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# Family Trip to Peru - 11 Days (#19163)

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## **Trip Highlights**

Lima-Cusco-Sacred Valley-Machu Picchu-Cusco

## **Detailed Itinerary**

Day 01

Day 01: Arrive Lima

Upon your arrival at Lima airport, we will be waiting for you. Then transfer to your hotel.

Meals: None.

Overnight in Lima.

Meal: No Meal





**Day 02** 

#### Day 02: In Lima

Half day Lima city tour: Cathedral, Santo Domingo Convent and Larco museum with the "Gods of Ancient Peru" experience.

We will pick you up at your hotel to tour the main attractions of the city. We will start by visiting Colonial Lima and we will go to the Plaza de Armas. There, we will make a stop to admire it on foot and observe the Government Palace, the Municipality and the Cathedral of Lima. We will enter the Cathedral where we will discover different architectural styles and part of the religious history of Peru. We will continue towards Santo Domingo Convent, a religious and architectural jewel that keeps relics of Peruvian saints, paintings, images and stories that testify to the work of the Dominicans throughout the national territory. We will be able to visit the church with three naves in which the dome and a beautiful choir stall carved in cedar stand out. The walls of the convent are adorned with Sevillian tiles and Baroque carvings can be seen in its chapter house. In 1551 the National University of San Marcos was founded in the convent, the first university that the Spanish crown created in America.

Later we will go to the Larco Museum, an 18th century viceregal mansion that houses more than 3,000 years of pre-Columbian Peruvian history. It currently has the finest collection of gold and silver jewelry and worship items. It also has a famous collection of erotic huacos that demonstrate aspects of the sexuality of the pre-Columbian settler.

Experience of "Gods of Ancient Peru" is included. Travel through time discovering the most powerful gods of pre-Columbian Peru and their importance in the lives of ancient Peruvians.

Note: Experience aimed at families with children aged 5 to 12 years accompanied by an adult.

Finally, we will visit modern Lima and head towards the most traditional residential areas of the capital: San Isidro, the heart of the city's financial center, and Miraflores, the perfect window from where we will have a wonderful view of the Pacific Ocean.

Afternoon at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast.

Overnight in Lima.

Meal: Breakfast

**Day 03** 

#### Day 03: In Lima





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Half day visit to Palomino Islands, an adventure with sea lions.

Sail the waters of the Pacific Ocean to an incredible adventure with sea lions. At the pre-arranged time, we will pick you up from your hotel and escort you to the Callao Yacht Club, where we will board the vessel that will take us to the Palomino Islands. During the trip, you will learn about the fascinating history of the islands we'll pass along the way, including San Lorenzo and El Frontón; you'll be amazed by the sheer number of seabirds that soar above the shores of the islets, and you'll also be able to spot penguins; but the real attraction of this tour is the chance to experience nature in the best possible way, by taking a swim with the friendly sea lions that will make this adventure a guaranteed success!

Return to your hotel.

Afternoon at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast. Overnight in Lima

Meal: Breakfast

**Day 04** 

## Day 04: Lima - Cusco - Sacred Valley

At the scheduled time, private transfer to the airport in order to take your flight to Cusco.

Flight Lima – Cusco (not included). We recommend arriving in Cusco before 10:30 am.

Upon your arrival at Cusco airport, our team will be waiting for you in the arrivals area. After collecting your luggage, please, walk through the doors and look for a sign with your name. You will be greeted by our guide to start the experience of this day.

Full day visit to the Sacred Valley: Manos de la Comunidad Textile Center and lunch in a colonial hacienda.

This morning we will take the road towards the Sacred Valley, en route we will make a stop to visit the "Manos de la Comunidad" Textile Center, place where we will meet and be able to feed Andean camelids such as llamas and alpacas, in addition, local people will show us their weaving and dyeing techniques for traditional textiles.

We will make a stop on the tour to enjoy lunch in a colonial hacienda. Discover the legacy of three generations of one of the most traditional families of the Sacred Valley. Learn about the generational experiences and the work that lies behind production of Cusco's giant white corn, a unique species that only grows in this area. And finally, enjoy a unique experience in the form of traditional cooking based upon local organic products, the legacy of farmers devoted to their land.





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Meals: Breakfast, lunch.

Overnight in the Sacred Valley.

Meal: Breakfast and Lunch

## **Day 05**

### Day 05: Sacred Valley

Full day excursion: kayak or paddle in the Piuray lagoon and visit to Maras and Moray, with Andean picnic lunch.

Early in the morning, we will pick you up from your hotel to reach the Piuray lagoon, where we will be received with a station for hot drinks, water, and snacks. This will be an ideal moment to relax, contemplate the place and take photos. Then, your assigned guide will provide you with all the kayak or paddle equipment, accompanied by a safety briefing and paddling technique.

In front of the beautiful Piuray lagoon, our chef will offer us a delicious Andean picnic lunch.

Then we will go to the archaeological site of Moray, used as an agricultural laboratory, its system of circular platforms that descend 150 m below our feet will confirm the wisdom of the Incas when building masterpieces in harmony with nature.

We will continue our tour until we reach the saltpans of Maras. Exploited from the days of the Incas until today, this salt mine will surprise us with its very white steps that descend abruptly against the green slopes of the hills.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch.

Overnight in the Sacred Valley

Meal: Breakfast and Lunch

#### **Day 06**

### Day 06: Sacred Valley

Full day visit to the Sacred Valley: Seminario ceramic workshop and fortress of Ollantaytambo. Lunch with a show of Peruvian Paso Horses.

Today we will visit the workshop of the famous potter Pablo Seminario, where we will learn techniques and designs from ancient Peruvian cultures. Pablo Seminario represents a new expression of art, giving continuity to that cultural heritage, he concentrates on making large format works, "big plates" as he calls them. In his personal workshop, he has his own space for creation, where the images that emerge are the





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result of patient work to continue with pre-Columbian ceramics, an ambitious task, which he started more than 20 years ago and continues to develop together with his wife Marilú.

We will be part of the ceramic experience where we will work on a clay plate with pre-Columbian techniques focused on painting, result of Pablo Seminario's research.

Note: the plates that are made will be dried in the sun and burned in the oven. They will be ready in 2 or 3 days and will be delivered in Cusco, prior coordination with the guide.

We will enjoy a delicious lunch to regain strength and then, we will appreciate a show of Peruvian Paso Horses, known throughout the world for their smooth movements and gallop of unusual spirit. No other horse combines strength, intelligence, and beauty as perfectly as the Peruvian Paso Horse.

We will continue to Ollantaytambo, one of the last living towns of the Inca culture, which was jealously guarded by a colossal fortress. We will discover the great archaeological complex of what was a tambo or city of rest and lodging for the royal retinues that traveled long distances. Its architectural remains still preserve walls and towers that were used to protect it from possible invasions.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch.

Overnight in the Sacred Valley.

**Day 07** 

## Day 07: Sacred Valley - Machu Picchu

Full day visit to the Historic Sanctuary of Machu Picchu.

At the agreed time, we will pick you up from your hotel to go to the train station. From here we will depart on the Vistadome train that will take us to the Machu Picchu Pueblo station, on a journey full of spectacular views. Upon our arrival, we will take the shared bus that will take us to the entrance gate of the citadel of Machu Picchu.

Visit to the citadel of Machu Picchu.

Discovered for the modern world by Hiram Bingham more than a century ago, Machu Picchu is considered one of the New Seven Wonders of the Modern World. Its architectural beauty, its spectacular natural landscapes and the energy contained in its enigmatic constructions will leave us breathless. Let's follow in the footsteps of the ancient Incas on a tour of the magical citadel with our guide.

After this tour, we will enjoy a repaired lunch in a restaurant located just a few steps from the main entrance to the citadel.

At the end, we will board the shared bus back to Machu Picchu Pueblo.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner.

Overnight in Machu Picchu Pueblo





Meal: Breakfast, lunch and Dinner

**Day 08** 

## Day 08: Machu Picchu - Sacred Valley - Cusco

Half day adventures in Machu Picchu with Allco and his friends.

Machu Picchu is considered the "Sacred City of the Incas" and keeps behind its walls an infinity of secrets waiting to be discovered. Be part of the group of little explorers who, with the help of a special kit–a map, a magnifying glass, and a hat–will accompany Allco, a fun stuffed Peruvian dog, on a fantastic journey. A unique experience that will allow you and your family to explore this New Wonder of the Modern World in a playful way. Children will have fun finding something new about the history of the Incas at each stop and the older ones, accompanied by their own guide, will discover the place from another perspective. We will board the shuttle bus to Machu Picchu Pueblo station and board the Vistadome train back. Upon our arrival at the station, transfer in private service to the hotel.

Meals: Breakfast.

Overnight in Cusco.

Meal: Breakfast

**Day 09** 

#### Day 09: Cusco

Half day Cusco city tour: Sacsayhuaman, Cristo Blanco, Koricancha Inca Temple, and Cathedral.

We will start the day visiting the Sacsayhuamán fortress. This colossal building of enormous carved and precisely joined stones is an outstanding example of Inca military architecture. Undoubtedly, one of the largest constructions in Tahuantinsuyo. Quick visit to the Cristo Blanco from where we will have a panoramic view of the city. We will continue towards the Koricancha "golden enclosure" in Quechua. Temple dedicated to the worship of the Sun god, who, according to the stories, looked, inside, entire walls covered with gold. Finally, we will visit the Cathedral where we will stop to discover the mysteries it keeps in a guided tour and admire its beautiful atriums and priceless paintings from the 17th-18th century Cusco school.

Note: The Cathedral and Koricancha are closed on Sundays. The experience can be provided in the afternoon.





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Meals: Breakfast.

Overnight in Cusco.

Meal: Breakfast

**Day 10** 

### Day 10: Cusco

Discovering Tipón: knowledge and ancestral art.

In the morning, we will leave by car towards the town of Tipón, southeast of the city of Cusco, and then head to the community of Patabamba, home to farmers, shepherds and weavers who preserve their ancestral traditions.

From here, we will begin our walk to the archaeological site of Tipón. On the way we will pass through the community of Pukará, inhabited by two ethnic groups, the Wari and the Pinagua, and later we will stop at the viewpoint of this town, from where we will have impressive views of the mountains and the valley. Once at the Tipón site, we will be able to appreciate one of the most impressive works of Inca hydraulic engineering.

Our transportation will be waiting for us at the end of the tour to take us to Hanaq Wasi, a center for experiential workshops, where we can participate in the preparation of the traditional wawa bread, and the preparation of healing ointments with the use of medicinal plants.

Meals: Breakfast, box lunch.

Overnight in Cusco

Meal: Breakfast and Lunch

**Day 11** 

#### Day 11: Cusco - Lima

At the appropriate time we will transfer you from the hotel to Cusco airport to board the flight that will take you to Lima.

Flight Cusco – Lima (not included).

Meals: Breakfast

**Meal:** Breakfast





## **Inclusions**

- o In/out private transfers
- o Accommodation in the hotels mentioned Subject to availability and any changes made until the booking is finalized.
- o Excursions on private services, with a local English-speaking guide
- o Entrance tickets for the excursions mentioned
- o Guided visit to Machu Picchu, maximum 2 hours and 30 minutes' duration
- o Entrance ticket to Machu Picchu Subject to availability and visiting schedule
- o Return train ticket from Ollantaytambo, in the Vistadome service
- o All meals specified in the itinerary

## **Exclusions**

- o Domestic and international flights
- o Early check-in & late check-out
- o Meals not specified in the itinerary
- o Personal expenses and tips
- o Travel insurance
- o Medical insurance

## Note

Hotels Used

Lima - Hilton Lima Miraflores (Deluxe)

Cusco - Palacio del Inka, a Luxury Collection Hotel (Family Deluxe)

Sacred Valley - Tambo del Inka, a Luxury Collection Resort & Spa (Deluxe)

Machu Picchu - Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel Luxury Edition (Sumaq Deluxe River View)

Please note: Maximum of 2 children sharing a room, with two full-size or queen-size beds.

The quoted rates are starting from rates and final rates will be advised at the time of booking.

## **Program Touring / Guide**

Private touring



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# **Periodic Departure**

14 Mar, 2024 to 31 Dec, 2024 4 pax AUD 9,520 P P twin share ON REQUEST

