

Peru: A Portrait of Ancient Civilizations

Daily Departures 8 Days from **\$1495**



Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Lima Start your adventure into the Land of the Incas. Transfer to your selected hotel.

Day 2: In Lima Familiarize yourself with Lima on this half-day tour of the colonial highlights, followed by a visit to the Archaeological Museum for a chronological presentation of the many civilizations that flourished in Peru. Displays include important collections from the Chavin, Mochica, Chimu, and Nazca cultures. (B)

Day 3: Lima/Cuzco/Urubamba Valley An hour flight will transfer you to Cuzco, the ancient capital of the Inca Empire, at an altitude of 11,300 feet. You will be met upon arrival to commence your tour into the scenic Urubamba Valley. The valley, also known as the Sacred Valley of the Incas, is at a much more comfortable altitude of 8,500 feet, and you will immediately feel the difference. If you arrive Tuesday, Thursday, or Sunday you will stop at Pisac, for a colorful Indian market. Stalls overflow with weavings, handicrafts and pottery, enticing everyone to bargain! Later, climb the ruins at Ollantaitambo, another sacred site which the Incas fiercely defended from the Spaniards. Overnight at your choice of charming country inns. (B, L)

Day 4: Urubamba Valley to Machu Picchu Morning transfer to Ollantaitambo to board the train* for Machu Picchu, where you will have a guided walking tour of the ruins. You and the lucky few who will spend the night here will have a few more hours to explore the site after the crowds have returned to Cuzco. Those who select the Deluxe or Deluxe Plus category hotels will enjoy an additional dinner. The Sanctuary Lodge (Deluxe Plus) is located just outside the gate to Machu Picchu at the top of the mountain. The other hotels are located in the quaint village of Aguas Calientes at the base of the ruins. (B, L)



Look back into Peru's rich past to cultures that predated the Incas by centuries and left a remarkable legacy on the Peruvian landscape! Ascend into the Andean highlands to see the Inca heritage of **Cuzco** and **Machu Picchu**. You can extend your trip with optional excursions to **Lake Titicaca** and **Bolivia**, where you see the massive ruins of **Tiahuanacu**, an ancient civilization that predates the Incas. Explore **La Paz**, cradled at the foot of snow-capped Mt. Illimani. In Peru, you can venture north into the desert areas around **Trujillo** and **Chiclayo** to see the newly discovered tomb of the **Lord of Sipan** or venture south of Lima to the mysterious lines and drawings of the **Plains of Nazca**.

The Hotel Pakaritampu, one of the country inns in the beautiful Sacred Valley of the Incas



Day 5: Machu Picchu to Cuzco This morning you can revisit Machu Picchu on your own before the afternoon return train to Cuzco. **Note:** Transfers from Aguas Calientes to/from Machu Picchu and entrance fees are NOT included this day. (B)

Day 6: In Cuzco Morning at leisure. In the afternoon, tour Cuzco, including the recently restored Cathedral and the Inca Sun Temple, Korikancha. Then ascend into the hills overlooking Cuzco to visit the massive fortress of Sacsayhuaman. You'll wonder how the Incas built this massive structure. Nearby, visit K'kenko, sacred Pucapucara and the temple of Tambo Machay. (B)

Day 7: Cuzco to Lima Morning return flight to Lima and transfer to your hotel. **Note:** The tour may be extended to Lake Titicaca and Bolivia. See page 18. (B)

Day 8: Homeward Bound Transfer to the airport. All good things must come to an end but you can extend this one! Book a trip to the Amazon Jungle (see pages 16 & 17) or an excursion to see the archaeological wonders of the northern or southern desert oases of Peru, such as the Lord of Sipan or the mysterious lines and drawings of the Plains of Nazca. See page 15. (B)

Tour Rates Per Person

The round-trip airfare Lima/Cuzco is included in the rates and is subject to change without notice. Airfares from/to North America are **not** included.

Hotel Category	Dbl	Sgl	Tpl
Tourist Class*	\$1495	2179	1365
First Class	\$1770	2655	1699
Deluxe Class	\$2259	3445	1999
Deluxe Plus Class	\$3069	5089	3029**

*In Tourist Class the Backpacker train is included in Aguas Calientes. In First Class, Deluxe and Deluxe Plus, the VistaDome train is quoted and buffet lunch is provided at the Sanctuary Lodge outside the gate to Machu Picchu.

**Triple rate is based on a Jr. Suite in Lima, and a Suite at Machu Picchu

Hotels City	Tourist Class	First Class	Deluxe Class	Deluxe Plus Class
Lima	La Faraona	Jose Antonio	Holiday Inn Select	Miraflores Park
Sacred Valley	Posada La Casona	Pakaritampu	Casa Andina	Hotel Sol Y Luna
Machu Picchu	Hostal Santuario	Hatuchay	M. Picchu Pueblo (MAP)	Sanctuary Lodge (FAP)
Cuzco	Agusto's	Jose Antonio	Libertador	Monasterio

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