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## Amazon Highlands, Kuelap and the Warriors of the Clouds in 7Days

**Highlights** • Tarapoto • Urku Wildlife Center • Bird Watching • Chazuta • Huallaga River Tour • Pongo Amazonas • Urku Wildlife Refuge • Moyobamba • Tingana Nature Reserve • Alto Mayo Cloud Forest • Abra Patricia Owl Sanctuary • Gocta Falls • Kuelap Fortress • Jaen.



Huallaga River Amazonia



### Day 1 • Tarapoto Arrival • City Tour (L)

(AM) Assistance, meet and greet at the Tarapoto airport TPP by your personal English-speaking tour guide. Transfer to selected hotel. Store your luggage! Guided full day tour. Tarapoto is a vibrant rainforest metropolis in the Amazon Basin. First, we drive to the Urku wildlife refuge [www.centrouрку.org](http://www.centrouрку.org). Transfer to El Mono y La Gata restaurant. After lunch, we continue on a breathtaking mountain road to explore a private wildlife sanctuary and bird watching center. Go trekking with your tour guide through the Amazon highlands and stop at two observation towers. Watch colorful

hummingbirds and other wildlife in their natural habitat. Bring your swimsuit! Private transportation back to Tarapoto in the afternoon. 3-Nights accommodation in Tarapoto.

### Day 2 • Tarapoto • Chazuta • Exploring the Huallaga River • Chocolate Route • Tarapoto (B/L)

07:30 pickup from the hotel by your English-speaking tour guide. Transportation along the picturesque Huallaga River shoreline to Chazuta Village (90-minutes). Embarkation from the river pier and navigation by motorboat towards Pongo Amazonas (canyon entrance). Explore waterfalls, hiking trails and go swimming in natural thermal pools. Do not forget your swimsuit! We return to Chazuta by motorboat on time for a traditional lunch. Afterwards, enjoy an interpretative hiking tour through the Pasikiwi cacao plantation and its tropical-secondary forest trail. We also stop by

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[www.tingana.com](http://www.tingana.com)



### Day 2 • Huallaga River Tour (continuation)

At the rural Mishky Cacao factory. Learn how native women produce exquisite and award winning chocolate products. We continue to the Wasichay pottery museum. Next to the museum is a workshop where locals produce fine ceramics with traditional designs. Time permitting, you might also want to join a little class and try your dexterity in ceramics. Return transportation to Tarapoto in the afternoon.

### Day 3 • Tingana Amazon Nature Reserve (B/L)

05:00 Pickup from the hotel by your tour guide.

Regular guided full day group excursion. Today we travel to the [www.tingana.org](http://www.tingana.org) nature reserve. Breakfast upon arrival. Transportation to the river pier for a leisurely canoe trip through the untamed Tingana wilderness. Look for monkeys, birds, reptiles and other wildlife. Return to the pier and onsite restaurant for a regional welcome lunch. Transfer back to your hotel in the afternoon.

### Day 4 • Tarapoto • Alto Mayo Cloud Forest • Cocachimba (B/L/D)

06:00 Pickup from the hotel by your English-speaking tour guide, departure to the Gotca Falls. The distance from Tarapoto to Gocta is 340 km. The way from Tarapoto to Gocta is one of the most spectacular in all of Peru. It climbs from the Amazonian jungle into the green Andes of Chachapoyas. On-route to the hotel we visit the Biological Station Abra Patricia. Refuge of many endemic species considered a paradise for bird watchers and nature lovers. It is also the only place, where you can

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Abra Patricia Alto Mayo Cloud Forest, Amazon Highland



### Day 4 • Cloud Forest • Cocachimba (continuation)

Observe the Long-Whiskered Owllet (in danger of extinction). Enjoy a guided hiking tour through the cloud forest to observe the local flora and fauna. After lunch, we continue pass the Pomacochas lagoon and towards the spectacular Chachapoyas region, home of the legendary Warriors of the Clouds. Private transportation to the Gocta Lodge. Hotel registration and welcome dinner.

3-Nights stay at the Gocta Lodge.

### Day 5 • Gocta Falls Hiking Tour • Optional Karajila Mummies Excursion (B)

After breakfast, 08:00 pickup from the hotel by your local tour guide. Regular guided hiking excursion to explore the spectacular Gocta Falls. Difficulty rating: Medium to high. Go trekking on a beautiful jungle trail towards the bottom of the cascade. Bring your swimsuit! For those who want to save energy, rental mules are available. Duration: 3-4 hours. Return to the lodge. Free afternoon.

Optional excursion to visit the mummies in Karajila (not included). Description: Journey on a scenic mountain road to Karajila. From Cruz Pata point walk for one-km to reach the lookout. The path is very clearly marked; downhill will take you 20-minutes and the way back up 40-minutes at a good pace. The trail gets quite muddy during raining season (Dec-May) so hiking boots might be good. You can also rent horses for both or either ways. Walk just below (perhaps 20 meters away) from the statues and see clearly, the anthropomorphic sarcophagi built on a narrow cliff ledge.

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Gocta Falls view from the Gocta Lodge, Amazon Highland



### Day 6 • Kuelap Fortress (B/L)

08:00 Pickup from the lodge by your English-speaking tour guide. Regular guided group excursion to visit Kuelap 3,000 meters. The fortress of Kuelap, associated with the Chachapoyas culture, consists of a massive exterior stonewall containing more than four hundred buildings. The structure, is situated on a ridge is overlooking the Utcubamba Valley. It is roughly 600 meters in length and 110 meters in width. It was built to defend against the Huari and other pre-Columbian hostile tribes. Radiocarbon dating samples

show that the structures construction started in the 6<sup>th</sup> century AD and occupied until the early colonial period (1532-1570). Group transfer back to the Gotca Lodge in the afternoon. Your excursion includes transportation, lunch, admissions and a cable car ride to the Kuelap entrance. Optional dinner (not included).

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Kuelap Fortress 3,000 meters, Chachapoyas



**Day 7 • Cocachimba • Bagua • Jaen Airport (B)**  
08:00 after breakfast, pickup from your hotel lobby by our local driver. Regular shuttle van transportation through Pedro Ruiz town and through Bagua Grande village to the Jaen Airport. This 3-hour journey on breathtaking mountain routes goes through picturesque landscapes, through fertile farmlands and through traditional villages. Drop off at the Jaen Airport (JAE) main entrance before noon.

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### Amazon Highlands, Kuelap and the Warriors of the Clouds in 7Days. Our Program Includes:

Private guided tour with daily departures • 6-Nights hotel accommodation • Assistance, meet and greet as per program • Private transportation and guided sightseeing tours as per program • 12-Meals included: (B) 6 Breakfasts, (L) 5 Lunches & (D) 1 Dinner • Cable Car to Kuelap • Motorboat excursion on the Huallaga River • Amazon Wetlands Canoe Tour • Local English-speaking tour guides • Admissions, park fees, local taxes, admissions & meals • Local assistance by Amigo Vacations Peru.

### Not Included:

International and domestic flights.

Optional meals and optional services. Travel and medical insurance.

Tips for tour guides US \$5.00 pp/day and for drivers US \$2.50 pp/day.

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### Prices 2019

Prices valid until December 20.2019. Not valid during congresses or any other major events.

#### Option STB: Category Superior Tourist Class Boutique-Style Hotels

3-Nights Tarapoto • **Hotel Nilas** (standard) [www.hotelnilas.com](http://www.hotelnilas.com)

3-Nights Chachapoyas Region • **Hotel Gocta Lodge** (standard) [www.goctalodge.com](http://www.goctalodge.com)

#### Based on 2-participants:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$1,398

#### Based on 3-participants:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$1,339

Land price per person in Triple... USD \$1,279

#### Based on 4-participants:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$1,188

Land price per person in Triple... USD \$1,128

Single supplement add on double prices... USD \$199

#### Option SFB: Category First Class Boutique-Style Hotels

3-Nights Tarapoto • **Hotel Colina de Montalva** [www.colinademontalvahotel.com](http://www.colinademontalvahotel.com)

3-Nights Chachapoyas Region • **Hotel Gocta Lodge** (suite) [www.goctalodge.com](http://www.goctalodge.com)

#### Based on 2-participants:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$1,598

#### Based on 3-participants:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$1,528

Land price per person in Triple... USD \$1,438

#### Based on 4-participants:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$1,378

Land price per person in Triple... USD \$1,288

Single supplement add on double prices... USD \$498

Prices are subject to change. Terms and conditions apply. Program can be customized.

Group quotations upon request. Many other hotels in all categories are available upon request.

#### Optional Domestic Flights (not included):

1 Lima (LIM)-Tarapoto (TPP) • PERUVIAN 126-Daily Flight • 08:59-10:24

2 Jaén (JAE)-Lima (LIM) • LATAM 2301-Daily Flight • 17:15-18:34

Airfare taxes included *from*... USD \$230

The End

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