

# EXPLORING PERU # 8D

## 10 Days / 9 Nights

**Lima, Cusco, Sacred Valley, Machu Picchu, Paracas, Nazca Lines**

### 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 - Lima – Paracas (B)**

Morning transfer to the airport for your flight to Lima. Then travel along the Peruvian coast to Paracas. The desert and the sea come together in spectacular fashion in Paracas. The cliffs that fringe the beaches are teeming with life: millions of birds that live here year-round, and thousands of others that fly from the Northern Hemisphere and from further south, ranging from guano birds to Humboldt penguins.



### **Day 9 - Nazca Lines over flight (B)**

Transfer to the local airport for a spectacular flight over vast drawings, figures like a spider, a hummingbird, a monkey, etc. The Nazca Lines, discovered in 1927, are the most extraordinary legacy left by a culture that flourished in 300 BC. The lines are a series of complex designs, some up to 300 meters long, which can only be seen in their true dimension from an altitude of at least 1,500 feet. The Nazca culture is not believed to have been capable of manned flight. But the question remains as to how they crafted the drawings, what technology they used and what purpose the lines served. Free afternoon for winery tour or Buggy ride.



**Day 10 - Ballestas Islands – Lima - Home (B)**

Early morning yacht ride to the Ballestas Islands passing the Candelabro. These islands, also known as the Guano Islands, constitute the habitat to large concentrations of sea birds and sea lions colonies in their natural environment. El Candelabro (The Candelabra) is a geoglyph of more than 394 feet long, better appreciated from the ocean.



Afternoon return 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 Gross Rates Per Person	Exploring Peru # 8D 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		3267		3643	2995	2620	2218	2134	2044	1976	1939
Triple Room		3191			2919	2544	2142	2058	1968	1900	1863
Single Room	5362	3666	6111	4042	3394	3019	2616	2532	2443	2375	2338

TOURIST SUPERIOR HOTELS Gross Rates Per Person	Exploring Peru # 8D 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		3360		3736	3088	2714	2311	2227	2138	2070	2032
Triple Room		3290			3018	2643	2240	2156	2067	1999	1962
Single Room	5580	3884	6330	4260	3612	3238	2835	2751	2662	2594	2556

FIRST CLASS HOTELS Gross Rates Per Person	Exploring Peru # 8D 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		3526		3902	3254	2879	2476	2392	2303	2235	2198
Triple Room		3460			3188	2814	2411	2327	2238	2170	2132
Single Room	5896	4200	6646	4576	3928	3554	3151	3067	2978	2910	2872

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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		3634		4010	3362	2987	2584	2500	2411	2343	2306
Triple Room		3540			3268	2894	2491	2407	2318	2250	2212
Single Room	6079	4383	6828	4759	4111	3736	3334	3250	3160	3092	3055

DELUXE HOTELS Gross Rates Per Person	Exploring Peru # 8D 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		4358		4734	4086	3711	3308	3224	3135	3067	3030
Triple Room		4158			3886	3511	3108	3024	2935	2867	2830
Single Room	7540	5844	8290	6220	5572	5198	4795	4711	4622	4554	4516

LUXURY HOTELS Gross Rates Per Person	Exploring Peru # 8D 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		5222		5598	4950	4575	4172	4088	3999	3931	3894
Triple Room		4958			4686	4311	3908	3824	3735	3667	3630
Single Room	9338	7642	10087	8018	7370	6995	6592	6508	6419	6351	6314