South America

South America is the fourth largest continent in the world. Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela, Brazil, French Guiana, Suriname and Guyana are the countries of South America. The South Atlantic Ocean is to the east and the South Pacific is to the west.

The biggest country in South America is Brazil. The largest river is the Amazon and it is the second largest river in the world. The longest Mountain range is the Andes. The highest waterfall is Angel falls in Venezuela. The population is 440,113,400. Some South American animals are the Jaguar, Sloths, Maned wolf, spectacled bear, Toucans, Cougar, Guinea pig, eagle and last but not least the Capy Barra.

July is normally the coldest month and the warmest month is January. The potato originated from South America. The most spoken language is Spanish.

The landscape of Peru is made out of mountains, beaches, deserts and rainforests. Tourists love to visit the rainbow Mountain, the amazon jungle and Machu Picchu. Machu Picchu was built in 1450AD. It is made up of 150 buildings. It belonged to the Incas. Some popular foods in Peru are an Aj i de Gallina (creamy chicken), Lomo saltado (stir fried beef), and cuy (guinea pig). Three quarters of the woorlds alpaca population live in Peru.

The Inca Empire was the largest empire in all the Americas. The Inca Empire lasted from 1200 to 1533AD.They didn’t have a written languge, they used Kiphu. Kiphu was an intricate system of knotted strings of various colors and patterns that store convey information. The Incas had 3 commandments: don’t steal, don’t lie and don’t be lazy. If you cursed the Gods you would be thrown off a cliff. The empire ended in the 16th century after the Spanish Conquest led by Francisco Pizerro.

South America is a very interesting continent and I found out some useful facts. I hope I get to visit there sometime when I’m older.

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