

# EXPLORING PERU # 5F

## 12 Days / 11 Nights

**Lima, Cusco, Sacred Valley, Machu Picchu, Lake Titicaca**

### Day-by-Day Itinerary

#### Day 1 - 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.



#### Day 2 - Lima City Tour and Larco Museum (B)

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 3 Lima – Cusco – Sacred Valley (B)

Morning transfer to the airport for a short but spectacular flight over the snowcapped Andes to the oldest inhabited city in the hemisphere, Cusco, at an elevation of 11,440 feet. Upon arrival a host will meet and assist you for immediate transfer to the Sacred Valley at 8,200 feet of altitude.



### **Visit to Awana Kancha, the living Museum of the Andes**

This Living Museum of the Andes showcase the South American Camelids such as llamas, vicuñas, guanacos and alpacas in their native environment. You will also enjoy a spinning and weaving demonstration of ancient techniques on how to make clothing from the wool fibers of these animals. You can also see native flowers and some agricultural terraces from the Inca times.

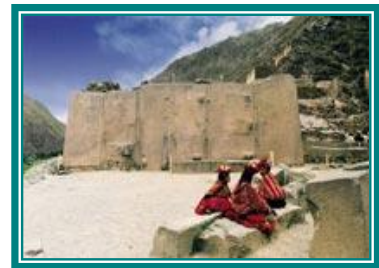


### **Day 4 - Pisac Market and Ollantaytambo Archaeological Complex (B,L)**

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 5 Moray, Maras and Quechuas (B,L)**

Moray, Maras Salt Pools and Authentic Quechua Village – Pass through unspoiled and picturesque Andean communities on your way to the Incan agricultural experimental center of Moray, famous for its sunken amphitheater, made up of four circular terraces, which appear to fade away into the earth like an artificial crater. The site was apparently an Inca agricultural research station filled with fertile earth and watered by complex irrigation systems, designed for experimenting with crops at various altitudes (some of which run down to depths of 100 meters).



Continue to the impressive Maras salt pools formed by water emerging from a lake inside a mountain in the Urubamba Valley. An amazing view of evaporating ponds for the extraction of salt. Learn about ancestral techniques, which are still used, in agricultural, irrigation and salt-recollection tasks, as well as in Andean festivals and rites. After lunch, visit an authentic Quechua Village to feel the way of life of the Inca's ancestors. The Inca himself was a noble Quechua. They live off the land and are always wearing their colorful ponchos, see Quechua children scamper about while women are weaving their family's clothes. A meaningful experience! Lunch is included.



**Day 6 – Sacred Valley / Machu Picchu with overnight stay and with lunch at Belmond's Sanctuary Lodge (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 Belmond's Sanctuary Lodge located just a few steps from the Inca citadel. Overnight stay in Aguas Calientes.



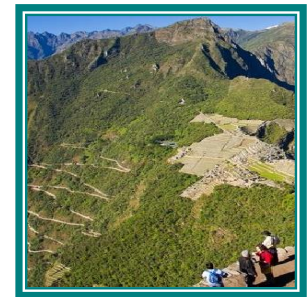
**Day 7 - Machu Picchu Free Day (B)**

Free morning to enjoy one of the most incredible sights on earth, the sanctuary of Machu Picchu. Take as much time as you need to study these magnificent ruins or hike the steep stone-paved trail of Huayna Picchu, the pyramid-shape mountain above Machu Picchu for a breathtaking "condor view" of the citadel (reservation and extra fee are needed). Or stroll to the Inca Bridge a secret entrance used by the Inca's army or walk toward the Inca Trail to find the historic Intipunku or "Sun Gate" or visit Manuel Chavez Museum or hike in Mandor Valley or just enjoy the thermal springs of the town.



**Day 8 – Machu Picchu / Cusco (B)**

Morning free for a second visit to the thermal springs or for does activities you did not complete the day before. Afternoon return train to Cusco



**Day 9 Cusco – Free morning and afternoon city tour (B)**

Wandering through this lovely city, exploring the astonishing narrow streets of this tile roof colonial town will be your unforgettable experience. You will find something astounding at every turn. Great buys are the traditional Peruvian handicrafts, alpaca-wool sweaters and rugs, ponchos, pottery, gold and silver jewelry, leather goods, etc. Because there are such a variety of products, we strongly suggest that when you like any particular item, you should buy it - you may not find the same item in other store. Many visitors to Cusco return home wishing they had some free time in Cusco to discover this imperial city on their own, a free morning in Cusco is a MUST!



**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, Santo Domingo Church, 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 10 Cusco to Puno flight and Sillustani (B)**

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Juliaca in Puno. Visit the Sillustani Burial Towers on your way to your hotel. This complex stands on the shore of Lake Umayo and is famous for its chullpas, large circular fortified burial towers for the chiefs and important people of the early villages of the Collao plateau. Some are 12 meters high (39 feet), and remarkable for their shape, thinner at the base and wider at the top. These ancient and impressive tombs from the pre-Inca period were built from a mixture of stone and adobe.

**Day 11 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 12 - Puno – 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 <sup>(1)</sup>.
- 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.

<sup>(1)</sup> 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 Exploring Peru Series – 2019

City	Tourist	Tourist Superior	First Class	First Class Superior	Deluxe	Luxury
<b>Lima</b>	Tambo # 1 or Los Girasoles	Casa Andina Classic Miraflores Centro or Tambo # 2	Casa Andina Select Miraflores or Jose Antonio	Melia Lima or Dazzler or Four Points by Sheraton	Casa Andina Premium Miraflores or El Pardo Doubletree by Hilton Hotel	Belmond Miraflores Park or Country Club Lima
<b>Cusco</b>	Samay or San Agustin Internacional	Terra Andina Standard Room or Xima or Jose Antonio or Casa Andina Classic Cusco	Terra Andina Sup Room or Sonesta Hotel Cusco	Casa Andina Premium or Novotel or Costa del Sol	Palacio del Inka A Luxury Collection	Belmond Monasterio
<b>Valle Sagrado</b>	La Hacienda Valle or Agustos Urubamba	Villa Urubamba or San Agustin Monasterio de la Recoleta	Sonesta Posadas del Inca Yucay	Casa Andina Premium Valle Sagrado	Sol y Luna Casita(superior) or Aranwa Sacred Valley Hotel & Wellness	Belmond Rio Sagrado or Tambo del Inka A Luxury Collection
<b>Aguas Calientes</b>	Hatun Samay Machu Picchu	El Mapi or Casa Andina Classic Machu Picchu	El Mapi or Casa Andina Classic Machu Picchu	Casa del Sol Machu Picchu Boutique Hotel	Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo or Sumaq	Belmond Sanctuary Lodge
<b>Arequipa</b>	Casa Andina Classic Arequipa	Tierra Viva Arequipa Plaza	El Cabildo	Casa Andina Select Arequipa	Casa Andina Premium Arequipa	Libertador Arequipa
<b>Colca</b>	Casa Andina Classic Colca	Casa Andina Classic Colca	Colca Lodge or Aranwa Pueblito Encantado	Colca Lodge or Aranwa Pueblito Encantado	Colca Lodge or Aranwa Pueblito Encantado	Casitas del Colca
<b>Puno</b>	La Hacienda Plaza de Armas	Xima Puno	Sonesta Posadas del Inca Puno	Sonesta Posadas del Inca Puno	Casa Andina Premium Puno	Libertador Lago Titicaca
<b>Trujillo</b>	Posada del Rey	Costa del Sol Trujillo	Costa del Sol Trujillo	Libertador Trujillo	Libertador Trujillo	Casa Andina Premium Trujillo
<b>Chiclayo</b>	Wyndham Costa del Sol Chiclayo	Wyndham Costa del Sol Chiclayo	Winmeier Chiclayo	Winmeier Chiclayo	Casa Andina Select Chiclayo	Casa Andina Select Chiclayo
<b>Ica</b>	Las Dunas	Las Dunas	Las Dunas	Las Dunas	Las Dunas	Las Dunas
<b>Paracas</b>	San Agustin Paracas	San Agustin Paracas	La Hacienda Bahia Paracas	La Hacienda Bahia Paracas	DoubleTree by Hilton Resort Paracas o Aranwa Paracas Resort & Spa	Hotel Paracas A Luxury Collection Resort
<b>Nazca</b>	Casa Andina Classic Nazca	Majoro	Majoro	Hotel Nuevo Cantayoc	Hotel Nuevo Cantayoc	Hotel Nuevo Cantayoc
<b>Iquitos - Lodges</b>	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops
<b>Iquitos - City</b>	Victoria Regia	Victoria Regia	DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Iquitos	DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Iquitos	DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Iquitos	DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Iquitos
<b>Puerto Maldonado</b>	Posada Amazonas	Posada Amazonas	La Hacienda Concepcion	La Hacienda Concepcion	Inkaterra Reserva Amazonica	Inkaterra Reserva Amazonica
<b>Piura - Beaches</b>	Mancora Beach Bungalows	Mancora Beach Bungalows	Vichayito Bungalows y Carpas by Aranwa	Vichayito Bungalows y Carpas by Aranwa	Arennas Mancora	Arennas Mancora

TOURIST CLASS HOTELS	Exploring Peru # 5F										
	2019 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	2178		2580		2139	1920	1691	1630	1588	1554	1543
Triple Room	2096				2058	1839	1610	1548	1507	1472	1462
Single Room	3491	2614	4342	3016	2575	2356	2127	2066	2024	1990	1979

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Double Room	2343		2746		2304	2086	1856	1795	1754	1719	1708
Triple Room	2270				2231	2012	1783	1722	1680	1646	1635
Single Room	3880	3003	4731	3406	2964	2746	2516	2455	2414	2379	2368

FIRST CLASS HOTELS	Exploring Peru # 5F										
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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	2511		2914		2472	2254	2024	1963	1922	1887	1876
Triple Room	2432				2394	2175	1946	1884	1843	1808	1798
Single Room	4207	3330	5058	3732	3291	3072	2843	2782	2740	2706	2695

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	SIB Premium		Private Services								
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Double Room	2758		3160		2719	2500	2271	2210	2168	2134	2123
Triple Room	2624				2586	2367	2138	2076	2035	2000	1990
Single Room	4638	3760	5488	4163	3722	3503	3274	3212	3171	3136	3126

DELUXE HOTELS	Exploring Peru # 5F										
	2019 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	3684		4087		3646	3427	3198	3136	3095	3060	3050
Triple Room	3458				3419	3200	2971	2910	2868	2834	2823
Single Room	6294	5416	7144	5819	5378	5159	4930	4868	4827	4792	4782

LUXURY HOTELS	Exploring Peru # 5F										
	2019 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	5428		5831		5390	5171	4942	4880	4839	4804	4794
Triple Room	5319				5280	5062	4832	4771	4730	4695	4684
Single Room	9742	8864	10592	9267	8826	8607	8378	8316	8275	8240	8230