WHY LOS AMIGOS?
There are billions of trees in the Amazon basin—why hug the ones at Los Amigos? Because you're not just funding a carbon offset program with state-of-the-art certification, designed to stop deforestation in its tracks. You're joining a virtuous circle of friends working towards a sustainable Amazon. We're scientists, students, local communities—even loggers—and we believe your investment in Amazonian carbon should do a lot more than just offset emissions.

BENEFITS BEYOND CARBON
When you offset emissions with carbon from Los Amigos, you're buying into a program that's designed to supercharge Amazonian conservation, science, and training. You're helping our park guards ensure a future for thousands of plant and animal species, from the sexy jaguars to the humble bamboo rats. You're supporting the Amazon's most active research station—a wilderness base camp that serves hundreds of scientists and students each year. And you're helping us train the next generation of Amazonian scientists, conservationists, and artists. It's about building a bright green future for the world's largest tropical wilderness and the people who live there. To read more about each of these programs, flip to the next page or visit us at amazonconservation.org
BENEFITS FOR CONSERVATION
Not only does your investment keep Amazonian carbon safely locked up in roots and shoots—it also conserves some of the world’s most diverse forests. The headwaters we work in, at the foot of the Andean range in southern Peru, hold world diversity records for birds, mammals—even dragonflies. A dozen monkey species? Check. A thousand species of canopy trees? Check. Incalculable arthropod diversity? Check. All of them threatened by a new highway that’s cutting the southwestern Amazon in two, just 15 miles from our forest.

BENEFITS FOR SCIENCE
What we don’t know about the Amazon could fill a library—and we need to fill that library fast, while we’ve still got healthy and the indigenous healers who know it well. That’s why we established a high-volume research center next door to the forest we work in. It’s already the most active station in the Amazon. Our goal is to make it the primary destination for Amazonian scientists and students—a living library of knowledge about these forests.

BENEFITS FOR PEOPLE
We work day and night to train the next generation of Amazonian scientists and conservationists. Park guards, post-docs, third graders, grad students, gold miners—you name it, we work with them. We do it by knocking down barriers and giving people the tools to unleash their potential in Amazonia: field courses, grants, and access to top-quality teachers. You’ll find our alumni on the front lines of Amazon conservation, training others.

WANT MORE INFORMATION?
Los Amigos is just one of the projects we work on in southern Peru. Together with our Peruvian sister organization, ACA also works in Brazil nut harvesting, cloud forest research, and community-based conservation. Read more at amazonconservation.org

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