



## Discover Peru and Bolivia - 12 Days (#16911)

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### Trip Highlights

Lima-Cusco-Valle Sagrado-Puno-Huatajata-La Paz-Uyuni

### Detailed Itinerary

#### Day 01

#### DAY 1 (Sunday) LIMA – INTERNATIONAL ARRIVAL

A transportation service with a guide will pick you up from the airport at the established time and will transfer you to your hotel. Lima is a modern metropolis full of history, with approximately ten million inhabitants and is going through an exciting process of cultural and economic changes. Rest of the day at leisure.

Overnight at selected hotel in Lima.



**Day 02**

**DAY 2 (Monday) LIMA – CITY TOUR, LARCO MUSEUM (HD)**

Explore Lima's old town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, packed with fascinating historic buildings. The route begins at the traditional Pueblo Libre district, where you visit the Larco Museum, located in a beautifully restored viceregal mansion built on a pre-Columbian pyramid from the seventh century. The museum boasts a complete pre-Hispanic collection of gold and silver objects, as well as pieces of erotic art. Then visit the Casa Aliaga, a colonial mansion granted by chief conquistador Francisco Pizarro to one of his captains, Jeronimo de Aliaga. This is the only house from that time, still belonging to the same family. Continue with a scenic tour through the colonial downtown. See the Main Square, where you can appreciate the grandiose architecture of the Spanish Empire. Admire Lima's Cathedral, built during the 16th century. Finish the trip returning to your hotel.

Overnight at selected hotel in Lima.

**Day 03**

**DAY 3 (Tuesday) LIMA - CUSCO**

Half day private tour to the city of Cusco with visit to Coricancha, Cathedral, Sacsayhuaman, Quenqo, Puca Pucara and Tambomachay. Enjoy a pleasant transfer from the selected hotel to the airport. A representative will assist you along the way.

Flight Lima-Cusco (not included). Enjoy a comfortable transfer from Cusco Airport to your hotel. A representative will meet and greet you, and then transfer you to the selected hotel in Cusco.

Enjoy a guided tour of this charming city, which was the capital of the Inca Empire. The tour begins with a visit to the Convent of Santo Domingo, which was built over the Inca temple of Coricancha, one of the most important precincts dedicated to the cult of the sun. Ancient chronicles say that its walls were covered with gold leaf and filled with golden representations of nature. Next, visit the Cathedral, the most imposing monument in the Plaza de Armas. Then head to the hills of Cusco where the fortress of Sacsayhuaman is located, whose imposing walls offer an impressive panoramic view of Cusco. Continue to Qenqo, an archaeological complex of religious use where it is believed that the Incas practiced rituals related to agriculture. Continue the tour to Puka Pukara, the "red fort" in Quechua; an architectural complex of supposed military use, with multiple environments, plazas, baths, aqueducts and towers. It is believed to have been used by the Inca entourage while the leader rested in Tambomachay, which is the last archaeological stop on the tour. It is believed that it was an enclosure of water worship, which had an extraordinary hydraulic system. At the end of the tour, return to your hotel.

Overnight at selected hotel in Cusco.



**Day 04**

**DAY 4 (Wednesday) CUSCO - SACRED VALLEY**

Full day tour to Chinchero, Ollantaytambo fortress and Living Museum of Yucay

During the morning, you are picked up from your hotel in Cusco to visit the town of Chinchero, a traditional Cusco urban centre located at an elevated point with a beautiful view of the valley. The inhabitants of this area preserve the artisan traditions and the inherited knowledge of the Incas and display them in their clothes and customs. Chinchero also has archaeological remains and a beautiful seventeenth-century church, one of the first Catholic buildings in Peru. Then, you are transferred to the Living Museum of Yucay, a centre Andean traditions interpretations, where demonstrations of the elaboration of textile work, adobe, pottery and silverware are carried out in the same way in which they used to in antiquity; an original recreation of Inca traditions. Also, residents of the museum include llamas, sheep and alpacas, and they can be fed! Then, free time for lunch in a selected restaurant in the town of Ollantaytambo and, on the way to the fortress, witness the Andean essence breathed in the place, which still maintains Inca urban planning and has been inhabited since then. Go up the iconic steps of the iconic enclosure, built next to the mountain. You are transferred back to your hotel at the end of this activity.

Overnight at selected hotel in Sacred Valley.

**Day 05**

**DAY 5 (Thursday) SACRED VALLEY – MACHU PICCHU - CUSCO**

The traveller will be picked up in their hotel in Urubamba, to be transferred to the Ollantaytambo station to begin their journey to Machu Picchu aboard the Expedition train, towards the town of Machu Picchu Pueblo. In A town with an artisanal market, restaurants and lodgings of different categories. After a short bus ride, the visitor will arrive to Machu Picchu, a masterpiece of engineering and architecture that is believed to have served as a sanctuary and resting place for the Inca Pachacutec. Machu Picchu, which means 'Old Mountain', is considered a World Heritage Site by UNESCO and one of the Seven Wonders of the Modern World. At the end of the tour, they will head back to Machu Picchu Pueblo by bus, to enjoy a delicious meal at the foot of the mountain at Café Inkaterra. Finally, the traveller will take the Expedition train back to Ollantaytambo Station, where they will be picked up, to be transferred back to their hotel in Cusco.

\* Remember to confirm your reservation as soon as possible to proceed with the purchase of tickets in advance due to the limited capacity of the Citadel. Tickets are subject to availability.

Overnight at selected hotel in Cusco.



**Day 06**

**DAY 6 (Friday) CUSCO – PUNO**

Full day shared tour from Cusco to Puno

To begin our trip from Cusco to Puno, board the touristic bus that will take you through the wonderful Andes sceneries. First, stop in Andahuaylillas, a town located 40 kilometres from Cusco that has as its main attraction the Church of Andahuaylillas, nicknamed the ‘Sistine Chapel of America’, due to the impressive art found in it. After this, continue the route to Racchi, where the Wiracocha Temple is located, a surprising 30-meters wide by 20-meters high construction of rectangular shape. Have a tasty lunch in Sicuani, followed by a brief stop in La Raya, the highest point between Puno and Cusco, over 4,313 metres above sea level. Then, arrive at the town of Pucara, where the Pucara Lithic Museum is located. Developed between the years 100 and 300 AC, this town was the first proper urban settlement of the lacustrine highlands. Finally, arrive in the city of Puno.

Overnight at selected hotel in Puno.

**Day 07**

**DAY 7 (Saturday) PUNO – HUATAJATA**

Overland journey from Puno to Copacabana, located at the shores of Lake Titicaca. Once in Copacabana, visit the shrine and the Dark Indian Virgin. Hydrofoil cruise to Moon Island, visit the Sun Virgins Temple “Iñak Uyu”. Continue to Sun Island. Visit the Inca “Grand Stairs” and the Sacred Fountain; taste the water believed to give eternal youth and happiness. Lunch at the Uma Kollu archaeological Restaurant; Visit the small handicraft market. Hydrofoil cruise back to Copacabana and overland journey to Huatajata. On arrival, visit the Andean Roots Eco Village: The Altiplano Museum; Handicrafts village, the Mud Igloos and the mortuary towers of the Urus Chipayas. Meet the Limachi family, builders of the RA II and Tigris for epic expeditions across the Atlantic Ocean. Enjoy our elegant vicuñas, llamas, alpacas and the mythical Suri.

Audiovisual and night experience of "The Mystic World of the Kallawayas", natural healers of Bolivia. They believe that you first have to heal the soul in order to heal your body. Tata Benjo, -our Kallawayas- will bless visitors and answer questions by casting his sacred coca leaves.

Enjoy a nocturnal visit to the Native Observatory Alajpacha. Learn from the Aymaras Cosmovision and watch the southern constellations.

Overnight at the Inca Utama Hotel & Cultural Complex.



**Day 08**

**DAY 8 (Sunday) HUATAJATA – LA PAZ**

**OPTIONAL TOUR: TOUR AT THE ARCHEOLOGICAL RUINS OF TIWANACU**

Half day tour to the Archaeological site of Tiwanaku - AM

Tiwanaku culture (1.580 BC-1.000 AD), the magnificent ruins of Bolivia and one of the oldest civilizations in the Americas. The Sun Gate, the Temple of Kalasasaya and the Pyramid of Akapana are the sample of a glorious past. Tiwanaku culture was an agrarian based economy with an estimated population of 115.000 inhabitants. The state controlled agriculture produced the surplus wealth to support the urban centre and administrative system. They were outstanding in agriculture, hydraulic, architecture & medicine, as well as in social organization. Due to an economic crisis caused by a long dry season, Tiwanaku collapsed around 1.000 AD.

P.M. Half day City Tour of La Paz and Moon Valley

The City of La Paz and its surroundings can transport you to a mysterious past where any corner, any street, is a hidden treasure where adventure begins; a living history which treasures the pre-Hispanic times with all their traditions and magic rites on its streets. The indigenous, colonial and modern areas, Indian Market, Witch Doctor's Market & breathtaking panoramas are all framed by the majestic "Illimani" mountain. Visit the Moon Valley, a clay formation resembling the face of the Moon. Cable car ride from one point of the city to another and enjoy the view.

Overnight at selected hotel in La Paz city.

**Day 09**

**DAY 9 (Monday) LA PAZ AIRPORT**

Transfer from the hotel to the airport in La Paz.

Included: Transportation, bilingual guide, assistance on departure and portorage at the airport.

**Day 10**

**DAY 9 (Monday) LA PAZ - UYUNI**

**OPTIONAL UYUNI EXTENSION:**

In the morning transfer from your hotel to La Paz Airport, for your domestic flight.

Flight La Paz-Uyuni (not included).

Arrival to Uyuni, pick up from the airport and visit the Train Cemetery. Continue to a salt processing workshop in Colchani, entrance town to the Uyuni Salt Lake. Immediately start the amazing excursion to the Salt Lake and Isla Incawasi. Uyuni



Salt Lake is the largest Salt Flats on Earth, located on the Bolivian High-Plateau with over 10.000 Km2. On route visit the Salt Museum and stop at the Cold Water Springs “Ojos de Agua”. Arrive to Incawasi Island, an oasis with formations of algae and fossils. This island is covered by thousands of giant columnar cacti, some of them over a hundred years old, growing to a height of over 12 meters. The Bolivian Andes offer stunning sceneries which can be hardly matched. The sound of silence makes the heart beats faster and the surreal pentagons of crystalline salt, the pure sky and the cacti, certainly makes you feel that there is no other place like this in the whole world. The landscape against the background of the salt pans extending to the horizon makes it an ideal place for photography hunters. Transfer to your hotel.

Dinner and overnight at Salt Hotel Luna Salada.

**Day 11**

**DAY 10 (Tuesday) UYUNI SALT LAKE**

Today enjoy a full day excursion over the Salt Lake. Drive to the small village of Coquesa at the foot of Thunupa Volcano, the guardian of Uyuni Salt Lake. The stone corrals that seem as chess-board, decorate the slopes, as shepherds walk slowly with their llamas, or either plant quinoa in the fertile volcanic soil. Towards the crater, layers of sediment with a fantastic variety of colors appears under a clean blue sky. From here have one of the most beautiful views of the Uyuni Salt Flats. Stroll through the village and hike to the cave of the Coquesa Mummies. In the afternoon return to your hotel.

Dinner and overnight at Salt Hotel Luna Salada.

**Day 12**

**DAY 11 (Wednesday) UYUNI – LA PAZ**

Transfer to the airport for the flight back to La Paz. Upon arrival transfer to your hotel.

**OPTIONAL TOUR: SHOPPING**

In the afternoon take part of a tour through the shopping paradise of La Paz, where you find great bargains of Haute Couture, leather and alpaca wool wear as well as silver jewelry among others.

Overnight at selected hotel in La Paz.

**Day 13**

**DAY 12 (Thursday) LA PAZ AIRPORT**



Transfer from the hotel to the airport in La Paz.

Included: Transportation, bilingual guide, assistance on departure and portorage at the airport.

## Inclusions

- Transportation as mentioned in the itinerary.
- Excursions as mentioned in the itinerary.
- Meals as mentioned in the itinerary (B-Breakfast/L-Lunch/BX-Box Lunch/D-dinner). Please note that some hotels do not serve full or any breakfast before 07:00 am, what should be inform to your customers in cases of early flights or other reasons for an early departure. There is no price reduction from the side of the hotel.
- Accommodation as mentioned in the itinerary
- Local English speaking guides
- Train to Machu Picchu from the railway station in Ollantaytambo.
- Tourist tax in Cusco
- Admission to the indicated visits.
- The bus from Cusco to Puno, as well as the bus and hydrofoil of the Titicaca package on days 7/8 are always shared with other travelers during the tour program as well as during a private tour, but a dedicated tour guide is provided.
- Permanent assistance by our Operations Department.

## Exclusions

International / Domestic Airfare

Optional activities

Meals, drinks, tips and other personal expenses or services not specified on the program

Personal equipment

Travel insurance

Gratuities

Voluntary tips for guides or drivers

Travel and medical insurance

Entrance Fees to Archeological sites & museums

Personal expenses

National and international airport Taxes

Flights

All drinks (unless otherwise indicated) will be billed on consumption on spot.



Travel Insurance

## Note

Hotels Used OR Similar

Superior Hotels

LIMA: Arawi Miraflores Express [www.arawihotels.com](http://www.arawihotels.com)

CUSCO: Tierra Viva Cusco Saphi [tierravivahoteles.com/tierra-viva-cusco-saphi/](http://tierravivahoteles.com/tierra-viva-cusco-saphi/)

VALLE SAGRADO: Augustos Urubamba [hotelagustos.com](http://hotelagustos.com)

PUNO: Hotel La Hacienda Puno Plaza de Armas [www.hhp.pe](http://www.hhp.pe)

HUATAJATA: Inca Utama [www.titicaca.com](http://www.titicaca.com)

LA PAZ: Presidente Hotel <https://www.hotelpresidente.com.bo/>

UYUNI: Salt Hotel Luna Salada [www.lunasalahotel.com.bo](http://www.lunasalahotel.com.bo)

### **Optionals at an additional costs on request.**

In all Machu Picchu train services passenger may bring onboard a carry-on baggage. The checked allowance is:

One piece of 5Kg / 11 lb. luggage

Dimension 158 c.m./62 in.

During raining season, usually from December to March, the Salt Flats, as well as the Red & Green Lagoon can become flooded any moment and it won't be possible to visit some attractions, such as Incase and some others, in order to preserve passenger's safety. On the other hand, we warn our visitors that roads at the Salt Lake are not paved and during raining season, the journeys can take much longer.

## Program Touring / Guide

Escorted Experience

## Fixed-Departure



**20 Oct, 2024**

2-3 pax

AUD 5,400 P P twin share

AUD 6,376 P P single

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