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SCHEDULE

Lima – City tour – Museo Larco

Day 1 – August 11th

- This tour of Peru begins at Lima international airport. Our staff members will meet you and you will be transferred to your hotel
- The trip will start after breakfast with a visit of colonial Lima (**between 08:00-08:30 am**): a panoramic view of Plaza San Martin and the main square to admire the Cathedral

- Then continue with the Convent and Church of San Francisco – a fine and grandiose example of colonial art. Our guide will explain the history of surrounding buildings: the Government Palace and City Hall followed by a visit to Huaca Pucllana, an archaeological site in the heart of Lima, built in the 4th century AD and a holy site for the Incas
- Visit the Museo Larco. Built on top a 7th century pre-Columbian archaeological site, the museum's new galleries house the finest and most comprehensive pre-Columbian gold and silver artefacts in the world – as well as a renowned erotic pottery collection
- Overnight stay at a hotel in Lima

Lima – Puerto Maldonado – Posada Amazonas - Discover the Amazon as birds do

Day 2 – August 12th

- Breakfast
- Transfer to Lima Airport at 07:30 am
- Flight from Lima to Puerto Maldonado – (LA 2260 1010 1150)
- Arrive at 11:50 in Puerto Maldonado, the capital of Madre de Dios, and join a 2 hours journey by bus and boat to the lodge. Your first taste of the Amazon cuisine will be in the river while you leave the city behind to enjoy the amazing jungle landscapes
- This afternoon join a first group hiking leads to the 40-meter scaffolding Canopy Tower
- A banister staircase running through the middle provides safe access to the platforms above. From atop you obtain spectacular views of the vast expanses of standing forest cut by the Tambopata River winding through the middle
- Now and then toucans, parrots, or macaws are seen flying against the horizon, or mixed species canopy flocks land in the treetop next to you.
- Overnight stay at Posada Amazonas

Explore the oxbow lake

Day 3 – August 13th

- Breakfast
- Wildlife in the Amazon takes advantage of the first lights of the day as it is cooler, so we do. Even if you are on vacation there will be some activities that our guides encourage you to make it very early in the morning and it's worth it.
- Tres Chimbadas Oxbow Lake is thirty minutes by boat and forty-five minutes hiking from Posada Amazonas. Once there paddle around the lake in a catamaran, searching for the resident family of nine giant river otters (seen by 60% of our lake visitors) and other lakeside wildlife such as caiman, hoatzin, and horned screamers. Otters are most active from dawn to eight or nine AM.

- The Centro Ñape is a communal organization that produces medicines out of forest plants and administers them to patients who choose their little clinic. They have produced a trail that explains the different medicinal (and other) uses of selected plants.
- You will have the option of a night walk when most of the mammals are active but rarely seen. Is much easier to find frogs with shapes and sounds as bizarre as their natural histories.
- Overnight stay at Posada Amzonas

Puerto Maldonado – Cusco

Day 4 – August 14th

- It is time to say goodbye, as the expedition comes to an end.
- Your visit will make a direct contribution to the Ese Eja Native Community of Infierno in its efforts to protect Tambopata.
- You will take the journey back to the city to the airport for your national flight to Cusco – (LA 2570 13:25 14:15)
- Arrival at 14:15 and hotel accommodation
- Overnight stay at a hotel in Cusco (3.400 meters above sea level)

Cusco

Day 5 – August 15th

- Breakfast and guided tour of Cusco
- Today at **09:00** you will discover the secrets of Cusco. The visit begins towards the Plaza de Armas where you will observe the main square and the majestic cathedral
- Later you will visit the Korikancha or "Temple of the Sun" an important place of worship in the Inca and colonial period. The Convent of Santo Domingo was built over this temple by the Spaniards. We visit the impressive fortress of Sacsayhuaman, strategically built on a hill overlooking Cusco and famous for its enormous carved stones—some of them standing over 9 meters high (30 feet) and weighing over 350 tons. The visit continues with Kenko ceremonial centre, considered a holy place by the Incas.
- The tour goes around Puca Pucara, a military ruin. This fort is made of large walls, terraces, and staircases and was part of the defence of Cusco, known as the Red Fortress.
- Overnight stay at a hotel in Cusco (3,400 meters above sea level)

Sacred Valley

Day 6 – August 16th

- Today at **08:00** am the guide will pick up from the hotel. Day dedicated to the discovery of the Sacred Valley and the culture of the ancient Inca civilization

- The tour will start in Chinchero with a visit to the church and an artisan center where you can watch the alpaca thread working
- One of the main stages of the tour will be the Salina de Maras, an immense terracing of artificial lakes from which a very precious commodity is obtained: salt
- Lunch will be served in the city of Urubamba followed by a scenic route to Ollantaytambo – the best example of Inca city planning. The terraces which lead up the hills offer a superb view of the valley below
- Arrival at destination and overnight at hotel
- Overnight stay at a hotel in Urubamba (2,870 meters above sea level)

Urubamba – Machu Picchu – Aguas Calientes

Day 7 – August 17th

- Breakfast
- Transfer to Ollantaytambo Station (09:15 – 10:52) to board the train to Aguas Calientes
- Departure for the famous Inca Citadel, recognized as one of the Seven Wonders of the Modern World. For the more daring. Private guided tour at 14:00 hours to the site to learn and discover the secrets of the ancient Peruvian culture Machu Picchu
- Lunch
- Overnight stay at a hotel in Aguas Calientes (2,040 meters above sea level)

Aguas Calientes – Cusco

Day 8 – August 18th

- After breakfast, departure for the famous Inca Citadel, recognized as one of the Seven Wonders of the Modern World. For the more daring, it is also possible to climb Huayna Picchu (optional), which will enjoy a fantastic view of Machu Picchu once at the top. We will spend the whole morning on the site to learn and discover the secrets of the ancient Peruvian culture. Entrance at **06:00** am
- In the afternoon return to Aguas Calientes (14:55-16:31) and departure for Ollantaytambo
- Arrival at destination and departure for Cusco
- Overnight stay at a hotel in Cusco (3,400 meters above sea level)

Cusco day at leisure

Day 9 – August 19th

- Breakfast

- Day at leisure
- Overnight stay at a hotel in Cusco (3,400 meters above sea level)

Cusco to Puno: Manco Capac route

Day 10 – August 20th

- Today we will travel the magnificent "Ruta del Sol" **at 07:30 am**
- Between the stops of the Puno-Cusco journey, the first will be the city of Pukara with a visit to the Museo Lítico. Then stop at Sicuani where we will have lunch with delicious typical dishes of the Peruvian cuisine. In the afternoon visit to the "Temple of Wiracocha" where we will discover impressive columns that are still well preserved and the interesting circular constructions used in the past as resting and refreshment places. With the visit to the Temple you will be able to perceive the splendor of an ancient time. The last stop before arriving in Cusco will be the Church of Andahuaylillas, where you will discover the Andean Baroque of the Cusqueña school
- Arrival in Puno and transfer to the hotel

Titicaca Lake: Uros & Taquile Islands

Day 11 – August 21st

- During this day we will take a boat trip on the highest navigable lake in the world, Lake Titicaca at **07:15** from the lobby of the hotel.
- Here we will visit the floating islands of the Uros made by local people with totora reeds
- Finally we will stop at the island of Taquile where we can observe the artisans who still work on the loom. This ancient art is part of the Unesco Intangible Cultural Heritage since 2008
- At the end of the day, return to Puno and overnight at the hotel
- Afternoon walk (4,000 meters above sea level)

Puno – Juliaca – Lima

Day 12 – August 22nd

- Breakfast
- Transfer to Juliaca Airport
- Flight from Juliaca to Lima (LA2210 10:25-12:00)
- Arrival a Lima and transfer to the hotel
- Overnight stay in Lima (30 meters above sea level)

Lima

Day 13 – August 23rd

- Breakfast
 - Transfer to Lima airport
 - End of our services
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Package includes:

- 24-hour passenger assistance
- Domestic flights:
 - Lima – Puerto Maldonado
 - Puerto Maldonado – Cusco
 - Juliaca – Lima
- All private transfers included in the program in/out: from the airport to the hotel, from the hotel to the bus/train station
- Overnight stays:
 - Lima: 2 nights with breakfast / 1 extra breakfast
 - Puerto Maldonado: 2 nights with breakfast
 - Cusco: 3 nights with breakfast
 - Aguas Calientes: 1 night with breakfast
 - Urubamba: 1 night with breakfast
 - Puno: 2 nights with breakfast
- Train Ollantaytambo – Aguas Calientes / Aguas Calientes – Ollantaytambo
- Shuttle bus Aguas Calientes – Machu Picchu
- Tourist transportation Arequipa – Puno
- All entrance tickets mentioned in the program (unless specified as optional)
- Private services with an English-speaking guide:
 - Lima: Larco Museum, Casa Aliaga, Cathedral
 - Cusco: Santo Domingo Convent, Cathedral, Sacsayhuaman, Qenqo, Puka Pukara
 - Sacred Valley: Chincheros, View of Maras Salt Mines & Ollantaytambo
 - Machu Picchu (entrance and guided tour two days)
- Group services with a Spanish/English-speaking guide:
 - Titicaca Lake: Uros Islands, Taquile
 - Puno – Cusco: Pukara Lithic Museum, Wiracocha Temple, Andahuaylillas Church
 - Puerto Maldonado – Posada Amazonas 3 days
- Guided tours in English during private excursions, Spanish and/or English during group excursions

- Meals:
 - Breakfasts: (1)
 - Lunches (6): Taquile (1), Sicuani (1), Urubamba (1), Aguas Calientes (1), Puerto Maldonado (2)
 - Dinners: Puerto Maldonado (2)
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Package does not include:

- International flights to and from Peru
- If applicable, airport departure taxes
- Other meals
- Personal expenses such as phone calls, laundry, beverages, etc.
- Insurance against theft and loss
- Other unspecified extras
- Early check-in / late check