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Jul 09

Chicha is always alcoholic. What may be meant is sometimes they add more alcohol even after fermentation to make it even more alcoholic which they often do.

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Oct 09, ADAM RHEINGANS, USA

In La Paz, Los Amigos del Libro and Gisbert & Co (bookstores) seem to be gone. Libreria Olimpia has been renamed and no longer stocks maps.

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Oct 09, MATT PEPE, USA

Los Amigos del Libro is closed indefinitely

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Oct 09, MATT PEPE, USA

Instituto Geografico militar is NOT located in a blind alley off Juan XXIII. It is on an unmarked street 2 blocks south of Juan XXIII. Open 8:30 to 2:30 Mon to Fri

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Jan 09

On a tiny note in La Paz I could not find Limpezia Sucre. Either it has closed or the address is (possibly) incorrect as I walked up and down that street a few times. I ended up leaving the laundry with Lavenderia Finesse which is on Llampu just around the corner from Sagarnaga (or possibly Santa Cruz) and which was friendly and efficient

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Oct 09, MATT PEPE, USA

La Paz: Scams -- The "fake tourist police" scam happened to me -- luckily I read your book and I told the guy to piss off (with my fingers crossed that you were right!!!) THANK YOU!

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Oct 09, MATT PEPE, USA

Museo Nacional de Arqueologia is now open Mon to Fri 9 to 12:30 and again 3pm to 7pm. Saturday 9 to 12 and closed Sunday

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Oct 09, MATT PEPE, USA

Map -- There is now a nice new big safe pedestrain bridge crossing Av Montes, next to Plaza Perez Velasco.



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May 09

I am writing because I feel very strongly that Lonely Planet should carry a greater warning to travellers NOT to do the 'worlds most dangerous road' bike ride in Bolivia. I know of two boys (both friends of friends) who have died on this road in the last two years. (one died a couple of weeks ago). I in fact did the bike ride myself in 2006 and my boyfriend who I was travelling had a very lucky escape and could have died himself. The two boys who died were both young students/recent graduates, and their deaths have been a complete tragedy to their families and friends. Although Lonely Planet does not recommend this bike ride I think there needs to be an even stronger message to let travellers know that it is incredibly dangerous and not worth the risk. I think that at the moment people see 'world's most dangerous road' as a slightly fun, adrenalin filled idea - but they do not realise (as I didn't when i did the bike ride) that it is called that for a reason, and the reality is not funny.

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Oct 09

"The Kusillo Cultural Complex & Children's Museum overlooking La Paz has an awesome lookout and is full of diversions for young children." This place no longer exists. The land was donated by Peter McFarren to the local authorities and there is now a (nearly complete) urban park area with a risen "skywalk" that provides great views of sopacachi area. This was built by donated funds from venezuela.

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Nov 09, SOFIA GUSTAVSSON, SWEDEN

I'm working for a Swedish NGO in La Paz and we have noticed that it says in Lonely Planet that there is an alpacca shop at the same address where we have our office. At least twice a month there are some tourists looking for the shop, that probably closed a couple of years ago before my NGO moved in. Maybe you could delete it for you next edition. The address is: Victor Sanjines 2866, Sopocachi, La Paz.

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Oct 09, ADAM RHEINGANS, USA

The Getting To The Airport section in the La Paz section says that a map with Plaza Isabel La Catolica is on pgs 72-73, but it is actually on pgs 66-67.

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Oct 09, MATT PEPE, USA

To/From Bus Terminal -- The name is CALLE Santa Cruz Not AV Santa Cruz.

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Oct 09, MATT PEPE, USA

Mallasa is 15K south of La Paz

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Oct 09, MATT PEPE, USA

Muela del Diablo. Note that this mtn is located on map page 86. Advise readers that it is MUCH easier to START this hike from Pedregal, rather than in Mallasa. There is much less uphill from Pedregal.



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Oct 09, ADAM RHEINGANS, USA  
Cerro Copacate (in Copacabana) is difficult to find, because there are a few different hills to the southwest of Copacabana. However I did find some caves. Follow the road to Cero Copacate through the more agricultural settlements outside of the main town. It hits some stairs and becomes more of a footpath uphill. Continue for a while (maybe an hour) until an equal-sized but rockier road branches off and up and the left. Follow this to a straw-type hut, where the trail ends shortly after at another house. From the hut, head right uphill, off the trail. There are some sandy spots with small caves. The few I entered did not go back far, but another one required a rope, so I couldn't enter. Who knows whats in there?

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Oct 09, MATT PEPE, USA  
Hotel Emperador -- single rooms are B35

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Oct 09, MATT PEPE, USA  
La Cupula -- single rooms are B70 to 85 (\$10 to \$12)

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Oct 09, MATT PEPE, USA  
Isla del Sol -- Travelers should be advised that several local villages fees are charged to tourist just to walk around the island. From B5 to B15 at various places and who knows where this money goes and/or who is collecting it. Fee to enter Yumani and Cha'lla and a fee on the ridge trail.

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Oct 09  
I am currently volunteering at La Senda Verde animal sanctuary in Yolosa Bolivia, outside of Coroico. The phone number and website listed are no longer valid. New phone numbers are (591) 2213-9996 and (591) 7010-5222. The website is [www.sendaverde.com](http://www.sendaverde.com) NOT [www.LAsendaverde.com](http://www.LAsendaverde.com).

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Oct 09, MATT PEPE, USA  
Bus to Irupana from La Paz departs from Villa Fatima

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Oct 09, ADAM RHEINGANS, USA  
It is no longer possible to swim in Gruta De San Pedro near Sorata. However if someone got permission to scuba dive in there, the back of the cave has never been explored and is marked by a large question mark on the map.

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Oct 09, MATT PEPE, USA  
Residencial Sorata. Rooms are now B35 with hot gas powered showers.

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Mar 09  
Sorata: Coffee Illampu and Pete's Place are not open around April.

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Jan 09  
We recently have changed address and we want you to know it. Please update this information for our customers:GOVINDA Vegetarian Restaurant. Located in Oruro City, Bolivia. Our new address is: Junin # 533 6 de Octubre and Soria Galvarro Streets.



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In Oruro: The Vaquita Andina is closed and nothing has reopened.

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Jul 09, KATJA AND JENS RADON KAHNERT, GERMANY

Uyuni: Ranking Bolivia doesn't seem to exist any longer

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Jul 09, KATJA AND JENS RADON KAHNERT, GERMANY

Uyuni: The independent information center doesn't exist any more.

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Jul 09, KATJA AND JENS RADON KAHNERT, GERMANY

Uyuni: Way to cemetery of trains doesn't go thru Av. Ferrocarril the military base blocks the way. Take the first one street to the right after having passed the railroad. Although the place is all over with garbage some might visit it.

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Jul 09, KATJA AND JENS RADON KAHNERT, GERMANY

Uyuni: There are now 2 ATM's in Av. Potosi next to cafe Cactus. The banks don't take Travellers.

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Jul 09, KATJA AND JENS RADON KAHNERT, GERMANY

Uyuni: The city map should be modified. ie. way to Cementario de los Trenes is completely wrong as the military base is on the described way which has to be bypassed.

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Jan 09

We bought a bus ticket from Tupiza to Salta in the agency at the busterminal in Tupiza that has a huge Balut-Bus-sign hanging outside. This office is to avoid since it is NOT an authorized dealer of Balut. Balut doesn't have any buses going from Tupiza to Villazon. We were standing there at 4 am and no bus would take us with our invalid Balut-ticket to Villazon. Fortunately the very nice owner (?) of El Grano de Oro Tours Silvia helped us. She called the boy of the office and he got us onto another bus at 6.45 am to Villazon. There we found out that he had cheated us as well on the price. In Villazon there's a Balut office which changed our tickets into real ones. They cost 57 pesos argentinos (La Quiaca to Salta) we had paid 180 bolivianos (=90 pesos) in total minus 20 pesos to Villazon which still was 40 bolivianos too much.

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Apr 09, MARK BROOKS, UK

As a bit off a American wild west buff I went to where Butch Cassidy and the Sundance kid were killed San Vincente Bolivia. In your guide book to Bolivia it says that there is a sign welcoming visitors to the town saying "Here death's Butch Kasidy Sundance the Kid" unfortunately this sign no longer exists and no one knows whether it was taken down or stolen.

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Apr 09, MARK BROOKS, UK

The guide books also says that the mines are now closed and the adobe house where they were killed is still there. The mines have now been re-opened by a Canadian mining company and due to the lack of repairs to the adobe house it has been pulled down and replaced with new housing.



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Border crossing La Quiaca-Villazon and vice-versa: In January it takes hours (entering Bolivia 3 hours going back to Argentina 2-4 hours) since many Argentinians are on holidays and visiting Bolivia. On the way back it took us "just" 2 hours because there was a very nice "guardian" on the Bolivian side as well as on the Argentinian side that stamped our passports while we were still waiting in the line that wouldn't move for more than half an hour. By the way we didn't see any "false policemen".
- 215** Jul 09, KATJA AND JENS RADON KAHNERT, GERMANY  
Cochabamba: The Cochabamba area of Parc Tunari is no longer accessible by public transportation. Further park rangers strongly advice not to walk up to the park by your own or even leave your vehicle without a ranger looking for it. We didn't have any problems. But of course the parking area seems to be within a very poor residential area. However rangers are not always available so but check before with the local tourist information centre.
- 227** Dec 09  
Minor address issue for the city of Cochabamba: The restaurant "Casablanca" is listed as between Equador & Venezuela but I remember it being sandwiched between a bunch of other restaurants/bars on Avenue Jose Ballivian (known as "El Prado" - essentially an extension of 25 de Mayo), between Mexico & Chuquisaca (at least according to Google maps!).
- 241** May 09  
I am responsible for marketing of the foundation ASUR (Anthropologists of surandino) Sucre. I have seen in the Lonely Planet guides to information about schedules and museum shop are wrong. Corrections are: Monday to Friday from 8:30 to 12:00 and 2:30 to 6:00, Saturdays from 9:30 to 12:00 and 2:30 to 6:00 Furthermore it is mentioned that it is better to buy fabric in the surrounding communities which is not easy to do and that in some way affected the marketing of our products this nonprofit organization working in this city for more than 22 years associated with women from different indigenous communities in workshops that is why the sale of these products go directly to the women weavers and a percentage to the workshop to which they belong, helping to more than 1200 families which is a revolving capital that allows the purchase of raw materials to continue production and the revival of an indigenous art.
- 279** Jun 09, DONNA BELDER, AUSTRALIA  
La Casa Dorada has recently undergone extensive renovations and is not the mess that Lonely Planet describes it as! It has been beautifully repainted and is an impressive landmark in the centre of the city. It also features on the Bs20 banknote.



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Jun 09, DONNA BELDER, AUSTRALIA

The Fiesta de San Roque (under 'Festivals & Events') in Tarija is in honour of San Roque who worked with lepers and supposedly cured Tarija of the Plague. The colourful head to toe costumes worn by the Chunchos in the festival are to represent the lepers who lived isolated from the community and used to come to the town with their faces and bodies covered with long linen robes. Chunchos are not indigenous tribes. A Chuncho is a man or boy (males only) who has made a pledge to San Roque and parades through the streets throughout the Fiesta as part of their oath. The costumes are not, as Lonely Planet describes, to represent the conversion of the Chaco tribes to Christianity.

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Jun 09, DONNA BELDER, AUSTRALIA

The crepe-like 'panqueques' as mentioned in the 'Quick Eats': Mercado Central section are actually called 'chirriadas'. Panqueques are something different.

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Jun 09, DONNA BELDER, AUSTRALIA

In Bermejo locals often give you prices at markets etc. in pesos argentinos instead of bolivianos. Bolivians often refer to their money as 'pesos' even though they're not. Make sure you ask them which type of peso they mean!

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Jun 09, DONNA BELDER, AUSTRALIA

The minibuses in Tarija are called 'micros' not 'trufis'. A trufi is a different smaller van found in La Paz but not in Tarija. It generally goes around with someone hanging out the window advertising the price of passage and where it's going. Tarija's public transport is arranged into a system of micros coded by a single letter or number (except those going out of town). While I was there passage for adults went up from Bs1.50 to Bs2.00. University students and kids usually pay just Bs1.

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Aug 09

You refer people to get the exit stamp at the Migracion office in Santa Cruz. After two hours there they repeatedly declined to give it to me. I explained it was noted in your book to get it there but they probably just thought I was nuts. Anyway, I got it at Ibobo, yes, in the middle of the night, but no problem.

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Jul 09, KATJA AND JENS RADON KAHNERT, GERMANY

Buena Vista: The road to the Mataracu tent camp is absolutely not accessible with "normal" 4x4 and it's advisable to know your car and be experienced in crossing deep rivers.

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Mar 09

The monkey park Inti Wara is closed on Mondays

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Jul 09, KATJA AND JENS RADON KAHNERT, GERMANY

Villa Tunari: Parque Machia best visited at 12h. Feeding at 5pm can't be observed since park closes at 4:30h.



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Jul 09, KATJA AND JENS RADON KAHNERT, GERMANY  
Villa Tunari: At Hotel El Puente although part of Fremen Tours no outdoor activity can be booked.

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Jul 09, KATJA AND JENS RADON KAHNERT, GERMANY  
Villa Tunari: The former Restaurant and Internet Café Puma con Chaqui doesn't exist anymore. It's now called "..... el sur". They give information about the park but don't organize tours.

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Mar 09  
The hotel Villa Tunari is located on the street Benigno Paz.

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Nov 09  
The tourist information centre is not where indicated on the map, it's on '6 de agosto'

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Mar 09  
Calls by Internet p.376 Calls made via the internet with skype and not Net2Phone