



MYSTERIES OF PERÚ

11DAYS / 10 NIGHTS



Day 1.

Pick up and transfers. Arrival at Jorge Chávez International Airport, assistance and transfer to the selected hotel. Accommodation.

Day 2.- COLONIAL AND MODERN CITY TOUR

Breakfast. On the way to the Historic Center of Lima we will take a panoramic tour of the Archaeological site of Huaca Pucllana, an imposing adobe construction of the Lima culture.

Visit to the Bodega & Quadra Museum, where you can see the Wall of Lima built in the 17th century and with an exhibition of objects showing society and development during the viceroyalty. We will begin the visit of the historic center by visiting the Convent of Santo Domingo, where the remains of San Martín de Porres and Santa Rosa de Lima, patron saint of the Americas and the Philippines, are located. We will stop for a moment to also appreciate the historic Convent of San Francisco.

We will visit the main square of Lima, surrounded by the most important buildings of viceregal Lima. If time permits, we will have the opportunity to observe the changing of the national guard, in front of the Government Palace of Peru.

The bus will take us back to our accommodation, having the opportunity to observe the residential neighborhoods and financial area of San Isidro and Miraflores.

Rest of the afternoon free. This is an opportunity to taste the renowned Peruvian gastronomy; visit the Barranco neighborhood, cradle of poets and writers (part of the Mario Vargas Llosa literary route) or to continue visiting other attractions in the capital. Overnight at the selected hotel.

Day 2.- LIMA /PARACAS:

Paracas National Reserve - Buggies through the desert.

Breakfast. Transfer to the bus station to board the semi-sleeper bus that will take us to Paracas Bay. The Pacific Sea will accompany us along the route, with its coastal landscapes. Upon arrival we will be assisted and transferred to our hotel.

We will visit the Paracas National Reserve, enjoying the maritime, desert landscape and cliffs. In this area, the mysterious Paracas culture developed, which inhabited its coasts more than 2,000 years ago, leaving as evidence its necropolis and a great diversity of rich fabrics that astonish the modern world.

We will also visit the interpretation center of the National Reserve, where we will learn about the nature of the place. We will return to the hotel for a well-deserved rest on the shores of the Pacific Ocean.

At the appropriate time we will pick you up to live an exciting experience with the “Buggies” or sandboxes with which we will transport ourselves to the dunes of the “Costa Rica” Oasis, following part of the mythical Dakar Route. After enjoying the sunset and sandboarding, sliding down the immense dunes, we will return to the hotel at nightfall. Overnight at the selected hotel.

- Notes: The Lima-Paracas and Paracas - Lima route can be done by private transportation upon payment of the corresponding supplement

DAY 4. PARACAS

Ballestas Islands / Optional Overflight to the Nazca Lines / LIMA Breakfast

Transfer to the pier. We will leave by shared boat, sail the Pacific Ocean, observing the enigmatic geoglyph of “El Candelabro” along the way. We will tour the Ballestas Islands on the boat, observing sea lions and countless birds, among which the Humboldt penguin stands out in its natural habitat. Return to the coast. At the scheduled time, transfer to the bus station to board the line transportation that will return us to the capital, Lima. Reception and transfer to the hotel. Accommodation in the chosen hotel.



Optional: Flight over the Nazca lines from Paracas.

DAY 5. LIMA/CUSCO

Pedestrian City Tour

Breakfast. Transfer to the airport to take the flight that will take us to Cusco, the ancient capital of the empire. Rest of the morning to acclimatize. In the afternoon we will begin our pedestrian tour of the city, an exclusive circuit that includes a visit to the square in the San Blas neighborhood, Hatunrumiyoc Street with the “Stone of the 12 Angles”, Nazarenas Square, Plaza de Armas, the Cathedral, the Koricancha o Temple of the Sun and the San Pedro food market. Accommodation.

DAY 6. CUSCO/ SACRED VALLEY

Chincho-Maras-Moray and Ollantaytambo / MACHU PICCHU (Aguas Calientes)

Breakfast lunch. Visit the town of Chincho, with its archaeological zone, the main square from where you can see its colonial church and its artisan market (if it is Sunday, you can enjoy its spectacular and authentic Sunday food market). We will continue with the visit of a textile workshop, where the weavers of the community, heirs of the best textile techniques of the empire, will demonstrate their fabrics and the use of natural dyes.

We will continue towards the salt mines of Maras, which served as a salt supply center in the Inca Empire, currently exploited. We finish the morning visiting the Moray agricultural laboratory, characterized by its deep concentric terraces with diverse microclimates. Lunch.

In the afternoon, visit Ollantaytambo with its fortress, before moving to the train station to leave for the town of Aguas Calientes. Arrive and transfer to the hotel. Dinner and accommodation at the selected hotel.

Traveler tips:

- To prepare your luggage for Machu Picchu: By regulation of the train companies (in order to allow visibility through the panoramic windows), they only allow carry-on luggage: You must provide a small travel bag, backpack or “carry on”, which does not exceed 5 kg in weight per person (in addition to handbags). The rest of the luggage will be left at the hotel in Cusco where you will stay again.

DAY 7. MACHU PICCHU / SACRED VALLEY

Breakfast dinner

We will get up early to enjoy, without the stress of visitors who arrive later, one of the most impressive archaeological sites in the world, the Inca citadel of Machu Picchu, one of the seven modern wonders.

In a unique natural environment, we will take a guided tour of the archaeological complex, visiting its platforms, squares, temples, palaces, warehouses, workshops, staircases, water fountains, the temple of the sun and other areas.

We will have the possibility of climbing Mount Huayna Picchu or Mount Machu Picchu (upon request). After our mystical encounter with Machu Picchu, we will return by bus to Aguas Calientes to enjoy its market and the life of this enclave, where almost every traveler who arrives in the country passes through. At the scheduled time, we will leave from the train station to return to Ollantaytambo, where the transportation will be waiting for us to take us to our hotel in the Sacred Valley. Dinner and accommodation.

Travelers tips:

- If you want to climb Mount Huayna Picchu, or Mount Machu Picchu (not to be confused with the archaeological visit), request a reservation and entry when confirming the reservation, after paying the corresponding supplement.
- In order to have more flexibility with visiting hours, lunch is not included this day. It is possible to do it at the end of the visit, in the restaurant at the entrance to the site or returning to the town of Aguas Calientes.



Day 8 SACRED VALLEY

Pisac Ruins and Market + Surrounding Ruins of Cusco

Breakfast

In the morning we will return to Cusco, visiting the archaeological site of Pisac, in the Kanturay sector, the fountains and the cemetery along the way. We will continue with a brief stop at the Pisac market and then continue towards the "Surrounding Ruins" of Cusco, where Sacsayhuaman stands out, a ceremonial fortress of monumental stones; Q'enqo, ceremonial and ritual center where sacrifices were made and Tambomachay, temple to worship the Water God. Panoramic view of Puka-Pukará, ancient tambo or lookout post along the Inca roads. We will arrive at our hotel in Cusco to rest or enjoy our free afternoon. Overnight at the selected hotel.

Day 9 CUSCO / PUNO

Breakfast lunch

In the morning, transfer to the bus station (exclusively for tourism). We will leave by bus to the capital of Peruvian folklore, Puno, visiting Andahuaylillas (the Andean Sistine Chapel), Racjchi (Wiracocha Temple), La Raya (Highest point on the way to Puno) and the museum of the archaeological site of Pukara. Lunch en route. Arrival in Puno at dusk. Overnight at the selected hotel.

Travelers tips:

- Whoever wishes can do this section by private transport, making the same visits after paying the corresponding supplement.
- Another option for this route can be done with the TITICACA TRAIN, belonging to "Perú Rail" (the trip includes lunch and afternoon tea). This train only operates on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays; Therefore, it is necessary to plan for the day of travel to coincide with the days of train operation.

Day 10 PUNO

Navigation Uros Islands + Taquile
Breakfast lunch

We will sail across Lake Titicaca, the highest navigable lake on the planet. We will make a first visit to the Uros Islands, floating islands where the descendants of this ancestral ethnic group still live (today linked to the Aymara Lineage, whose subsistence is partly supported by tourism). We will continue sailing towards the Island of Taquile, a Quechua island whose Inca customs and traditions are still palpable. Lunch at a local restaurant. After having walked through some sectors of the Island, return to the port of Puno. Overnight at the selected hotel.

Day 11 PUNO: Visit to Sillustani / LIMA / CITY OF ORIGIN

Breakfast

First thing in the morning and with the luggage on board, we will make a first visit in private service to the archaeological complex of Sillustani to appreciate the "Chullpas" or Funerary Towers on the shores of Lake Umayo. Continuation to the Juliaca airport (Puno) to board the return plane to Lima. International flight back to city of origin. Night on board

