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“FJORDS, INCAS & ANDES” 21 NIGHT SOUTH AMERICA FLY / CRUISE / TOUR PACKAGE.

Cruise onboard Holland America Line’s premium *ms Veendam*.

Depart Australia 13th November 2010.

BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

13th November 2010: Depart Australia this morning with LAN (codeshare flight with QANTAS).

Welcome to Argentina! Upon arrival in Buenos Aires you will be met and transferred to your hotel. A light lunch and cool drinks will be included before an afternoon at leisure to relax or begin your exploration of Buenos Aires.

Overnight: Melia Hotel, Buenos Aires

Meals: Lunch

BUENOS AIRES SIGHTS & JOIN HOLLAND AMERICA LINE CRUISE



14th November 2010: This morning we meet our guide and get acquainted with Buenos Aires on our half day sightseeing tour of the city’s major neighbourhoods and attractions. Included is the Plaza de Mayo (Main Square) surrounded by the Casa Rosada (Presidential Headquarters), the Colonial Town Hall and Cathedral. We also drive through the charming streets of San Telmo and colourful La Boca, famous for its multi-colour tin houses. Later, we drive through elegant Barrio Norte on our way to Recoleta Cemetery lined with mausoleums and statues. This famous cemetery includes graves of some of the most influential and important Argentines, including several presidents, scientists and wealthy characters. Internationally, Eva Perón is the most widely known person buried in this cemetery.

This afternoon, our tour concludes at the cruise terminal to board Holland America Line’s premium *ms Veendam*. A late lunch is available onboard the ship in the Lido restaurant. Afterwards, relax and settle in to your stateroom before our cruise departure this evening.

Overnight: *ms Veendam*

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY

15th November 2010: Friendly and genteel, Montevideo honours colonial customs: long lunches, siestas and high tea. Nearby is Colonia del Sacramento, the oldest city in Uruguay (ca. 1680), a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Overnight: *ms Veendam*

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner





AT SEA

16th – 17th November 2010: Explore all the facilities available on *ms Veendam* and be as active as you wish. Grandly proportioned and recently enhanced, the *ms Veendam* offers an onboard experience defined by spacious comfort and the latest Signature of Excellence features and amenities. Guests onboard the *ms Veendam* will not only enjoy elegant dining rooms, a \$2 million art and antique collection, wide teak decks and spacious staterooms - many with private verandahs – but also new and exciting venues, stateroom options and completely updated stateroom furnishings.

Overnight: *ms Veendam*
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

PORT STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS

18th November 2010: Scotland under the Southern Cross: moorlands, pubs, red phone booths, sheep ranches and a “cuppa tea.” Plus penguins of many types; Gentoo, Magellanic and King.

Overnight: *ms Veendam*
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

CAPE HORN cruising only

19th November 2010: Magellan’s fleet first circled this massive, treacherous rock at continent’s end. Until the Panama Canal was constructed, this was the main shipping route from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Overnight: *ms Veendam*
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

USHUAIA, ARGENTINA; COCKBURN & BEAGLE CHANNELS; ROMANCHE & ALEMANIA GLACIERS cruising only

20th November 2010: Ushuaia is the southernmost town in the world, where dominating peaks loom on three sides; the fourth opens to the Beagle Channel, where sea lions bellow and king crabs rule. Charted by Charles Darwin on his exploratory cruise in 1832, these are two of the most vital channels in the Tierra del Fuego archipelago. At 150 miles long, the Beagle Channel separates the main island in the north from the small islands in the south. The Cockburn Channel offers breathtaking views of Romanche, Alemania, Francia and Italia Glaciers.

Overnight: *ms Veendam*
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

PUNTA ARENAS, CHILE; STRAIT OF MAGELLAN cruising only

21st November 2010: This remote town, pioneered by Yugoslav settlers and sheep ranchers, sits on rolling hills overlooking the Strait of Magellan. Where the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans converge, the Strait of Magellan lies along the southern edge of South America and was named by Ferdinand Magellan around 1520. The strait, protected by both the mainland and the islands of the Tierra del Fuego archipelago, was considered safer than Cape Horn or Drake Passage. Views of Chile from the strait include stunning vistas and landscapes, tiny coves and picturesque inlets.

Overnight: *ms Veendam*
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

AMALIA GLACIER CANAL SARMIENTO cruising only

22nd November 2010: The west side of the Sarmiento Canal is flanked by Madre de Dios Island, with towering limestone peaks. Amalia Glacier is blue and white, and home to penguins and seabirds.

Overnight: *ms Veendam*
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DARWIN CHANNEL CHILEAN FJORDS cruising only

23rd November 2010: Fjords more spectacular than those in Norway or Alaska? See them here along the southern coastline of Chile. A 1,000-mile maze of virgin-forested islands, glistening glaciers and more fjords than in all of Scandinavia.

Overnight: *ms Veendam*
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



PUERTO MONTT, CHILE

24th November 2010: Gateway to the scenic Lake District, a series of fragrant eucalyptus and pine forests, icy lakes, Bavarian hamlets and luminous snow-capped volcanoes.

Overnight: *ms Veendam*
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

AT SEA

25th November 2010: Every day onboard a Holland America Line cruise ship brings a wealth of activities and indulgences, along with the freedom to partake in as many — or as few — as you please. It's an opportunity to try something new that surprises you, every day. Dabble, discover, daydream — do everything, or do nothing at all.

Overnight: *ms Veendam*
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

WINE COUNTRY & SANTIAGO, CHILE

26th November 2010: Our cruise comes to an end this morning as we arrive into Valparaiso, the magical port city of Santiago. After disembarkation, we will meet our guide and tour Valparaiso, considered a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

We continue from the coast to the nearby wine growing valley region between Valparaiso and Santiago. This completely enclosed valley, which is 9,000 hectares in length and perpendicular to the ocean, features extraordinary light and possesses the ideal climatic and topographic conditions for both red and white wines. At the Matetic Winery, the first 56 planted hectares are in all-organic soils and are producing 100 percent natural grapes. We tour the wine-making facility and enjoy the panoramic views of the vineyards with Andean glimpses as a backdrop. Sample the local produce with some wine tasting in the subterranean tasting room. Enjoy a light lunch before we continue to Chile's capital, Santiago.

This afternoon on our Santiago panoramic tour, see 'views of a moving city'. From the history of the colonial neighbourhoods to the modernity of the new financial centre also known as 'Sanhattan', enjoy a trip through the different sceneries that characterise this metropolis. We begin in the city's old residential area, passing by beautiful residences that today are part of the Barrio Universitario (university area). Our trip continues to the historical and financial city centre where the La Moneda Government Palace, the Main Square and its buildings are main highlights. We continue to the green Parque Forestal and the bohemian Bellavista neighbourhood.

Overnight: *Ritz-Carlton, Santiago*
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

SACRED VALLEY OF THE INCAS, PERU

27th November 2010: An early start this morning as we depart Santiago and fly to Peru. Upon arrival in the ancient Inca capital of Cusco, we are met by our guide and travel to the Sacred Valley. The picturesque Sacred Valley, also known as the Urubamba Valley is located between Cusco and the ancient sacred city of Machu Picchu in the Andean Mountain range. The valley was appreciated by the Incas due to its special geographical and climatic qualities. It was one of the empire's main points for the extraction of natural wealth and the best place for maize production in Peru.

Overnight: *Aranwa Hotel, Sacred Valley*
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



MACHU PICCHU 'Lost City of The Incas' PERU

28th November 2010: This morning we travel by train to Aguas Calientes (Machu Picchu Village). Upon arrival, we transfer to shuttle bus and travel to the top of the mountain and citadel of Machu Picchu, one of the most renowned examples of Inca architecture, surrounded by lush cloud forest. Lost in history, the citadel was not discovered until 1911 by the American explorer Hiram Bingham. Our guide will explain the history of Machu Picchu and highlight points of interest as we walk through the ruins. After lunch, choose to return to Machu Picchu Village, re-enter the ruins for further exploration at your leisure, or simply sit within the ruins and admire your surrounds while soaking up the Andean atmosphere and immense significance of this site. For the energetic, perhaps hike to the top of Huayna Picchu for a picture postcard overview of the citadel.

Overnight: *Sumaq Hotel, Machu Picchu Village*
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch





MACHU PICCHU, PERU

29th November 2010: This morning is at leisure with an option to return to the ruins. A visit to the markets is a must for local handicrafts such as paintings, pottery, alpaca & llama wool jumpers and scarves, jewellery gifts for friends and family. This afternoon we travel by train from Machu Picchu to Cusco. Cusco is the historic capital of the Inca Empire and was declared a World Heritage Site in 1983 by UNESCO. It is a major tourist destination and receives almost a million visitors a year. It is designated as the Historical Capital of Peru by the Constitution of Peru.

Overnight: Casa Andina Private Collection, Cusco
Meals: Breakfast



CUSCO 'Historic Capital of the Inca Empire' PERU

30th November 2010: Our City & Ruins tour will show us this amazing colonial city built on the foundations of Inca palaces. You will visit the Koricancha 'Temple of the Sun', where you can appreciate the incredible masonry of the Incas, the Plaza de Armas (Main Square) and the Cathedral with its carved woodworks, altars and paintings. We drive to the fortress of Sacsahuaman, to the underground cave and temple of Kenko, Puca Pucara and to Tambomachay – known as the Baths of the Inca.

Overnight: Casa Andina Private Collection, Cusco
Meals: Breakfast



LIMA, PERU

1st December 2010: We depart Cusco and fly to Lima, Peru's capital and largest city. On arrival, we transfer to the hotel to check in. Later, we join our 'Colonial and Modern City Tour' where we visit the Plaza Major with its impressive Government Palace, Cathedral, Archbishop's Palace and City Hall. We continue to the 17th Century church and cloister of San Francisco, a world cultural heritage. The tour continues to the modern residential suburb of San Isidro where a visit to the pre-Inca pyramid of Huaca Huallamarca is included before continuing to downtown Miraflores with its Park of Love to enjoy a view of the Pacific Ocean. As our South American adventure is drawing to a close, enjoy a farewell dinner tonight at La Rosa Nautica Restaurant.

Overnight: Casa Andina Private Collection Miraflores, Lima
Meals: Breakfast, Dinner



FAREWELL SOUTH AMERICA

2nd December 2010: Today, we bid farewell to South America as we transfer to the airport for our LAN flight to Santiago, connecting with our international LAN flight (codeshare with QANTAS) to Australia.

Meals: Breakfast



Day spent in flight 3rd December 2010

Arrive in Australia early this morning 4th December 2010

