# **RUTAS NEWS**

### Rewarding & Unique Travel Adventures in South America

Oi! Como vai? Tudo bom?

As you might remember, I decided to celebrate my 40th Birthday very extravagantly in Rio de Janeiro dancing at Carnival...well, as promised, here is the picture to prove it! I have to say, the Brazilians really know how to party!

Anyhow, now back to reality:) I hope you guys have been well and sales are going great. Last week I was in Auckland and I was very happy to hear that South America enquires and sales are increasing. I am also planning a trip to Melbourne next month so if you want to meet with me or arrange a training session please drop me a line.

In this edition of my newsletter you will find lots of updates on all my products. Please read about MLP's new adventure program and also about the latest renovations at Tambopata Research Centre. Further, the next season at Hotel Las Torres has been extended and we will no longer operate the Standard rooms (Lenga).

See you soon! All the best, Bec x



### **MOUNTAIN LODGES OF PERU**

### **NEW—The Grand Andean Experience Program**

The Grand Andean Experience to Machu Picchu is a 10-day journey through ancient history, living culture and the magnificent landscape of Cusco and the Sacred Valley of the Incas.

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This once-in-a-lifetime exploration into the sacred havens of the Incas is equal parts physical, cultural and spiritual journey, a journey of knowledge and transformation gathered while trekking, biking, sightseeing and enjoying the plush comfort of warm, welcoming high mountain Lodges. Basically, this new program is a **combination of the Lares Adventure (5/4) plus the Salkantay Trek (7/6).** 

### Lares Adventure—NEW NAME

The Lares Adventure to Machu Picchu has been operating for over 2 years; however the name of the program has always been a discussion topic as many travel agents confused us with the alternative Lares Trek. As this program covers all the highlights of the Sacred Valley (Pisac, Chincheros, Maray, Moray & Ollantaytambo) it has been recently decided to change the name of it to make it more clear for everyone. The new name of this program is "The Sacred Valley & Lares Adventure to Machu Picchu".

Further, find below a link through Dropbox to access **new pictures** of this program including the lodges, activities, food, archaeological sites, etc.

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/0ncszjb5ohw7e00/AABIBItLl4qq31sq FgGKSLaa?dl=0

### RAINFOREST EXPEDITIONS

### **Tambopata Research Centre (TRC)**

TRC is the most remote lodge in the Amazon. There are no humans nearby so sightings of monkeys, macaws and other large species become more frequent. Jaguars are sometimes seen near the river bank!

After 4 months of extensive renovations, TRC has gotten a five star upgrade! We now have **8 new Superior Rooms**. Guests at Tambopata Research Center will continue to enjoy everything that has made it a bucket list destination since 1989: incredible wildlife, expert guiding, vernacular architecture deep in the jungle and delicious food. But now – they will also enjoy their own bathroom, luxurious rooms with local décor and access to the **Photos Makers Lab** – professional equipment for use by our quests.

Further, renovations continue and from 1st July we will start operating 8 comfort rooms, 4 Suites and 4 Deluxe Suites.



# HOTEL LAS TORRES PATAGONIA

# **NEW Promotion**

Stay 4 or more nights in our all-inclusive program and get 1 additional night FREE.

# Conditions:

- Travel Date: Between 15th September to 31st October 2017
- Valid for bookings from today until 31st July 2017
- Not combinable with other promotions
- Subject to availability at time of booking

Further, we have extended our season and for next 17/18 season we will remain open until the 30th April 2018.

# ECOVENTURA GALAPAGOS

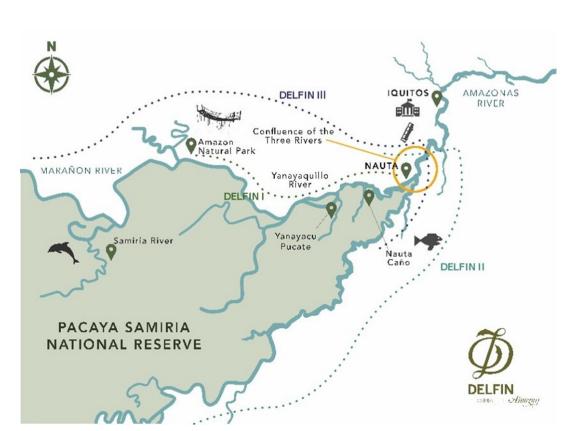
# MV Origin—Special Departure

First escorted cruise with marine biologist **Jack Grove** on 2 selected departures in 2018. Jack is a world renowned marine biologist, expedition leader and author of "Fishes of the Galapagos islands".

**Departure dates:** 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018 (Itinerary B) & 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018 (Itinerary A). Cruise rate: US\$7,850 per person double occupancy per week (all inclusive).

**Incentive**: Confirm the cruise by 180 days prior to departure and get a 5% early bird discount off the cruise rate plus a 2 nights hotel accommodation in Guayaquil at the Oro Verde. Further, the first 12 guests to confirm will receive a free upgrade to business class seats on their flight to the Galapagos.





# DELFIN AMAZON CRUISES

# New itineraries

You might have noticed that recently we have changed all of our itineraries. We no longer have high water or low water seasons. Thinking on the best possible experience for our guests it was decided to standardize our programs and make a few changes to the route.

From 2018, we will have 1 itinerary and 2 programs (3 nights or 4 nights) per vessel. The Delfin 1 & 3 will cruise the Maranon river and the Delfin 2 will continue to cruise the Ucayali river.

To download all of our new itineraries plus photos, videos, fact sheets, maps, etc please click here <a href="http://www.delfinamazoncruises.com/salespackage/SalesDirectory2017.pdf">http://www.delfinamazoncruises.com/salespackage/SalesDirectory2017.pdf</a>