## LIMA, CUSCO, SACRED VALLEY TO MACHU PICCHU – 7 DAYS (018)

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### LODGING
6 Nights in Hotel

A journey that starts in the “Ciudad de los Reyes” Lima, the rich and vibrant colonial heritage gives you an introduction to this amazing Peru destination and follows the tracks of the Inca civilization starting in Cusco. The exploration continues through the Sacred Valley, visiting and exploring the main Incan sites such as the Pisac archaeological complex and artisans Market in its downtown Plaza, followed by the well-preserved site of Ollantaytambo. The tour culminates with a visit to the center of the Incan Empire: Machu Picchu.

### Location Elevations (ft)

![Location Elevations Chart](chart.png)
DETAILED ITINERARY

DAY 1: LIMA AIRPORT
When you arrive at the Lima airport, our representative will be waiting for you by the exit of international arrivals with a Native Paths sign. Lima, the capital of Peru housing 10 million people, is no different than any other big city that lives 24 hours a day. There are lots of people, traffic, noise, lights, casinos and malls. However, as you drive through the city on the way to your hotel, you pass through more affluent and quiet neighbourhoods like San Isidro and Miraflores. It is in Miraflores where your hotel is located.

*Overnight in hotel, double or single room with private bathroom*
*No meals provided today*

DAY 2: CUSCO
Upon arrival at the Cusco airport, you meet your guide and transport to take you to the historic centre. During the drive you see examples of Spanish colonial architecture raised upon the foundations of ancient Inca palaces and temples. At 1:30 PM, your afternoon tour starts with the company of your guide who shows you some of the world’s best archaeological sites in and around the city. Your tour includes sites such as the Cusco Cathedral in the Plaza de Armas and the fabulous Temple of the Sun or Qoricancha, the heart of the Inca Empire. You also visit the spectacular ruins of the Sacsayhuaman fortress that overlook the city, as well as the ruins of Q'enko, Puka Pukara, and Tambomachay nearby. In the late afternoon you return to your hotel, and later enjoy a welcome dinner in a fine restaurant downtown.

*Overnight in hotel, double or single room with private bathroom*
*Meals provided: Dinner*

DAY 3: TOUR TO TIPON PIKILLACTA
Today you meet your guide at your hotel at 8 AM to travel south of Cusco to one of the less visited historical sites in the area, but nevertheless rich in Pre-Incan archaeology. This tour also takes you past beautiful natural landscapes, such as lake Huacarpay. The other Inca sites you visit are the water engineering wonder in Tipon, pre-Inca Wari architecture in Pikillacta, and a beautiful chapel known as the “Sistine Chapel of America.” On the way back to Cusco you can enjoy samples of typical Cusqueno meals such as guinea-pig (cuye), chicharron (pork), chicken soup, in the towns of Tipon or Salla.

*Overnight in hotel, double or single room with private bathroom*
*Meals provided: Breakfast, Lunch*

DAY 4: SACRED VALLEY - PISAC + OLLANTAYTAMBO TOUR
Your guide meets you at 8 AM in the lobby of your hotel to begin your exploration of the beautiful Peruvian countryside. You have a full-day tour of the magical Sacred Valley, home to several royal estates of Incan emperors. First, you visit the town of Pisac, famous for its bustling indigenous market and the impressive Inca ruins on the hillside overlooking the city. In the market you have the opportunity to browse all of the handicrafts and Andean garments displayed for sale as well as local fruits, vegetables, and other natural products. While at the Pisac ruins, you wander through walls and palaces of spectacularly cut stones, while enjoying a stunning view of Pisac and the Sacred Valley below. Following your visit to Pisac, you stop for a lunch buffet at a restaurant offering a variety of Peruvian and international food near the town of Urubamba. After lunch, you visit the remarkable Inca fortress of Ollantaytambo. This magnificent archaeological site clings to the hillside and overlooks the small town of Ollantaytambo. The town still has Inca houses at its base, making Ollantaytambo the only Inca city that is still inhabited today. In the late afternoon, you are taken to your hotel in the Sacred Valley.

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**DAY 5: MACHU PICCHU TOUR**

After breakfast at your hotel in Sacred Valley, you take a train before 7 AM to get to Machu Picchu, the hidden Inca citadel. This hour-and-a-half train ride takes you along the Vilcanota river, with amazing changing views of the Andean landscape as the train descends from the high lands down through the cloud forest. Once in Aguas Calientes, the town at the base of Machu Picchu, you are accompanied to the bus station for a 25-minute bus ride up to the Machu Picchu citadel. Then, you have a 2 hour tour with your guide that takes you through the most important sites in Machu Picchu such as the Intihuatana (Sun Stone), the Sun Temple, The Temple of the Condor, the Inca Bridge, and many other buildings. In the late afternoon, you take a train back to Ollantaytambo and then a bus to Cusco where you are transferred to your hotel for the evening.

*Overnight in hotel, double or single room with private bathroom*

*Meals provided: Breakfast, Lunch*

**DAY 6: CUSCO**

Today you have the opportunity to enjoy the day at your leisure. With so many restaurants and souvenir shops, Cusco has so much to offer you. You can also enjoy a stroll up to the old San Blas neighbourhood with narrow paved streets that remind us of the old set up of the city.

*Overnight in hotel, double or single room with private bathroom*

*Meals provided: Breakfast*

**DAY 7: CUSCO TO LIMA**

After breakfast at your hotel, you meet one of our representatives to take you to the airport for your journey home or on to your next destination. If you are headed to Lima (connecting flights are late night to USA), you meet another one of our representatives at the airport to take you on a city tour. You are guided through the colonial town and enjoy a late lunch in a fine restaurant before you are transferred to the airport for your flight home.

*Meals provided: Breakfast, Lunch*
SERVICE DETAILS

INCLUDED:
• Bilingual Tour Leader / Guide (Spanish - English) throughout the trip.
• Entrance fees to all Sites shown in the itinerary
• All excursions as shown in the itinerary
• All transportation as shown in the itinerary combining private buses and trains
• 6 Nights lodging in hotel with double or single room and private bathroom

Meals
The meals we provide while your Lima Cusco Machu Picchu Tour are shown below:

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NOT INCLUDED:
• Flights to and from Cusco
• Other entrances not described on our itinerary
• Any other accommodation before or after the tour
• Alcoholic drinks
• Medical or Life Insurance
• Other expenses
• Any other expense due to delays because of natural causes, landslides, political strikes, etc.

SUGGESTED PERSONAL EQUIPMENT:
• A 60 litre Duffel sac (18 lbs max weight)
• Small daypack
• Walking shoes or boots
• Rain jacket & pants
• Gloves & wool hat
• Long sleeved shirts (cotton/breathable fabric, not too thin)
• Sun hat/Sunglasses/Sunscreen
• Mosquito repellent
• Personal items & medication
• Torch, binoculars
• Personal documents (Passport Mandatory to present at control gates)