



Program Peru – Classic 16 days / 15 nights

**Lima – Huacachina – Paracas – Nazca – Arequipa – Colca Canyon – Puno – Titicaca Lake
– Cusco – Machu Picchu – Humantay Lake/Rainbow Mountain – Lima**

Peru is a landscape of contrasts. Depending on where you stay, you will encounter different cultures and nature. That's why we've prepared an offer in this program to introduce the magical **Cusco** and the "**Lost City of Incas**" – **Machu Picchu** high up in the mountains, **Titicaca's islands** with local communities, the stunning **Colca Canyon** with sailing **Andean Condors**, the "**white city**" of **Arequipa**, the mysterious lines and shapes in the **Nazca desert**, the necropolis in **Chauchilla**, the desert dunes in **Huacachina**, the world famous **Pisco** – Peruvian alcoholic beverage, and pre-Columbian and colonial history.

DAY 1: ARRIVAL TO LIMA

Arrival to Lima and transfer to our hotel.

DAY 2: LIMA – PARACAS – HUACACHINA

Early in the morning, we take the bus to **Paracas** where we will take a boat trip along the Ballestas Islands, also known as Little Galapagos. After 15 minutes we will arrive at the enigmatic emblem of **El Candellabro**, where the guide explains the different theories of its origin. Then, we will continue among the rocky islands, where we will observe different marine species such as sea lions, thousands of seabirds, etc. We will return to the harbor around 10.00am.

After a short break, we will take a tour of **Paracas National Park**. We will visit the **Interpretation Center** where guide explains us everything about the fauna in the reservation. Then, we will continue the excursion to the **Paracas peninsula**, where we will see various desert formations created by wind, multicolored surfaces, rocky formations on the coast created by the seawater. We will also visit beautiful beaches such as **Playa Yumaque**, **Playa Roja**, **Playa Lagunillas**. Here we have time to have lunch on the beach and walk around. In the afternoon, we take the bus to **Huacachina** and spend the night there.

DAY 3: HUACACHINA – NAZCA

We will have the opportunity to take a **buggies** trip through the desert dunes and to try **sandboarding**, and later to have lunch on the shore of the lagoon in the desert. By the afternoon bus we move to the desert town of **Nazca**, known for its geoglyphs (lines and desert figures). We stay in the hotel and dine in one of the local restaurants.

DAY 4: NAZCA – AREQUIPA

Optional: After the breakfast, we'll take you to **María Reiche Airport** where we'll take a look at informative video about mysterious lines and desert pictures before taking the flight. Then, we board a Cessna plane, 3–5 passengers, and take the desert flight. Every passenger has a guaranteed seat at the window to see the terrain. The flight takes approximately 40 minutes and during this flight we will observe desert shapes that have different shapes: condor, hummingbird, hands, cosmonaut, tree, pelican, spider, monkey, dog, whale, lizard. In addition, we will see hundreds of lines and geometric formations intersecting the local desert and reminding of huge airfields.

Optional (for those who do not want to fly) – **Chauchilla Necropolis:** We leave by private transport for the 27km distant city of the dead – the **Chauchilla Cemetery**. We can see the mummified human remains of ancient local culture along with their funeral objects. We will also visit a small local museum where children's mummies and photos of archaeological research can be seen. By night bus we will follow our journey to the city of **Arequipa**.

DAY 5: AREQUIPA

In the morning, after arriving in **Arequipa**, we start our visit of **Arequipa** known as the "**White City**" (the "sillar" stone blocks of the volcanic origin were used to build the buildings), and in the afternoon we will take part in the City Tour. We will start exploring the **Santa Catalina Monastery**, founded in 1580. Later, we visit the **Jesuit Church**, **Yanahuara Square**, from where we will enjoy the view of the **El Misti** volcano, which towers over the city.



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DAY 6: AREQUIPA – COLCA CANYON – PUNO

Early in the morning, we head out from Arequipa to **Chivay**, the gateway to the **Colca Canyon** to **La Cruz del Cóndor** along the road stretching the edges of the Colca Canyon, the deepest canyon in the world, measuring at 4100m in the largest depth. Several times we stop to enjoy the beautiful views of the Canyon. The guide will explain the history and present of the Canyon inhabitants. We climb to the famous **La Cruz del Cóndor** – from where there is a magnificent view of the canyon and the sailing **Andean Condor**, the second largest terrestrial bird species. Upon returning to Chivay, we stop for lunch at a local restaurant.

After lunch, we take off to **Puno**. We climb up to 4950 masl to the **El Mirador de Los Andes**, where we stop to enjoy of nearby and distant volcanoes of Arequipa. We could also see the alpacas and vicuñas. At an altitude of 4400 masl we will have a short break at **Las Lagunillas**, lakes where we can see **flamingos** and other bird species of the Peruvian Altiplano. In the evening we arrive in the picturesque environment of **Lake Titicaca** in **Puno**. There we spend the night in the hotel.

DAY 7: PUNO – UROS – TAQUILE

After breakfast, we take you to the local lake harbor where a boat will be waiting for us and will bring us to one of Uros' floating reed islands. A representative of the local population will explain everything about the life of the local community and will demonstrate the construction of floating reed islands. After completing the visit to the island of Uros, we will be taken to the island of Taquile. Here we will explore the island and see the inhabitants of the local community. The hand-made fabrics produced on the island are included on the **UNESCO World Heritage List**. After lunch on the island and after 3 hours of boat cruise, we will return to **Puno** approximately at 4.00pm.

DAY 8: PUNO – CUSCO

Early in the morning we leave the Lake Titicaca and after couple of hours and stops we get to the royal city of Incas, Cusco. We will arrive around 3pm and after the accommodation we will explore the center of Cusco.

DAY 9: CUSCO CITY TOUR

In the afternoon, we will take part in the **Cusco City Tour**. We will visit the Inca and Colonial Monuments in Cusco and its surroundings (The **Cathedral**, The **Temple of the Sun – Qorikancha**, **Sacsayhuaman**, **Puca Pucara**, **Tambomachay**).

DAY 10: SACRED VALLEY – AGUAS CALIENTES

In the morning, we will go to the **Sacred Valley of the Incas**. We will visit the archaeological complexes, textile workshop and art craft market in **Chinchoero**. Upon arrival at Moray, we will be explained the origin and use of the circular terraces. At Maras, we will explore local salt mines–ponds. We will pass through the valley to the city of **Urubamba**, where we will have lunch and continue to **Ollantaytambo**. Here we visit the Inca fortress, which spans the valley. We will board our train to **Aguas Calientes** in the afternoon. Here we dine and overnight.

DAY 11: MACHU PICCHU – CUSCO

Early in the morning, we'll begin our tour of the "**The Lost City of Incas**" – **Machu Picchu**. We will explore its temples, the Inca Bridge, or climb up to the **Huayna Picchu** where we will experience an unforgettable view of **Machu Picchu**. In the afternoon we will return to **Aguas Calientes**, where we will have lunch and take the train back to **Cusco**.

DAY 12: OPTIONAL: HUMANTAY LAKE / THE RAINBOW MOUNTAIN / SOUTH VALLEY

DAY 13: CUSCO – LIMA

In the morning we will fly to **Lima** and spend the afternoon in the local bohemian **Barranco** district where we may stop at the famous **La Bodega Verde** café. Then, we will go to the Miraflores business and residential district, we walk through **Malecon** (the ocean promenade), we visit the **Larcomar Center** and through the **Kennedy Park** we reach the heart of Miraflores

DAY 14: LIMA

This day will be held in the spirit of discovering **Lima**, both **pre-Columbian** (**Huaca Pucllana**, **Museo Larco**) and **colonial** (**St. Francis Monastery**, **Plaza de Armas** and others). We will also optionally visit a restaurant that offers a selection of the finest Peruvian cuisine.



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DAY 15: LIMA GASTRONOMIC TOUR

At 9.30am after the pick up from our hotel we will head to a **typical fresh market** in Lima. And in a local restaurant with spectacular views of the Pacific Ocean we will learn to prepare national dishes such as **Ceviche Peruano** and **Causa Limeña** and try the national drink of Peru, **Pisco**.

DAY 16: LIMA – DEPARTING PERU

Transfer to the airport and return to your home country or continue traveling as part of the program's expansion according to your individual interest.

Price:	2730 USD + flight ticket to Lima * Single room supplement: 380 USD * Discounts: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3% by booking at least 2 months before the departure• 3% by booking 1+ more passenger(s) (for each passenger in the booking)• 4% by booking 1+ more passenger(s) at least 2 months before the departure (for each passenger in the booking)
Duration:	16 days / 15 nights
Included:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• all transfers (buses, minivans, boats)• domestic flight: Cusco - Lima• bus: Aguas Calientes - Machu Picchu - Aguas Calientes• train: Ollantaytambo - Aguas Calientes - Ollantaytambo• all entrance fees• professional guide• all guided tours• accommodation in double rooms with breakfast: 10x hotel 4*, 4x hotel 3*• meals: Lunch - day 6/7/8/10/15 and day 12 with Humantay Lake/The Rainbow Mountain• flights arrangement• information materials
Not Included:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• the price does not include the international flight ticket – the flight ticket price depends on the dates and the departing airport• fees for the oversized luggage• accommodation due to the flight cancellation• supplement for accommodation in a single room (mandatory for individuals). In case of consent for the room to be filled by another person, please inform us in the registration form. If it is possible to add another person to the room to, we will refund the single room supplement.• alcoholic beverages• insurance• tips• laundry• phone calls• other personal expenditures• other expenditures due to "vis major"