

# **Uyuni Salt Desert**

TRIP LENGTH: Four days STARTS AND ENDS: Uyuni

The world's biggest salt desert, with an area larger than Puerto Rico, the Salar de Uyuni is one of the most bizarre places on Earth. Lip-parchingly white ground, searing blue sky, and pink flamingos in red lakes are just the backdrop. The Salar truly has to be seen to be believed.

Itineraries in the Salar vary with the seasons - some sights are at their best in the rainy season, and others are inaccessible! This is a sample itinerary - we'll confirm the best program for the time of year you are traveling.

## Day 1 From Uyuni to Villamar

Our exploration of the strangest place in Bolivia begins at 10am, when your guide will pick you up and you'll head straight for the train cemetery, where we can see the crumbling remains of Bolivia's 19th-century railway empire slowly being consumed by the desert. We'll see lagoons, cave paintings, and rock formations resembling everything from a teapot to a camel, as we traverse the weird expanse of the Salar to Villamar, where we'll spend the night.

Accommodation: Mallku Cueva, Villamar

Meals: Lunch and dinner included

## Day 2 Red lake, stone trees, geysers and boiling mud

Laguna Roja (Red Lake) is a sight to see, with its changing colors, 'eternal snows', and pink flamingos.

Sol de Mañana, with its geysers shooting dozens of feet into the air, boiling mud pools, and ubiquitous sulfur smell, feels like where hell breaks through to the world's surface, or the beginning of time when the Earth was being formed.

Today we'll also see a different kind of desert, Siloli, with its red sand and stone trees.

Accommodation: Palacio de Sal, Colchani

Meals: All meals included

### Day 3 Incahuasi, photo ops, and sunset over the Salar

Our last day in the Salar begins with Incahuasi, a weird, fuzzy yet spiky island notable for its giant cactuses. It's known as la Isla del Pescado to locals because it supposedly looks like a fish... a flight of imagination which underscores how devoid of landmarks the endless sea of white here is.

This afternoon we'll take advantage of that emptiness, taking classic photos of each other in the world's most weirdly perspective-less setting. We'll bid farewell to the Salt Desert with a glass of wine in a front-row seat for a spectacular sunset.

Accommodation: Palacio de Sal, Colchani

Meals: All meals included

#### Day 4 Departure Day

Book your flight out for any time you like; we'll get you to the airport in time.

We hope you've enjoyed exploring the world's weirdest desert with us!

Meals: Breakfast included

#### What's included

- All accommodation (based on twin-share. Single supplement available for US\$850)
- All transportation, including airport transfers at start and end of trip
- All attractions and activities specified in itinerary
- Dedicated guide
- All meals, as specified in the itinerary
- Clean, safe drinking water throughout the trip

#### What's not included

- Alcoholic beverages
- Laundry and room service
- Tips for guides and drivers

#### **Accommodations**

Accommodations are of four-star standard and are a highlight of this trip, as they are constructed from unusual materials and are as weird and wonderful as the Salar itself!