TREASURES OF PERU
With Machu Picchu & Lake Titicaca

September 7–17, 2015

11 days from $4,449 total price from Miami
($3,895 air & land inclusive plus $554 airline taxes and departure fees)

A Small Group Tour for MIT Alumni and Friends
With MIT Professor of Geology Clark Burchfiel
A land of treasures archaeological, cultural, and natural, Peru draws those individuals eager to learn about the distant past—and encounter a fascinating present. As our small group takes in some of the country’s highlights—Cuzco, Machu Picchu, and Lake Titicaca—we marvel at the riches of an intriguing land somewhat off the beaten path.

Day 1, September 7: Depart U.S. for Lima, Peru  Depart today for the Peruvian capital. Upon arrival tonight transfer directly to your hotel.

Day 2, September 8: Lima  Meet your Odysseys Unlimited tour director and fellow travelers at this morning’s briefing about the journey ahead, then embark on a tour of colonial Lima. A highlight is your visit to treasured Casa Aliaga, one of the oldest homes in Lima (circa 1535), with a rich architectural heritage and a collection of Peruvian art and artifacts. Next tour Larco Herrera Museum, whose ceramics collection (including a renowned set of erotic pre-Columbian figures) is unparalleled. Enjoy a welcome lunch at the museum; dinner tonight is on your own. B,L

Day 3, September 9: Lima/Cuzco/Sacred Valley  This morning transfer to the airport for the brief flight to Cuzco. Upon arrival visit the sacred sites of Koricancha and Santo Domingo then continue on to the beautiful Sacred Valley, a region of Inca sites and indigenous villages. Stop at the colorful Indian market at Pisac before reaching your hotel mid-afternoon. Take time to relax before dinner at the hotel. B,L,D

Day 4, September 10: Sacred Valley Today’s tour begins with a visit to the Incan farming town of Chincheros, set on a broad plateau presided over by a snow-capped mountain. Here residents live much as their ancestors did, wearing traditional clothing and conducting business and local government by traditional means. They also weave as their ancestors did, as you see at a demonstration of this traditional craft. After lunch visit Ollantaytambo, a living town and site of massive Incan ruins that still inspire wonder today. Return to your hotel late this afternoon. Tonight attend a native ceremony, Offering to the Earth, then dine with your group. B,L,D

Day 5, September 11: Sacred Valley/Machu Picchu/Aguas Calientes  Early this morning board a train for the 1½-hour journey to Aguas Calientes. From there board a train to Machu Picchu. Upon arrival descend to the ruins, minutes away by foot. Explore the dramatic site, marveling at the many courtyards, open terraces, buildings, and pathways. Savor your UNESCO World Heritage Site visit, then return to your hotel late this afternoon. Enjoy time to relax before dinner at the hotel. B,L,D

Cover photo: Just 50 miles from Cuzco, Machu Picchu was unknown to the outside world until its rediscovery.
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**Day 6, September 12: Machu Picchu/Cuzco**
This morning before the crowds of day trippers arrive take your second guided tour of this UNESCO World Heritage site, when the early morning sun bathes the stones in a haunting, evocative light. After lunch in Aguas Calientes, return to Cuzco by train. **B,L**

**Day 7, September 13: Cuzco**
After a morning at leisure, set out on a tour of the archaeological hub of the Americas, the continent’s oldest continuously inhabited city, and UNESCO World Heritage site. Dynamic and historic, Cuzco is rich with the legacies of its Inca and Spanish forebears. Stop at the ruins of Sacsayhuaman, the still beautiful “House of the Sun,” an Incan masterpiece, then enjoy lunch in the home of a gracious Cuzco family. **B,L**

**Day 8, September 14: Cuzco/Puno**
This morning depart for the day-long journey by motorcoach to Puno, on the shores of Lake Titicaca. As you travel through the rugged snow-capped Andes dotted with small villages and herds of llama and alpaca, you’ll make several stops along the way: Andahuaylillas, an attractive village known for its lovely 17th-century church; the ruins at Raqchi, once the holiest site in the Incan empire; La Raya, perched on Peru’s altiplano (high plain) and home to the Llama and Alpaca Research Center; and the ceramics center of Pucara. Late this afternoon reach your hotel on the shores of Esteves Island on Lake Titicaca, a short walk to the center of Puno. **B,L**

**Day 9, September 15: Puno/Lake Titicaca**
Spend the day exploring the fascinating life of Lake Titicaca, South America’s largest lake and at 12,500 feet above sea level, among the world’s highest navigable lakes. Up here the air is clearer, the colors sharper, and the horizon farther. By boat visit the Floating Island of Los Uros in Lake Titicaca; natives here make their boats from reeds.

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**Post-Tour Extension:**

**September 17–21, 2015**

**AMAZON RAINFOREST**

4 days/4 nights for $1,097 total price

($995 air & land inclusive plus $102 airline taxes and departure fees)

Single Supplement: $235

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: 1 night in Lima at Costa del Sol Peru (First Class); 3 nights in the jungle at Ceiba Tops Lodge & Resort (Superior First Class)
- 11 meals: 4 breakfasts, 4 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

**Please note that guests on extension will overnight in Lima on Day 10.**

**Land Only guests:** $1,395 total price
MIT Study Leader

Dr. B. Clark Burchfiel is the Schlumberger Professor of Geology at MIT. He has been on the faculty at MIT since 1977, before which time he served on the faculty at Rice University from 1961 to 1976. For more than 50 years, he has studied the evolution of continents and oceans. His research interests include structural geology, regional geology, plate tectonics, and orogenesis. Professor Burchfiel received the B.S. and M.S. from Stanford University and the Ph.D. from Yale University. One of his research efforts has been the Andean Mountain chain of South America where he has done research mainly in Bolivia and Peru, but has also worked in Venezuela, Columbia and Ecuador. Dr. Burchfiel will present lectures on the development of the Andes and their relation to plate tectonic processes that are very active today.

Tour Depart: September 7, 2015

Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

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Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, fuel surcharges, and departure fees of $554, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add $995. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, fuel surcharges, and departure fees) are guaranteed.

Business Class upgrade on round-trip international flight from Miami: $1,795 per person in addition to the above costs (upgrade is subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking uphill, on uneven terrain and at sites of ancient ruins. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to the fullest. In addition, the high altitude of Lake Titicaca (12,500 feet) and Cuzco (11,150 feet) could pose problems for travelers with certain health conditions. You should consult with your physician if you have concerns.

For reservations and information, please contact the MIT Alumni Travel Program at 800-992-6749 or email compass@mit.edu or call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 888-370-6765 Monday-Friday, 9:00a.m.-7:00p.m., Eastern Time

Day 10, September 16: Puno/Lima/Depart for U.S. This morning visit the mysterious burial towers (chulpas) at Sillustani overlooking Lake Umayo. After lunch transfer to the airport for the flight to Lima, where you will check into your day room at an airport hotel. Late this evening depart on your flight to the U.S.  B,L

Day 11, September 17: Arrive U.S. Arrive in the U.S. this morning and connect with your flight home.

Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within itinerary
- 9 nights’ accommodations in Superior First Class and First Class hotels
- 22 meals: 9 breakfasts, 9 lunches, 4 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited tour director
- 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

Visit the Floating Island of Los Uros, where the top-hatted Uros people live on “islands” made of the reeds that grow in the lake’s shallows; in fact, the Uros rely on these reeds for their boats, the small huts in which they live, household items, and the handicrafts they sell to visitors. You will also visit Isla Taquile, known for the high quality textiles crafted by the indigenous people who live here. On your visit, you’ll see the men in their signature woven woolen caps with floppy earpieces, and women in tailored waistcoats and multi-layered skirts. You will also witness the breathtaking natural beauty surrounding you, with Bolivia’s snow-capped Cordillera range a striking backdrop to the deep blue of Lake Titicaca. Tonight celebrate your Peruvian adventure at a farewell dinner at your hotel.  B,L,D
Dear MIT Alumni and Friends,

Join fellow MIT travelers for an exciting 11-day tour to Peru! In a small group led by an experienced Peruvian guide, you will visit remote villages and lakes thousands of feet above sea level, explore ancient and enigmatic ruins, and discover a marvelous land. Leading the lecture series is MIT Professor of Geology Clark Burchfiel, whose talks will focus on the development of the Andes and their relation to plate tectonic processes that are very active today.

Begin in Lima with a visit to the Larco Herrera Museum. Then, fly to Cuzco, the archaeological hub of the Americas and the continent's oldest continuously inhabited city. Visit the beautiful Sacred Valley, the Indian market at Pisac, and the extensive ruins at Ollantaytambo. A thrilling train ride delivers you to Machu Picchu, the stunning “Lost City of the Incas” and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Finally, travel overland through Peru's rugged altiplano to Lake Titicaca.

Space on this tour is limited to 24 participants, so register today. If you have questions, or wish to make a reservation, call the MIT Alumni Travel Program at 800-992-6749 or email compass@mit.edu. You may also contact the tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., at 888-370-6765.

Sincerely,

Melissa Chapman Gresh
Director, MIT Alumni Travel Program

MIT RESERVATION FORM: TREASURES OF PERU

Enclosed is my/our deposit for $______($500 per person) for ____ people on Treasures of Peru departing September 7, 2015. I/We understand the final payment is due 95 days prior to departure. Deposit and final payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA or by personal check. Please make checks payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and send, along with completed reservation form, to: MIT Alumni Travel Program, 600 Memorial Drive, W98-2nd Floor, Cambridge, MA 02139, or call the MIT Alumni Travel Program at 800-992-6749. Or contact the tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., at 888-370-6765.

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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

Post-Tour Amazon Rainforest Extension: Please sign me/us up q

Please Note: The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for Treasures of Peru, September 7-17, 2015, and agrees that their signature below represents their 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 ___________________________________________________________________
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Final invoicing will be sent by the 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 (June 4, 2015) 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 tour 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 tour package; communication charges, gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited tour director, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities, $10–$15 per day, per traveler); optional sightseeing; 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 change; Cancel 94-65 days before departure: 25% of tour price; Cancel 64-45 days before departure: 50% of tour price; Cancel 44-30 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.

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 misuse.

Responsibility
The liability of the MIT Alumni Association, 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 their control. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. serves only as an agent for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and the MIT Alumni Association will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or ordinary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, their employees, agents, servants or representatives. The MIT Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within their 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 lines, and other independent suppliers. Every effort will be made to operate this tour as planned, but Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. reserves the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require a change of hotel, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality.

Health and Medical Issues
Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and the MIT Alumni Association 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 on your own. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and the MIT Alumni Association regret that they cannot offer individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that these itineraries cannot accommodate wheelchairs. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. reserves the right to remove anyone whose physical or mental condition, in their opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other passengers. In that event, the MIT Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. 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 pricing is available on this tour. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. recommends 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. and the MIT Alumni Association shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.