

DISCOVER PERU # 41

13 Days / 12 Nights

Lima, Amazon Adventure near Iquitos, Arequipa, The Colca Canyon, Puno, Cusco, Pisac Indian Market and Ollantaytambo Fortress, Machu Picchu

Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day 1 – Monday - Lima - Arrival

Arrival in Lima, the "City of Kings" famous for its Spanish Colonial architecture, extraordinary museums and cuisine. Lima is internationally recognized as the "Gastronomic Capital of the Americas", and its cuisine is considered among the most diverse and exquisite in the world on par with French cuisine. Upon arrival a host will meet and assist you in transferring to the hotel and in registering.



Lima City Tour and Larco Museum

Tour of Modern and Colonial Lima including the world famous Larco Museum - This half-day tour visits both the colonial and modern sections of Lima. Colonial sites include the lovely Plaza Mayor, the Government Palace, San Francisco Church and the exquisite Torre Tagle Palace modern day seat of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In modern Lima, drive along the exclusive residential areas of Miraflores and San Isidro.



Continue to the Larco Museum, founded in 1926, it displays remarkable chronological galleries providing an excellent overview on 3000 years of development of Peruvian pre-Columbian history. Located in a unique vice-royal mansion of the 18th century built over a 7th century pre-Columbian pyramid is surrounded by beautiful gardens. The Larco Museum also features the finest gold and silver collection from Ancient Peru and the famous erotic archaeological collection, one of the most visited Peruvian tourist attractions.



Day 2 – Tuesday - Flight to Iquitos, on the Amazon River (B,L,D)

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Iquitos on the shores of the legendary Amazon River. This region is covered by dense vegetation and by primary and secondary jungle with low hills and slightly rolling landscape, crisscrossed by the many rivers of the Amazon River basin, which is born at the confluence of the Marañon and Ucayali Rivers.



Transfer to the Explorama dock. Twenty-five mile journey down the Amazon River to Ceiba Tops where private rooms with air conditioning and hot water provide all of the comforts of home. Afternoon hike in the beautiful primary rainforest reserve surrounding Ceiba Tops which includes many huge trees festooned with epiphytes. After dinner there may be local flute or guitar music at the El Toucan Bar or the guides are always ready to relate some of the many legends of the Amazon forest.

Overnight Ceiba Tops.



Day 3 – Wednesday - Ceiba Tops (B,L,D)

Morning boat ride, spotting for dolphins, to visit a small village of Yagua Indians where your guide will explain the Yagua Indian culture and how it was affected by the arrival of Europeans and the passing of time. There will also be an opportunity to see some of the local crafts and for a demonstration of the blowgun which some of the Yagua elders still use for hunting. Afternoon walking excursion to the neighboring town of Indiana stopping along the way to see the immense Ceiba tree for which the lodge is named. Originally a Franciscan mission, Indiana has grown into a large river community with its own market, high school and small hospital. Overnight Ceiba Tops.



Day 4 – Thursday - Ceiba Tops / Iquitos / Lima (B)

Early morning departure by boat from Ceiba Tops to Iquitos followed by transfer to the airport for your flight to Lima.

Due to the ever-changing nature of the rainforest, day-by-day activities may vary due to local conditions.



Day 5 – Friday - Lima / Arequipa (B)

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Arequipa at an elevation of 7,300 feet. Upon arrival a host will meet and assist you in transferring to the hotel and in registering.

Also known as the "White City" for its many constructions built of white volcanic stone, Arequipa is at the foothills of the Misti Volcano (the guardian of the city) and it has a splendid Cathedral that is considered one of the first seventeenth century religious monuments of the city.



Arequipa City Tour and Santa Catalina Convent - Your half day sightseeing of this beautiful city, placed on the World Cultural Heritage list by UNESCO, features Mixed Baroque churches and mansions from the colonial period like the Monastery of Santa Catalina, The Main Square is bordered by various arched walkways and the Cathedral, it showcase a beautiful bronze fountain of three plates crowned by the figure of a sixteenth century soldier. Around the square, you see three granite portals with brick and lime bases.



The Santa Catalina Convent is called "a city within a city", a Spanish city in miniature with stone streets, beautiful patios, and plaza, it is a masterpiece of colonial architecture, and houses some of the finest examples of Spanish American religious art. Since 1970 visitors have been able to stroll through the streets and cloisters that during colonial times were the refuge of female nobility who had decided to isolate from the world and dedicate entirely to prayer.



Day 6 – Saturday - Arequipa / Colca Canyon (B,L,D)

Departure towards the highlands passing through Yura-Pampa Cañahuas and La Pulpera with good possibility of observing groups of wild vicuñas and fighting cattle. The road to the Colca Canyon reaches a high point of 13,000 feet before dropping down to the valley, an area of breath taking landscapes surrounded by terracing and snow-capped peaks. Far below, at a depth of 10,000 feet, the Colca River winds along the bottom of the canyon, the world's deepest.

Overnight in Colca Canyon area.



Day 7 – Sunday - Colca Canyon / Puno (B,L)

To maximize your probability of seeing condors we depart very early towards a superb natural lookout point "Cross of the Condor" from where one can watch condors wheeling across the Colca Canyon, at about an altitude of 15,000 feet. The valley also features pre-Inca ruins, pre-Inca burial grounds and archaeological remains left behind by the Collagua, the ancient inhabitants of the area. Drive further in to the canyon to observe the way of life in this remote land and to admire the impressive irrigation system and the fertile mountains terraced for farming of the Colca valley.



Ask your guide to take you to one of the many workshops in which close to a thousand artisans, scattered throughout the towns in the canyon, turn their ancient sewing and weaving machines into paint brushes to give life to impressively intricate and colorful embroidery and shawls.

The overland trip to Puno features unique natural scenery of the Peruvian Highlands.

Evening arrival in Puno.



Day 8 – Monday - Puno – Uros and Taquile Islands on Lake Titikaka (B,L)

Boat excursion to Uros and Taquile Islands on Lake Titikaka. This full day excursion will take you to the highest navigable lake in the world to the floating islands of the Uros Indians, man-made islands by tying totora reeds. The Uros considered themselves Lords of the Lake; they hunt wild birds and maintain traditional fishing methods. The men have developed an extraordinary skill in weaving reeds; producing houses, boats and handicrafts, and the women are expert knitters.



Continuing to Taquile where a native community of about 400 families still lives with the traditions and high principals of the Incas. Taquile is a very important site on Lake Titikaka for its archeological remains, the sacred and ceremonial sites, the festive activities and their rituals. Taquile is characterized by its friendly inhabitants, who maintain their customs and traditional clothing. They distinguish themselves by their detailed, fine, and colorful textiles with symmetrical decorations and symbols that reflect their way of life and Andean beliefs. Lunch is included.



Day 9 – Tuesday - Puno to Cusco (B,L)

Bus journey through the Peruvian Andes from Puno to Cusco - Today one of South America's most extraordinary overland trips takes you by coach to Cusco passing through striking highland scenery and picturesque Andean villages. Brief stops at Raqchi to see the remains of the remarkable temple of Viracocha, considered by the historians an important Inca construction, and at the town of Andahuaylillas, a showcase of the colonial art in Peru, sometimes called "the Sistine Chapel of America". Lunch is included.



Day 10 – Wednesday - Cusco City Tour and Nearby Ruins (B)

Free morning. Tour of Cusco and Nearby Ruins – Visitors are caught up in the excitement of touring the ancient capital of the Inca Empire, a delightful combination of Inca and colonial architecture. The tour visits important landmarks such as Cusco's Cathedral, Plaza de Armas and Koricancha "The Temple of the Sun". This tour of the oldest continuously inhabited city in the western hemisphere also includes the nearby ruins of Kenko, Puca-Pucara, Tambomachay as well as the Sacsayhuaman fortress, an imposing example of Inca military architecture.



Day 11 – Thursday - Pisac Market and Ollantaytambo Archaeological Complex (B,L)

Full Day Excursion to the Pisac Indian Market and the Ollantaytambo Fortress - Morning departure for a drive through the fertile countryside of the Urubamba Valley to the colonial village of Pisac where a unique Indian Market takes place daily. The variety of products offered is overwhelming, from pottery with reproductions of archaeological pieces, to all kinds of textiles, jewelry and Peruvian handicrafts. During your visit to this bustling marketplace you will have the opportunity to bargain with the artisans and indigenous traders. Grab the items you like, you will hardly see the same one again.



Continue to the Ollantaytambo archaeological complex, the Incas built it as a fort that included a temple, agricultural terraces, and an urban area. There are two distinct sectors: The religious and worship zone, and the residential area. Ollantaytambo was an important administrative center with probable military functions if one considers the walls and towers. There are also traces of ancient roads and aqueducts. The town of Ollantaytambo is called a "Living Inca Town" since the inhabitants maintain very old practices and customs. Lunch is at a beautiful country estate on the shores of the Urubamba River.



Day 12 – Friday - Machu Picchu (B,L)

Morning train ride through the sacred valley of Urubamba to the "Lost City of the Incas," Machu Picchu. Perched 8,200 feet above the valley, it was hidden by mountains and semi-tropical jungles for 400 years until discovered by Hiram Bingham of Yale University in 1911. Archaeologists believe that the Inca "Virgins of the Sun" took refuge from the Spanish Conquistadors here. Guided tour of the ruins upon arrival. Lunch is at the Orient Express' Sanctuary Lodge located just a few steps from the Inca citadel.



Day 13 - Saturday – Cusco – Lima – Home (B)

Transfer to the airport for your departure to Lima and your connecting international flight. Arrive home full of great memories of the rich tradition of Colonial Lima and the mystical Land of the Incas.



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Tour includes:

- All airport transfers listed in the itinerary
- Baggage handling at airports and at hotels
- All tours and excursions indicated in the itinerary
- All entrance fees and transfers needed to operate tours and excursions
- All train tickets, bus tickets and boat services needed to operate tours and excursions
- Excursion to Machu Picchu is aboard the Vistadome Train.
- Lunch in the excursion to Machu Picchu: Lunch at Sanctuary Lodge
- Service of a bilingual licensed tour guide for all tours and excursions
- All meals indicated in the itinerary. B for breakfast, L for lunch. D for dinner
- Hotel accommodation and hotel service charge
- Hotel taxes are exempt for foreigners visiting Peru
- When domestic airfare within Peru is specified as included: Airfare includes all queues, security fee, fuel surcharges and 18% Peruvian sales tax.

Not included:

- Extra expenses in case of modifying the itinerary due to flight cancellation, strikes or blocking of roads and train tracks by demonstrators or political activists. Travel insurance is strongly recommended.
- When staying overnight in Machu Picchu, the entrance fee for the 2nd day in Machu Picchu is not included. This can be added to the itinerary upon request
- Expenses such as beverages on meals, tips, laundry, phone calls and other personal expenses are not included
- When a cruise to the Galapagos Islands is part of the itinerary, the Galapagos National Park Tax is not included. It is payable upon arrival at the Galapagos Islands

Cancellation Penalties for FIT's

- The cancellation penalty is 100% when services are cancelled within 30 days of arrival.
- When the deadline to cancel without penalties is longer than 30 days, Fiesta Tours Peru will notify you upon confirmation of services.
- Amazon river cruises and Galapagos island cruises are not refundable when services are cancelled within 90 days of arrival. When deadline changes, clients will be notified.

General Conditions for Groups

- Rooming list is due 50 days prior to arrival ⁽¹⁾.
- Payment is due 50 days prior to arrival.
- An updated number of rooms to be needed is recommended 90 days prior to arrival.
- Hotels' cancellation penalty will be provided upon confirmation.
- Transfers and tours have a 100% cancellation penalty for services cancelled within 30 days of arrival.
- Airfares have a 100% cancellation penalty for flights cancelled within 35 days of departure.
- Inka Terra Hotels requires a 20% non-refundable deposit 95 days prior to arrival. They reserve the right to request a 20% non-refundable deposit at any given moment. Final rooming list is due 65 days prior to arrival.

⁽¹⁾ The following hotels will require the final rooming list 65 days prior to arrival: Belmond Hotels, J.W. Marriott and Gran Hotel Faraona. V-Apr-15-2014

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Hotels used in Tour Packages: For Discover Peru Series – 2023

City	Tourist	Tourist Superior	First Class	First Class Superior	Deluxe	Luxury
Lima	Arawi Miraflores Express	El Tambo Peru #2	Arawi Miraflores Prime	Dazzler By Wyndham Lima Miraflores	Hyatt Centric San Isidro	Miraflores Park, A Belmond, Lima
Cusco	Terra Andina Colonial Mansion	Terra Andina Colonial Mansion	Xima Cusco Hotel	Sonesta Hotel Cusco	Palacio del Inka A Luxury Collection	Monasterio, A Belmond Hotel, Cusco
Valle Sagrado	Ava Spot	Villa Urubamba	San Agustín Monasterio de la Recoleta	Sonesta Posadas del Inka Yucay	Tambo del Inka Luxury Collection Resort & Spa	Río Sagrado, A Belmond Hotel, Sacred Valley
Aguas Calientes	Flowers House Machu Picchu	Casa Andina Standard Machu Picchu	El Mapi Hotel	El Mapi Hotel	Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo	Sanctuary Lodge, A Belmond Hotel, Machu Picchu
Arequipa	Casa Andina Standard (Hab. Tradicional)	Casa Andina Standard (Hab. Superior)	El Cabildo Hotel	Casa Andina Select Arequipa	Costa del Sol Wyndham Arequipa (Hab. Junior Suite)	CIRQA - Relais & Châteaux (Hab. Claustro)
Colca	Casa Andina Standard Colca	Casa Andina Standard Colca	Aranwa Pueblito Encantado del Colca (Hab. Deluxe)	Aranwa Pueblito Encantado del Colca (Hab. Deluxe)	Aranwa Pueblito Encantado del Colca (Hab. Suite)	Las Casitas, A Belmond Hotel, Colca Canyon (Hab. Casita Garden View)
Puno	Casona Plaza Hotel Puno	Xima Exclusive Puno	Jose Antonio Puno	Sonesta Posadas del Inca Puno	Titilaka (Hab. Explorer)	Titilaka (Hab. Dusk/Dawn)
Trujillo	Hotel Paraiso Trujillo	Casa Andina Standard Trujillo	El Gran Marques	Costa del Sol Wyndham Trujillo (Hab. Standard)	Costa del Sol Wyndham Trujillo (Hab. Superior)	Costa del Sol Wyndham Trujillo (Hab. Premium)
Chiclayo	Intitel	WinMeier Hotel	Costa del Sol Wyndham Chiclayo	Costa del Sol Wyndham Chiclayo	Casa Andina Select (Hab. Junior Suite)	Casa Andina Select (Hab. Suite)
Ica	Las Dunas o Viñas Queirolo	Las Dunas o Viñas Queirolo	Las Dunas o Viñas Queirolo	Las Dunas o Viñas Queirolo	Las Dunas o Viñas Queirolo	Las Dunas o Viñas Queirolo
Paracas	San Agustín Paracas Playa	San Agustín Paracas Playa	La Hacienda Bahía Paracas	Doubletree by Hilton Resort Paracas	Hotel Paracas, A Luxury Collection Resort (Hab. Deluxe Garden view)	Hotel Paracas, A Luxury Collection Resort (Hab. Deluxe Ocean front view)
Nazca	Casa Andina Standard Nazca	Majoro	Majoro	Hotel Nuevo Cantayoc	Hotel Nuevo Cantayoc	Hotel Nuevo Cantayoc
Iquitos - City	Victoria Regia	Victoria Regia	DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Iquitos	DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Iquitos	DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Iquitos	DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Iquitos
Iquitos - Lodges	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops
Puerto Maldonado	Posada Amazonas	Posada Amazonas	Inkaterra Hacienda Concepcion	Inkaterra Hacienda Concepcion	Inkaterra Reserva Amazonica	Inkaterra Reserva Amazonica

TOURIST CLASS HOTELS	Discover Peru # 41										
	2023 Prices per person in US\$ - Airfare not included										
	SIB Premium		Private Services								
Min 1	Min 2	1	2	3 / 4	5 / 9	10/14	15/19	20/24	25/29	30 up	
Double Room	3366		4318	3462	2966	2602	2475	2407	2328	2262	
Triple Room	3368			3464	2968	2604	2478	2410	2331	2264	
Single Room	5268	3788	7218	4740	3884	3388	3024	2898	2830	2751	2684

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Min 1	Min 2	1	2	3 / 4	5 / 9	10/14	15/19	20/24	25/29	30 up	
Double Room	3403		4355	3499	3003	2639	2512	2444	2366	2299	
Triple Room	3387			3483	2987	2623	2496	2428	2350	2283	
Single Room	5344	3864	7294	4816	3960	3464	3100	2974	2906	2827	2760

FIRST CLASS HOTELS	Discover Peru # 41										
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	SIB Premium		Private Services								
Min 1	Min 2	1	2	3 / 4	5 / 9	10/14	15/19	20/24	25/29	30 up	
Double Room	3523		4475	3619	3123	2759	2632	2564	2486	2419	
Triple Room	3520			3616	3120	2756	2630	2562	2483	2416	
Single Room	5563	4083	7512	5035	4179	3683	3319	3192	3124	3046	2979

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Min 1	Min 2	1	2	3 / 4	5 / 9	10/14	15/19	20/24	25/29	30 up	
Double Room	3684		4636	3780	3284	2920	2794	2726	2647	2580	
Triple Room	3676			3772	3276	2912	2786	2718	2639	2572	
Single Room	5890	4410	7839	5362	4506	4010	3646	3519	3451	3372	3306

DELUXE HOTELS	Discover Peru # 41										
	2023 Prices per person in US\$ - Airfare not included										
	SIB Premium		Private Services								
Min 1	Min 2	1	2	3 / 4	5 / 9	10/14	15/19	20/24	25/29	30 up	
Double Room	5992		6944	6088	5592	5228	5102	5034	4955	4888	
Triple Room	6590			6686	6190	5826	5699	5631	5552	5486	
Single Room	9326	7846	11275	8798	7942	7446	7082	6955	6887	6808	6742

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	SIB Premium		Private Services								
Min 1	Min 2	1	2	3 / 4	5 / 9	10/14	15/19	20/24	25/29	30 up	
Double Room	6987		7939	7083	6587	6223	6096	6028	5950	5883	
Triple Room	7887			7983	7487	7123	6996	6928	6850	6783	
Single Room	11080	9600	13030	10552	9696	9200	8836	8710	8642	8563	8496