

GASTON SACAZE BOLIVIA  
TAILOR MADE PROGRAMS:

*BOLIVIAN WORLD: Altitude Lake and salt desert*

7D/6N | La Paz / La Paz | All year round

LA PAZ | UYUNI | TIWANAKU | COPACABANA | SUN ISLAND



## BASE CIRCUIT

### ITINERARY - 7 days / 6 nights

DAY 1: La Paz

DAY 2: La Paz – domestic flight to Uyuni – Colchani

DAY 3: Colchani – domestic flight to La Paz – Tiwanaku – La Paz

DAY 4: La Paz – Copacabana – Sun Island

DAY 5: Sun Island – Copacabana – La Paz

DAY 6: La Paz – Tuni Condoriri – La Paz

DAY 7: La Paz



### HIGHLIGHTS in this program:

The Moon valley in La Paz

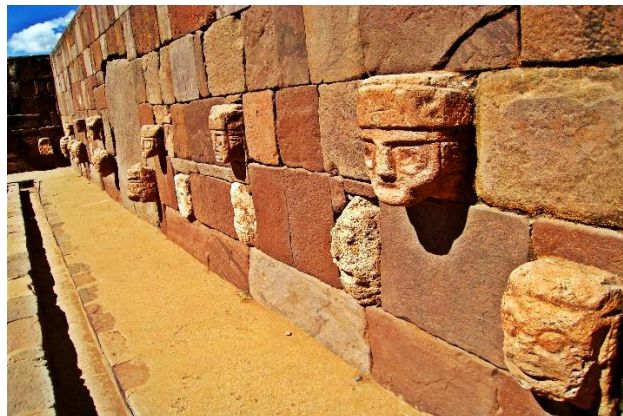
The Uyuni salt desert and the Incahuasi island with its giant cactus

The village of Coquesa with its Indian mummies

The ancient city of Tiwanaku

The Titicaca Lake and the Sun Island

The Condoriri National Park



### HOTELS

The category of hotels is based on national standards, and the below are listed for reference purposes only. Availability will be confirmed at the time of booking, and in case of no availability, they will be replaced by hotels of equivalent standard

HOTELS: STD CATEGORY STD (3*)		
La Paz	Apart hotel Ritz	<a href="http://www.ritzbolivia.com">http://www.ritzbolivia.com</a>
Colchani	Luna Salada	<a href="http://www.lunasalahotel.com">www.lunasalahotel.com</a>
Sun Island	Jacha Inti	<a href="#">not web</a>
HOTELS: SUP CATEGORY (3* superior / 4*)		
La Paz	Europa	<a href="http://www.hoteleuropa.com.bo">www.hoteleuropa.com.bo</a>
Colchani	Luna Salada	<a href="http://www.lunasalahotel.com">www.lunasalahotel.com</a>
Sun Island	Wiñay Inti Lodge	<a href="http://www.winay-inti-lodge.negocio.site">www.winay-inti-lodge.negocio.site</a>

### SERVICES INCLUDED AND NOT INCLUDED

#### INCLUDED:

- 6 hotel nights with breakfast in double room.
- The early check-in Day 1.
- The lunch meal Days 2, 5, and 6.
- The dinner Days 2 and 4.
- All mentioned transfers in private services.
- All excursions in private service with English speaking guide.
- Entrance fees.
- Pre-checking for domestic and international flights.
- Permanent assistance from our local offices.

#### NOT INCLUDED:

- International flights.
- Flight La Paz / Uyuni (approx. USD 185.00 per flight per person).
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- Meals not mentioned in the program.
- Drinks.
- Tips, extras and personal expenses
- All elements that are not mentioned as included in the description



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### D 1 La Paz

Arrival to La Paz. Transfer and hotel installation. Lunch on your own. City tour: Colonial circuit, (Murillo Place, San Francisco Cathedral and cableway tour) La Paz, a stunning city that is spread out in a natural basin that descends from the altiplano towards the high valleys of the Andes mountains. Visit of the Moon Valley. Dinner on your own.

Standard HOTEL: Ritz hotel, Superior HOTEL: Europa Hotel

### D 2 La Paz - domestic flight to Uyuni – Colchani

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the airport to catch your flight to Uyuni. Direction to Colchani to take a look at the salt extraction and treatment process. Tour at the local artisan market. Uyuni salt flat tour and visit to Incahusi Island. In prehistoric times, the Salar de Uyuni was part of a Salt Lake also called the "prehistoric inland sea", Lake Minchin, which comprised most of south-western Bolivia. With more than 12,000 km<sup>2</sup>, it is considered to be the largest salt desert in the world. Lunch included with the tour. Direction to Coquesa to take a look at the mummies. Comeback to Colchani and installation at salt hotel Dinner included at the hotel. Night in Colchani.

Standard & Superior HOTEL: Palacio de Sal

### D 3 Colchani – domestic flight to La Paz – Tiwanaku – La Paz

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the airport to catch your flight to La Paz. Arrival to La Paz Airport and departure to the ancient city of Tiwanaku. Recognized as one of the 754 World Heritage Sites and considered the Stonehenge of the Americas, Tiwanaku is one of the most important precursors to the Inca Empire. Lunch on your own. Visit of the archeological site and museum. Return to La Paz. Installation at the hotel. Dinner on your own. Night in La Paz.

Standard HOTEL: Ritz hotel, Superior HOTEL: Europa Hotel

### D 4 La Paz – Copacabana – Sun Island

Breakfast at the hotel. Departure to Copacabana city. (About 3 hours). Arrival in Copacabana and lunch on your own. The city is called Kota Kawana in Aymara, which means view of the lake). Considered the most important catholic sanctuary in the country, Copacabana is a city that is no less than evocative – it is a place that was revered as a ceremonial region that is now a catholic sanctuary, representing the synchronicity of ancient traditions and the effects of colonialism. Boarding to the sun Island en private boat (about 1 hour). Arrival to the Sun Island. Visit of the ancient Inca palace of Pilkokaina Easy hike along the trail to Yumani (approximately 1h15). Arrival to the hotel Dinner included. Night at the Sun Island.

Standard: Small Family Hostel Jacha Inti, Superior HOTEL: Wiñay Inti Lodge

### D 5 Sun Island – Copacabana – La Paz

Breakfast at the hotel. Descend to the Sacred Source with three waters and the terraced Inca Gardens. Boat ride to the small port of Maywani, located in the north end of the island. Arrival and ascension to the Inca ruins of Chinkana (meaning "labyrinth" in Quechua, or "place where one gets lost") and the Rock of Origin, genesis of the universe, according to several Andean cultures. Hike to the village of Ch'allapampa to enjoy the beautiful scenery of the lake, with the backdrop of the snowcapped peaks of the Cordillera Real (approximately 1h15). Back to Copacabana. Lunch included, aphotapi (traditional meal). Transfer back to La Paz by the same route as before. Arrival and transfer to the hotel (downtown).

Dinner on your own. Night in La Paz.

Standard HOTEL: Ritz hotel, Superior HOTEL: Europa Hotel

### D 6 La Paz – Tuni Condoriri – La Paz

Breakfast at the hotel. Early departure to the Condoriri National Park (approximately 2 hours). Arrival at the Tuni community (4400m asl). The walk continues until you reach a small lake: the Jurikota. Then continue to the Chiarkota Lagoon (4670m), about 3 hours away walking. Lunch break (lunchbox) included and free time to enjoy the beauty of the place, ideal landscape to get carried away with

photography. In the afternoon, return to the village of Tuni (about 2h30 walk), where the vehicle to return to La Paz will be waiting for you. Arrival in La Paz. Dinner on your own. Night in La Paz.

Standard HOTEL: Ritz hotel, Superior HOTEL: Europa Hotel



## **D 7    La Paz**

Breakfast at the hotel. At time indicated, transfer to airport for your flight. Baggage check and passenger boarding.

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

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### UYUNI SALT FLAT

Best season: October to December (least cold)

Intermediate season: April to September (the coldest and driest: few risks of rain)

Most random season: December to March: rainy season.

Climate: The Salar has a dry winter from May to October and a rainy summer from December to March. It is very cold and the wind is icy. During the night, the temperature often drops to  $-25^{\circ}\text{C}$  in June (the coldest months are June, July and August).

Health: Good physical condition recommended due to altitude and climatic variations. Altitude (and therefore lack of oxygen) can be a major problem.

Altitude: Uyuni: 3660m

Communication routes: land road in a variable state from correct to bad (this also depends on the season).

Individual equipment: the days are usually sunny with wind in the afternoon; the nights could be very cold.

Do not forget to bring sunglasses, sunscreen, warm clothing (wind and fleece, hat, gloves, socks, etc.), walking shoes, hat, and personal pharmacy.

*Note: From December to March is the rainy season in the Salar region. During this season it is not always possible to reach the island of Incahuasi by car because the Salar can be flooded. Nevertheless, the landscape is still beautiful, with the sky reflected in the water. During the months from June to August temperatures can drop very sharply, expect very warm clothes.*