



SANCTUARY LODGE

A BELMOND HOTEL
MACHU PICCHU

Welcome to Sanctuary Lodge, A Belmond Hotel

Mere steps from
mysterious Machu
Picchu, this is your
private gateway to
the Inca Empire.

CHAPTER ONE

Discover Peru

At once vibrant and mystical, Peru is a realm of lost civilizations and tangible history. With Belmond, journey to the beating heart of the Land of the Incas

A jewel in South America's crown, Peru encapsulates everything we love about travel: time-honored traditions, vibrant cultures and wild landscapes. That's why, for years, we've grown our family of hotels, trains and bespoke adventures across this fabled land. Our destinations take you to some of the country's most coveted areas, from cosmopolitan Lima on the Pacific Coast to stunning Cusco perched high in the Andes and the ancient Inca citadel of Machu Picchu.

Uniquely positioned adjacent to the citadel gates, Sanctuary Lodge offers unrivaled access to the icon of the Inca Empire. Our expert guides reveal the secrets behind these long-lost ruins and unspoiled cloud forest. Inside the hotel, enter a haven of tranquility immersed in Inca culture. Perform rituals with a shaman, sample Peruvian cuisine or unwind among native flora and fauna. This lush hideaway is a perfect chance to fortify your connection with this storied land.







“Few romances can ever
surpass that of the
granite citadel on top of
the beetling precipices of
Machu Picchu,
the crown of Inca Land.”
– Hiram Bingham



Uncover Machu Picchu

It's among the most iconic and visited destinations on earth. Yet just a century ago, Machu Picchu's existence was all but lost to the wider world

Meaning 'old mountain' in Quechua, Machu Picchu hangs between two forest-clad Andean peaks. Dating from around 1450 – the height of the Inca Empire – it's believed to have been built for Sapa Inca Pachacuti. Dry-stone walls and irrigation bear witness to the civilization's engineering genius. Just a century after construction, the citadel was abandoned as Spanish conquistadors invaded Peru. Yet it was only in 1911 that its rediscovery by American explorer Hiram Bingham thrust the landmark to legendary status. Today, this UNESCO World Heritage Site ranks among the New Wonders of the World. Yet archaeologists are still trying to solve the mystery of its purpose. Theories suggest the citadel was a retreat for the wealthy, a palace, a religious sanctuary – or all three.

Sprawling agricultural terraces give way to sheer cliffs; spectacular temples kiss the cloud overhead. The area is blessed with rich and diverse wildlife, too. Llamas roam among the ruins while bird-lovers delight in spotting the Andean cock-of-the-rock. From 3,000m above sea level, the mountain peak offers panoramas of the citadel and across the Andes. Trek to the Sun Gate or discover the narrow Inca bridge that winds around the mountain. Can't decide what to do? Belmond can tailor a visit especially for you.



Meet Hiram Bingham

A daring expedition led by the buccaneering American explorer in 1911 would cement Peru's historical importance on the world stage

Serving as a history professor at Yale University, Hiram Bingham was anything but a fusty academic. He was a born adventurer, having acquired a taste for mountaineering when exploring Hawaii with his missionary father. To this day, Bingham is rumoured to have inspired the film icon Indiana Jones.

In 1906, Bingham traced Simón Bolívar's Andean route from Caracas to Bogotá on horseback and, two years later, continued his journey along the old trade paths linking Buenos Aires to Lima. On seeing Peru's snow-capped mountains, he wrote: "They tempted me to go and see what lay beyond."

Bingham returned to Peru in 1911 in an attempt to find where Manco Inca had, according to legend, hidden Inca treasure from conquistadors. Famously, he came upon Machu Picchu. It has since become widely accepted that Peruvian Agustin Lizarraga and German Augusto R. Berns were among many who visited the site before Bingham. Nonetheless, it was he who brought Machu Picchu to the world stage, mistakenly believing it to be the Lost City of the Incas. As Indiana Jones would say: "X never, ever marks the spot."



CHAPTER TWO

A Warm Welcome

Nestled among lush gardens in the shadows of the ancient Inca citadel, this remarkable experience is an ode to tranquility, wonder and beauty

Sanctuary Lodge is your personal gateway to the Inca world. Wake before sunrise and be among the first visitors through the citadel gates. In solitude, the mountains look magnificent emerging from a cloak of mist. Breathe it in; this is a moment to savor.

We offer the best of both adventure and relaxation. Out front, explorers come and go; at the back of the hotel is an oasis of calm. Hummingbirds dart among our blooming orchid garden, butterflies lift into the gentle breeze. Indulge in a massage rooted in Incan techniques, unwind with a yoga session or meditate as you gaze out towards Huayna Picchu. It's within our fern-clad grounds that you'll discover a hidden temple. Let a shaman guide you through an ancient Pachamama ritual asking for health and prosperity.

Come evening, embark on a culinary journey into Peruvian cuisine at our restaurant. Tampu Bar is alive with talk of pisco. Kick back with a drink and raise a toast the day's adventures.



Discover what makes our hotel unique. Take a look inside our walls at belmond.com/sanctuarylodge





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Your Sanctuary Awaits

*Find your personal sanctum mere moments from
one of the most iconic destinations on earth.
Modern luxury meets the great outdoors*

With just 31 rooms and suites, Sanctuary Lodge offers peaceful respite after action-packed days. Inside, it is an ode to pared-back luxury. It's the perfect spot to disconnect.

Each room pays homage to pre-Columbian design with cool botanical fabrics and elegant cherry-colored woods. Yet contemporary luxuries are on hand: enjoy a mini-bar, WiFi and television. Our music dock lets you wake to your favorite tunes after a blissful night in our twin or king-size beds. Stay in our Standard Rooms or savor the great outdoors in our Standard Patio Rooms. Superior Terrace Rooms offer rippling mountain views, or perhaps stretch out in our Deluxe Rooms and Deluxe Terrace Rooms. One Bedroom Suites offer pure indulgence after a day of adventure.

To preserve the UNESCO World Heritage Site for future generations, we offer walk-in showers instead of bathtubs to limit water usage and amenities are provided in ceramic containers to minimize plastic waste. With rooms that are at once luxurious and in harmony with the landscape, where better to rest between days under the South American sun?





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CHAPTER THREE

Within Our Walls

Entwined with the history of the ancient Incan citadel, Sanctuary Lodge offers an unparalleled insight into Peruvian culture

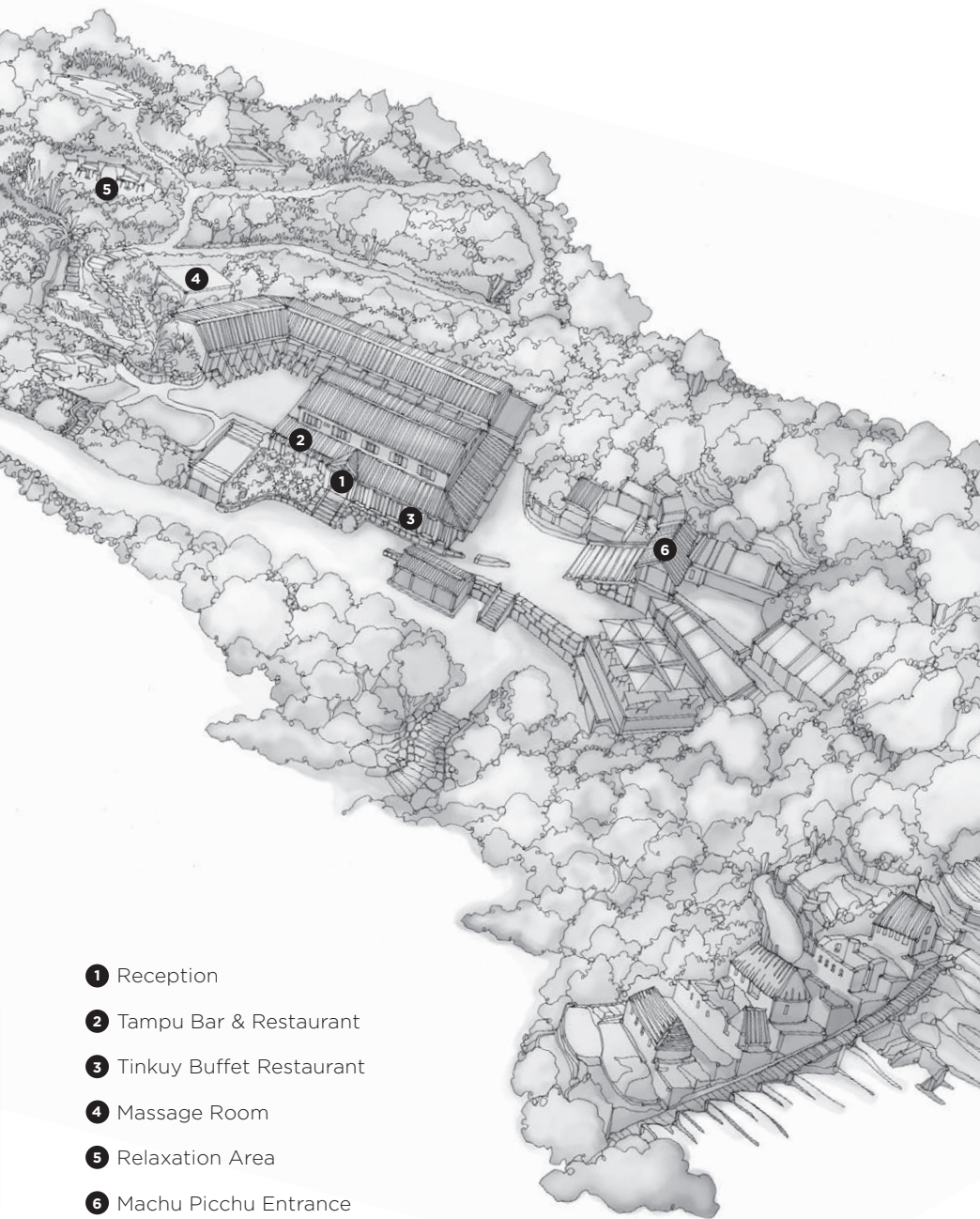
Our lodge began life as a rugged hut, not long after Hiram Bingham first visited over a century ago. In 1950, the Peruvian government turned it into an exclusive hotel for guards, researchers and VIP visitors. Sanctuary Lodge's latest chapter began in 1999 when it was remodeled so that travelers like you can enjoy such unrivaled access.

Today, we have one foot rooted in Peru's captivating history, and the other striding out into the future. Marrying geographical wonders and indigenous culture with modern creature comforts, this charming mountain retreat is the ideal place to unwind between adventures. From dawn to dusk, when our grounds are bathed in magical moonlight, Sanctuary Lodge strengthens your connection with this fabled land. Dine on traditional Peruvian cuisine served with contemporary flair, achieve wellness among our rare flora or take part in an intriguing shaman ceremony. Sip muña tea as you gaze over the fern-clad peaks, knowing this is an experience of a lifetime.



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- 1 Reception
- 2 Tampu Bar & Restaurant
- 3 Tinkuy Buffet Restaurant
- 4 Massage Room
- 5 Relaxation Area
- 6 Machu Picchu Entrance

Memorable Dining

Marrying local ingredients with incredible vistas, dining at Sanctuary Lodge is a delicious kickstart to your Peruvian adventure

Stunning views and fine gastronomy distinguish Tampu restaurant. Organic, seasonal produce including corn, potatoes and alpaca sourced from local farmers is crafted into modern interpretations of Andean classics as floor-to-ceiling windows flood the space with light.

For a spectrum of Peruvian delights and international dishes, Tinkuy restaurant serves a buffet breakfast and daily lunch, offering nutritious salads and soups alongside quinoa pancakes and tempting desserts. Vegetarian and gluten-free options are available.

Come evening, pull up a seat in Tampu Bar, a cozy setting of local stone with warm wooden accents. Sip a restorative muña tea or indulge in a cocktail. Here, pisco tastings are on offer nightly. Should you like to get in on the action, learn about the history of Peru's beloved libation and master the art of whipping up your own pisco sour in a class with one of our expert bartenders.



Paradise Found

With wild flowers, exotic birds and stunning vistas, our idyllic gardens are the perfect place for wellness therapies that rejuvenate both body and soul

Of Machu Picchu, Hiram Bingham remarked: "Not only has it snow peaks looming above the clouds... it has also... orchids and tree ferns, the delectable beauty of luxurious vegetation and the mysterious witchery of the jungle." Such is the charm of this diverse land that it permeates Sanctuary Lodge.

Nestled behind the hotel, our gardens showcase Machu Picchu's finest flora and fauna. More than 130 varieties of orchids grow here. Exotic birds are frequent visitors. Spot hummingbirds and butterflies among the ferns as, through a canopy of trees, the labyrinth of Inca stonework stretches out ahead.

It's in these secluded gardens, too, that you'll find Sanctuary Lodge's relaxation area. Stresses melt into the Andean breeze as you join a yoga or meditation session. Or, try an alfresco spa treatment. As evening falls, observe the star-studded sky and make a wish - who knows what tomorrow holds?



Celebrate in Style

Declare your love in a land of magic and mystery. Ancient Inca rituals performed in a one-of-a-kind setting will add extra spark to your special occasion

Sanctuary Lodge sets the scene for truly extraordinary celebrations. It's the destination *por excelencia* both for weddings and vow renewals. Little says 'happily ever after' quite like our authentic shaman blessings, live Andean music, vivid bouquets of local flora, wedding gifts and spectacular food. You may even borrow traditional Andean clothes to dress in during a shamanic ceremony.

Belmond arranges each and every detail of your celebration so all you need to do is focus on your special day. Meander along a petal-strewn path to a secluded corner of our idyllic gardens as melodies from the flutes and panpipes of local group Allpa Machupicchu fill the air. Here, surrounded by items symbolic in Andean cosmology - coca leaves, incense and floral water - a traditionally dressed shaman makes offerings to spirits and blesses the union of souls. After the ceremony, enjoy a luxury dinner in Tampu restaurant.

It's said that we never know the true value of a moment until it becomes a memory. With Sanctuary Lodge, you'll recollect this treasured day for years to come.



Ancient Traditions

Spiritual, enchanting and tied to time-honored practices, the heart of Sanctuary Lodge beats in harmony with Inca mythology

As the morning sun shimmers over mist-wreathed peaks and sets the Inca stonework aglow, it's clear that the mystical aura of this sacred land remains as alive today as it was some six centuries ago.

Shamanism is an integral part of Inca heritage, which has been passed down through generations. As well as possessing healing powers, these Andean priests are believed to channel the transcendental energy of the spirit world. Local shamans invite Sanctuary Lodge guests to call on these ancestral spirits and live in harmony with nature.

Take part in a Payment to Earth ceremony in the gardens or on our terrace, making offerings of cereals, grains, fruits and coca leaves to Pachamama - a Mother Earth figure - in return for health and prosperity. Alternatively, a shaman can read your coca leaves as part of a traditional ritual that predicts the future. Whirlwind romances, inspiring journeys, dramatic changes - what lies in store for you?



CHAPTER FOUR

Out & About

A heartbeat away from the ancient Inca citadel, guests are in the prime location for a quintessential introduction to this extraordinary part of the world

A stone's throw from this hideaway enrobed in nature and rich in Peruvian culture, picturesque ruins and unspoilt cloud forest are ripe for exploration. Guests can be among the first to enter Machu Picchu, ahead of the crowds that must endure a half-hour bus journey from Aguas Calientes in the valley below. Be the first in the citadel gates when they open at 6am as the rising sun burns a petticoat of mist from the mountain peaks. Alternatively, head there in the late afternoon to see the ruins at their people-free best. Witnessing this archaeological wonder in peaceful solitude is truly magical.

Whether you'd like to take a serene walk to the picture-perfect Sun Gate, want to climb Huayna Picchu or aim to tackle the more challenging Inca Trail, Sanctuary Lodge can handle all the arrangements. We provide expert advice on when and where to go for the best experience. Or, join one of our multilingual expert guides for a bespoke trek. Adventure awaits.



Belmond holds the key to wondrous Peru. Unlock your next adventure at belmond.com/sanctuarylodge



Unmissable Experiences

Machu Picchu Citadel

This architectural complex, made up of more than 200 houses, temples, roads, terraces and aqueducts is a testament to Incan engineering. It's open to the public from 6am to 5.30pm daily.

Huayna Picchu

Entrance to this mountain behind the citadel is limited, but well worth it. Wind around the side of the mountain to see Machu Picchu from angles most people can only dream about.

Inca Trail

For many, to hike the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu is an experience of

a lifetime. It's a tough climb, but our guests can look forward to a revitalizing massage at the summit.

The Sun Gate

Inti Punku is the official entrance to Machu Picchu. It includes a beautiful trail that threads through agricultural terraces along Inca stone paths, taking about an hour each way.

Machu Picchu

This 'old mountain' reaches 3,100m into the Andean sky. For a relatively easy, steady climb, the views from the summit are rewarding. Expect breathtaking vistas across the citadel and cloud forest.



Expert Itineraries

Make the most of your visit and take advantage of our expertly curated itineraries around Machu Picchu. Each includes entrance fees and guides

DISCOVER THE CITADEL

Led by an expert Belmond guide, you can explore the archaeological site of Machu Picchu. Uncover the secrets behind its history, the complex civil engineering that has held for centuries and the current restoration work that hopes to preserve the site for future generations. The two-and-a-half hour tour, which can be conducted in both English and Spanish, includes a souvenir map and snacks for guests.

THE MYSTICAL TOUR

Perhaps one of the most coveted experiences in Peru, the original Inca Trail can be accessed on a three-hour hike with our private guides. Take in

sights of ancient terraces and the guard house before entering the iconic citadel for an expert-led tour. The multilingual tour includes a souvenir map as well as snacks to fuel guests up the mountain.

ULTIMATE MACHU PICCHU

The longest but most rewarding guide-led hike offered by Belmond, this climb of the citadel's namesake mountain gives guests a completely unique view across the architectural complex. Conducted in either English or Spanish, this tour also takes visitors to the heart of the ancient city, revealing little-known facts about its past and present. Nourishing snacks and a map are included in the cost of the package.



CHAPTER FIVE

Continue Your Adventure

Immerse yourself in the vibrant city of Cusco or trace the glistening shores of Lake Titicaca. With Belmond, your Peruvian adventures will be simply extraordinary

Belmond has perfected the art of creating magical escapes that fortify your connection with this fabled land. Combine any of our experiences to make your dream trip a reality.

Our hotels and trains sit in Peru's most iconic areas, with **Sanctuary Lodge** uniquely positioned at the entrance of Machu Picchu. From Poroy, just outside Cusco, catch the **Hiram Bingham** train which will take you towards its gates. Meanwhile the **Andean Explorer**, South America's first luxury sleeper train, carries guests across the Andes to Arequipa. In Cusco, sister hotels **Monasterio** and **Palacio Nazarenas** sit atop ancient Inca ruins. In cosmopolitan Lima, **Miraflores Park** perches on the Pacific seafront. Inland, **Rio Sagrado** is tucked in the Sacred Valley, an area replete with rare wildlife. **Las Casitas** offers a tranquil oasis surrounded by the Colca Canyon's dramatic landscapes.

We would be delighted to help you create a bespoke itinerary across the Land of the Incas and even on to our two magnificent hotels in Brazil. The adventure of a lifetime lies ahead.



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Hiram Bingham, A Belmond Train

Combine your stay with a trip on the Hiram Bingham train, which takes guests between Cusco and Machu Picchu in luxurious style

Traveling the fabled route from just outside Cusco, the historic capital of the Incan empire, to ancient Machu Picchu is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Such an adventure deserves an exceptional journey aboard our opulent train.

Hiram Bingham's striking blue-and-gold livery stands out against Peru's mountains robed in lush jungle. Inside, elegance and old-fashioned charm are the order of the day. Sink into an armchair in our 1920s Pullman-style carriages and be whisked into the glamor of a bygone world gleaming with polished woods and antique fittings. You'll be cared for with unerring grace. Be welcomed with a gourmet lunch, take an expert-guided tour of Machu Picchu and be serenaded by a traditional local band – this is true Peruvian hospitality.

The journey is made all the more magical by the leisurely pace at which the train moves, giving you ample time to feast your eyes on Peru's dramatic landscapes. Journeying through the Sacred Valley, vast mountains and verdant valleys dotted with grazing llamas enchant; passing through lush cloud forests, the sense of discovery is unparalleled. Head to the Observation Car on return, pisco sour in hand, as the warm Andean sun gives way to starry skies.



Palacio Nazarenas, A Belmond Hotel

At once cool, cosmopolitan and steeped in history, this fairytale hideaway echoes all the qualities that make the surrounding city of Cusco so enchanting

Palacio Nazarenas was the private home of a conquistador before being transformed into a convent in 1715. Today, we've preserved all that's precious: original stonework, colonial frescoes and gold-framed paintings. Yet you'll also discover the best of the new world within our walls, including our local art collection, oxygen-enriched air and underfloor heating. Indulge in daring cuisine from Peru's leading chefs at Senzo restaurant or unwind at Hypnôze Spa where glass floors look down to beautifully preserved Inca foundations below.

Monasterio, A Belmond Hotel

A stone's throw from Plaza de Armas, Cusco's central square, this enchanting retreat captures the imagination with its centuries-old charm

A former Jesuit seminary built atop an Inca palace, Monasterio is recognised by Peru's National Institute of Culture as a historical landmark. Step inside its quiet confines and you'll find graceful archways, cobble paths and a gilded chapel hung with artwork dating from the 17th century. In the lush courtyard garden, a 300-year-old cedar tree is a testament to the living history of this special place. Dine by candlelight at El Tupay restaurant and you may be serenaded by one of Peru's leading sopranos. Later, settle in the vaulted lounge and sip a perfect pisco sour to the harmonies of sacred songs.



Create Your Itinerary

With hotels and trains across the country's most spectacular destinations, Belmond has perfected the art of creating magical Peruvian escapes. Combine our experiences for a unique adventure

Lima

MIRAFLORES PARK

Hugging the coast, this urban oasis offers a peaceful spa, fine dining and a rooftop pool with unrivaled views.

Cusco

PALACIO NAZARENAS

Historic decor meets contemporary style at this hotel built on Inca foundations. Unwind at Hypnôze Spa.

Cusco

MONASTERIO

Uncover Cusco's rich history at this former 16th-century monastery. The art collection and cuisine are exceptional.

Cusco – Puno – Arequipa

ANDEAN EXPLORER

Rekindle the romance of the rails as you carve a path between Peru's natural wonders and ancient kingdoms.

Machu Picchu

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Uniquely located by the ancient Inca citadel, this intimate retreat is surrounded by orchid gardens.

Sacred Valley

RIO SAGRADO

Set amid lush gardens on the banks of the Urubamba River, this is one of the most blissful hotels in Peru.

Colca Canyon

LAS CASITAS

This collection of luxurious bungalows offers the ultimate Andean retreat, complete with its own farm and spa.

Cusco – Machu Picchu

HIRAM BINGHAM

Dine, dance and be transported to another world as this sumptuous train glides across the Sacred Valley.



Go Beyond

You've visited Belmond's hotels and trains. You've discovered ancient ruins and diverse landscapes. Yet there's still more to uncover in this fabled country

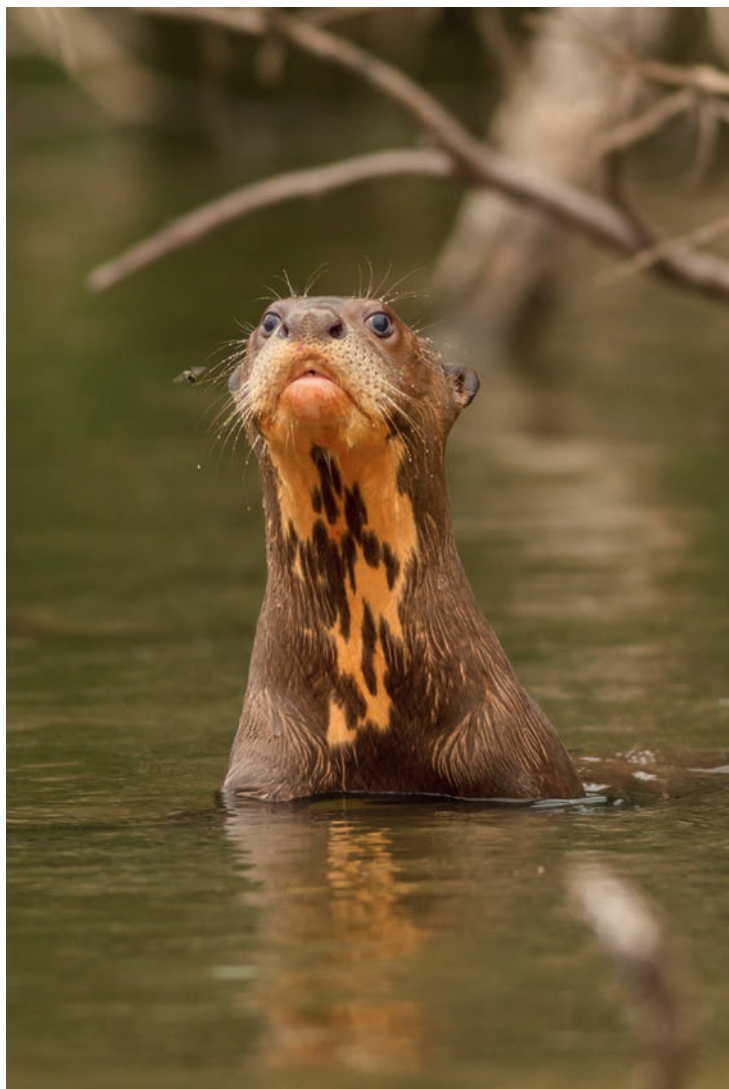
We want you to fall in love with Peru in the same way that we have. That's why our Belmond Journeys in Peru team will happily create bespoke itineraries across each of this country's most special places.

Venture to **Paracas Bay**, a few hours south of Lima, where beaches fringed by cliffs teem with rare birds. From here, a two-hour flight takes travelers across the famed **Nazca Lines**. Best viewed from the sky, this 50 square kilometers of desert floor is covered in drawings of animals and deities dating from 300BC. Further north, discover the archaeological remains of the Mochica and Chimú civilizations, including **Chan Chan** – the largest mud city in the Americas.

Inland, unleash your wild side on two spectacular cruises that meander among areas of jungle seldom visited by travelers. In Amazonian **Pacaya Samiria Reserve**, boats introduce you to neon-colored birds, playful monkeys and graceful herons. In the south, the **Madre de Dios River** meanders through rainforest so abundant that the variety of plant life in a single hectare exceeds that in the entire United States. Walk among treetops across the quarter mile-long canopy bridge and lose your heart to the wonders of Peru.



Let our expert guides inspire your Peruvian adventure. Visit belmond.com/itineraries/south-america



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Fabulous orchids are an unexpected delight of Machu Picchu, where they grow among the Inca stones. Some 130 local species also feature within our gardens, including the hummingbird variety that inspired both the pattern and color on our cover pages. The exotic bird from which the flower takes its name is a frequent visitor to this verdant oasis at the entrance to the citadel.

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