



Discover Peru-Bolivia-Chile in 16 Days (#16890)

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Trip Highlights

Lima-Cusco- Valle Sagrado-Puno-Huatajata-La Paz-Uyuni-Hedionda Lagoon-San Pedro De Atacama-Santiago

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)**

Breakfast included.

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**

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**

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 traveler 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 traveler will take the Expedition train back to Ollantaytambo Station, where they will be picked up, to be transferred back to their hotel in Cusco. Overnight at selected hotel in Cusco.

Day 06**DAY 6 (Friday) CUSCO – 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**

Breakfast is included.

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**

Breakfast is included.

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 stay at selected hotel in La Paz.

Day 09**DAY 9 (Monday) LA PAZ - UYUNI**

Transfer from the hotel to the airport for your flight to Uyuni.

Flight La Paz-Uyuni (not included).

Pick up from the airport and continue to a salt processing workshop in Colchani, entrance town to Uyuni Salt Lake. Immediately, start the 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 In cawasi Island, an oasis with formations of algae and fossils. It 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. After an awesome sunset at the shores of Uyuni Salt Lake, transfer to your hotel.

Rainy season program (usually from December to April)

Pick up from the hotel and continue to a salt processing workshop in Colchani, entrance town to the Uyuni Salt Lake. Immediately start the amazing excursion to the Salt Lake. Uyuni Salt Lake is the largest Salt Flats on Earth, located on the Bolivian High-Plateau with over 10.000 Km². Visit the Salt Museum and stop at the Cold Water Springs "Ojos de Agua". In the afternoon enjoy the water mirrors and walk at the borders of the Salt Lake. 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 and the pure sky, 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.



Kindly remember that during rainy season, (usually from December to April) and due security reasons, some highlights in the area are not reachable. We need your shoe size to provide waterproof boots to be used during all the tour.

Overnight at selected hotel.

Day 10**DAY 10 (Tuesday) UYUNI – HEDIONDA LAGOON**

Breakfast is included.

Departure from Uyuni and travel overland to the Hedionda Lagoon, passing the Canyon along with lagoons Kañapa and Chiarcota. Arrival to the Hedionda Lagoon, home of Flamingos, slender water birds of the Phoenicopteridae family, between 80 cm and 1.40 m long, with very long legs and necks. The adult's feathers are bright pink to red. They need large areas of shallow water to live, usually saline, brackish, or alkaline. Have the opportunity to get close up in order to get gorgeous photos.

Overnight at selected hotel.

Day 11**DAY 11 (Wednesday) HEDIONDA LAGOON / SAN PEDRO**

Breakfast is included.

Early departure from your hotel for your overland drive to Chile. One of the highlights of the day is the Red Lagoon. Three different flamingo species nest here. The sun and the wind trigger a certain reaction in the algae, which gives the unique lagoon and the flamingos their reddish color. Picnic by the lagoon. Then you can marvel at the unique geysers "morning sun" before you have the opportunity to immerse yourself in the thermal baths of Polques. Shortly before the border crossing - Hito Cajones - experience the almost extraterrestrial landscape of the Lincancabur volcano, which is dominated by the green lagoon. After this emerald green reserve, cross the border. You will be dropped off at your hotel in San Pedro de Atacama.

Overnight at selected hotel.

Day 12**DAY 12 (Thursday) SAN PEDRO DE ATACAMA**

Breakfast is included.

PM Private half day excursion to Moon Valley (Valle de la Luna)

One of the best-known destinations between Calama and San Pedro is the Valle de la Luna. This tour into the rugged beauty



of the Atacama Desert begins at dusk. With the Licancabur volcano providing the backdrop, strange salt and rock formations in the middle of the valley's barren sandy landscape really do look like a moonscape. After a tour past the bizarre natural rock and salt shapes, you will pass by the bizarre rock formation "Tres Marías" and end the excursion at "Coyote's rock" ("Piedra del Coyote"). From the top of this rock, you overlook the Kari-Canyon and wide parts of the desert, you can even catch a glimpse at the Salar de Atacama. The setting sun bathes the landscape in a light that changes with every minute, providing a mesmerising play of colours. The return drive to San Pedro is after sunset.

Overnight at selected hotel.

Day 13**DAY 13 (Friday) SAN PEDRO DE ATACAMA**

Breakfast is included.

GEYSERS OF EL TATIO OPTIONAL EXCURSION

Those who wish to experience the El Tatio Geysers have to get up early, to ensure a timely arrival at the geyser field at sunrise. The fountains, located over 4300m/14,108ft, shoot up to 10m/33ft high. The sun's first rays reflecting countless colours as they mingle with boiling jets coming from the geysers create a strong contrast with the rising steam and the surrounding summits. After the spectacular show there, you have the choice of recovering from the morning chill and warming up in natural pools created by hot springs.

The tour begins in the very early hours of the morning in San Pedro, to ensure a timely arrival at the geyser field at sunrise. The return drive to San Pedro takes place around midday. Day at leisure.

Overnight at selected hotel.

Day 14**DAY 14 (Saturday) SAN PEDRO / SANTIAGO**

Breakfast is included.

Private transfer from the hotel in San Pedro to the airport in Calama.

Flight Calama / Santiago (not included)

Private transfer from the airport in Santiago to the hotel in Santiago.

Overnight at selected hotel.

Day 15**DAY 15 (Sunday) SANTIAGO**

Private half day city tour of Santiago

In Santiago de Chile, the best features of a vibrant, modern metropolis are paired with the old-world charm of a former colonial capital, and this private tour will introduce you to both sides of the city. You will begin with a visit to the presidential palace, named La Moneda because the splendid building once housed the national mint. Many other sights in the historic centre are clustered around the always-bustling Plaza de Armas: the impressive cathedral; the beautiful old post office; the Palacio de la Real Audiencia, now home to the National History Museum; and the Casa Colorada, once the Spanish governor's residence.

Leaving the centre, you'll travel west toward the soaring Andes, past the Cerro San Cristóbal, an outpost of the mountains which towers over the city with a great white statue of the Virgin Mary crowning its summit. Your tour will conclude with a visit to the fashionable business districts of Providencia and Las Condes, with their broad boulevards lined with modern high-rises, and shady side-streets flanked by fine restaurants and trendy boutiques. This half-day excursion forms the perfect initiation to the charms of one of South America's most exciting cities. Overnight at selected hotel.

Day 16

DAY 16 (Monday) SANTIAGO – INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT

Private transfer from the hotel in Santiago to the airport in Santiago.

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 and hydrofoil of the Titicaca package on days 6/7 are always shared with other travelers during the tour program as well as during a private tour, but a dedicated tour guide is provided. 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

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

LIMA: Arawi Mairaflores Express www.arawihotels.com

CUSCO: Tierra Viva Cusco Saphi tierravivahoteles.com/tierra-viva-cusco-saphi/

VALLE SAGRADO: Agustos Urubamba hotelagustos.com

PUNO: Hotel La Hacienda Puno Plaza de Armas www.hhp.pe

HUATAJATA: Inca Utama www.titicaca.com

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

UYUNI: Salt Hotel Luna Salada www.lunasalahotel.com.bo

HEDIONDA LAGOON: Los Flamencos www.hotelesecologicosbolivia.com

SAN PEDRO DE ATACAMA: Hotel La Casa de Don Tomas <https://dontomas.cl/>

SANTIAGO: Hotel Eurotel Providencia <https://www.eurotel.cl/>

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 Incawasi 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.

Please take note that in the border area with Hito Cajon in Chile, occasional snowstorms can break loose, usually in-between June and August, affecting passengers going -or coming- from San Pedro de Atacama, and the route can be changed if the traditional one is closed, causing extra costs which GGTS is not responsible of.

Optionals on requests at an additional cost

Flights approximately actual cost at the time of ticketing.

Program Touring / Guide



Escorted Experience

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