

EXPLORING PERU # 6D

10 Days / 9 Nights

Lima, Cusco, Sacred Valley, Machu Picchu, Colca Canyon

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 Cusco – 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 - 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 7 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 8 Cusco – Arequipa – Colca Canyon (B,L,D)

Transfer from the hotel to the airport for your flight to Arequipa for immediate transfer to Colca Canyon area.

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.



Stop en route to see petroglyphs in the Caves of Mollepunco and in the town of Callali to see natural hill formations with the appearance of enchanted castles. Continue to La Calera to enjoy the thermal baths under the stars.



Overnight in Colca Canyon area.

Day 9 Colca Canyon (B,L,D)

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.

Accommodation in Colca Canyon area.

**Day 10 – Colca Canyon – Arequipa - Lima – Home (B)**

Morning transfer to Arequipa for your flight 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 Exploring Peru Series – 2019

City	Tourist	Tourist Superior	First Class	First Class Superior	Deluxe	Luxury
Lima	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
Cusco	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
Valle Sagrado	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
Aguas Calientes	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
Arequipa	Casa Andina Classic Arequipa	Tierra Viva Arequipa Plaza	El Cabildo	Casa Andina Select Arequipa	Casa Andina Premium Arequipa	Libertador Arequipa
Colca	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
Puno	La Hacienda Plaza de Armas	Xima Puno	Sonesta Posadas del Inca Puno	Sonesta Posadas del Inca Puno	Casa Andina Premium Puno	Libertador Lago Titicaca
Trujillo	Posada del Rey	Costa del Sol Trujillo	Costa del Sol Trujillo	Libertador Trujillo	Libertador Trujillo	Casa Andina Premium Trujillo
Chiclayo	Wyndham Costa del Sol Chiclayo	Wyndham Costa del Sol Chiclayo	Winmeier Chiclayo	Winmeier Chiclayo	Casa Andina Select Chiclayo	Casa Andina Select Chiclayo
Ica	Las Dunas	Las Dunas	Las Dunas	Las Dunas	Las Dunas	Las Dunas
Paracas	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
Nazca	Casa Andina Classic Nazca	Majoro	Majoro	Hotel Nuevo Cantayoc	Hotel Nuevo Cantayoc	Hotel Nuevo Cantayoc
Iquitos - Lodges	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops
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
Puerto Maldonado	Posada Amazonas	Posada Amazonas	La Hacienda Concepcion	La Hacienda Concepcion	Inkaterra Reserva Amazonica	Inkaterra Reserva Amazonica
Piura - Beaches	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 Gross Rates Per Person	Exploring Peru # 6D 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	2578		2936		2343	2071	1832	1732	1695	1628	1600
Triple Room	2528				2294	2022	1783	1683	1646	1579	1551
Single Room	4207	2936	4935	3295	2702	2430	2191	2091	2054	1987	1959

TOURIST SUPERIOR HOTELS Gross Rates Per Person	Exploring Peru # 6D 2019 Prices per person in US\$ - Airfare not included										
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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	2671		3030		2436	2164	1926	1826	1788	1722	1694
Triple Room	2627				2392	2120	1882	1782	1744	1678	1650
Single Room	4426	3155	5154	3514	2920	2648	2410	2310	2272	2206	2178

FIRST CLASS HOTELS Gross Rates Per Person	Exploring Peru # 6D 2019 Prices per person in US\$ - Airfare not included										
	SIB Premium		Private Services								
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Double Room	2962		3320		2727	2455	2216	2116	2079	2012	1984
Triple Room	2880				2646	2374	2135	2035	1998	1931	1903
Single Room	4963	3692	5691	4051	3458	3186	2947	2847	2810	2743	2715

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Double Room	3070		3428		2835	2563	2324	2224	2187	2120	2092
Triple Room	2960				2726	2454	2215	2115	2078	2011	1983
Single Room	5146	3875	5874	4234	3640	3368	3130	3030	2992	2926	2898

DELUXE HOTELS Gross Rates Per Person	Exploring Peru # 6D 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	3727		4086		3492	3220	2982	2882	2844	2778	2750
Triple Room	3519				3284	3012	2774	2674	2636	2570	2542
Single Room	6474	5203	7202	5562	4968	4696	4458	4358	4320	4254	4226

LUXURY HOTELS Gross Rates Per Person	Exploring Peru # 6D 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	5034		5392		4799	4527	4288	4188	4151	4084	4056
Triple Room	4706				4471	4199	3960	3860	3823	3756	3728
Single Room	9055	7784	9783	8143	7550	7278	7039	6939	6902	6835	6807