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# Lima and Machu Picchu

### 6 nights / 7 days

#### DAY 1: LIMA

Upon arrival a guide will greet you at the airport and transfer you to your hotel in Lima's popular Miraflores district, or in nearby San Isidro.

#### DAY 2: LIMA

This morning you will join a guided tour of the Larco Herrera Museum followed by an afternoon city tour of Lima's historical center. The Larco Herrera Museum houses approximately 45,000 pieces of gold, silver, ceramics, textiles, stone and wood, among other things, in a colonial mansion built in 1701.

After this morning's visit you will have some free time for lunch prior to resuming your tour in Lima's Historical Center. Visit the Plaza Mayor (Main Square), founded in 1535 by Francisco Pizarro, the Government Palace, City Hall, the Cathedral and more.

Today's excursions are comprised of two regular departure tours and include a shared bilingual guide and transportation as well as all entrance fees required.

### DAY 3: LIMA – CUSCO

A guide will transfer you to the airport in time to check in for and to board your flight to Cusco. Upon arrival in Cusco a guide will greet you and will transfer you to your hotel in Cusco's historic center.

After acclimatizing to the altitude in Cusco, you will join an afternoon guided tour of Cusco and some of its surroundings. Visit the Cathedral and the Korikancha, also known as the Temple of the Sun as well as some of the nearby ruins. Visit

the ruins of the Inca baths of Tambomachay, the sacred site of Kenko and the fortress of Sacsayhuaman.

#### DAY 4: CUSCO – SACRED VALLEY OF THE INCAS – CUSCO

Today you will visit to the Sacred Valley of the Incas to visit the town of Pisac, famous for its colorful native market, and the Inca Fortress of Ollantaytambo. Your guide will pick you up in the lobby of your hotel for the start of the excursion.

Pisac, a small town located in the Sacred Valley of the Incas, is famous for its colorful native market and its special Sunday mass. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays are full market days and offer the best selection of goods. You will have the opportunity to explore the many stands or to just sit back and watch the cultural interaction among local entrepreneurs.

Later, you will continue on to the Fortress of Ollantaytambo. The fortress is famous for its magnificent mountain stairway. Among other things, you may be intrigued by the six enormous pink stones, each weighing some 50 tons, located at this site.

Archaeologists and historians alike are dumbfounded as to how these rocks appeared here as they are not native to this area. The Incas had not yet discovered the wheel thus making the shipment of these enormous stones from other parts of Peru a complete mystery.

Later, return to your hotel in Cusco.

#### DAY 5: CUSCO – MACHU PICCHU

Today you will travel by train to the Lost City of the Incas, Machu Picchu!

Your full day excursion begins with an early wakeup call and shared transfer to the Ollanta Train Station where you will board the Vistadome Train to Machu Picchu. Enjoy scenic views as your travel through the Sacred Valley of the Incas (approx. 2.5 hours) before finally arriving at Aguas Calientes where a guide will greet you and travel with you by bus (10 minutes) to Machu Picchu.

A guided tour (approx. 2 hours) is included as well as plenty of time to explore on your own. Lunch is included at the Sanctuary Lodge Hotel located at the entrance to Machu Picchu.

After your visit you will make your way back to Aguas Calientes where accommodation is for one night with dinner included.

Please note: dinner is only included at some hotels. Please inquire about the best accommodation option for you.

#### DAY 6: MACHU PICCHU – CUSCO

Today we will include a second (unguided) entrance to Machu Picchu with bus transportation between the Lost City of the Incas and Aguas Calientes included. Take advantage of an early wakeup call and explore Machu Picchu on your own before the first tourist train arrives from Cusco. Enjoy and early morning sun rise over the Andes from Machu Picchu's Sun Gate and take your time to really explore the Inca citadel prior to returning to Aguas Calientes.

Later this afternoon you will travel back to Cusco by train where a guide will greet you and will transfer you to your hotel for overnight accommodation.

#### DAY 7: CUSCO

A guide will transfer you to the airport in time to check in for and board your outbound flight.

#### **INCLUDED:**

- All land transfers
- Two (2) nights in Lima
- Three (3) nights in Cusco
- One (1) night in Aguas Calientes/Machu Picchu
- Excursions as described
- Breakfast daily and some other meals

Please inquire about extending your trip to other parts of Peru.

# <u>The Inca Trail and Other Treks to</u> <u>Machu Picchu</u>

One of the most popular routes to Machu Picchu is the classic Inca Trail, a three night/four day trek from the Sacred Valley of the Incas to the ruins of Machu Picchu. **Magic Tours & Travel** offers this trek and many more and can easily combine pre and post trek services in Cusco with the trek of your choice.

Magic Tours & Travel recommends the following treks to Machu Picchu:

- The Classic Inca Trail Three (3) nights/four (4) days- This is the classic trekking program following the ancient Inca roads from the Sacred Valley of the Incas to the Lost City of the Incas, Machu Picchu.
- Lares Trek Three (3) nights/four (4) days- This is a good alternative to the always-busy Classic Inca Trail. This trek follows a secondary route through the Lares Pass ending in Machu Picchu.
- Mountain Lodges of Peru Six (6) nights/seven (7) days- This relative newcomer to the tourism market in Peru is the perfect combination of trekking adventure with the deluxe comfort and service of first class accommodation. Guests trek from mountain lodge to mountain lodge, enjoying the luxury and comfort of first class accommodation, mountain side Jacuzzis and optional spa services before arriving in Machu Picchu.

All tour packages include transportation, three meals daily + snacks, drinking water, coffee and tea, as well as daily trekking by expert naturalist guides.

Please contact us directly and let us find the Machu Picchu trekking package for you!

# The Amazon Jungle

### 3, 4 and 7 day packages available

Magic Tours & Travel offers a number of interesting and compelling tour packages in the Amazon Jungle, ideal for nature lovers and birding enthusiasts. Here, visitors have a number of tour packages to choose from, including numerous first rate jungle lodges and river cruises. Tour packages are designed to optimize visitors' exposure to Amazon Jungle with transportation, accommodation, meals and daily guided excursions in the rainforest included.

Magic Tours & Travel recommends the following jungle lodges:

- Reserva Amazonica
- Sandoval Lake Lodge
- Posada Amazonas
- Refugio Amazonas
- Aqua Expeditions Cruises in the Pacaya Samira National Reserve
- Delfin I and II River Cruises

All tour packages include transportation (land and water), three meals daily + snacks, drinking water, coffee and tea, as well as daily guided excursions in the jungle lead by expert naturalist guides.

Please contact us directly and let us find the perfect jungle tour package for you!

# Arequipa and the Colca Canyon

### 4 nights / 5 days

#### **DAY 1: AREQUIPA**

Upon arrival a guide will greet you at the airport and transfer you to your hotel for one night's accommodation.

#### **DAY 2: AREQUIPA**

This afternoon a guide will greet you at your hotel for the start of a privately guided city tour of Arequipa. Highlights on today's tour will include the city's historical center, the Plaza de Armas (Main Square), the Cathedral, the Church of the Compañia as well as the district of Tanahuara overlooking the city.

You will also visit the Santa Catalina Monastery. Built in 1580 and later expanded in the 17th Century, 20,000 square meter monastery was built in a predominantly Mudejar style and is often characterized by its vividly painted walls.

#### DAY 3: AREQUIPA – COLCA

This morning you will depart towards the Colca Canyon. Along the route you will notice and be able to observe the Yura Volcanoes which guard the city: Chachani, Misti and Pichu Picchu. The tour continues its ascent along the side of the Chachani Volcano to the Pampa Cañahuas plains. The area constitutes the National Reserve of Salinas and Aguada Blanca where herds of Vicuñas can be observed as well as great variety of native plants and vegetation.

Next, you will continue through to Patahuasi, Alto Sumbay, Vizcachani, Toccra, Chucura and Patapampa with a boxed lunch included along the journey.

Your next, and final, stop is in the town of Chivay where accommodation is for one night at a local lodge.

#### **DAY 4: COLCA - AREQUIPA**

After breakfast you will join your guide for a trip to the Colca Canyon and the Cross of the Condor! Here you will have the opportunity to watch the giant Andean Condors take flight over the breathtaking scenery of the Colca Canyon.

Enjoy the views from a number of lookout points prior to returning to Chivay where lunch is included. En route to Chivay you will visit the small towns of Pinchollo, Maca, Achola and Yanque as well as the Antahuilque viewpoint.

After lunch in Chivay you will transfer back to Arequipa for one night's accommodation

#### **DAY 5: AREQUIPA**

A guide will transfer you to the airport in time to check in for and board your outbound flight.

#### **INCLUDED:**

- All land transfers
- Three (3) nights in Arequipa
- One (1) night near the Colca Canyon
- Excursions as described
- Breakfast daily and some other meals

# **The Nazca Lines Extension**

### 1 night / 2 days

#### DAY 1: LIMA - PARACAS

This morning a guide will transfer you to the local bus terminal where you will board a comfortable Royal Class coach to the city of Paracas, located on Peru's coast some two and a half hours from Lima. You will be dropped off at your coast-side hotel for one night's accommodation.

In the afternoon you will take a small, one engine plane to Nazca and fly over the mysterious Nazca Lines. The Nazca Lines which predate the Incas were discovered only when commercial flights began flying to southern Peru from Lima and can only be seen from the air. The lines, drawn in the sand over 2000 years ago, form enormous geometrical shapes resembling a landing field as well as 32 figures including a monkey, a spider, a condor, a reptile and more. The reptile is the largest figure and measures 590 feet in length.

Later, return to your hotel in Paracas.

#### DAY 2: PARACAS – LIMA

Today you will transfer by private car to the Bay of Paracas where you will take part in a short cruise to the Ballestas Islands. Here you will have the opportunity to observe more than 60 species of sea birds and other wildlife before returning to Lima by Royal Class bus.

#### INCLUDED:

- All land transfers including a return bus ticket between Lima and Paracas
- One (1) night in Paracas
- Excursions as described
- Breakfast

# The Lord of Sipan: Peru's

### **Northern Territory**

#### 2 nights / 3 days

#### DAY 1: LIMA - CHICLAYO

A guide will transfer you to the airport in time to check in for and catch your flight to Chiclayo. Upon arrival a guide will greet you and will transfer you to your hotel.

Later, you will visit the Tomb of the Lord of Sipan which was discovered by Peruvian archaeologist Dr. Walter Alva, who is still in charge of its protection today. Dr. Alva found the intact remains of a dignitary or lord belonging to the Moche Culture.

After lunch you will visit the Royal Tombs of Sipan Museum and the Valley of the Twenty Six Pyramids of Tucume.

One of Peru's newest museums, the Royal Tombs of Sipan opened in November of 2002 and displays one of the world's greatest exhibits of historical treasure. The ancient Peruvian ruler known as the Lord of Sipan has been described at the "Tutankhamen of the Americas" due to the splendor of the artifacts found in his tomb. Today, the remains of the Lord of Sipan, along with ornate pieces including earrings, headpieces, armors and more can be viewed at this permanent exhibit. The museum is shaped like a pyramid and was designed to resemble the original site that once stood there.

#### DAY 2: CHICLAYO - TRUJILLO

After breakfast you will transfer to Trujillo (approximately 3.5 hours). En route you will visit archaeological site of El Brujo. This important Mochica Complex has

an area of two (2) square kilometers. The discoveries here include reliefs that represent scenes of the magical and religious world of the Mochicas.

This afternoon you will visit Chan Chan, the archaeological remains of a wellplanned metropolis and the ancient capital of the Chimu Empire. Chan Chan was built out of mud and adobe bricks. You will also visit Huaca Dragon, located four kilometers north of Trujillo where you will see the pyramidal adobe temple consecrated to the rainbow, with beautiful base reliefs and a small archaeological museum.

Later you will visit Huanchaco, a picturesque fishing village, before continuing on to the hotel in Trujillo for one night's accommodation.

#### DAY 3: TRUJILLO – LIMA

This morning you will join a guided city tour of Trujillo, founded in 1534. Highlights include the colonial houses with their typical balconies and patios as well as the city's main Cathedral which dates back to 1647.

You will also visit the Casinelli Museum which exhibits a number of valuable artifacts from the Recuay, Chavin, Moche and Chimum cultures.

Later, you will transfer to the airport in time to check in for and board your flight back to Lima.

#### **INCLUDED:**

- All land transfers including a return bus ticket between Lima and Paracas
- One (1) night in Chiclayo
- One (1) night in Trujillo
- Excursions as described
- Breakfast daily