

club de **VACACIONES** PERÚ



PERU & ARGENTINA

13 days / 12 nights

LIMA - CUSCO - MACHU PICCHU - BUENOS AIRES - IGUAZU

DAY 01.- LIMA

Reception at Lima Airport and transfer to the chosen hotel. Accommodation in Lima.

DAY 02.- LIMA – CUSCO

At the convenient hour, transfer to the airport to take flight to the city of Cusco; flights in the morning with 01 hour and 20 minutes. Reception and transfer to selected hotel; accommodation in Cusco.

****Additional: City tour with nearby ruins, Koricancha and Cathedral (\$ 50 per person)**

The city tour starts at your hotel in Cusco, our guide will pick you from there. Our first stop takes place at the Inca Ruins of **Sacsayhuaman**. Unlike other sites, this Inca building features high massive walls. Likewise, the stone on the wall is precisely cut and fitted without mortar.

Sacsayhuaman origin'sis uncertain, however, most scholars agree it was built for ceremonial purposes. Among all the ruins in Cusco, Sacsayhuaman is perhaps the most beautiful Inca construction after Machu Picchu. Later on, we will reach a mysterious Inca site known as Qenko.

Qenko means labyrinth or zig-zag, perhaps named like this due to a series of canals carved on its main rock. Long ago the canals carried some sort of liquid, maybe blood, which make us believe it was used for death rituals. In addition, under the big rock exist a sort of sacrificial altar, which reinforces the death rituals theory. Afterward, we arrive at the **Puka Pukara** ruins, better known as "red fortress", due to its reddish stones. Puka Pukara was military look outpost, built by the Incas to protect the capital of Cusco. Further up, lies the ruins of **Tambomachay**, a site that springs crystalline water through fountains. Its real purpose is unknown, however, some believe, it served as a sort of spa for the Inca elite.

Later on, you will return to the city center to visit the colonial part of Cusco. Once at the center, we will visit the temple of **QoriKancha**, also known as Santo Domingo temple. QoriKancha was perhaps the most important religious building during the Incas heydays. Walking around its interiors you will learn about fine Inca masonry as well as unique Inca stories. Finally, we will visit the **Cathedral** of Cusco, which was built in the XVI by the Spaniards. Inside the cathedral, you will see a gorgeous silver altar, several small chapels, among other treasures. Moreover, the site contains unique paintings, including many from the old Cuzco School.

Among the paintings stands out the Last Supper, showing Christ and the apostles eating guinea pigs. After the tour, our driver will take you back to your hotel.

DAY 03.- CUSCO – SACRED VALLEY

We will take a road that winds over the mountains north of Cusco. On the way we will stop at a point known as El Mirador, from where we will be able to see the whole **Sacred Valley** and receive a good insight of the Inca history. The Sacred Valley was undoubtedly a key area of settlement to the Incas; its combination of agreeable climate and fertile plains bestow an unusual abundance for the high Andes. Here the Incas sculpted the mountain flanks with vast contour terracing and irrigation channels. Our driver and guide will suggest you the best points for pictures.

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Later on, we will drive towards the ruins of **Pisac**. At the ruins you will see and learn about different aspects of Inca culture. You can see a great fine art of stone works and impressive agricultural terraces all over the place. After touring around we will get back to the car and will drive back to the modern town of Pisac, where there is a peculiar market that deserves to be visited. At the market you will have free time to walk around and do some shopping. Afterwards we will meet for lunch in a nice local restaurant to enjoy good Andean food.

After lunch we will continue our tour. We will drive along the Urubamba River towards the town of **Ollantaytambo**. Once we get there we will visit the ruins of Ollantaytambo, an important Inca construction built during the Inca's heydays. This is an extraordinary Inca place where besides the ruins you may also see an amazing rock formation representing the Inca god Wiracocha.

Then transfer to Ollanta train station; the train leaves at 16:36 hrs to Aguas Calientes, a modern little town close to the Sanctuary of Machu Picchu. The train ride to Machu Picchu is one of the most beautiful journeys that visitors can experience in our country. Arrival and transfer to your selected hotel; accommodation in Aguas Calientes.

DAY 04.- MACHU PICCHU – CUSCO

Depart from the local bus station that go up to the ruins of **Machu Picchu**. The bus ride to the sanctuary of Machu Picchu lasts around 25 minutes and it follows a steep winding path, offering spectacular views of the surrounding mountains. Upon our arrival, we will get into the archaeological zone of Machu Picchu and our guide will show us the most important sectors of this great Inca City, such as the great Intiwatana (solar clock), the Sun Temple, the urban sector, the agricultural sector among others. Machu Picchu was long thought to be legendary. Then in 1911, the explorer Hiram Bingham stumbled upon its remains. Machu Picchu stands 2,430 m above sea-level, in the middle of a tropical mountain forest, in an extraordinarily beautiful setting. It was probably the most amazing urban creation of the Inca Empire at its height; its giant walls, terraces and ramps seem as if they have been cut naturally in the continuous rock escarpments. The natural setting, on the eastern slopes of the Andes, encompasses the upper Amazon basin with its rich diversity of flora and fauna. The guided tour in Machu Picchu will last about 2 hours, and afterwards you will have free time to explore the ruins on your own. At around 14:00hrs, we will take the bus down to Aguas Calientes, where you will have time for lunch and also to explore this colorful town that utterly filled with souvenirs shops, restaurants, bars, internet cafes etc. (Lunch is not included).

Return by train to Ollanta departing 16:22 arriving at 18:10 Hrs. Reception and transfer by car to Cusco arriving 20:00 Hrs. approximately; accommodation in Cusco.

To entrance to Wayna Picchu, add \$ 20 per person (Without guide). Wayna Picchu ("Young Mountain" in Quechua) climbing to the summit is an extraordinary experience to appreciate the sacred enclosures and terraces built on the cliff. The ascent is made from the main square of Machu Picchu by a road, built by the Incas themselves, which is signposted and in good condition. The view is impressive: Machu Picchu in all its splendor, the Vilcanota canyon and the surrounding mountains. The walk lasts between 1 hour 30 m. and two hours.

**If you want to return by Superior Train from Machu Picchu to Cusco, leaving at 16:43 arriving at 20:23 Hrs to Poroy. Reception and transfer for 15 minutes to Cusco. Add per person....\$ 30

DAY 05.- CUSCO - DAY FREE

Additional: RAINBOW MOUNTAIN Per person \$ 40

Pick up from your Hotel 05:00 Hrs. then head towards the south of Cusco for 2 hours approximately to the town of Pitumarca where we will have a breakfast, later we will continue for 1 hour more until Hanchipachi parking area 4,530msnm approx. From where we will start with our walk along an easily accessible path for an estimated time of 1:30 to 2:00 hours and we will arrive at the **Rainbow Mountain**, where we will be able to appreciate magical landscapes located at 5,000m. Approx. After enjoying the wonder that our mother nature presents to us, we will return by the same route, where our transport awaits us and then we will move for 1 hour to lunch, later we will return to Cusco, approx. 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Transfer to your selected hotel; Accommodation in Cusco.

DAY 06.- CUSCO – BUENOS AIRES

Transfer to the airport to take flight to Buenos Aires (stopover in Lima) Night flight. Reception and transfer to the hotel; accommodation in Buenos Aires.

DAY 07.- BUENOS AIRES – CITY TOUR

Breakfast and use of room from the arrival time (previous night paid). Panoramic City Tour. This tour transmits a Buenos Aires of the 21st century, showing current sectors of the city such as the avant-garde of Soho and

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Hollywood, a step for the most important green, the Tres de Febrero park, the racecourse, the Polo Field. And without stopping traveling and knowing the symbol of our city: the Obelisk, squares, like those of Mayo, San Martín, Alvear of the Congress; avenues: Corrientes, De Mayo, 9 de Julio, among others; neighborhoods with history as La Boca, San Telmo, sumptuous as Palermo and Recoleta, modern as Puerto Madero; Lezama Park, the Ecological Reserve, commercial and financial areas. Accommodation in Buenos Aires.

DAY 08.- BUENOS AIRES - SHOW DINNER

Dinner and Tango Show at El Viejo Almacen. Accommodation in Buenos Aires.

DAY 09.- BUENOS AIRES - IGUAZU

Transfer to the airport to take your flight to Iguazu. Reception, transfer and accommodation in Iguazu.

DAY 10.- IGUAZU WATERFALLS BRAZILIAN SIDE (Half day)

Excursion to the Falls Brazilian side; within the Foz do Iguazú National Park, 25 km from the center of Foz do Iguazú (BR), are the Brazilian waterfalls. Its great attraction the unique panoramic vision. As most of the jumps are on the Argentine side, from this favorable distance, you can see the whole real immensity of the imposing Iguazu Falls. The landscape, incredible where it is appreciated, offers a view out of the ordinary. Surrounded by the green foliage characteristic of subtropical forests, the largest set of waterfalls in the world can be seen, with 275 falls that result in a total width of 2700 meters, one of the sides of the Devil's Throat and the no less impressive ones, 4 Brazilian falls. On the other hand, it is surprising, in the beauty and enormity of the 175,000 hectares covered by the Foz do Iguazú National Park, the innumerable variety of native animal and plant species. Night in Iguazu.

DAY 11.- IGUAZU WATERFALLS ARGENTINA SIDE (Full day)

Excursion to the Falls Argentina side; departure 08:00 Hs. return 17:00 Hrs. Approximately. FROM FOZ 07.30 HS Access to the magnificent view of the Falls and the delta of the Iguazú River formed by a set of leafy islands. Duration: 1:15 Hs. Difficulty: without stairs. Inferior Walk: A set of strategically designed walkways that allow the most diverse views of the Falls and an intimate encounter with the waterfalls and enchanting corners of the forest. Duration: 2 hours. Difficulty: with stairs. Garganta del Diablo Indescribable for its beauty and energy offers an impressive mix of sounds and landscapes Duration: 1:30 Hs. Difficulty: without stairs. Train of the Jungle: An ecological train circuit in the middle of the jungle and bordering the River that allows the visitor to move inside the Park and reach the accesses of footbridges and attractions. Night in Iguazu.

DAY 12.- IGUAZU - LIMA

Transfer to the airport to take flight to Lima via Buenos Aires. Change airport for the passengers of Aeroparque to Ezeiza in a taxi from the airport. Arrival at the Lima airport hotel. Accommodation.

DAY 13.- LIMA

Departure from the hotel from Lima airport to your final destination.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- *Breakfast is included in all the cities of the tour.*
- *All Transfers*
- **In Lima:** *2 nights of accommodation (1 of the nights at the airport hotel).*
- **In Cusco:** *3 nights of accommodation, Tour Sacred Valley of Urubamba w/buffet lunch, excursion to Machu Picchu by Tourist train, 01 night of accommodation in Aguas Calientes.*
- **In Buenos Aires :** *3 nights of accommodation, city tour, Dinner and Tango show.*
- **In Iguazú :** *3 nights of accommodation, half-day waterfalls Brazilian side excursion, full day excursion waterfalls Argentine side.*

IT IS NOT INCLUDED:

- * *International and domestic airfare*
- * *Entrances to the National Parks of Fox \$ 35 and Iguazú \$ 35 aprox. \$ 70 per person.*

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TICKETS AEREOS DENTRO DE PERU

Lima/Cusco	Departs 09:07	Arrival 10:34	
Cusco/Lima	Departs 17:05	Arrival 18:37	Lima/Buenos Aires Departs 22:50 Arrival 05:00
Buenos Aires/Iguazú	Departs 11:25	Arrival 13:15	
Iguazú/Buenos Aires (aeroparque)	12:15	Arrival 14:10	
Buenos Aires (Ezeiza)/Lima	Departs 19:00	Arrival 21:50	

Price per person from.... **\$ 900.00**

Subject to change and availability

PRICE PER PERSON IN AMERICAN DOLLARS

REGULAR SERVICES SHARED WITH A GROUP (Tour Guides in English/Spanish)

Type of accommodation	Superior Tourist	First Class	Deluxe
Double room	\$ 1350	\$ 1460	\$ 2185

* HOTELS CONSIDERED FOR THE TOUR...

City	Superior Tourist	First Class	Deluxe
LIMA	La Hacienda Miraflores José Antonio hotel Casa Andina Miraflores Centro	Casa Andina Select Tierra viva Miraflores	Crowne Plaza Estelar Miraflores Delfines
CUSCO	Maytaq Los Portales Tierra Viva	Abittare San Agustín Plaza Jose Antonio Cusco	Libertador Palacio del Inka
AGUAS CALIENTES	Tierra Viva Machu Picchu Casa Andina	El Mapi (cena) Casa Andina Machu Picchu (cena)	Machu Picchu Pueblo (cena) Sumaq (cena)
BUENOS AIRES	Park Royal	NH Florida	Meliá Buenos Aires
IGUAZU	Merit Iguazú	Gran Crucero	Loi Suites Iguazú

RESPONSIBILITY:

In all of our arrangements Our Tour Operator **CLUB DE VACACIONES** operates by order and count of our clients, we organize means of transport, accommodation or another tourist services required, so that we are not responsible in case accidents, losses, robberies, delays or interferences happen to the tour by chance or any other events which we are not responsible for them. We recommend you to hire an international insurance in your country to face something could happen suddenly. Our Tour Operator **CLUB DE VACACIONES** is not responsible for any change made at the last time by airlines and bus lines, they can modify or cancel their operations for their own reasons, and the consequences that these produce such as additional transfers, accommodation (not included), tours scheduled for the dates shown on this itinerary.

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