



***Announcing Peru Kayak - now offering guided kayaking trips in Peru.***

In 2007, on the first descent of the Santa Teresa river, Gian Marco Vellutino fell in love with this magical part of Peru which combined the perfect weather of Costa Rica and the easily accesible kayaking of Pucon, Chile. After paddling and falling in love with the many rivers in the region he purchased land at the confluence of the Sacsara, Santa Teresa, and Urubamba rivers.

Over the years Gian Marco turned his hectare of land into one of the premier adventure lodges in the Macchu Picchu region. The camp now has private cabins in the trees, a cozy community lobby, a wood-fired hot-tub, and an expansive, well-manicured lawn. The lodge is surrounded by some of Peru's most pristine jungle—a region that the Inka considered to be the most sacred in all of the world.

Peru has become known as the gastronomic capital of South America and Peru Kayak guests will enjoy delicious meals of locally sourced ingredients.

Farmers in the Sacsara Valley grow a variety of tropical produce including bananas, pineapple, cacao, coffee, avocado, and passion fruit. The lodge is located 15 kilometers from Macchu Picchu—one of Peru's most sought after destinations and one of the seven wonders of the world.

► **THE KAYAKING:**

Thanks to easy access to a wide variety of rivers, proximity to Macchu Picchu, and perfect weather, the Cola de Mono lodge has become the premier destination for kayakers traveling to Peru.

The rivers range from fun big water on the lower Urubamba to creeking and waterfalls on the Lucumayo and Sacsara rivers. There are endless options for kayakers of all levels—from beginners to pros.

► **SAFETY:**

Peruvian guides are known as some of the best in the world and have been invited to lead trips around the globe. The Kayak Peru guides are well-trained in the latest safety techniques and place a high-priority on client safety.

Peru Kayak offers three itineraries catering to kayakers of different ability levels. The standard itinerary includes round-trip travel from Cusco, treehouse lodging, freshly cooked meals, a visit to Macchu Picchu, and 7 days of kayaking.

► **ABOUT GIAN MARCO:**

Gian Marco Vellutino is one of the pioneers of kayaking in Peru with two decades of first descents throughout the country as well as cutting edge descents elsewhere in South America. He is trained in swiftwater rescue and has been safely guiding clients down the rivers of Peru for many years. He has been profiled in Kayak Session Magazine and he is often sought out as an expert on the rivers of Peru.



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