cultural Experience in the “world’s happiest place” – PARAGUAY



One of two landlocked countries in South America, Paraguay is bordered by Argentina, Brazil, and Bolivia, and it has ports on the Paraguay and Parana Rivers that flow into the Atlantic Ocean. Its indigenous Guarani people had been living in eastern Paraguay for over 1000 years before the arrival of the Spanish conquistadors in the 16th century. Jesuit missions created settlements for Guarani populations to protect them from slavery and they thrived for 150 years until the Jesuits were expelled by the Spanish Crown in 1767. Most of the population are of mixed European and indigenous heritage and speak Guarani in addition to Spanish. The fusion of two cultures and traditions is expressed in its arts, music, and gastronomy.

Home to six ecoregions, Paraguay has excellent natural wonders in addition to its cultural and historical attractions. The Chaco region has two wildlife reserves that people visit from across the world to see its rare wildlife, including jaguars, tapir, giant anteater, and night monkey, and over 500 species of native birds. Iguazu Falls sits on the border of Paraguay, Argentina, and Brazil and can easily be visited while in Paraguay.

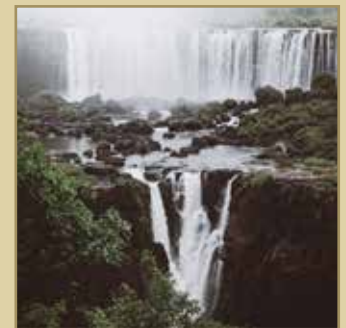
The team at Lakani World Tours has been arranging journeys to Paraguay for decades and will create an inspiring trip with accommodations and activities suited to you. Whether your interests lie in natural wonders, architecture, adventure, or cultural attractions, you can rely on Lakani to provide a memorable experience. Please contact Lakani for suggestions.

Paraguay Highlights Include:

- Luxury accommodations to your specifications
- Opportunities for the ecotourist to visit untouched natural forest of Chaco
- See the UNESCO World Heritage Sites of two 18th – century missions, La Santisima Trinidad de Parana and Jesus de Tavarangue
- Visit one of the great natural wonders of the world – Iguazu Falls
- Encounter artists who create exquisite lace and the musicians who perform the lively music of Paraguay
- Immerse yourself in the Guarani culture that is prevalent throughout the country

Best Time to Visit:

MAR – NOV



10 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own private expert local guides
- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary

Signature Experiences Included:

- Buenos Aires city tour
- Visit the famous Recoleta Cemetery
- Enjoy dinner and a Tango Show in San Telmo
- Visit Bariloche in the beautiful Lake District

2024 Prices

Starts: Buenos Aires

Ends: Buenos Aires

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$9,995

Intra-tour Air: From **\$1,100**

Best Time to Travel:

OCT - DEC & APR - JUN



DAYS 1 – 3 • Meals: B 1L 1D

Buenos Aires, ARGENTINA

Alvear Palace Hotel

Arrive in Buenos Aires, the capital and largest city in Argentina. Your journey begins with a visit to the Plaza De Mayo, the Metropolitan Cathedral and Cabildo, which was built during the Spanish rule. See the famous Colon Theatre before continuing to San Telmo, strolling through the market while listening to the tango music and seeing couples dancing on the cobblestone streets. Visit Estancia Santa Susana, where you will see a folklore show and regional games of horsemanship. Enjoy a dinner and Tango Show.

DAYS 4 – 5 • Meals: B

Bariloche

Llao Llao Hotel

Fly to Bariloche, situated in the foothills of the Andes on the southern shores of Nahuel Huapi Lake and surrounded by the Nahuel Huapi National Park. Visit Nahuel Huapi and Moreno Lakes and the Llao Llao peninsula. A chair lift will take you to the top of the hill to enjoy one of the most impressive views of the region. Continue your journey of stunning sightseeing en route to Villa La Angostura and Correntoso Lake.

DAYS 6 – 7 • Meals: B

Mendoza

Park Hyatt Hotel

Fly to Mendoza which is located in the north-central part of the country, in a region of foothills and high plains, on the eastern side of the Andes. The region around Greater Mendoza is the largest wine producing area in Latin America. The city is an emerging Wine tourism destination and base for exploring the region's hundreds of wineries located along the Argentina Wine Route. Take a tour of the city to include Pedro del Castilla Square, the Municipal Aquarium, Government House, main avenues and parks. Enjoy a full day visiting several wineries with wine tasting. Along with the tasting, you will also have an opportunity to learn more about wine making, and the importance of the cork.

DAYS 8 – 10 • Meals: B

Iguazu Falls & Depart Home

Melia Hotel

Fly to Puerto Iguazu and be transferred to your hotel (Melia Iguazu) located inside Iguazu National Park. Tour starts with a stop at the Visitors Center and proceeds from there to the Superior Circuit (up-river cascades) and then to the Inferior Circuit (down-river falls). Then take the Ecological Jungle Train to the most impressive observation point of the falls - The Devils Throat. On Day 10 you will be transferred to the airport for your return flight home or to your next destination.

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2024 Prices

Starts: Montevideo
Ends: Buenos Aires

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$3,890 Low Season (Mar – Mid Dec)

\$4,790 High Season (Jan – Feb)

Best Time To Travel: **NOV – FEB**

6 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own private expert local guides
- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary

Signature Experiences Included:

- View contemporary cosmopolitan Montevideo
- Drive the southern Uruguay coast
- Admire the beauty of Punta Del Este on a bicycle tour
- Visit the famous "Calle de los Suspiros," often used as scenery for historical films
- Enjoy wine and cheese tasting at an idyllic wine lodge in Carmelo

DAY 1

Montevideo, Uruguay

Alma Historica Boutique Hotel

On arrival in Montevideo, clear customs and immigration, before you are met and transferred to your hotel.

Uruguay is known for its 373 miles of coastline with beautiful untouched sandy beaches and stunning interior landscapes. It is a small yet diverse country - with modern cities and a traditional countryside where real "gauchos" (South American cowboys), still ride the range. The rest of the day is at leisure to relax after your international flight.

DAYS 2 – 3 • Meals: B

Punta Del Este

The Grand Hotel Punta Del Este

This morning, enjoy a half-day city tour of Montevideo - a modern city with a European flair. Enjoy the countryside of Uruguay on your drive to Punta del Este, and your ocean-view resort. Meet your guide for a morning tour giving you an intimate look at beautiful Punta del Este. The city's charm, natural surroundings, well-kept gardens adorned with colorful flowers, and pristine sandy beaches, make it a perfect location to visit by bike. Afternoon tour by car to visit Fundación Ralli, a private museum of Contemporary Latin American Art, tour through La Barra and visit the Pablo Atchugarry Foundation, showcasing impressive marble sculptures.

DAYS 4 – 5 • Meals: B

Carmelo

Narbona Wine Lodge

Depart for Carmelo and your accommodations at the historic and beautiful Narbona Wine Lodge and Winery. Founded in 1909, and spread over 37 acres of magnificent vineyards, the winery is also well known for its excellent wines. Enjoy a guided winery tour and tasting, and free time to explore or relax at your beautiful lodge and pursue your own interests. Travel through the vineyard in a golf cart; use the gym, outdoor pool or venture to the private beach in Puerto Camacho. Relish the area's natural beauty, tranquility, and great hospitality.

DAY 6 • Meals: B

Colonia Del Sacramento / Buenos Aires & Depart

Drive to Colonia del Sacramento, a small city founded by the Portuguese in 1680 when the Treaty of Saint Ildefonso awarded it to Spain. Today the Old City has a lot to say about its colonial past. Tour this recently declared UNESCO World Heritage site with picturesque cobblestone streets and stone walls. Board the ferry (Business Class) for the hour ride to Buenos Aires in Argentina. Upon arrival at the Buenos Aires ferry pier, you are met and transferred to the airport for your return flight home or on to your next destination.



10 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own personal expert local guides

Signature Experiences Included:

- 4 day/3 night Cruise on the Amazon aboard the Iberostar Grand Amazon
- Visit Iguazu Falls from Argentina and Brazil
- Cable car up Sugar Loaf Mountain for a spectacular view of Rio de Janeiro and surroundings
- Visit one of the modern Seven Wonders of the World, the statue of Christ the Redeemer

2024 Prices

Starts: Manaus
Ends: Rio de Janeiro

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

Land Cost: **\$5,795**
Intra-tour Air: From **\$1,400**

Best Time to Visit: **All Year Round**

Based on Thursday arrival in Manaus.



DAY 1

Manaus, Brazil

Hotel Villa Amazonia

Upon arrival you will be met and transferred from the airport to the hotel with a brief city tour enroute to visit the opera house.

DAYS 2 – 4 • Meals: BLD

Amazon River

Iberostar Grand Amazon

On Friday board the Iberostar Grand Amazon at the Port of Manaus for your cruise into the vast Amazon Jungle. You will visit the local indigenous people, go piranha fishing, take small boat rides down streams and get close to the flora and fauna, spot an alligator on a night boat ride, and float through a flooded forest.

DAYS 5 – 6 • Meals: B

Iguazu Falls

Belmond Hotel Das Cataratas

Iguazu Falls is one of the largest waterfall systems in the world. Get a chance to see every angle. You will have a view from the Argentine side, the Brazilian side and from the helicopter above. Take the Jungle Train to the most impressive observation point – the Devil's Throat.

DAYS 7 – 10 • Meals: B 2L

Rio de Janeiro & Depart Home

Fairmont Rio de Janeiro Copacabana

Rio de Janeiro is filled with beautiful beaches as well as people and is home to Samba Dance, as well as one of the largest Carnivals in the world. Take the cable car up Sugar Loaf Mountain and look down on magnificent Rio. Tour downtown with the many churches, banks, and government buildings.

Travel up Corcovado Hill in the Tijuca Forest, the largest urban forest in the world, where you will reach one of the modern Seven Wonders of the World, the statue of Christ the Redeemer. Transfer to the airport for your flight home.



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The world's largest tropical wetland area and flooded grasslands is found mostly in Brazil and is known as the Pantanal – a Portuguese word meaning “big wetland.” Its size is over 54, 000 square miles and the slightly sloping basin was created millions of years ago as the Andean Mountains were formed. The enormous river delta receives water runoff from the highlands and flows slowly into the Paraguay River and tributaries. The seasonal wet and dry seasons provide for an interesting ecosystem that is considered home to hundreds of bird and fish species, and an abundance of mammals, reptiles, and invertebrates, including rare and vulnerable species like the marsh deer, giant river otter, hyacinth macaw, South American tapir, and more. It enjoys a good population of the elusive jaguar, caiman, monkeys, and capybara.

Lakani World Tours will create the itinerary based on when you wish to visit and what you wish to see. Travel during the wet season from December to April is more suited to seeing aquatic animals like caimans, anacondas, and piranhas. The dry season from June to October is good for viewing mammals, like jaguars, capybara, maned wolves, and monkeys. The best viewing overall is generally March to November. There are opportunities for walking safaris, horse riding, bird watching, canoe and vehicle safaris.

The Pantanal is one of the most pristine and prolific habitats in the world, and you can be among the few who explore its wondrous gifts. Combine it with Iguassu Falls, and even the Amazon to make it an unforgettable discovery of natural marvels of Brazil.

Here are some highlights of The Pantanal sightseeing:

- Visit the Museu de Historia do Pantanal in the gateway town to the Pantanal, Corumba, and gain insight into the region and its history
- Meet with conservationists and environmental researchers at the Caiman Ecological Refuge and hear about their projects
- Join a walking tour with an expert guide and gain close access to the flora and fauna
- Take guided night safari to spot the incredible nocturnal creatures
- See the landscape of Bonito with limestone formations, caves, and underground lakes.

Best Time to Visit:

JUL – OCT



10 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own private expert local guides
- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary

Signature Experiences Included:

- Visit the Quitsato Sundial
- See some of South America's largest & most beautiful gardens
- Walk near snow capped peaks and volcanoes in Cotopaxi National Park
- Shop at the Otavalo Indian market and learn the ancient techniques of weaving in Peguche
- Ride the Devil's Nose train

2024 Prices

Starts: Quito

Ends: Guayaquil

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$5,795

Best Time To Travel: **All Year**



DAYS 1 – 2 • Meals: B

Quito, ECUADOR

Casa Gangotena

Tour the historical city center that showcases the city's rich history. See the Church of La Compañía, and Independence Square. Visit the famous hill of old town, Panecillo (little bread) and see the angel statue "Virgen de Quito". Wander through the museum, Casa del Alabado.

DAYS 3 – 4 • Meals: B

Angochagua

Hacienda Zuleta

Travel the Pan-American Highway into the spectacular Guayllabamba gorge and village. See the snow-capped Cayambe volcano. Stop in Quisato to view the Equator Line monument and the Sun clock. Visit the small town of Cotacachi, Ecuador's center for leatherworks. Shop the world famous Indian handcrafts market of Otavalo. In the little village of Peguche, participate in the process of material preparation for the tapestries and learn the ancient techniques of weaving.

DAYS 5 – 6 • Meals: B

Cotopaxi / Riobamba

Hacienda San Agustin / Hosteria La Andaluza

En route to Cotopaxi, visit Pakakuna Gardens, one of the largest and most gorgeous of all private gardens in South America. Tour Cotopaxi National Park and see some of the highest peaks in Ecuador.

DAYS 7 – 10 • Meals: B

Cuenca / Guayaquil &

Depart Home

Cruz del Vado / Hotel Del Parque

Travel to Cuenca with a stop at the Inca ruins of Ingapirca, the most important monument of pre-Spanish culture in Ecuador.

Cuenca, founded in 1557 in an ancient Incan valley, is a center of art, ceramics, products of silver and gold, and Panama hats. Encompassing a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the "Todos los Santos" ruins, the flower market, and the main square with the old and new Cathedrals, travelers consider this city the most beautiful in Ecuador. You will also tour a Panama hat factory before continuing on for an overnight in Guayaquil, Ecuador's largest city. On day 10 you'll transfer to the airport for your departure flight.



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2024 Prices

Starts: Guayaquil
Ends: Quito

Prices Per Person, Double Occupancy:

\$5,695

Intra-tour Air: **\$690**

Best Time To Travel: **All Year**

7 Days - Pre-Designed Journey

Travel Experience by private car with guide

Tour Price Includes:

- All transfers and sightseeing excursions by private car and driver
- Your own private expert local guides
- Accommodations as shown
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary

Signature Experiences Included:

- Explore the remote Galapagos Islands by yacht, kayak, horseback or on foot
- Savor 4 nights in a deluxe villa in the Galapagos Highlands
- Get up-close with unique wildlife – including Giant Tortoises, Blue Footed Boobies, penguins, iguanas & more!
- Enjoy snorkeling, swimming, kayaking, hiking, horseback riding, or just relaxing
- Stay in expert-selected Luxury Accommodations

DAY 1

Arrive Guayaquil, Ecuador

Hotel Del Parque

On arrival at Guayaquil airport you will be transferred to your deluxe hotel. Guayaquil is Ecuador's largest city, port and financial center; it also features charming cathedrals, cobbled hilly streets, and riverfront parks.

DAYS 2 – 5 • Meals: B 3L 4D

Guayaquil / Santa Cruz

Finch Bay Galapagos Hotel

This morning you are transferred to the Guayaquil airport for the short flight to Baltra adjacent to Santa Cruz Island. You are transferred to your resort hotel located in the peaceful Highlands of Santa Cruz Island. Settle into your plush resort accommodations, your home for the next four nights.

The legendary Galapagos Islands are Ecuador's main attraction - a vast archipelago of volcanic origin. The islands are home to abundant wildlife on land, in the air and underwater — all carefully protected to showcase "time capsule" ecosystems, just as they were thousands of years ago. These Enchanted Islands are a unique living museum of evolutionary changes and a place where you can get to know a variety of exotic endemic species. Most animals here are unafraid of man and are so different from any others in the world. Among the animals found, are the different species of giant "Galapagos" tortoises that gave the islands their name. Other Galapagos wildlife includes sea lions, dolphins, blue-footed birds, turtles, penguins, flamingos and iguanas are just some of the most prolific.

Enjoy three full days exploring the Galapagos and its fascinating wildlife by boat, kayak, snorkeling, hiking or visiting nature reserves – the choice is yours! Relish two, full-day trips to your choice of neighboring islands – watching for dolphins and whales enroute; a picnic lunch is included on each island excursion. You can also choose among activities including biking, horseback riding, snorkeling or a visit to the Charles Darwin station.

DAY 6 • Meals: B

Santa Cruz Island / Quito

Hotel Casa Gangotena

Quito is within 16 miles of the equator, yet thanks to its high altitude, the climate is spring-like all year round - warm during the day and cool at night. Quito is a colorful city with a walkable historic district. On arrival, you are met and escorted to your luxury hotel in the heart of the city's Colonial district. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

DAY 7 • Meals: B

Depart Quito

Enjoy Quito until time for your transfer to the airport for your flight home or on to your next destination.



COSTA RICA



Best Time to Visit:

DEC – APR



The Central American country of Costa Rica is a sovereign state whose longstanding and stable democracy dates to 1948. It is bordered by Nicaragua, Panama, the Caribbean Sea, and the Pacific Ocean. With a population of approximately 5 million in a land area of over 19,000 square miles, it contains about 5% of the planet's species making it one of the most biodiverse countries in the world. From rain forests to dry tropical and temperate forests, volcanoes to mountains and beaches, the country has diverse culture, climates, flora, fauna, and landscapes. Costa Rica is an ideal destination for families, couples, and individuals of all interests and ages. The country has been promoting ecotourism for 30 years and visitors are drawn to the extensive national parks and protected areas throughout the country.

Costa Rica is not only considered one of the safest vacation spots, but also it is deemed to be one of the happiest nations in the world. Whether it's adventure you seek, wildlife experiences, walks in the rainforest, exploring volcano craters, relaxing on stunning beaches, or perhaps a combination of all the above, the team at Lakani World Tours will create the perfect vacation just for you.

As an example, you may wish to see Costa Rica's three top destinations. With your private guide, head to the Arenal Volcano National Park to explore the volcano, hot springs and perhaps kayak on its expansive manmade lake. Stop for a coffee plantation tour on the way to Monteverde Cloud Forest Reserve. Then continue to the beautiful Manuel Antonio National Park, a haven for monkeys, sloths, and tropical birds. Here are some highlights you can experience:

- Explore the rainforest canopy on a thrilling zipline tour or Sky Tram ride
- Take ecological night and day walks in the cloud forest, spot wildlife and admire the misty canopy
- Tour the Manuel Antonio National Park and spot up to four types of monkeys along with sloths on hiking trails
- Board a catamaran for a tour along the Pacific coast and marine animal viewing



Situated at the extreme northwestern point of North America, Alaska is the largest US State. Its area is more than Texas, California and Montana combined; however, the population is among the lowest at less than 750,000. Bordering Canada, the Bering Strait, and the Arctic and Pacific Oceans, Alaska was inhabited by various indigenous populations for thousands of years before it was settled by Russians in the 18th century. As Russia was unable to control the territory so far from its capital, it sold Alaska to the USA in 1867 and in 1959 it became the 49th State of the United States. The indigenous population accounts for more than 15 percent of Alaskans with almost two dozen native languages spoken. There are many islands in the state, as well as volcanoes, millions of lakes, over 188,000 square miles of marshlands and permafrost, and glaciers. More than half of the land is federally owned, including numerous national forests, national parks, and wildlife refuges. Alaska's rich heritage, history, wildlife, and unrivaled landscape makes it particularly appealing to visitors of all ages.

There are a multitude of spectacular adventures to behold in Alaska, and Lakani World Tours will create the itinerary best suited to your interests and schedule. Five regions make up the state: Arctic, where the sun doesn't set for over two months of the year and where you can be one of the few to cross the arctic circle; Interior, home to Denali National Park, forests teeming with wildlife, Fairbanks with rich Alaska Native and gold rush history in museums and cultural centers, and excellent for Northern Lights sightings in winter; Inside Passage, stretching 500 miles along the Pacific Ocean, it has stunning scenery with wildlife-filled fjords, tidewater glaciers and majestic mountainous forests; Southcentral, traditional lands of the Athabaskan people and home to Anchorage, Kenai Peninsula, Prince William Sound, and has the benefit of remote wilderness that is easily accessible; and Southwest Alaska, with diverse landscapes, brown bears of Katmai National Park, the Aleutian, Pribilof and Kodiak Islands.

Here are some highlights you can experience with Lakani in Alaska:

- Explore the unforgettable Arctic Circle activities with accommodations in a luxury wilderness lodge
- Experience the thrill of whitewater rafting or kayaking in Denali Park and memorable flightseeing over the mountains and glaciers
- Immerse yourself in traditional Alaskan heritage in Ketchikan where some carved totem poles are over 100 years old
- View black and brown bears fishing for salmon in their natural habitat
- Enjoy glacier trek and dog sledding excursions
- And much more...

Best Time to Visit:

MAY – SEP



WESTERN U.S. NATIONAL PARKS



Best Time to Visit:

JUN – AUG



The American West conjures up all sorts of images of pretty meadows, majestic mountains and forests, dramatic rivers and canyons, and amazing rock formations. Whether your interest is in photography, hiking, wildlife viewing, or nature's beauty, you can generally visit these parks all year round. The oldest and most famous national park in the west is **Yellowstone**, with almost 3500 square miles of wilderness. It is known for its impressive geothermal hot springs and spurting geysers as well as the beautiful landscape and abundant wildlife such as bears, wolves, bison, elk, and antelope. **Yosemite National Park** in California is among the most visited parks in the country. With splendid valleys revealing waterfalls, impressive granite rocks, hiking trails for all levels and ages, and scenic drives, it offers enough adventure to suit everyone.

Often overlooked, the **Channel Islands National Park** offers peace and solitude for a day trip, with the possibility of seeing species found nowhere else in the world. Further north in Washington, **Olympic National Park** is great for exploring rivers, lakes, coastline, with opportunities for hiking, fishing, wildlife viewing and tide pooling. The striking landscape of **Grand Teton National Park** in Wyoming will leave you breathless. While it is popular for mountaineering, hiking, and fishing, visitors can enjoy boating on its lakes, wildlife viewing and scenic drives.

Whether you wish to combine parks in your trip, or focus on just one, Lakani will create the special vacation for you and your family and friends. Here are some highlights you can enjoy in the National Parks of the West:

- Discover the many species of mammals living beneath the soaring peaks of the Teton Range
- Admire iconic El Capitan, whose height is 2 ½ times the height of the Empire State Building
- Tour the geysers of Yellowstone, including Old Faithful, Grand Geyser, the tallest, and Giant Geyser, the most voluminous
- Cross the channel from Santa Barbara to Santa Cruz, and look out for dolphins and whales on the way
- Take the spectacular "Going-to-the-Sun Road" that spans the width of Glacier National Park, passing through varied terrain from glacial lakes and cedar forests to valleys and alpine tundra on its 50-mile road
- Explore the tide pools at Hole in the Wall on the coast of Olympic National Park

SOUTHWESTERN U.S. NATIONAL PARKS



The National Parks of the Southwestern United States are among the most dramatically scenic in the world. Incredible landscapes with colorful deserts, canyons, rivers, and small mountains are dotted with ancestral dwellings and evidence of inhabitation that goes back several thousands of years. There are 17 National Parks considered part of the Southwest from the **Death Valley** and **Joshua Tree National Parks** in California to **Big Bend** and **Guadalupe Mountains National Parks** in western Texas, including parks in Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, and part of Colorado. The best time to visit most of these parks is generally spring and fall, when the temperatures are milder. It is possible to tour during the summer, but be prepared for very hot and sunny days, particularly in the desert areas.

Arizona is home to three national parks, including the ever-popular **Grand Canyon National Park** where one of the most famous and deepest canyons in the world is found. Tour the South Rim, the North Rim, or both. There are many ways to explore the 277-mile-long canyon that is 18 miles wide and over a mile deep. The team at Lakani World Tours will set you up for the itinerary and activities that suit you best. Petrified Forest National Park with over 600 archaeological sites and **Saguaro National Park**, showcasing the cacti by the same name, are both in Arizona. For those interested in archaeology and ancient sites of indigenous peoples, **Mesa Verde National Park** in Colorado is home to some of the best-preserved Ancestral Puebloan sites, including more than 600 cliff dwellings.

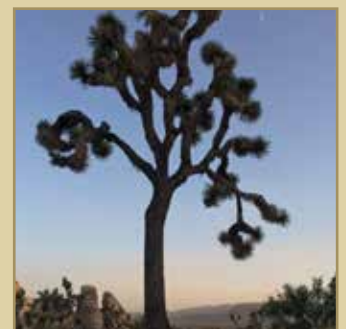
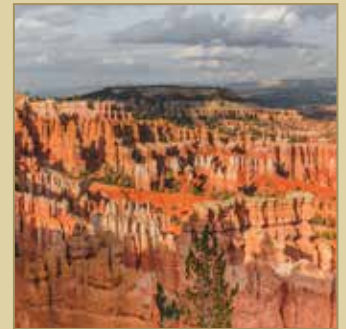
Known as 'The Mighty 5' National Parks, Utah's national parks await with spellbinding red rock formations, captivating landscapes, and immense canyons. One of the top national parks in the country is **Arches National Park** where 2,000 natural sandstone arches are scattered throughout the 73,000-acre park. Arrive at sunrise to see a red glow across the landscape; and at night, this is a perfect place for stargazing. **Canyonlands National Park** and **Capitol Reef National Park** are not far from Arches and reveal different landscapes of colorful canyons and majestic mountains. Further south in Utah, **Bryce Canyon National Park** has stunning views of hoodoos – tall spire-shaped rock formations – created over millions of years. About 100 miles south is **Zion National Park**, a 1000-foot-deep red rock canyon with breathtaking views that change constantly with the light.

Let Lakani plan your vacation to the American Southwest and enjoy these highlights:

- Helicopter over the Grand Canyon for unforgettable bird's-eye view
- Walk in the footsteps of the ancient inhabitants of Cliff Palace, the magnificent cliff dwelling in Mesa Verde National Park
- See countless stalactites, stalagmites, columns, and draperies in the fascinating limestone caves of Carlsbad Caverns National Park
- Feast your eyes on the amazing colors of nature's creation as the sun rises and sets over the hoodoos of Bryce Canyon
- Dine with a Navajo Code Talker
- Unearth dinosaur fossils in the desert
- Rappel through hidden slot canyons

Best Time to Visit:

MAR – NOV

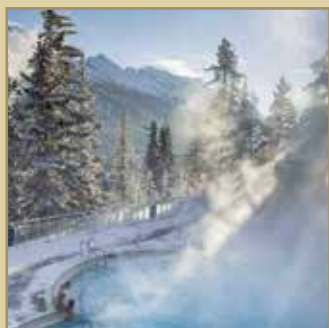


WESTERN CANADA



Best Time to Visit:

APR – JUN, SEP – OCT



Picture-perfect, pristine locales are settings for fun and adventure in the wilderness playgrounds of Western Canada. From alpine lakes and glaciers in the Canadian Rockies to the Pacific Ocean, there are myriad sites to see and explore. Travel through stunning national parks and ascend gondolas for picturesque views; spot wildlife such as bears and buffalo; walk on icefields and glaciers; cruise turquoise lakes and ferry across to Vancouver Island; and become immersed in the culture of British Columbia, Alberta, Manitoba and beyond.

Calgary is a great place to begin your journey through Western Canada. Located just 50 miles from the Canadian Rockies at the confluence of the Bow and Elbow Rivers, it is most famous for the annual Calgary Stampede. Spend time in Jasper National Park, Canada's largest national park, where the night sky is well known for stargazing. It is home to a variety of wildlife, natural hot springs, lakes and alpine meadows. Banff National Park is the oldest in Canada and is known for its spectacular scenery, beautiful lakes, including Lake Louise and Moraine Lake. Vancouver with its Stanley Park, Chinatown, and Capilano Suspension Bridge is a must-see city on the Pacific coast of British Columbia. From here, take the ferry to the lovely city of Victoria on Vancouver Island. Take time to wander through Butchart Gardens, see the city's decorated totem poles, and perhaps take a hike in Pacific Rim National Park.

Whether you take a leisurely sojourn around the region, or break it up into smaller trips, Lakani World Tours will create unforgettable experiences in Western Canada, curated just for you. Here are some activities you can indulge in:

- Visit the "Polar Bear Capital of the World," in Manitoba to see the polar bear migration
- Cross the 230 foot high Capilano Suspension Bridge on foot in Vancouver
- Kayak with orcas near Vancouver Island
- Heli-fish in British Columbia's most remote streams
- Soak in the rejuvenating hot springs of Banff and Jasper
- Canoe across the brilliant turquoise waters of Moraine Lake
- Heli-hike in the magnificent Canadian Rockies
- Take a walk on an ancient glacier and climb aboard a giant Ice Explorer
- Experience Glamping in the wilderness of British Columbia and immerse yourself in the local culture

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Reservations and Payments: Deposits and payments for our Select Tours for Independent Travelers, and Custom Made Tours vary according to the individual itinerary. We may require a non-refundable planning fee that will automatically be credited to your final payment. Final payment is due no later than 90 days for journeys without trains and cruises. For journeys that include a train or cruise, the final payment is due at least 120 days prior to departure. Payments may be made by check, American Express, VISA or MasterCard. Payments for internal air requirements are subject to the policies of the airlines involved and will be advised at the time of confirmation.

Custom Made, Small Group Tours and Private Jet Tours have their own terms and conditions. Please ask for details. Holiday supplements may apply to the Select Tours for Independent Travelers.

Refunds & Cancellation Policy: All requests to cancel confirmed reservations must be received in writing. Cancellation fees are applicable to land, cruise, rail, intra-tour air, single supplements and extension of any extra services.

Journeys that do not include a train or cruise:

Cancellations received:	Cancellation fee:
90 or more before departure	\$250.00 per person
89 - 60 days before departure	20% of program cost
59 - 30 days before departure	50% of program cost
29 - or less and en route	100% of program cost

Journeys with train or cruise in itinerary:

Cancellations received:	Cancellation fee:
120 or more before departure	10% of program cost
119 - 90 days before departure	20% of program cost
89 - 60 days before departure	50% of program cost
59 - or less and en route	100% of program cost

Lakani Tour price includes:

Hotels: Based on two people sharing a room in deluxe or best available hotels. Single supplements apply for each journey for those requiring single accommodations and will be quoted at time of booking. Lakani reserves the right to substitute hotels for those named in the brochure when necessary.

Meals: Meals are included as indicated for each journey.

Sightseeing: All sightseeing shown in the itinerary with English speaking guide via deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach where available or practical. Four-wheel drive vehicles may be used for sightseeing or safaris in certain areas such as Africa, as indicated in the itinerary. Entrance fees are included throughout.

Transfers: Individual arrival and departure transfers between airport and hotel to join and leave the journey.

Luggage: Transportation and transfer of two medium suitcases, except where mandated by air carriers. Overweight charges imposed by an airline will be borne by the traveler.

Lakani Tour price does not include: Air transportation and related fees (except as indicated in the itinerary); airport taxes; passport and visa expenses; personal expenses, such as laundry, telephone calls, and alcoholic beverages and any other items not specifically noted as included.

Travel Insurance: Lakani World Tours recommends all travelers purchase travel insurance.

Travelers' Responsibility: Lakani considers the Selected Tours for Independent Travelers and Custom Made tours to be active. Travelers are responsible for assuring that they do not have any physical or other condition that could endanger themselves. Some excursions may include long walks and climbing stairs, and is sometimes an essential part of your journey. All travelers are expected to be in good health. Riding in 4WD vehicles on rough terrain or unpaved paths can aggravate back conditions. Flying aboard small aircraft is required in some areas. Please advise us in writing of any health issues or limitations at the time of making your reservations. Lakani World Tours reserves the right to decline to accept anyone on a journey.

Passports / Visas: You are responsible for obtaining any travel documents/visas and verifying entry requirements necessary for each country of travel and/or transit on your selected journey. Requirements vary with respect to each traveler's citizenship. Lakani will not assume responsibilities for notice of countries' current requirements. You are responsible for any expenses incurred as a result of the delays or itinerary changes related to your lack of appropriate travel documents. Lakani will provide visa information applicable to your selected journey, however it is your responsibility to obtain the necessary visas for the countries visited.

Unused Services: Refunds will not be made for any missed/unused services or meals

Smoking Policy: Smoking is prohibited at group meals, on buses and during all group activities.

Airfares: International air is not included and therefore Lakani is not responsible for any air ticket cancellation fees due to itinerary or departure changes or cancellation.

Airline Baggage Regulations: Each airline has its own rules regarding baggage allowance. Number, size and weight limitations of suitcases can vary by airline, class of service and frequent flier status. It is recommended that all travelers check with the individual airlines and/or their websites for up to date information. Luggage exceeding the maximum restrictions is subject to expensive overage fees or is at risk of being left behind. Luggage allowance may be restricted within a country by regional airlines or air charter companies. Please refer to your final credentials for those restrictions. Lakani World Tours cannot be held liable for fees or inconveniences imposed by the airlines.

Prices: Lakani Group prices include planning, handling and operational charges, and are based on current exchange rates, tariffs and taxes as of July 2023. Lakani World Tours reserves the right to increase tour prices to cover increased costs after prices are published, and to reflect fluctuations in foreign exchange markets. Lakani is under no obligation to provide a breakdown of costs involved in any group tours.

Travel Insurance: recommends all travelers purchase travel insurance.

Health & Inoculations: Inoculation requirements and recommendations often change, therefore we strongly recommend that you contact your personal physician, local Health Department, or the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta, Georgia, and advise them of the international destinations you will be visiting. (404) 322-4559 or www.cdc.gov/travel)

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Arbitration Resolution: Any controversy or claim arising out of, or relating to, any services arranged by Lakani World Tours shall be resolved solely by binding arbitration in Orange County, California, in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association. Acceptance of initial travel services and payment of monies to Lakani World Tours will constitute agreement by the traveler(s) of these Terms & Conditions.

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