

# QUICK FACTS:

## LOCATION:

Peru - several areas

## THE RIVER IS:

The color of peanut butter, but not quite as thick.

## THE SCENERY IS:

High Andes to cactus desert to proper parrots-in-trees jungle.

## THE WHITEWATER IS:

Fun and exciting - mid-volume class III with roller-coaster waves.

# RIVER STATS:

LENGTH (MILES): N/A

EXPEDITION DAYS: 16



# RIO MARANON

A GOALS Marañon experience combines many of the most fascinating lessons in history, culture, and conservation that Peru can tell - all into one experience. We begin in Cusco - a beautiful city that serves as the gateway to the Sacred Valley. We'll explore Inca ruins, visit small markets, and learn about native textile weaving on small farms throughout the region. We will trek through high passes in the Andes that lead to the famed Inca city of Machu Picchu before returning to Cusco for a flight toward the second part of this expedition - the Rio Marañon.

This beautiful river offers one of the most unique journeys on the planet. Isolated riverside villages, cascading waterfalls, natural swimming holes, ancient rock art, ruins, along with flora and fauna that is literally not found anywhere else.

While navigating the largest tributary of the Amazon River, we'll visit and interact with local cultures who must walk 8 hours to the nearest road. We'll hike to ancient ruins and pictograph panels, explore caves and swim in cascading waterfalls, and perhaps most importantly - we'll discuss the devastating impacts that a series of proposed dams on the Marañon would have throughout the region. And we'll do it all in between countless class III and IV rapids.

The Sacred Valley and the Rio Marañon create an expedition that inspires, educates, and motivates. Don't miss the Rio Marañon - experience it now while you still can!



## 5 REASONS TO CHOOSE THE RIO MARANON:

1. You enjoy history, and want to learn about the Incas.
2. The conservation rallying cry to prevent Marañon dams.
3. Connecting with kids along the river is powerful.
4. You enjoy exploring small markets in the Sacred Valley.
5. More passport stamps make us happier and healthier.

## KIDS LOVE THE MARANON BECAUSE:

- The cultural experience is unmatched - in the Sacred Valley and on the Marañon.
- Machu Picchu!
- The Quechua textile artisans are incredible.
- Soccer games with local kids along the river.
- The Inca ruins are fascinating - all of them!
- Tough to find better swimming holes than the cascading pools along the Marañon.



# 2024 EXPEDITIONS

SEPT/OCT 2024 - DATES TBD

Multi-age - 15+. \$TBD

