

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

9 days/8 nights

Departure: Lima

Expore the former Inca capital and experience the living cultures of

Lake Titicaca

ROUTE

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DAY 5 | SACRED VALLEY – MACHU PICCHU

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PUNO

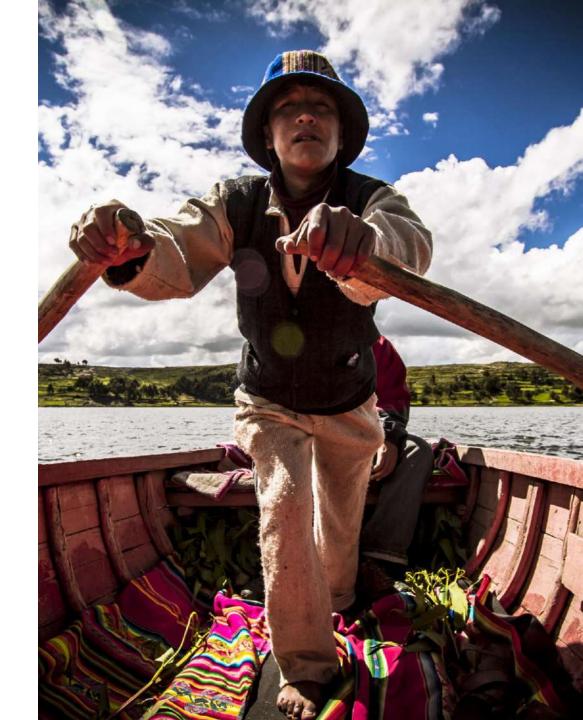
DAY 9 | PUNO DEPARTURE



INCLUSIONS

Accomodation

All activity and entrance fees as mentioned in itinerary Guides (EN/SP other languages available on request) All meals as mentioned in itinerary Transportation



MAP

DURATION: 9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS





Start & finish destination

1. Lima



2. Cusco

4. Machu Picchu

3. Sacred Valley 5. Puno

TRIP OVERVIEW

Enjoy the best of Peru with this circuit which leaves from and returns to Lima. Visit beautiful colonial cities, explore the legacies of ancient civilizations, and travel through some of the most spectacular landscapes on the planet. Meet the descendants of the Incas and the camelids of the Andes. Discover the Sacred Valley of the Incas and observe how the past is still alive on the islands of Lake Titicaca. Undertake a pilgrimage through Andean peaks towards the magnificent citadel and mountain of Machu Picchu.



DAY BY DAY ITINERARY

DAY 1 | ARRIVAL LIMA

Arrive at Lima Airport. A transportation service and a guide will pick you up from the airport at the scheduled time to transfer you to your hotel in Lima. The Peruvian capital is a modern metropolis full of history and currently undergoing an exciting process of cultural and economic changes.

Overnight at the selected hotel in Lima.



DAY 2 | LIMA - CITY TOUR

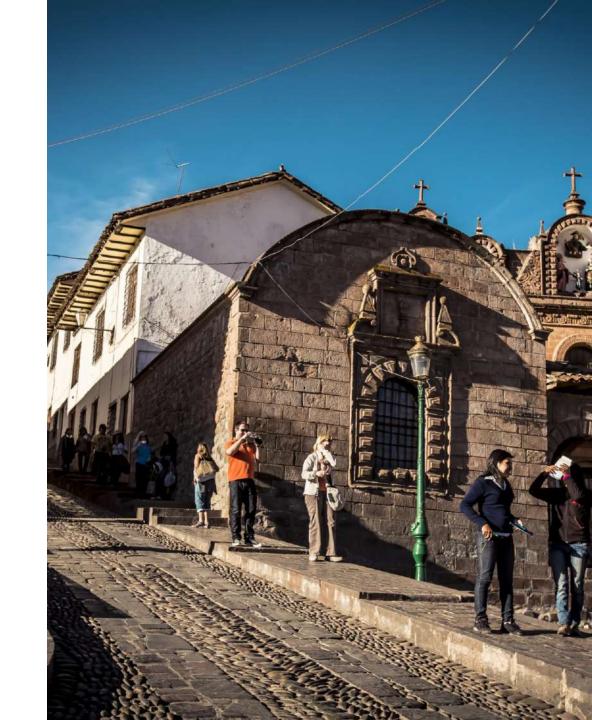
Begin your day with a delicious breakfast at the hotel. Explore Lima's old town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, packed with fascinating historic buildings. Start with a scenic tour in the colonial downtown. See the Main Square, where you can appreciate the grandiose architecture of the Spanish Empire. Admire Lima's Cathedral, built during the 16th century and then visit the Casa Aliaga, a colonial mansion granted by chief conquistador Francisco Pizarro to one of his captains, Jeronimo de Aliaga. This is the only house from that time, still belonging to the same family. Continue to the traditional Pueblo Libre district and visit the Larco Museum, located in a beautifully restored viceregal mansion built on a pre-Columbian pyramid from the seventh century. The museum boasts a complete pre-Hispanic collection of gold and silver objects, as well as pieces of erotic art.

Overnight at the selected hotel in Lima.



DAY 3 | LIMA - CUSCO - CITY TOUR AND NEARBY ARCHEOLOGICAL SITES (90 min flight)

Have breakfast at the hotel, before transferring to Lima airport for your flight to Cusco. Domestic flight from Lima to Cusco must arrive not later than 10:30hrs. Noon arrivals are too late. Arrive at Cusco airport and enjoy your transfer to the selected hotel. A guide will assist you with your check-in and inform you about the city's main attractions. The tour begins in the afternoon, in Coricancha, also known as the 'Temple of the Sun' and built by order of Inca Pachacuti. At the arrival of the Spaniards, it became the basis for the construction of the Santo Domingo Convent. Then, visit the Cathedral, the most imposing monument of the Main Square and the Sacsayhuaman, one of the most emblematic buildings of the Incas. It is an immense fortress built with larges stones. The way workers transferred and ensembled these stones is still a mystery!



Continue your tour with exploring Qenqo, an archeological complex of religious use, where inhabitants used to participate in agricultural rituals. To conclude, visit Puka Pukara, located seven kilometers far from the city. Puka Pukara means 'red fort' and it was an architectural complex of supposed military use with multiple environments, plazas, baths, aqueducts, and towers. It is believed that it was used by the Inca entourage while the leader rested in Tambomachay. In the evening return to the hotel and get ready for another memorable day.

Overnight at the selected hotel in Cusco.



DAY 4 | CUSCO - SACRED VALLEY: CHINCHERO, OLLANTAYTAMBO & LIVING MUSEUM OF YUCAY

Breakfast at the hotel. During the morning, you are picked up from your hotel in Cusco to visit the town of Chinchero, a traditional Cusco urban center located at an elevated point with a beautiful view of the valley. The inhabitants of this area preserve the artisan traditions and the inherited knowledge of the Incas and display them in their clothes and customs. In Chinchero there are also archeological remains and a beautiful seventeenth-century church, one of the first Catholic buildings in Peru. Then, you are transferred to the Living Museum of Yucay, a center Andean traditions interpretations, where demonstrations of the elaboration of textile work, adobe, pottery and silverware are carried out in the same way in which they used to in antiquity; an original recreation of Inca traditions.



Also, residents of the museum include llamas, sheep and alpacas, and they can be fed! Upon arriving in Ollantaytambo visit its town, inhabited uninterruptedly since Inca times, and climb the iconic fortress, built next to a mountain. Later, have lunch in Ollantaytambo and live a superior Andean gastronomy experience in a restaurant, where the true spirit of the Sacred Valley is transmitted in a cozy atmosphere. At the end of this activity, you are transferred back to your hotel. *On Sundays, also visit the local market.

Overnight at the selected hotel in Sacred Valley. Lunch included.



DAY 5 | SACRED VALLEY - MACHU PICCHU

Wake up and have breakfast at the hotel. A transportation service will pick you up and transfer you to the Ollanta Station. Your trip to Machu Picchu starts with a train ride to the town of Aguas Calientes. Aguas Calientes has a handicrafts market, restaurants, and accommodation of different categories for those who prefer to spend the night next to the mountain and then visit it early next morning. After a short trip, arrive at Machu Picchu, a masterpiece of engineering and architecture that served as a sanctuary and resting place for Inca Pachacuti. Machu Picchu means 'Old Mountain', and was named a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. It is also one of the New Seven Wonders of the World. At the end of the tour, return by bus to Aguas Calientes, where you will enjoy a delicious lunch and have the afternoon at leisure.

Overnight at the selected hotel in Aguas Calientes. Lunch included.



DAY 6 | MACHU PICCHU - OLLANTA STATION - CUSCO

Enjoy a tasty breakfast at the hotel. You can optionally return to Machu Picchu and visit any of the attractions that the citadel keeps. Visit the Intipunku ('Puerta del Sol') a former control gate, climb the Huayna Picchu (subject to space availability), seeing the 'Temple of the Moon', an underground complex of constructions, along the way, and admire the Inca Bridge, an amazing stone construction that served as an entrance or exit to the citadel. In the afternoon, transfer to the Aguas Calientes train station and head back to the Ollanta station, from where you are transferred to your hotel in Cusco.

Overnight at the selected hotel in Cusco.



DAY 7 | CUSCO – PUNO (357km – 10 hours)

Indulge in a delicious breakfast at the hotel, before transferring to the bus station to begin our trip to Puno. First, we stop in Andahuaylillas, a town located 40 kilometers from Cusco. It's main attraction is the Church of Andahuaylillas, nicknamed the 'Sistine Chapel of America', due to the impressive works of art found in it. We continue our route to Racchi, where the Wiracocha Temple is located, a surprising 30-meters wide by 20meters high construction of rectangular shape. Have a tasty lunch in Sicuani, followed by a brief stop in La Raya, the highest point between Puno and Cusco, over 4,313 meters above sea level. Then, we arrive at the town of Pucara, where the Pucara Lithic Museum is located. Developed between the years 100 and 300 AC, this town was the first proper urban settlement of the lacustrine highlands. Finally, we undertake the last trip to the city of Puno, arriving at the selected hotel where a representative will assist you with the check-in.

Overnight at the selected hotel in Puno. Lunch included.



DAY 8 | PUNO - LAKE TITICACA: UROS AND TAQUILE ISLANDS PUNO

Start your day with breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the lacustrine port of Puno, where a boat takes you to the floating island of the Uros. The Uros are an ancestral society that populates a series of artificial islands built with totora plant, a type of reed which grows in the Titikaka lake. There they build their houses, also from totora. This is why they cook outdoors, to prevent possible fires. After a journey of an hour and a half, continue your trip to the island of Taquile. This island was part of the Inca Empire and remains of the culture can still be seen when looking at its buildings. Once there, receive a briefing of the island and witness a cultural activity. Have a tasty lunch and start your return to Puno.

Overnight at the selected hotel in Puno. Lunch included.



DAY 9 | PUNO - DEPARTURE

Enjoy a delightful breakfast at the hotel. A transportation service will take you from the selected hotel to Puno airport, and a representative will assist you along the way.

Breakfast included.



INCLUSIONS

GUIDE:

• Spanish and English-speaking guides

ACCOMODATION:

• Two nights of accommodation in Lima, two nights in Cusco, one night in the Sacred Valley, one night in Aguas Calientes and two nights of accommodation in Puno.

MEALS:

- Daily breakfast at your hotel starting on day 2
- Lunch on day 4 in the Sacred Valley, on day 5 in Aguas
 Calientes, on day 7 in the Cusco-Puno route and on day 8 in Taquile Island

TRANSPORT:

- Private transfers from and to the airport
- Shared transfers from and to the train stations
- Train to Machu Picchu round trip in Expedition service (PeruRail) or Voyager (IncaRail)

ENTRANCE FEES AND ACTIVITIES:

All the visits mentioned in the above itinerary: Casa Aliaga,
 Cathedral and Larco Museum in Lima; Coricancha Temple,
 Cathedral, Sacsayhuaman, Qenqo, Puca Pucará and
 Tambomachay in Cusco; Living Museum of Yucay, Chinchero
 and Ollantaytambo in the Sacred Valley; Machu Picchu on
 day; Andahuaylillas, Racchi andPucará Museum in the Cusco –
 Puno and Uros and Taquile Islands in Puno.

NOT INCLUDED

- Personal expenses. Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages during meals.
 Meals not stated in the program.
- Tips for driver and guide
- Additional optional visits
- Cusco Tourist Ticket (BTC) for children from ages 10 to 17
- Mandatory supplements for special dates like Easter Holidays, Inti Raymi,
 National Holidays, Christmas and New Year's mentioned separately.
- International flights to Peru
- Domestic flights (we advise booking the first flights in the morning)
- International and domestic airport departure taxes

RATES

- Period of departure: From Jan 1, 2020 to Dec 20, 2020
- Package rates per person in US dollars in double accommodation

Period of departure	Category	Double
Jan 1 2020 to Dec 20 2020	Comfort	1,095
	Standard	1,135
	Superior	1,205
	First Class	1,339
	Luxury	1,939

Third person/child policy

- Child aged 0 to 1 year 11 months, no charge (no extra bed provided). Child aged 2 to 5 years is considered category 'child without bed'. Child aged 6 to 10 years is considered category 'child with bed'.
- Children aged 10 and up should consider the additional charge for the Cusco BTC ticket, detailed in the Optional Supplements section for all programs that include Cusco.



Other considerations:

- Rates not applicable on the following dates in 2020: Easter holidays (April 5 to April 12), Inti Raymi sun festival (June 22 to 28), National Holidays (July 27 to 31), Christmas, New Year's, conferences or special events.
- All rates are per person and apply only to foreign passengers.
 Prices are subject to change without prior notice and can only be guaranteed once the reservation has been made.
- Rates do not apply to residents with more than 60 days of stay, nor corporate passengers (4 or more nights in Lima). Bookings shall include the passenger's full name, nationality, passport number, age and date of birth.



ADD-ONS

Want to get the most out of your trip? Let us know if you'd like to include these optional activities (all rates are per person and in US dollars):

Activity	Description	Price per person
The classics of Peruvian Gastronomy	Walking tour through Barranco's iconic "huariques", small restaurants, popular for locals. The tour includes transfers from the hotel to the begining of the tour and back, a cooking demonstration and tasting of 15 local flavours. Shared service.	117 USD
Cusco Tourist Ticket (BTC) for children from ages 10 to 17	Includes entrances to: Ollantaytambo, Sacsayhuaman, Tambomachay, Puca Pucara, Pikillacta, Chinchero, Qenqo, Pisac, Moray, Tipon, Contemporary Art Museum, Coricancha Site Museum, Regional Museum, Pachacuti Monument	37 USD
Second entrance to Machu Picchu + bus	Second entrance to Machu Picchu plus bus	100 USD
Entrance to Machu Picchu Mountain + bus	Entrance to Machu Picchu Mountain plus bus	120 USD
Entrance to Huayna Picchu + bus	Entrance to Huayna Picchu plus bus	120 USD

