DISCOVER PERU # 46 15 Days / 14 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 - Saturday - 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 viceroyal 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.

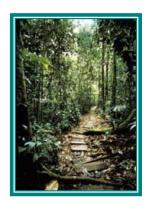


Day 2 – Sunday - Flight to Iquitos, on the Amazon River (B,L,D) Transfer to the airport for your flight to Iquitos on the shores of the legendary Amazon River. This region is covered by dense vegetation and by primary and secondary jungle with low hills and slightly rolling landscape, crisscrossed by 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 - Monday - 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 - Tuesday - Ceiba Tops / Iguitos / Lima (B)

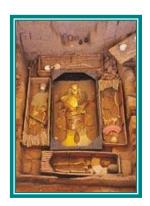
Early morning departure by boat from Ceiba Tops to Iquitos followed by transfer to the airport for your flight to Lima.

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



Day 5 - Wednesday - Lima - Chiclayo - Lord of Sipan Archaeological Site - Trujillo (B)

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Chiclayo. Upon arrival at the airport a host will meet and assist you in transferring to the hotel and help you in registering. Visit the complex of Huaca Rajada, which comprises two huge pyramids made of adobe mud in front of which there is a platform wit two royal mausoleum. The intact remains of this important Mochica ruler were discovered here in 1987. Visit the Lord of Sipan archaeological site. In the fourth century AD, the Moche people buried one of their greatest warlords. He was buried with his head pointing south, his nose and ears covered with gold relics and his feet clad in silver. Also known as The Lord of Sipan, he was accompanied by his sacrificed subjects; women, children and llamas, similar to the way the finest warriors of the era accompanied their overlord on his voyage to the Afterlife. Transfer in bus to Trujillo. Upon arrival a host will meet and assist you in transferring to the hotel and help you in registering.



Day 6 - Thursday - Trujillo - Lima (B,L)

The Temple of the Moon is a beautifully decorated temple representing the spiritual center of the Moche culture. The monument consists of a series of temples built one above the other along several years. At the top of the ramps of mud can be seen the remains of massive walls decorated with colorful figures of deities, the most important god man Ai-Aipek feline content within sophisticated geometric designs of vibrant colors, yellow, red, ocher, black and white.



Visit Chan Chan, the former capital of Chimu Empire. This Empire reached its apogee in the 15th century, not long before falling to the Incas . The planning of this huge city, the largest in pre-Columbian America, reflects a strict political and social strategy, marked by the city's division into nine 'citadels' or 'palaces' forming autonomous units. This pre-Columbian adobe city is famous for its archaeological site in South America!



Tour the city of Trujillo, known as "City of the Eternal Spring". Tour includes the Main Square, the Cathedral and the beautiful residential and commercial areas with magnificent colonial houses and well preserved porches, balconies and churches such as the Colonial Mansions of "Casa Iturregui" and "Casa Bracamonte". Visit the National University of Trujillo Museum where you will find cultural expressions of Peru's diverse Pre-Hispanic periods. Transfer to the airport for your flight to Lima. Upon arrival at the airport a host will meet and assist you in transferring to the hotel and help you in registering.



Day 7 - 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 8 - 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.

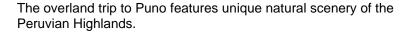


Day 9 - Sunday - Colca Canyon / Puno (B,L)

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.



Evening arrival in Puno.



Day 10 – 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 11 - 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 12 - 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 us 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 13 – 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 14 - 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 15 - 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 cancelation, 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 us 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

Cancelation 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	EI 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	Intiotel	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
lquitos - 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

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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		3928		5012	3978	3419	2948	2798	2727	2612	2531		
Triple Room		3923			3972	3414	2943	2792	2722	2607	2526		
Single Room	6344	4402	8527	5486	4451	3892	3422	3271	3200	3086	3004		

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Double Room		3990		5074	4039	3480	3010	2859	2788	2674	2592		
Triple Room		3967			4016	3458	2987	2836	2766	2651	2570		
Single Room	6476	4534	8659	5618	4583	4024	3554	3403	3332	3218	3136		

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Double Room		4118		5202	4167	3608	3138	2987	2916	2802	2720
Triple Room		4107			4156	3598	3127	2976	2906	2791	2710
Single Room	6690	4747	8872	5831	4796	4238	3767	3616	3546	3431	3350

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Double Room		4296		5380	4346	3787	3316	3166	3095	2980	2899		
Triple Room		4283			4332	3774	3303	3152	3082	2967	2886		
Single Room	7060	5118	9243	6202	5167	4608	4138	3987	3916	3802	3720		

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Double Room		6682		7766	6731	6172	5702	5551	5480	5366	5284		
Triple Room		7316			7366	6807	6336	6186	6115	6000	5919		
Single Room	10652	8710	12835	9794	8759	8200	7730	7579	7508	7394	7312		

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Double Room		7815		8899	7864	7306	6835	6684	6614	6499	6418		
Triple Room		8787			8836	8278	7807	7656	7586	7471	7390		
Single Room	12682	10739	14864	11823	10788	10230	9759	9608	9538	9423	9342		