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The World's Most Fascinating Floating Villages



From southern Peru to Southeast Asia, here are the World's most stunning floating villages.

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From mile-high cities to villages carved into the side of mountains, people across the globe have had to get creative when putting down roots in areas not traditionally suitable for daily life. One of the most unique arrangements are floating villages—adaptable communities forged by ingenuity—and here, you'll find the world's most fascinating.



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Uros Islands, Lake Titicaca, Peru

On the world's highest lake—and the second largest in South America—nearly 1,200 people call the collection of 120 islands home. Made of totora reeds woven together, the islands have stood for generations. Naya Traveler's tailor-made trips include stays at the luxe boutique lodge Titilaka, which, at more than 12,000 feet high, truly feels like it's in the heavens.