

## Mashco Piro Tribe

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Recently, the previously uncontacted **Mashco Piro tribe** emerged in <u>Peru</u> due to encroachment and a **search for food and safety**.

- The Mashco Piro is the **largest uncontacted tribe** globally, with over **750 members**. They have traditionally lived in isolation in the **Amazon rainforest**.
  - They occasionally interact with the Yine community, sharing ancestry and language, but these contacts pose health risks due to their lack of immunity to diseases.
  - During the 1880s Rubber Boom, rubber barons invaded their territory, enslaving and subjecting them to severe atrocities.
- In 2002, Perú established the **Madre de Dios Territorial Reserve** to protect them, but it covers only **a third** of the proposed area.
- Peru:
  - Country in Western South America, bordered by Ecuador, Colombia, Brazil, Bolivia, Chile, and the Pacific Ocean.
  - It is a megadiverse country with habitats ranging from the Andes mountains to the Amazon Basin rainforest.
  - It is influenced by its tropical latitude, mountain ranges, and two ocean currents (**Humboldt** and **El Niño**).
  - Major Producer: Lithium, lead, zinc, gold, copper, and silver.



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