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# **BOLIVIA EXPEDITION**

BOLIVIA | SOUTH AMERICA | Pequeño Alpamayo 5330M, Huayna Potosí 6094M, Illimani Extension 6460M



An alpine lake with Huayna Potosi standing tall in the background (IMG Vault)

#### **CLIMB BOLIVIA PEAKS WITH IMG**

With some of the Western Hemisphere's best high altitude climbing, you can't beat Bolivia for refining your mountaineering skills! These programs are suitable for climbers in excellent physical condition with solid <a href="Mt. Rainier">Mt. Rainier</a> skills (crampons, ice axe, and roped glacier travel.)

If you have a Himalayan Peak in your sights for the future, Bolivia is a great training ground. At high altitudes, the mountains bear a striking resemblance to the rugged peaks of the Himalaya. From <a href="Managed-amountains">Ama Dablam</a> to <a href="Cho Oyu">Cho Oyu</a>, <a href="Lhotse">Lhotse</a>, or <a href="Everest">Everest</a> — if your goal is to climb in the Himalaya, these mountains are great training.

#### THE CLIMB

Our expedition begins with a couple nice training days in the Condoriri area of the Cordillera Real Mountains culminating with a climb of Pequeño Alpamayo (17,482'). Then we head over to Huayna Potosi (19,974') which is one of the Classic Bolivian peaks. These are excellent climbs, requiring a variety of snow and ice climbing skills. If you have the time, take advantage of your acclimatization by adding the higher and steeper Illimani (21,200'). For those interested in climbing Parinacota and/or Sajama, we can work with you on these mountains as well in a Custom Program arrangement.

Bolivia checks all the boxes for a mountaineer looking for a fun adventure. The mountains are spectacular, the people are welcoming and we include plenty of sightseeing and acclimatizing before heading to our climbing objectives. The history of the ancient people is noted everywhere and many of the skills learned hundreds

## **DATES & PRICES**

### Pequeno Alpamayo & Huayna Potosi: \$4,300

- July 14-26, 2024
- Single Supplement \$300

## Illimani Extension: \$1,500 (Immediately following above climb)

- July 27-Aug 2, 2024
- Single Supplement \$200

#### **CUSTOM Bolivia Climbs:**

Please contact us for information and pricing.

## **PREREQUISITES**

Previous mountaineering experience is required

## **QUICK LINKS**

Program Itinerary
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## **CONTACT US**

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## REGISTER

Ready to ao?

- IMG Application Package
- □ Application Fee \$1500
- Passport copy

## **FEE SCHEDULE**

Non-refundable application fee is due at registration and applies to program fees. Balance of all fees are due 120 days prior to trip departure. Please refer to the application package for payment instructions. Program fees are quoted in US dollars. All fees and payments are non-refundable and non-transferable. Payments must be received by IMG on or before the due dates. Prices shown apply to advertised programs only.

of years ago are still being used today. The wildlife is abundant, and we rarely make a move without being accompanied by llamas, donkeys or mules as well as other wildlife that is just curious!

#### THE GUIDES

Our IMG Guides in Bolivia have climbed some of the highest peaks around the world and will train you for all the technical skills needed to have a successful attempt on these great mountains. With our combination of top quality accommodations in the city and camps, and great guides, the Bolivia trip is about as good as it gets for combining fun travel and challenging high altitude climbing. We have also worked with many individuals and groups to organize custom programs in Bolivia.

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| Pequeño Alpamayo and Huayna Potosi |                          |  |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Day                                | Date                     | Itinerary  |
| Day 1                              | Sunday, July 14, 2024    | Arrive La Paz, transfer to hotel, welcome dinner             |
| Day 2                              | Monday, July 15, 2024    | City Tour, visit local markets, second hotel night           |
| Day 3                              | Tuesday, July 16, 2024   | Lake Titicaca (12,400ft) hiking, overnight at Copacabana     |
| Day 4                              | Wednesday, July 17, 2024 | Boat ride to Sun Island, second night at Copacabana          |
| Day 5                              | Thursday, July 18, 2024  | Move to Tambo Condoriri (14,000ft)                           |
| Day 6                              | Friday, July 19, 2024    | Move to Condoriri BC (15,100ft) mountaineering review        |
| Day 7                              | Saturday, July 20, 2024  | Training and climbing  |
| Day 8                              | Sunday, July 21, 2024    | Ascend Pico Austria (17,300ft) and/or other nearby peaks     |
| Day 9                              | Monday, July 22, 2024    | Ascend Pequeño Alpamayo (17,482ft) and/or other nearby peaks |
| Day 10                             | Tuesday, July 23, 2024   | Move to Huayna Potosi Base Camp (15,600ft)                   |
| Day 11                             | Wednesday, July 24, 2024 | Move to Campo Argentino high camp (18,000ft)                 |
| Day 12                             | Thursday, July 25, 2024  | Summit day Huayna Potosi (19,974ft), return to Base Camp     |
| Day 13                             | Friday, July 26, 2024    | Return to La Paz. Hotel.                                     |
| Optional Illimani Extension        |                          |  |
| Day                                | Date                     | Itinerary  |
| Day 14                             | Saturday, July 27, 2024  | Free day in La Paz. Hotel.                                   |
| Day 15                             | Sunday, July 28, 2024    | Move to Illimani Base Camp (about 15,750ft)                  |
| Day 16                             | Monday, July 29, 2024    | Acclimatization day  |
| Day 17                             | Tuesday, July 30, 2024   | Establish Illimani High Camp (about 17,875ft)                |
| Day 18                             | Wednesday, July 31, 2024 | Summit Illimani (21,200ft), descend to BC                    |
| Day 19                             | Thursday, August 1, 2024 | Return to La Paz. Hotel.                                     |
| Day 20                             | Friday, August 2, 2024   | Depart for home  |

**THE DEAL:** Here is what is included and not included in your land cost fee.

#### Included

- IMG Leadership & local guides @2:1 ratio
- Cook team, drivers, porters, mules
- Group equipment (kitchen, tents, etc.)
- Climbing permit fees/park fees/museum/boat to Sun Island
- Airport transfers

- Ground transportation
- Lodging for published itinerary
  - o Includes 3 hotel nights in La Paz, double occupancy (2 before & 1 after climb returns to La Paz)
  - For members climbing Illimani, we add 2 more nights (2 before, 2 in the middle, 1 at the end).
  - We can make a reservation for you if you wish to come early or stay on after the trip ends, additional nights are at your expense
- Shared accommodations in Copacabana hotel and in tents while climbing
- Welcome dinner on first night & continental breakfasts in La Paz.
- Meals while climbing except for snack items.

#### Not Included

- International airfare/tax/baggage fees
- Visa fee on arrival
- Single Supplement hotel accommodations (SINGLE SUPPLEMENT COVERS LA PAZ HOTELS ONLY)
- Food and lodging, should you arrive in La Paz early or stay longer than itinerary
- Beverages during the trip
- Personal shopping and snacks
- Lunches & dinners in La Paz with the exception of the Welcome Dinner
- Personal gear/climbing equipment
- Travel insurance; evacuation, hospital or medical costs
- Covid tests (if required for travel); any Covid-related expense resulting in delays or quarantine
- Tip pool for local guides and support staff-\$300 USD per person
- Optional but customary gratuity for your IMG guide, 5% is a good starting point

#### THE ODDS & ENDS:

#### Single Supplement

Accommodations are based on double occupancy. If you prefer a single room in the hotel in La Paz only, this is can be arranged for an additional \$300 (add \$200 if you're also on the Illimani Extension). If we cannot pair you with a roommate, you will be charged the single supplement fee.

#### **Travel Insurance**

Emergency evacuation coverage and emergency medical expense coverage are required for International Programs. IMG strongly recommends the addition of trip cancellation/interruption coverage due to the IMG refund policy. Information is on our website.

#### **Flights**

Plan to arrive on Day 1 of the published itinerary. Please provide your complete flight itinerary to us so we can book your hotel reservation, and do keep us informed of any changes to your itinerary. If you arrive a day early, we can assist in reserving an additional hotel night for you.

#### Passport & Visa

Your passport must have at least 6 months validity AFTER your date of arrival to Bolivia and extra pages for stamps. A tourist visa is required for U.S. citizens to enter Bolivia, at additional cost on arrival. We will provide further instruction.

#### **Immunizations + Covid**

Participants are required to comply with the Covid-19 vaccination and documentation requirements of the destination country or area. For the most up to date information on Covid-19 vaccination requirements and any other immunization requirements, visit the website of your destination country embassy in the USA, <u>US Embassy website for your destination country</u>, the <u>CDC</u>, and <u>US State Dept Travel pages</u>. Requirements are subject to change. Plan to carry a digital copy of your Covid-19 vaccination record with you.

#### **Custom Programs**

We have worked with many individuals and groups to organize custom programs in Bolivia. Whether it's different dates, other mountains, or additional days before or after a trip, we're here to assist you.

**LET'S TALK!** Questions about the trip? **Email or call (360) 569-2609**