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Peru 10 Days

Lima (City of The Kings) Puno (Titicaca Lake) Cusco (Surronding – Machupicchu)

Day 01: International arrival in Lima

Assistance on your arrival in Lima and transfer to your selected hotel. Free time to rest and prepare for starting your trip around this unusual city and magical country.

Meals Included: None







Day 02: Lima - Juliaca - Llachon (Puno)

Early morning transfer to Lima Airport for our fly to Juliaca on arrivel transfer by private car to LLachon - Capachica Llachon is the name of a pretty rural village located in the peninsula of Capachica, 75 Kilometers (46 miles) away from the city of Puno. It takes a 1 hour and twenty minutes' drive to reach LLachon by road or 2 hours boat ride from Puno. This peninsula offers fantastic views of the Lake and short hikes to surrounding hills with beautiful lookout points and ancestral ceremonial centers. About 1,300 inhabitants spread out the peninsula and they belong to the ethnic group of Quechuas. They are mainly farmers, fishermen and artisans. Since the community members of Llachon have commercial ties with the populations of Amantani and Taquile islands, they have realized that tourism could be an important activity to promote much needed development in their community. Since year 2000, this community has intensively been working on improving their houses, building community restaurants and other infrastructure adequate for tourism activities. The visits include walks throughout the village, visits to local family houses, observation of farming and weaving activities, and tasting local food.

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on route The highlights of this road are without doubt the burial towers of Sillustani, enormous cylindrical constructions built long before the Incas. The Sillustani towers are perhaps the finest and the most perfect cylindrical constructions of ancient Peru, as such perfection can be found no where else in South America. A tour if time permited to Sillustani will give you a better view into the life of pre - Inca civilizations, and exploring the area you can marvel with the great beauty of the Umayo Lagoon, which is located at the foot of Sillustani natural platform.

Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner







Day 03: Taquile Island - Floating Islands of the Uros and Puno

Early in the morning, We continue our motorboat trip to Taquile Island, inhabited by Quechua – Speaking Natives who have developed, down through generations, an efficient and unique social system, as well as fine hand weaving techniques. It is necessary to go up a stairway of more than 567 steps - steps of stone that wind their way among green platforms - to arrive at the Town of Taquile where we will have a break to eat. After lunch in a local Taquile Inn, we have a walk through the various hills and archaeological sites of this 6 km long Island. We will go on to the unique "Floating Islands" of the Uros. These ancient inhabitants of the lake, known as the Water Tribe, have built their own "Islands" by periodically adding new layers of a type of reed called "Totora" (Scirpus Totora), vegetable fibre of the Papyrus family. Their homes and boats are also made from this material. In the afternoon, return to Puno for overnight at your hotel. Evening free.

Meals Included: Breakfast & Lunch

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Day 04: Puno - Cusco (389 kms = 08 hrs)

Breakfast. Early departure by bus to the City of Cusco. We travel along the High Plateau of Collao, stopping at the Town of Ayaviri, an important livestock and textile centre, to visit the impressive Temple of Kalasaya, ruins from the ancient Pucara Culture. On the way, we stop in Raqchi, where we can see a spectacular Inca Sanctuary built by the Inca Pachacutec, and dedicated to the great Inca God of Wiracocha. It has a great central wall with a stone base of fine Inca architecture. Other walls are made of giant adobe bricks. The structure also has two circular lateral columns. Around the Temple are several buildings once used for housing and storage. About 70 km further on, we pass through the La Raya Ranch where we can see troops of vicuñas and llamas. During the trip, we pass by the lovely Wacarpay Lake, offering spectacular views of the mountains reflected in its calm waters.

We proceed to the beautiful Town of Andahuaylillas, and visit the Church of San Pedro de Andahuaylillas, better known as the Sistine Chapel of the Americas, due to its decorated polychrome ceiling. Buffet lunch in a quiet countryside restaurant, where we can enjoy the delightful culinary art of the Region. Upon arrival in Cusco, meet and transfer to your hotel. Dinner on your own.

Meals Included: Breakfast & Lunch







Day 05: Cusco: Sightseeing tour and Nearby Ruins

Breakfast. Morning at leisure The Central Market or Mercado de San Pedro is one of the oldest of Cusco, founded in 1925; despite its age it had no significant changes, but it still remains the largest center of concentration and supply of the city.

The **San Pedro Market** in Cusco sits about an eight minute walk south from Plaza de Armas but couldn't be more different!! On the walk to it you'll generally notice more and more street

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vendors and ladies in traditional dress sitting on the side of the streets selling nuts, popcorn and other small bags of dried foods. You'll spot more and more local shops (Tiendas) selling the most random of things all in the one tienda. If you're looking for an alpaca jumper, a freshly made juice, a bag of nectarines, some plantains to fry, buttifaras (Ham sandwiches served on French bread) or some cheesy gifts for your parents or friends back home you're definitely on your way to the right place!







Barrio San Blas

San Blas, a short but increasingly steep walk from the Plaza de Armas, is lined with artists' studios and artisans' workshops, and stuffed with tourist haunts -- many of the best bars and restaurants and a surfeit of hostels. It's a great area to wander around -- many streets are pedestrian - only The neighborhood also affords some of the most spectacular panoramic vistas in the city. In the small plaza at the top and to the right of Cuesta San Blas is the little white Templo de San Blas, said to be the oldest parish church in Cusco Although it's a simple adobe structure, it contains a marvelously carved churrigueresque cedar pulpit. Some have gone as far as proclaiming it the finest example of woodcarving in the world; carved from a single tree trunk, it is certainly impressive. The pulpit comes with an odd story, and it's difficult to determine whether it's fact or folklore: It is said that the carpenter who created it was rewarded by having his skull placed within his masterwork (at the top, beneath the feet of St. Paul) upon his death. Also worth a look is the baroque gold-leaf main altar.







Twelve Angled Stone

Although not the Inca-carved stone with the most sides or angles (There is a 13 angle stone

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on the opposite side of the building, some say there is a 14 angle stone, and in other places in the region there are stones with up to 44 angles) but it is the stone that has its sides most clearly defined and placed together with such perfection. It is as famous for this perfection as its still quite extraordinary number of angles, becoming symbolic of the skill of Inca stonemasons and architects. It has also become a local symbol and object of pride for Cusqueños and for Peru in general, perhaps what enticed two tourists from Chile (a neighbour who successfully invaded Peru and Bolivia for their mineral wealth) to deface it.







In the afternoon, we will have a guided sightseeing tour of Cusco visiting the Main Square, the Cathedral and the Temple of the Sun or **Korikancha** Then, we drive out of the City to visit the Inca sites of Kenko, Tambomachay, Puca Pucara and the impressive Fortress of **Sacsayhuaman**, strategically built on a hill overlooking Cusco and famous for its enormous carved stones, some of them standing over 9m / 30ft high and weighing over 350 tons.







at 20.00 p.m evening get ready to enjoy a dinner with a folklore show in a typical restaurant where the musicians play their melodies with Andean instruments of beautiful sounds, while typically dressed dancers will show you different ancient Peruvian dances.

Meals Included: Breakfast & Dinner Show Folklore







06 Day: Cusco - Rainbow Mountain - Cusco

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A fantastic day tour (with trekking) to the so - called 7 Color Mountain, leaving from Cusco. Located in southern Peru, in the Cusco region, this route will take you through stunning landscapes with glaciers, snowcapped mountains and crystal clear rivers and lakes. Pass by local villages of Quechua descendants and explore the breathtaking surrounding nature. The colors of the Rainbow Mountain will leave you speechless. You will be picked up from your accommodation at around 3.00am and start making your way to Arco (on the route to Puno) eventually getting to the Checacupe district (2 hour journey). Then we will continue to Pitumarca and a number of small villages till we reach the Hanchipata - Quesuno community (another 1.5 hours). From here we start our hike. We will be able to enjoy the view of numerous mountains around as well as the Ausangate glacier, and we will be able to witness up close the local wildlife and camelids in their natural environment. The trek lasts for about 3 hours until we get to the stunning landscape of Vinicunca (Rainbow Mountains). Here we will have about one hour to relax and take amazing pictures of this natural wonder. We then hike back to the starting point of the trek, and from there return to Cusco (arriving at approximately 19.00).

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Day 07: Sacred Valley of the Incas - Aguas Calientes (Machupicchu)

on our way 30' from Cusco to Pisac Market we can stop in Awanakancha, You can't travel to Peru without taking time to see animals native to the Andes. And, unless you plan on heading deep into the countryside, the very best (and easiest place) to see them is at Awanakancha, a small camelid farm dedicated to the animals and intricate textiles produced from their wool. On arrival at the farm, you will have the opportunity to meet the resident animals; Alpaca, Llama and Vicuña. Separated by species and sex in large pens, the friendly animals are keen to meet visitors in the hope of receiving a tasty grassy snack. After getting to know the animals, you can take some time to visit some of the small onsite exhibits, where you can understand how the animals wool is refined and naturally dyed, before finally being expertly woven into fabrics, tapestry's, clothing or a variety of other products. Women from native communities offer

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live examples of traditional (and intricate) weaving techniques, using basic tools and wooden looms.







the we go on with the excursion to the Urubamba Valley, the Sacred Valley of the Incas. Visit to the picturesque indian Pisac Market held on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays, the shopping paradise of the Andes where barter is still practiced. Enjoy the unique atmosphere during a typical lunch. In the afternoon, passing through the Towns of Calca and Urubamba, we visit the Inca Fortress and Citadel of Ollantaytambo, built to guard the entrance to this part of the Valley, and protect it from possible invasion from the tribes in the Lower jungle. You can walk through the quaint streets of the nearby Town, and get a good idea of what this strategic Mlitary, Religious, and Agricultural Centre was like during the era of the Inca Empire. Late afternoon ride by train to Aguas Calientes 2 hrs (Hot Spring Machupicchu) Evening free. We suggest strolling around the Main Square and enjoy the night atmosphere trying a delicious Pisco Sour in some of the many pubs around the Square of Hot Spring Aguas

Meals Included: Breakfast & Lunch



Calientes





Day 08: Aguas Calientes - Huaynapícchu - Machu Picchu - Sun Gate - Aguas Calientes - Cusco

The day starts with an early morning rise to Bus Station for a 20' journey to the famous Inca Citadel of Machu Picchu, also known as " The Lost City of the Incas ". bus drive, climbing 6km of winding road, to the incredible site of Huayna Picchu also known as Wayna Picchu (Quechua " Young Peak ") The number of daily visitors allowed to enter Huayna Picchu is

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restricted to 200 is a mountain in Peru around which the Urubamba River bends. It rises over Machupicchu, the so - called lost city of the Incas, and divides it into sections. The Incas built a trail up the side of the Huayna Picchu and built temples and terraces on its top. The peak of Huayna Picchu is about 2,720 meters (8,920 ft) above sea level, or about 360 meters (1,180 ft) higher than Machu Picchu. According to local guides, the top of the mountain was the residence for the high priest and the local virgins.







Machupicchu Every morning before sunrise, the high priest with a small group would walk to Machu Picchu to signal the coming of the new day. The Temple of the Moon, one of the three major temples in the Machu Picchu area, is nestled on the side of the mountain and is situated at an elevation lower than Machu Picchu. Adjacent to the Temple of the Moon is the Great Cavern, another sacred temple with fine masonry. The other major local temples in Machu Picchu are the Temple of the Condor, Temple of Three Windows, Principal Temple, "Unfinished Temple", and the Temple of the Sun, also called the Torreon.

Then we'll participate in a guided tour of the Citadel, visiting the Main Plaza, the Circular Tower, **The Sacred Sun Dial** the Royal Quarters, the Temple of the Three Windows and various burial grounds.







The Sun Gates of Machu Picchu boast a picture - perfect vantage point overlooking Peru's most famous ruins. Tourists flock to this outcrop high in the Andes Mountains to enjoy the same view featured on virtually every postcard depicting the Machu Picchu citadel. Also known as Inti Punku, the Sun Gates consist of two stones perched at a narrow passage in the crevice of the

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mountain just above Machu Picchu. The sun shines brilliantly through this portal each day when it rises - hence the name.







Garden Waterfall of Mandor - Hot Spring - Cuzco

Excellent opportunity visit the Town of Aguas Calientes and its Hot Springs Thermal Waters. Then, you will have time to perform some of the following activities:

Mandor Waterfalls. Visiting Mandor Waterfall is an unforgettable adventure. It is an area of lush forest surrounding the town of Machu Picchu. You just have to follow the railway line from Machu Picchu Pueblo for a 45 minute-hike. You will reach a railway crossing, from which you will see a small group of houses whose dwellers will tell you how to reach Mandor Waterfall







Hot Spring

Is a distance of 800 m. east of the town of Machupicchu, there are under ground hot sulfur springs wich bubble up from the rocky under ground at varying temperatures. The especially – Built pools at this resort are the basis of its use as hot mineral baths. The hot spring offer natural resources for medical therapy, and also is a great treatment for Rheumatism. It help to rid of stress and toxins, anhance your metabolism and avoid high blood pressure. The average temperature of the water runs from 38° to 46°C. There are also changing rooms, bathrooms sand and a small snack bar. at 143.00 p.m or 19.00 p.m train back to Cuzco upon arrivel transfer to your selected hotel for overnight.

Meals Included: Breakfast

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Day 09: Cusco - Lima

Time required transfer to Cusco Airport for your fligh to Lima Upon arrivel can visit by your own to the most attractive and important sites in Lima, the "City of Kings". The tour includes Lima's Historical Centre, passing by Plaza San Martin, The Main Plaza, the Government Palace, the City Hall, the Cathedral and its Religious Art Museum, the Church of Santo Domingo, with the tombs of Santa Rosa and San Martin de Porras, and Lima's Colonial Balconies. We will visit the Convent and Church of San Francisco, the greatest monumental complex of Colonial Art in America and Cultural Heritage of Humanity. The tour includes a visit to the Basilica of 21 altars, Convent of Cloisters, Capitulary and Clementine Rooms, Chorus and Library of the Monks, a Museum showing 11 paintings of the Rubens School, the Sacristy with paintings of Surbaran and Ribera, its great patio decorated with Seville tiles of XVIth Century, Moorish arches and underground Catacombs. We will also visit El Olivar Park with olive trees brought from Spain in the XVth Century, the Central Park of Miraflores and Larcomar, a symbol of modern Lima and a tourist and entertainment centre as well as a privileged site to enjoy an amazing view of the Pacific Ocean

Meals Included: Breakfast







Day 10: Cusco - Lima

on time required transfer to Lima Airport for your fly back home

Meals Included: Breakfast

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Include:

In Lima: Larco Herrera Museum.

In Puno: Boating excursion on Titicaca Lake, Llachon – Amantani – Taquile Uros **In Cusco:** Sightseeing Tour and Nearby Ruins; Dinner including Folklore Show.

In the Sacred Valley of the Incas: Excursion to Pisac and Ollantaytambo. Lunch included.

In Machu Picchu: Guided visit of the Citadel

- 09 Nights accommodation
- All breakfasts and meals as described in the programme
- All entrance tickets applicable
- All transfers and land transportation
- Train ticket from Ollantaytambo Aguas Calientes Ollantaytambo
- Bus ticket from Aguas Calientes- Machu Picchu- Aguas Calientes
- Bus ticket: Puno Cusco
- Airfare Lima Juliaca & Cusco Lima
- All applicable taxes
- Daily tours with all bilingual guided tours (English Spanish) as described in the itinerary
- Axel Tour Leader

Not Include:

- International flights
- Baggage excess (Cusco Puno bus)
- Alcoholic drinks, soda or bottled mineral water
- Personal expenses
- Tips
- International or National personal telephone calls
- · Meals not mentioned

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02 Paxs: 1600\$USA

04 - 06 Paxs: 1470\$USA

08 - 14 Paxs: 1410\$USA

+ 15 Paxs: 1385\$USA

Hostal	City	Arrive	Departure	Nights
La Casa della Nonna	Lima Miraflores	2019	2019	01
Family House	Llachon Puno	2019	2019	01
Don Tito	Puno	2019	2019	01
Ayllus	Cusco	2019	2019	03
Bromelia	Aguas Calientes	2019	2019	01
Ayllus	Cusco	2019	2019	01
La Casa della Nonna	Lima Miraflores	2019	2019	01

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08 - 14 Paxs: 1580\$USA

+ 15 Paxs: 1560\$USA

Hotel	City	Arrive	Departure	Nights
El Carmel	Lima Miraflores	2019	2019	01
Family House	Llachon Puno	2019	2019	01
Qalasaya	Puno	2019	2019	01
Royal Inca	Cusco	2019	2019	03
Gringo Bill	Aguas Calientes	2019	2019	01
Royal Inca	Cusco	2019	2019	01
El Carmel	Lima Miraflores	2019	2019	01

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08 - 14 Paxs: 1740\$USA

+ 15 Paxs: 1720\$USA

Hotel	City	Arrive	Departure	Nights
San Agustin E.	Lima Miraflores	2019	2019	01
Family House	Llachon Puno	2019	2019	01
Jose Antonio	Puno	2019	2019	01
San Agustin D.	Cusco	2019	2019	03
Casa de Sol	Aguas Calientes	2019	2019	01
San Agustin D.	Cusco	2019	2019	01
San Agutin E.	Lima Miraflores	2019	2019	01

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08 - 14 Paxs: 2840\$USA

+ 15 Paxs: 2820\$USA

Hotel	City	Arrive	Departure	Nights
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Family House	Llachon Puno	2019	2019	01
Libertador	Puno	2019	2019	01
Marriott	Cusco	2019	2019	03
Sumaq	Aguas Calientes	2019	2019	01
Marriott	Cusco	2019	2019	01
Marriott	Lima Miraflores	2019	2019	01