

EXPLORING PERU # 8F

12 Days / 11 Nights

Lima, Cusco, Sacred Valley, Machu Picchu, Paracas, Nazca Lines

Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day 1 - Lima - Arrival

Arrival in Lima, the "City of Kings" famous for its Spanish Colonial architecture, extraordinary museums and cuisine. Lima is internationally recognized as the "Gastronomic Capital of the Americas", and its cuisine is considered among the most diverse and exquisite in the world on par with French cuisine. Upon arrival a host will meet and assist you in transferring to the hotel and in registering.



Day 2 - Lima City Tour and Larco Museum (B)

Tour of Modern and Colonial Lima including the world famous Larco Museum - This half-day tour visits both the colonial and modern sections of Lima. Colonial sites include the lovely Plaza Mayor, the Government Palace, San Francisco Church and the exquisite Torre Tagle Palace modern day seat of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In modern Lima, drive along the exclusive residential areas of Miraflores and San Isidro.



Continue to the Larco Museum, founded in 1926, it displays remarkable chronological galleries providing an excellent overview on 3000 years of development of Peruvian pre-Columbian history. Located in a unique vice-royal mansion of the 18th century built over a 7th century pre-Columbian pyramid is surrounded by beautiful gardens. The Larco Museum also features the finest gold and silver collection from Ancient Peru and the famous erotic archaeological collection, one of the most visited Peruvian tourist attractions.



Day 3 Lima – Cusco – Sacred Valley (B)

Morning transfer to the airport for a short but spectacular flight over the snowcapped Andes to the oldest inhabited city in the hemisphere, Cusco, at an elevation of 11,440 feet. Upon arrival a host will meet and assist you for immediate transfer to the Sacred Valley at 8,200 feet of altitude.



Visit to Awana Kancha, the living Museum of the Andes

This Living Museum of the Andes showcase the South American Camelids such as llamas, vicuñas, guanacos and alpacas in their native environment. You will also enjoy a spinning and weaving demonstration of ancient techniques on how to make clothing from the wool fibers of these animals. You can also see native flowers and some agricultural terraces from the Inca times.

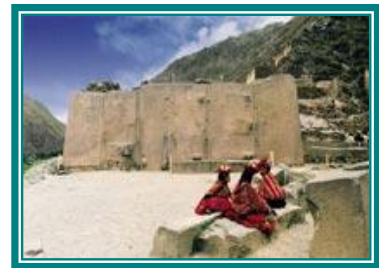


Day 4 - Pisac Market and Ollantaytambo Archaeological Complex (B,L)

Full Day Excursion to the Pisac Indian Market and the Ollantaytambo Fortress - Morning departure for a drive through the fertile countryside of the Urubamba Valley to the colonial village of Pisac where a unique Indian Market takes place daily. The variety of products offered is overwhelming, from pottery with reproductions of archaeological pieces, to all kinds of textiles, jewelry and Peruvian handicrafts. During your visit to this bustling marketplace you will have the opportunity to bargain with the artisans and indigenous traders. Grab the items you like, you will hardly see the same one again.



Continue to the Ollantaytambo archaeological complex, the Incas built it as a fort that included a temple, agricultural terraces, and an urban area. There are two distinct sectors: The religious and worship zone, and the residential area. Ollantaytambo was an important administrative center with probable military functions if one considers the walls and towers. There are also traces of ancient roads and aqueducts. The town of Ollantaytambo is called a "Living Inca Town" since the inhabitants maintain very old practices and customs. Lunch is at a beautiful country estate on the shores of the Urubamba River.



Day 5 Moray, Maras and Quechuas (B,L)

Moray, Maras Salt Pools and Authentic Quechua Village – Pass through unspoiled and picturesque Andean communities on your way to the Incan agricultural experimental center of Moray, famous for its sunken amphitheater, made up of four circular terraces, which appear to fade away into the earth like an artificial crater. The site was apparently an Inca agricultural research station filled with fertile earth and watered by complex irrigation systems, designed for experimenting with crops at various altitudes (some of which run down to depths of 100 meters).



Continue to the impressive Maras salt pools formed by water emerging from a lake inside a mountain in the Urubamba Valley. An amazing view of evaporating ponds for the extraction of salt. Learn about ancestral techniques, which are still used, in agricultural, irrigation and salt-recollection tasks, as well as in Andean festivals and rites. After lunch, visit an authentic Quechua Village to feel the way of life of the Inca's ancestors. The Inca himself was a noble Quechua. They live off the land and are always wearing their colorful ponchos, see Quechua children scamper about while woman are weaving their family's clothes. A meaningful experience! Lunch is included.



Day 6 – Sacred Valley / Machu Picchu with overnight stay and with lunch at Belmond’s Sanctuary Lodge (B,L)

Morning train ride through the sacred valley of Urubamba to the "Lost City of the Incas," Machu Picchu. Perched 8,200 feet above the valley, it was hidden by mountains and semi-tropical jungles for 400 years until discovered by Hiram Bingham of Yale University in 1911. Archaeologists believe that the Inca "Virgins of the Sun" took refuge from the Spanish Conquistadors here. Guided tour of the ruins upon arrival. Lunch is at the Belmond’s Sanctuary Lodge located just a few steps from the Inca citadel. Overnight stay in Aguas Calientes.



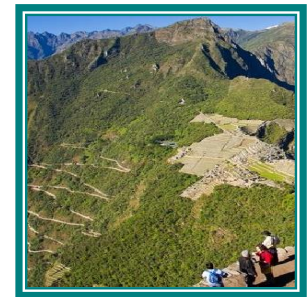
Day 7 - Machu Picchu Free Day (B)

Free morning to enjoy one of the most incredible sights on earth, the sanctuary of Machu Picchu. Take as much time as you need to study these magnificent ruins or hike the steep stone-paved trail of Huayna Picchu, the pyramid-shape mountain above Machu Picchu for a breathtaking “condor view” of the citadel (reservation and extra fee are needed). Or stroll to the Inca Bridge a secret entrance used by the Inca's army or walk toward the Inca Trail to find the historic Intipunku or “Sun Gate” or visit Manuel Chavez Museum or hike in Mandor Valley or just enjoy the thermal springs of the town.



Day 8 – Machu Picchu / Cusco (B)

Morning free for a second visit to the thermal springs or for does activities you did not complete the day before. Afternoon return train to Cusco



Day 9 Cusco – Free morning and afternoon city tour (B)

Wandering through this lovely city, exploring the astonishing narrow streets of this tile roof colonial town will be your unforgettable experience. You will find something astounding at every turn. Great buys are the traditional Peruvian handicrafts, alpaca-wool sweaters and rugs, ponchos, pottery, gold and silver jewelry, leather goods, etc. Because there are such a variety of products, we strongly suggest that when you like any particular item, you should buy it - you may not find the same item in other store. Many visitors to Cusco return home wishing they had some free time in Cusco to discover this imperial city on their own, a free morning in Cusco is a MUST!



Tour of Cusco and Nearby Ruins – Visitors are caught up in the excitement of touring the ancient capital of the Inca Empire, a delightful combination of Inca and colonial architecture. The tour visits important landmarks such as Cusco's Cathedral, Santo Domingo Church, Plaza de Armas and Koricancha “The Temple of the Sun”. This tour of the oldest continuously inhabited city in the western hemisphere also includes the nearby ruins of Kenko, Puca-Pucara, Tambomachay as well as the Sacsayhuaman fortress, an imposing example of Inca military architecture.



Day 10 – Cusco - Lima – Paracas (B)

Morning transfer to the airport for your flight to Lima. Then travel along the Peruvian coast to Paracas. The desert and the sea come together in spectacular fashion in Paracas. The cliffs that fringe the beaches are teeming with life: millions of birds that live here year-round, and thousands of others that fly from the Northern Hemisphere and from further south, ranging from guano birds to Humboldt penguins.



Day 11 - Nazca Lines over flight (B)

Transfer to the local airport for a spectacular flight over vast drawings, figures like a spider, a hummingbird, a monkey, etc. The Nazca Lines, discovered in 1927, are the most extraordinary legacy left by a culture that flourished in 300 BC. The lines are a series of complex designs, some up to 300 meters long, which can only be seen in their true dimension from an altitude of at least 1,500 feet. The Nazca culture is not believed to have been capable of manned flight. But the question remains as to how they crafted the drawings, what technology they used and what purpose the lines served.



Free afternoon for winery tour or Buggie ride.

Day 12 - Ballestas Islands – Lima - Home (B)

Early morning yacht ride to the Ballestas Islands passing the Candilabro. These islands, also known as the Guano Islands, constitute the habitat to large concentrations of sea birds and sea lions colonies in their natural environment. El Candilabro (The Candilabra) is a geoglyph of more than 394 feet long, better appreciated from the ocean.



Afternoon return to Lima and your connecting international flight. Arrive home full of great memories of the rich tradition of Colonial Lima and the mystical Land of the Incas.

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Tour includes:

- All airport transfers listed in the itinerary
- Baggage handling at airports and at hotels
- All tours and excursions indicated in the itinerary
- All entrance fees and transfers needed to operate tours and excursions
- All train tickets, bus tickets and boat services needed to operate tours and excursions
- Excursion to Machu Picchu is aboard the Vistadome Train.
- Lunch in the excursion to Machu Picchu: Lunch at Sanctuary Lodge
- Service of a bilingual licensed tour guide for all tours and excursions
- All meals indicated in the itinerary. B for breakfast, L for lunch. D for dinner
- Hotel accommodation and hotel service charge
- Hotel taxes are exempt for foreigners visiting Peru
- When domestic airfare within Peru is specified as included: Airfare includes all queues, security fee, fuel surcharges and 18% Peruvian sales tax.

Not included:

- Extra expenses in case of modifying the itinerary due to flight cancellation, strikes or blocking of roads and train tracks by demonstrators or political activists. Travel insurance is strongly recommended.
- When staying overnight in Machu Picchu, the entrance fee for the 2nd day in Machu Picchu is not included. This can be added to the itinerary upon request
- Expenses such as beverages on meals, tips, laundry, phone calls and other personal expenses are not included
- When a cruise to the Galapagos Islands is part of the itinerary, the Galapagos National Park Tax is not included. It is payable upon arrival at the Galapagos Islands

Cancellation Penalties for FIT's

- The cancellation penalty is 100% when services are cancelled within 30 days of arrival.
- When the deadline to cancel without penalties is longer than 30 days, Fiesta Tours Peru will notify you upon confirmation of services.
- Amazon river cruises and Galapagos island cruises are not refundable when services are cancelled within 90 days of arrival. When deadline changes, clients will be notified.

General Conditions for Groups

- Rooming list is due 50 days prior to arrival ⁽¹⁾.
- Payment is due 50 days prior to arrival.
- An updated number of rooms to be needed is recommended 90 days prior to arrival.
- Hotels' cancellation penalty will be provided upon confirmation.
- Transfers and tours have a 100% cancellation penalty for services cancelled within 30 days of arrival.
- Airfares have a 100% cancellation penalty for flights cancelled within 35 days of departure.
- Inka Terra Hotels requires a 20% non-refundable deposit 95 days prior to arrival. They reserve the right to request a 20% non-refundable deposit at any given moment. Final rooming list is due 65 days prior to arrival.

⁽¹⁾ The following hotels will require the final rooming list 65 days prior to arrival: Belmond Hotels, J.W. Marriott and Gran Hotel Faraona. V-Apr-15-2014

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Hotels used in Tour Packages: For Exploring Peru Series – 2019

City	Tourist	Tourist Superior	First Class	First Class Superior	Deluxe	Luxury
Lima	Tambo # 1 or Los Girasoles	Casa Andina Classic Miraflores Centro or Tambo # 2	Casa Andina Select Miraflores or Jose Antonio	Melia Lima or Dazzler or Four Points by Sheraton	Casa Andina Premium Miraflores or El Pardo Doubletree by Hilton Hotel	Belmond Miraflores Park or Country Club Lima
Cusco	Samay or San Agustin Internacional	Terra Andina Standard Room or Xima or Jose Antonio or Casa Andina Classic Cusco	Terra Andina Sup Room or Sonesta Hotel Cusco	Casa Andina Premium or Novotel or Costa del Sol	Palacio del Inka A Luxury Collection	Belmond Monasterio
Valle Sagrado	La Hacienda Valle or Agustos Urubamba	Villa Urubamba or San Agustin Monasterio de la Recoleta	Sonesta Posadas del Inca Yucay	Casa Andina Premium Valle Sagrado	Sol y Luna Casita(superior) or Aranwa Sacred Valley Hotel & Wellness	Belmond Rio Sagrado or Tambo del Inka A Luxury Collection
Aguas Calientes	Hatun Samay Machu Picchu	El Mapi or Casa Andina Classic Machu Picchu	El Mapi or Casa Andina Classic Machu Picchu	Casa del Sol Machu Picchu Boutique Hotel	Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo or Sumaq	Belmond Sanctuary Lodge
Arequipa	Casa Andina Classic Arequipa	Tierra Viva Arequipa Plaza	El Cabildo	Casa Andina Select Arequipa	Casa Andina Premium Arequipa	Libertador Arequipa
Colca	Casa Andina Classic Colca	Casa Andina Classic Colca	Colca Lodge or Aranwa Pueblito Encantado	Colca Lodge or Aranwa Pueblito Encantado	Colca Lodge or Aranwa Pueblito Encantado	Casitas del Colca
Puno	La Hacienda Plaza de Armas	Xima Puno	Sonesta Posadas del Inca Puno	Sonesta Posadas del Inca Puno	Casa Andina Premium Puno	Libertador Lago Titicaca
Trujillo	Posada del Rey	Costa del Sol Trujillo	Costa del Sol Trujillo	Libertador Trujillo	Libertador Trujillo	Casa Andina Premium Trujillo
Chiclayo	Wyndham Costa del Sol Chiclayo	Wyndham Costa del Sol Chiclayo	Winmeier Chiclayo	Winmeier Chiclayo	Casa Andina Select Chiclayo	Casa Andina Select Chiclayo
Ica	Las Dunas	Las Dunas	Las Dunas	Las Dunas	Las Dunas	Las Dunas
Paracas	San Agustin Paracas	San Agustin Paracas	La Hacienda Bahia Paracas	La Hacienda Bahia Paracas	DoubleTree by Hilton Resort Paracas o Aranwa Paracas Resort & Spa	Hotel Paracas A Luxury Collection Resort
Nazca	Casa Andina Classic Nazca	Majoro	Majoro	Hotel Nuevo Cantayoc	Hotel Nuevo Cantayoc	Hotel Nuevo Cantayoc
Iquitos - Lodges	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops	Ceiba Tops
Iquitos - City	Victoria Regia	Victoria Regia	DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Iquitos	DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Iquitos	DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Iquitos	DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Iquitos
Puerto Maldonado	Posada Amazonas	Posada Amazonas	La Hacienda Concepcion	La Hacienda Concepcion	Inkaterra Reserva Amazonica	Inkaterra Reserva Amazonica
Piura - Beaches	Mancora Beach Bungalows	Mancora Beach Bungalows	Vichayito Bungalows y Carpas by Aranwa	Vichayito Bungalows y Carpas by Aranwa	Arennas Mancora	Arennas Mancora

TOURIST CLASS HOTELS Gross Rates Per Person	Exploring Peru # 8F 2019 Prices per person in US\$ - Airfare not included										
	SIB Premium		Private Services								
	Min 1	Min 2	1	2	3 / 4	5 / 9	10/14	15/19	20/24	25/29	30 up
Double Room	3382		3758	3110	2735	2332	2248	2159	2091	2054	
Triple Room	3287			3015	2640	2238	2154	2064	1996	1959	
Single Room	5559	3863	6308	4239	3591	3216	2814	2730	2640	2572	2535

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Double Room	3552		3928	3280	2906	2503	2419	2330	2262	2224	
Triple Room	3450			3178	2803	2400	2316	2227	2159	2122	
Single Room	5962	4266	6711	4642	3994	3619	3216	3132	3043	2975	2938

FIRST CLASS HOTELS Gross Rates Per Person	Exploring Peru # 8F 2019 Prices per person in US\$ - Airfare not included										
	SIB Premium		Private Services								
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Double Room	3718		4094	3446	3071	2668	2584	2495	2427	2390	
Triple Room	3620			3348	2974	2571	2487	2398	2330	2292	
Single Room	6278	4582	7027	4958	4310	3935	3532	3448	3359	3291	3254

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Double Room	3964		4340	3692	3318	2915	2831	2742	2674	2636	
Triple Room	3812			3540	3166	2763	2679	2590	2522	2484	
Single Room	6708	5012	7458	5388	4740	4366	3963	3879	3790	3722	3684

DELUXE HOTELS Gross Rates Per Person	Exploring Peru # 8F 2019 Prices per person in US\$ - Airfare not included										
	SIB Premium		Private Services								
	Min 1	Min 2	1	2	3 / 4	5 / 9	10/14	15/19	20/24	25/29	30 up
Double Room	4794		5170	4522	4147	3744	3660	3571	3503	3466	
Triple Room	4562			4290	3915	3512	3428	3339	3271	3234	
Single Room	8156	6460	8906	6836	6188	5814	5411	5327	5238	5170	5132

LUXURY HOTELS Gross Rates Per Person	Exploring Peru # 8F 2019 Prices per person in US\$ - Airfare not included										
	SIB Premium		Private Services								
	Min 1	Min 2	1	2	3 / 4	5 / 9	10/14	15/19	20/24	25/29	30 up
Double Room	6723		7099	6451	6076	5674	5590	5500	5432	5395	
Triple Room	6558			6286	5911	5508	5424	5335	5267	5230	
Single Room	12010	10314	12759	10690	10042	9667	9264	9180	9091	9023	8986