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Andes-Lost World Adventure 19 Days

Starting and ending in Caracas, this round trip combines the three most amazing highlights in the Andes and in the Lost World including a short trip to the Gran Sabana. In one of Venezuela's most impressive national parks, Parque Nacional, Sierra Nevada, you will find the highest peak of the Venezuelan Andes, Pico Bolivar with an altitude of 5007 meters above sea level. It is one of the most popular peaks to climb.

Later on we go deep in the jungles of southern Venezuela, dramatic sandstone mesas called tepuis tower into the sky, rising like isolated islands above the lush, misty landscape. These tabletop mountains are among the most ancient rock formations in the world and their summit plateaus are unexplored wonderlands of flora and fauna found nowhere else on the planet. Our adventurous trek brings by dugout canoe to the base of legendary Angel Falls, the world's highest waterfall, for an exploration of this remote and spectacular World Heritage Site. Afterwards, we climb to the top of the highest of these tepuis, Roraima, an eerie realm of twisted rock sculptures, multi-colored crystals, vast caves and canyons, and unique flora including endemic orchids and carnivorous bromeliads.

Find costs under: http://www.kamadac.de/en/andes-lost_world-round_trip-en.html

Itinerary

Day 1. Arrival in Caracas

On the first day you arrive individual in Maiquetia, the Caracas airport. Our driver waits for you and takes you to the hotel nearby the airport. In the surrounding you find a lot's of restaurants. (-/-/-)

Day 2. Flight from Caracas to Merida

After the breakfast our driver takes you back to the Airport and you fly from Caracas to Merida. It is just a short drive from the airport to the hotel in Merida which is organized as well. In the afternoon you have the chance to visit that wonderful student city in the Venezuelan Andes. Just before dinner we will have a short briefing about the first highlight - the Pico Bolivar hike. (-/L/D)

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Day 3. Merida - Laguna Coromoto

The normal expedition lasts 5 days and follows a "U" shaped route known as La Travesia. We start the hike at one of the entrances to the Sierra Nevada National Park in La Mucuy at an altitude of 2300 mts. The first day we will enjoy an approximately 5 hours hike through the cloud forest. This is an area of dense vegetation, huge ferns, tall trees, bamboo, streams and rivers. We arrive at Laguna Coromoto (3300mts) where we camp for the night. (- / L / D)

Day 4. Laguna Verde

Today day it's a four hour hike to reach Laguna Verde (3900 mts) at the base of Pico Humboldt. The path is more steep and rocky than on the first day and the scenery changes to the typical Paramo vegetation with small plants and many frailejones (Espeletia), a plant with white soft leaves. We camp next to Laguna Verde. (B / L / D)

Day 5. Laguna Timoncito

On this day we leave for the high mountain trek known as La Travesia working our way south towards the base of Pico Bolivar. We scramble up a slope of loose rocks and also out of the Paramo region. We camp next to Laguna Timoncito (4700mts). (B / L / D)

Day 6. Summit Pico Bolivar

The fourth day is the big day!! We reach the summit of Pico Bolivar (5007mts) after a steep climb that needs all the necessary equipment like rope, harness and helmet (crampons and ice axe during the snow season). (B / L / D)

Day 7. Back to Merida

The fifth day we return back to Merida either by cable car or by a 7-9 hours hike out of the high country. (B / L / -)

Day 8. Merida - Ciudad Bolivar

Local Flight from Merida to Ciudad Bolivar and transport to the Hotel. (- / - / -)

Day 9. Ciudad Bolivar- Canaima

Flight in small plane to Canaima. Excursion on the canaima lagoon. Overnight in beds in Canaima. (- / - / D)

Day 10. Canaima - Angel Falls

Expedition by dogout to Angel Falls. Overnight in hammocks with mosquito net opposite of Angel Falls.(B / L / D)

Day 11. Santa Elena - Ciudad Bolivar

Back by dogout to Canaima. Flight to Ciudad Bolivar. Nightbus to Santa Elena (B / - / -)

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Day 12. Santa Elena - Gran Sabana

Half day tour into the Gran Sabana visiting Jaspis Falls (- / - / -)

Day 13 to 18. Roraima trek

Begin of the 6 days Roraima Trek. Overnight in tents. On the 18th day at the end of the trek a night bus brings us to Puerto Ordaz (- / L / D 13th day), (B / L / D day 14 to 17), (B / L / - last day)

Day 19. Santa Elena – Puerto Ordaz

Morning flight from Puerto Ordaz to Caracas (- / - / -)

Included

- All local flights from/to Caracas.
- All transports between the tours, hotel and airport as described
- The 5 days Pico Bolivar trek
- The 3 days Angel Falls tour
- The 6 days Roraima trek
- English-Spanish speaking guide on the tours: Roraima, Angel Falls and Gran Sabana
- Half day tour to Gran Sabana
- One night in Hotel in Caracas, one night in Hotel in Merida, one night in Hotel in Ciudad Bolivar, one in hotel in Santa Elena, one night in beds in Canaima, one in hammocks opposite Angel Falls and five in two men tents on the Roraima trek
- 11 x breakfast, 14 x lunch, 12 x dinner
- Non alcoholic drinks during Angel Falls and Roraima

Not included

- Entry fee for the National Park approx. 15 EUR
- Alcoholic drinks
- The airline for the Angel Falls part allows personal baggage up to 10 Kg + handbag. But you can store some luggage with us in Ciudad Bolivar.

Packing list

- Passport
- Backpack
- Sleeping Bag
- Isolation matt
- Insect repellent
- Sun protection
- Hat or cap with neck protection
- Light clothing
- Warm clothing (min temp.+4 with wind and mist)
- Rain jacket or Poncho
- Swim wear
- Trekking boots
- Water sandals or Sneakers
- Pocket knife
- Water bottle 1Ltr.
- Water purification pills (Micropur or similar)
- Large and small Plastic bags
- Flashlight
- Batteries.

We recommend to bring not more than 12 kg

General Remarks

This round trip can be extended and combined upon request from clients with a tour to **Orinoco Delta tour**, the **Los Llanos** or beach days in **Mochima** or **Margarita island**. The **Angel Falls** part can be done in the rainy season between June – Dec. Depending of the rain and the water level the boats can reach **Angel Falls** even in the dry season. Jan. – May. In the dry season we recommend to combine the Roraima trek with the **Orinoco Delta** or **Los Llanos**. To receive more information about the actual water level to reach **Angel Falls**, please e-mail us.