

An aerial photograph of a lush green valley. A river flows through the lower left portion of the image. In the lower right, there are ancient stone ruins, including terraced structures and a large building complex. The surrounding mountains are covered in dense green forest.

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EXQUISITELY HANDCRAFTED LUXURY TOURS TO SOUTH AMERICA

Kuoda is the award-winning luxury tour operator behind your South American experience. Based in Cusco, we contribute to local economies, preserving culture and heritage, and giving back to nature.

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Our passionate and experienced travel-loving staff have the knowledge and adventure spirit you seek to create unique and enriching itineraries. With 18 years in the market and a network of more than 80 top-of-their-field guides, drivers, historians, chefs and experts, Kuoda guarantees that an unforgettable experience.

BEHIND THE NAME

Even our name, Kuoda, meaning to expand, improve, learn and grow, reflects our philosophy perfectly. Our team is strongly committed to these principles and is always looking for new finds to share with you here in South America.

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The Team

From trekking through the Andes, to exploring ancient citadels - your itinerary will be tailor-made to your needs. No matter which destination is calling out to you, Kuoda Travel will help bring your South American fantasy vacation to fruition.

Our team of luxury travel experts has more than 50+ years of combined travel knowledge in South America. Providing local insight and expert tips about the most inspiring destinations is our specialty. From luxury cruises down the Amazon River to mystical adventures through Patagonia, we curate unique itineraries for your ultimate vacation.



Mery Calderón

THE WOMAN BEHIND KUODA

A pioneer of the responsible travel initiative, Mery has had a lifelong connection with tourism. She founded Kuoda in 2004 after working for luxury travel and hospitality companies and seeing the need for a truly personalized and unique travel experience with a positive impact on local communities.

Her participation in crafting every journey shows her deep care for the individual experience of each and every guest, treating them with the same love and devotion that she gives her own family.

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99

In the past year, **99% of Kuoda's travelers say they would recommend Kuoda** to others and would choose to travel with us again.

182

Our network of travel and hospitality experts is **made up of over 182 local guides, drivers, and hosts** to whom Kuoda gives direct and indirect employment.

52

At present, children and adults from **52 communities have benefited from Kuoda's Kaypi Kunan social initiatives** in computer literacy, music lessons, and more.

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Enriching Itineraries

Our itineraries are crafted by local experts to match your unique interests and passions. Whether you're looking to participate in philanthropic efforts, cultural exchanges or other mutually enriching experiences, we guarantee a return home with a sense of rejuvenation, priceless memories, and new perspectives from a deep understanding the local culture.

Exclusive Local Insight

Having an on-the-ground presence in Cusco gives us a vital edge. Not only do we know the region like the back of our hand, but we are able to keep abreast of any exciting happenings as well as any changes that may affect your travel experience. We know the best time to avoid traffic, and when festivities may result in reveler-clogged streets, never missing a beat.

Curiosity For The Unknown

We actively seek out the undiscovered: the hidden-away wonders, the little-known locales and out-of-the-way attractions. In other words, the things that have yet to make it into the guidebooks. We believe that by providing extraordinary experiences that fit your passion, we can take your experience to the next level.

Dedication To Our People

People are at the heart of Kuoda. A simple concept which makes all the difference. We are passionately committed to our clients, team, partners and local communities in order to provide the best hospitality and warmth south of the equator. Having cultivated relationships that span over 18 years, we are proud to call them family.

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COLOMBIA

ECUADOR

PERU

BOLIVIA

CHILE

ARGENTINA

Six Countries

HUNDREDS OF DESTINATIONS

Kuoda is based in the oldest living city of South America, catering to all countries everyone should visit at least once in their lifetime.

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Getting Started

Stage 01

Getting To Know You

After our initial contact, we'll ascertain the basics: destinations, timeframes, budget, accompanying persons, health and diet considerations and, most importantly, your interests and passions in order to create an initial itinerary proposal.

Stage 03

Finalization & Confirmation

Once you give us the final nod of approval for the itinerary, we'll request an initial deposit and book in advance all tours, entrance tickets and transportation so you don't have to worry about unexpected last-minute changes.

Stage 05

Arrival & Travel Experience

From the moment you arrive, you will be cared for by a Kuoda host who will take you to your hotel, go through your itinerary, and provide directions for meeting your guide. A customer service agent will also check in every 2 days and be available for you 24/7.



Stage 02

Itinerary Development

At this stage, we revert back to you for your thoughts. With your feedback, we'll start refining your itinerary, all the while remaining in contact by phone and email should you have any thoughts, concerns, or lightning-bolt realizations.



Stage 04

Preparing For Departure

Your curated and confirmed itinerary is sent via email. You'll be able to read through day-by-day accounts of planned activities and detailed key information regarding your trip and local contacts. The remaining payment is requested at this stage.



Stage 06

Return Home

We'll do our best to make your return journey home as smooth as possible. A Kuoda team member will go with you to the airport and ensure you are comfortably settled in your departing flight, should you need additional assistance.



The Kaypi Kunan *Association*

Oriented in social assistance and focused on education, Kuoda founded Kaypi Kunan, meaning "here and now" in Quechua. The association aims to leave a positive footprint in the world; strengthening and empowering Andean children and adults by developing enriching educational activities that promote learning with values.

Computer Center

In 2011, mobile training centers were implemented with technologies to serve the Andean communities. These training centers are established in six different Andean communities for five months, offering computer classes to the residents of the communities five days a week.

Strings For Freedom

Art is a powerful tool to transmit the ethical and moral values that help shape life in society. Through violin lessons, this project aims to awaken an interest and love for music, based on the aptitudes and artistic vocation of people of all ages, regardless of their training.

The Letter Cabinet

A book club project where participants choose a common title to read and share their ideas and understanding of the content. It is specifically aimed at children and teenagers ranging from fifth to ninth grade. The project has formed five reading groups according to grades, each comprising 15 students.

Should you wish to include an environmental conservation or social support activity in your trip or contribute to our projects, please [reach out to us](#).

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