

## **MIKAS and NIKAS springs photo gallery**

# **SOUTH AMERICA**

**Note:** *The classification of springs is preliminary, the final lists will be established at the end of project.*

## Bolivia



### MIKAS- Chiflonqaqa



*View from the distance  
of Chiflonqaqa spring  
waterfall on the left  
side of the Toro Toro  
canyon*



*Close up view of the Chiflonqaqa spring  
waterfall*

## Brazil



### MIKAS - Baía Bonita



*View of Baía Bonita Spring. From: [www.aquarionatural.com.br](http://www.aquarionatural.com.br)*

### MIKAS - João Baio



*View of João Baio spring (Photo by Alexandre Lobo)*



*Cycle of discharge variation few meters downstream from the spring. Low discharge (Photo by Alexandre Lobo)*

#### **MIKAS - Pratinha**



*Aerial view of Pratinha Spring (Photo by Alexandre Lobo)*



*View from the interior of the cave where the Pratinha spring issues (Photo by Alexandre Lobo)*

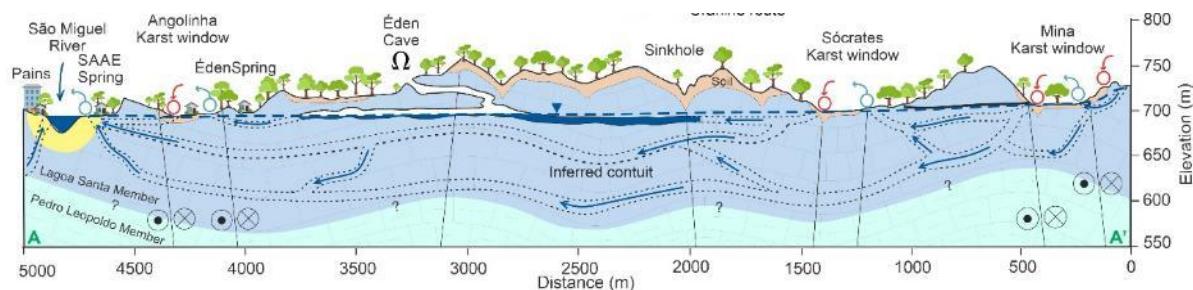


*View of the lake in front of the spring with the cave in the background. This lake is used as a water park (Photo by Alexandre Lobo)*

## NIKAS - Éden



Top view of the karst spring highlighting the dimensions of the channel (Photo by Gabriel Lourenço)



Schematic profile of Éden spring and catchment area. Source: Assunção et al. (2023).

## NIKAS - Lagoa do Japonês



Aerial view of the Lagoa do Japonês spring.  
Source:

<https://www.t1noticias.com.br/cidades/dificuldade-no-acesso-representa-perigo-e-pode-afastar-turistas-da-lagoa-do-japones/96172/>



*Lagoa do Japonês spring issues from a cave in the limestone cliff. Source:  
<https://vaipassear.com/lagoa-do-japones/>*

#### **NIKAS - Gruna da Mamona**



*View of the cave associated with Gruna da Mamona spring*

### **NIKAS - Poço Azul**



*View of Poço Azul spring.  
From:*

<https://www.facebook.com/BH.AVALIACOES/photos/a.481050048580558/720474414638119/?type=3>

### **NIKAS - Rio Azuis**



*Aerial view of the Rio Azuis spring. Source:  
<https://www.aventuraspelonossomundo.com.br/aurora-do-tocantins-serras-gerais/>*

## NIKAS - Roncador spring



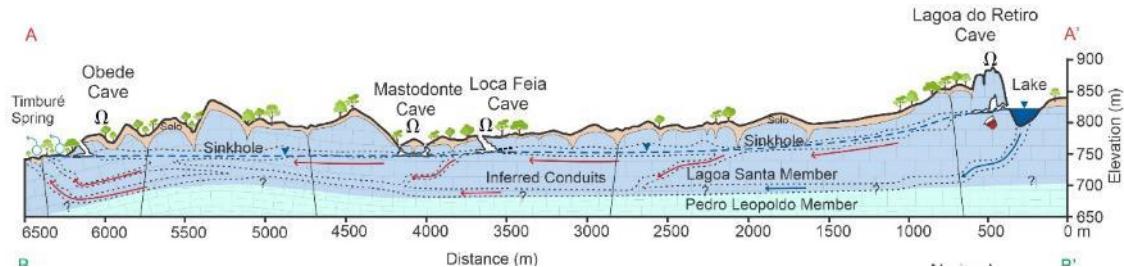
Roncador Spring and the entrance to Santana Cave. Source:

<https://www.loucosporviagem.com/destinos-nacionais/roteiro-no-petar-nucleo-santana-post-2/>

## NIKAS - Timburé



Lateral view of the karst spring highlighting the dimensions of the channel that make it attractive for recreational use by the local population (Photo by Gabriel Lourenço)



Cross-section through catchment area. Source: Assunção et al. (2023).

## Colombia



### MIKAS - Manantial de Cañaverales



*Crystal clear waters of Manantial de Cañaverales. Retrieved from, <https://semanariovoz.com/la-quajira-canaverales-manantial-amenazado-muerte/>*

### MIKAS - Ventanas de Tisquizoque



*Ventanas de Tisquizoque three-tiered waterfall (Photo by Marianela Vargas)*



*View from the interior of the Ventanas de Tisquizoque cave (Photo by Marianela Vargas)*



*Panoramic view and outflow of La Venta Creek in Ventanas de Tisquizoque (Photo by Marianela Vargas)*

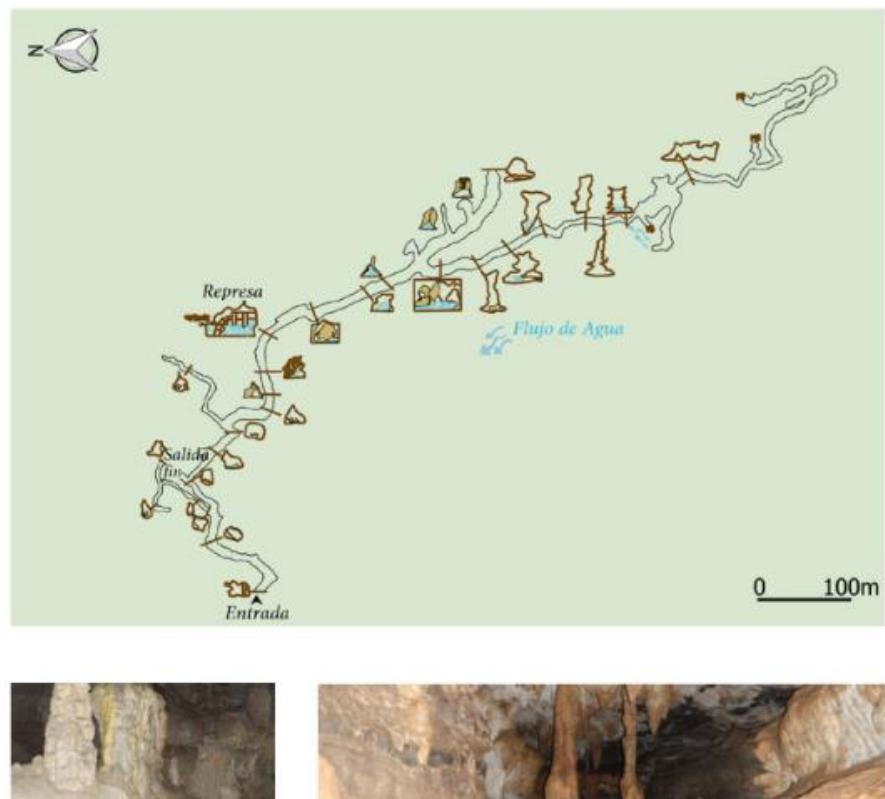
## Ecuador



### MIKAS - Jumandi cave

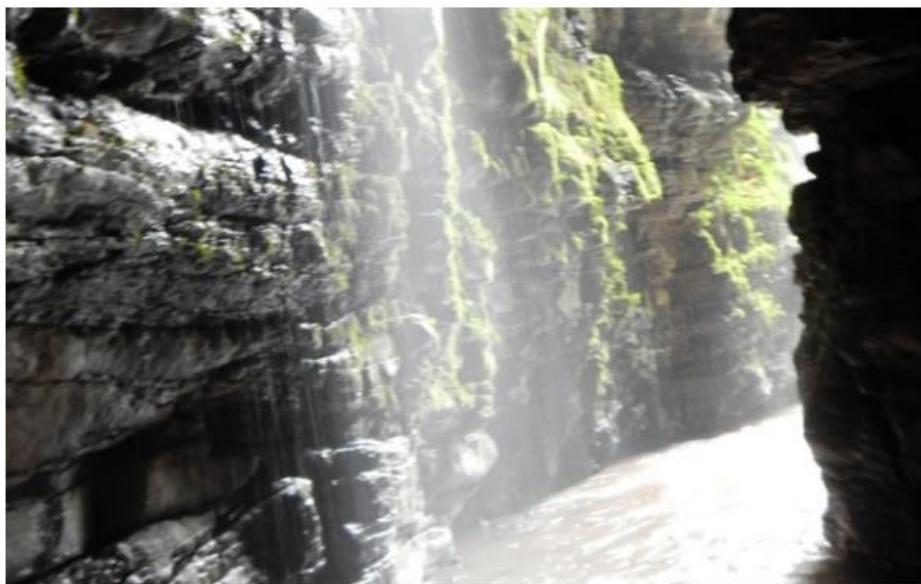
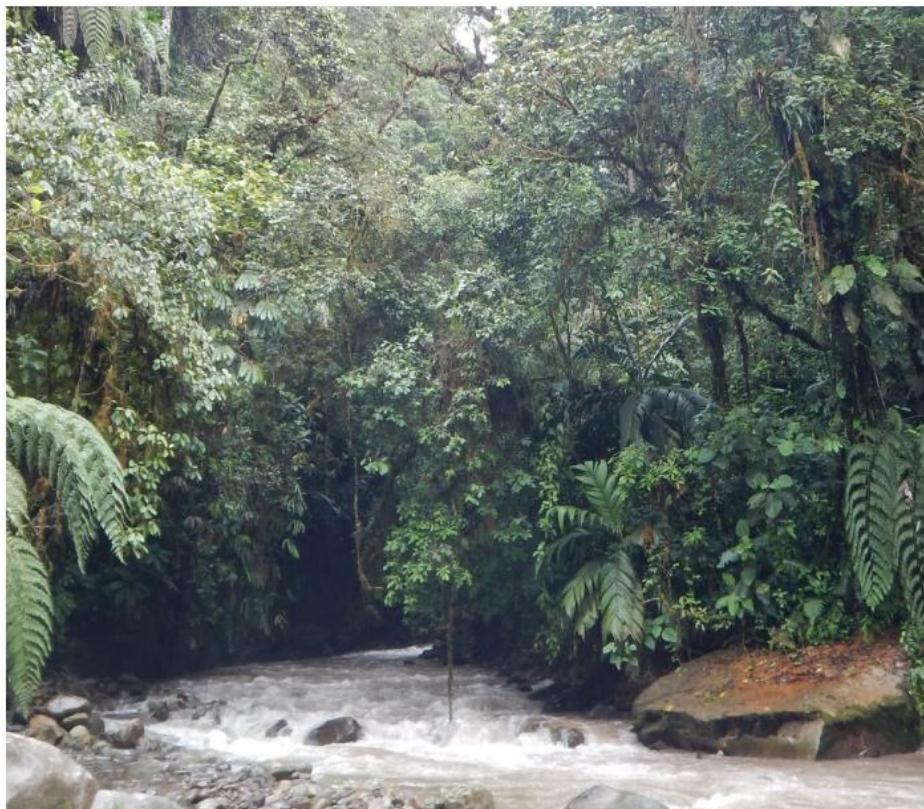


*Sinkhole present at Cotundo Petroglyphs geosite*



*Map of entrance and speleotems inside the Jumandy cave*

**NIKAS - Rio Cacapishco (Gruta de los Tayos)**



*Photos of the Gruta de los Tayos and Cacapishco River (Guía Espeleológica de la Provincia Napo).  
From Sánchez Cortez (2017)*

Peru



**MIKAS - Maras spring (Male and Female springs)**



*View of the salt mines of Maras (source: J. Ccopa)*



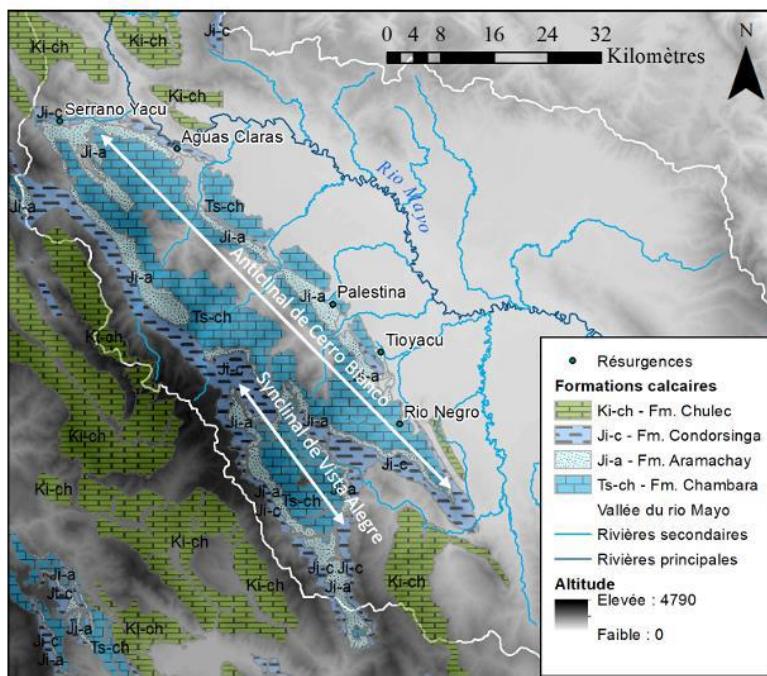
*Channels that transport salt water from the male spring (source: N. Luque)*



*The Salt mines of Maras*

(source: N. Luque)

### MIKAS – Naciente del Río Serrano Yacu



*Hydrogeological sketch map and locations of the four MIKAS springs in the Peruvian Alta Maya area – Serrano Yacu, Aguas Claras, Tio Yacu and Rio Negro (graphics: INGEMMET, 2016).*

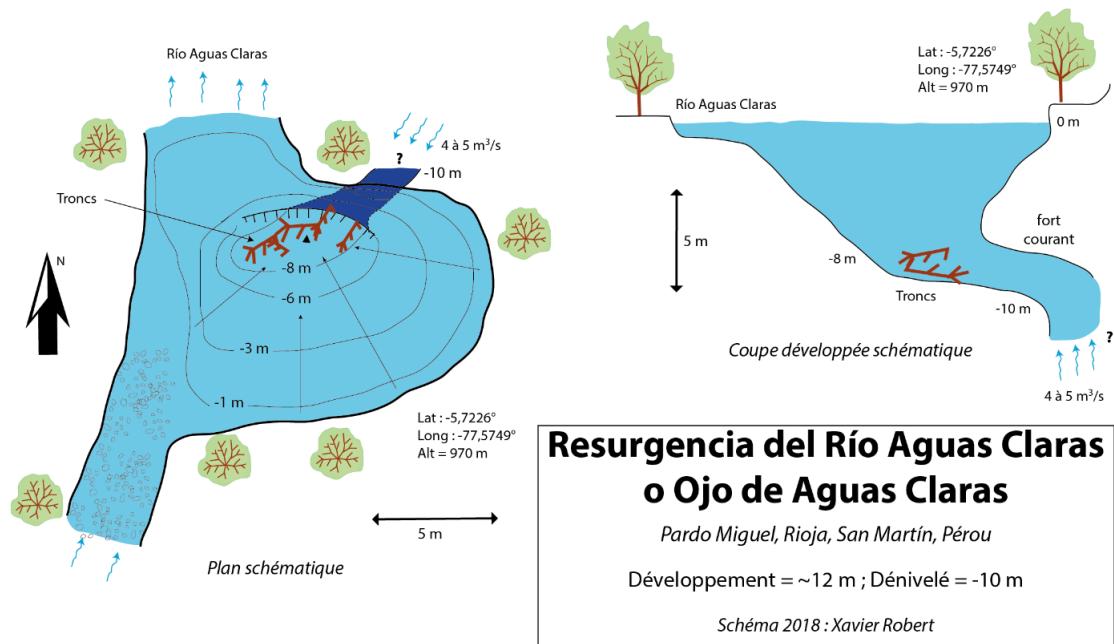


*Rio Serrano Yacu spring (source: JL Guyot)*



*Rio Serrano Yacu downstream the spring (source: JL Guyot)*

## MIKAS – Naciente del Río Aguas Claras

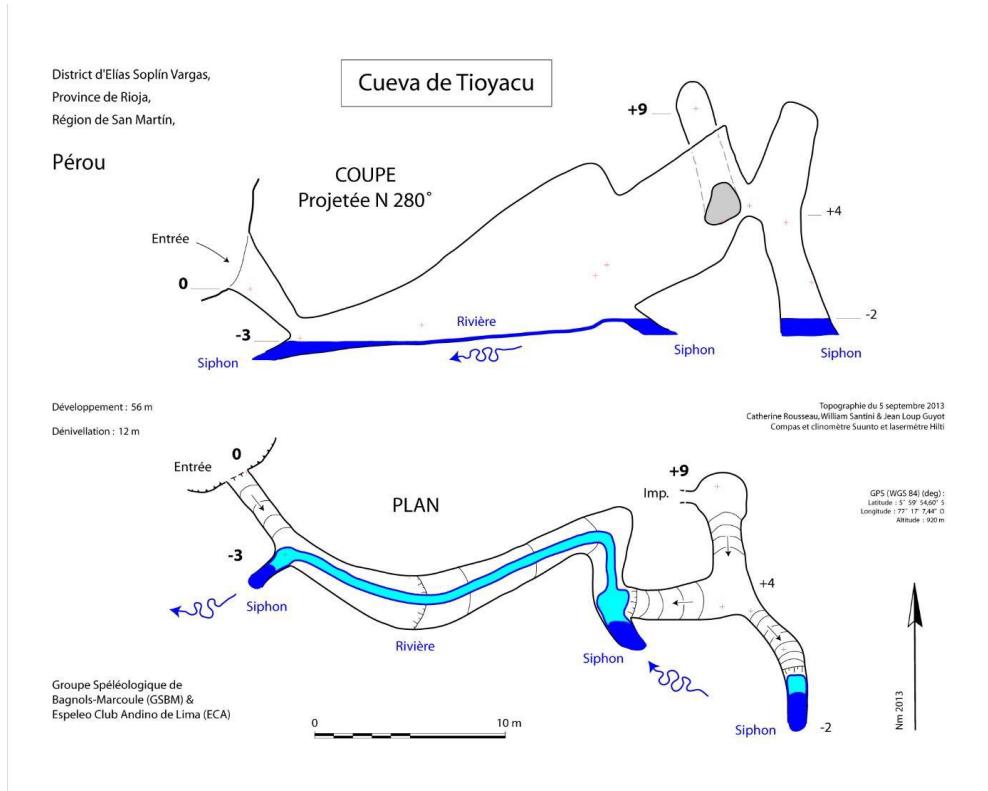


*Siphon section of the spring of Rio Aguas Claras (X. Robert, 2019)*



*Rio Aguas Claras spring (source: JL Guyot)*

## MIKAS – Naciente del Río TioYacu



*Cave-Siphon section of the spring of the Rio TioYacu (ECA-GSBM, 2013)*



*Rio TioYacu spring (source: JL Guyot)*



*Rio TioYacu spring recreational park (source: JL Guyot)*

#### **MIKAS – Naciente del Río TioYacu**



*Rio Negro spring (source: JL Guyot)*



*Discharge zone of the Rio Negro spring (source: JL Guyot)*

## MIKAS – Tambomachay



Tambomachay spring (source: J. Ccopa)



Tambomachay spring (photo by Z. Stevanović)

**NIKAS - Cueva de Palestina / Naciente del Río Jordán**



*Cueva de Palestina*

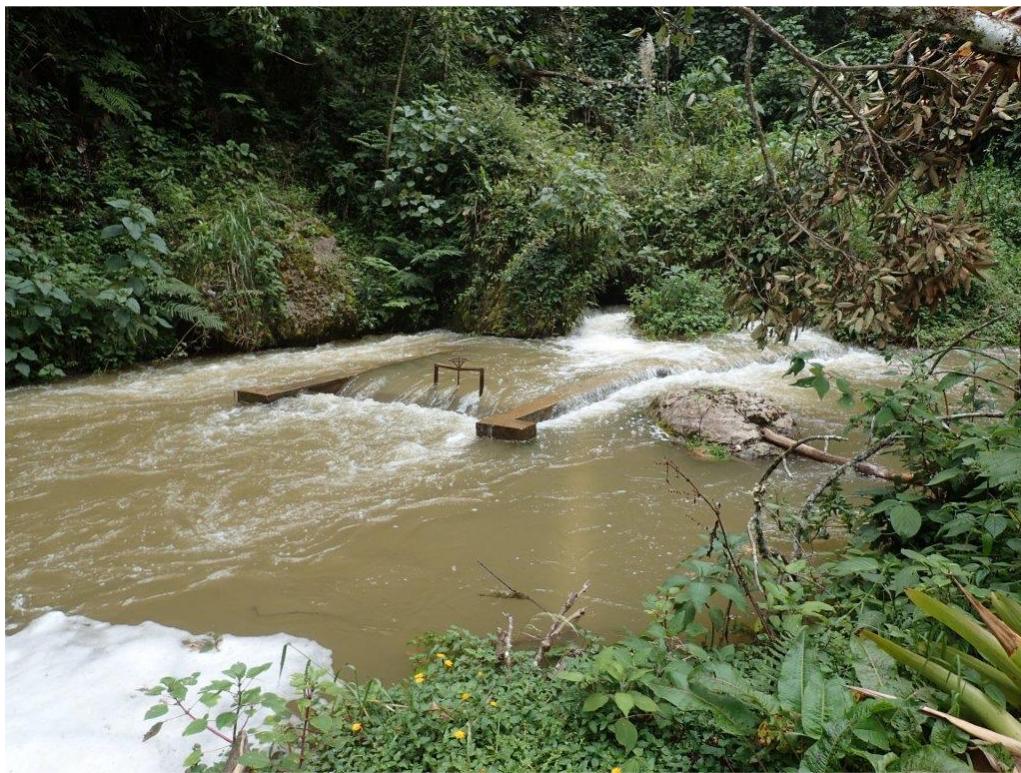


*Río Jordan, downstream of the Cueva de Palestina*

## NIKAS - Río Seco – Río Soloco



*Cueva del Rio Seco entrance (source: JL Guyot)*



*Spring of Rio Soloco in flood period, downstream the Cave (source: JL Guyot)*