



LAT-03

CUSCO, CAPITAL OF THE TAHUANTINSUYO – INCA EMPIRE

Cusco, Sacred Valley & Machu Picchu

Lima, Cusco & Machu Picchu

Five Days / Four Nights

Daily

CUSCO

Tahuantinsuyo, Quechua word that means "four regions". Tour its streets and churches, its archaeological sites, and markets, that's how you really experience Cusco. Imperial city, sacred city, it awaits to hypnotize us with its magic and captivate us with its history. It will be such an intense and emotional trip that you will hope that it never ends.

DAY 01: WELCOME TO LIMA & CUSCO

LAT-03 requires an early morning arrival to connect with your local flight Lima/Cusco the same day. If this is not suitable, and you plan to arrive in the evening, we will add an overnight stay at the Wyndham Hotel located in Lima airport.

In the afternoon, exclusive stroll in the city that starts with a visit to the Plaza de San Cristóbal (San Cristobal Square) to enjoy a panoramic overview of the city. Afterwards, we will visit the San Pedro Market, where we will absorb the local flavors and learn more about the products of the area in this market that has it all and supplies the entire city. Later, the Qorikancha Temple will welcome us with all its splendor and magnificence, with walls that used to be covered in gold. From San Blas, the artisans' neighborhood, we will walk down the street Hatun Rumiyoq finding in our way the palace Inca Roca, today's Archbishops Palace, and we will have time to admire the world famous Twelve Angled Stone. We will continue to the Main Square of Cusco to visit The Cathedral that houses colonial works of incredible value.

Overnight accommodations at selected hotel

DAY 02: CUSCO

Archaeological Park of Sacsayhuaman

In the morning, we will leave behind the crowds to visit Sacsayhuaman, an impressive citadel full of colossal constructions surrounded by beautiful landscape in total communion with the environment. Afterwards, we continue to the Inca adoratory of Q'engo, with its surprising altar for sacrifices embedded in the internal part of its rocky formation. Finally, we arrive at the Puca Pucará lookout and Tambomachay, a monument of notable architectonic excellence which is considered one of the pillars of the Andean cosmovision. Free afternoon to enjoy the city.

Free afternoon for additional activities, or to cruise around the streets of Cusco. The passport of admissions that is included in this trip gives you access to other points of interest that are not visited.

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight accommodations at selected hotel

DAY 03: CUSCO/SACRED VALLEY

Inca Village of Chinchero, Terraces of Moray and the Inca Village of Ollantaytambo

On this day we shall visit the most outstanding places in the Sacred Valley of the Incas. We will depart towards the Village of Chinchero, the most typical and colorful of the Sacred Valley. This village is famous for its weaving women. Short stop in a textiles center to appreciate the old Inca techniques for dyeing and spinning using alpaca wool. After visiting the Inca Plaza with its beautiful colonial church, we will continue towards Moray, a beautiful Inca archaeological site made up of concentric agricultural terraces that served as a lab to recreate microclimates. Lunch. Later visit to the last living village of the Incas, Ollantaytambo. Also, a visit to the Temple of the ten windows, the bath of the princess, and the Sun Temple. The postcard pictures that we will take from the heights of Ollantaytambo will close this magical day in the Sacred Valley of the Incas. Lodging in Sacred Valley.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight accommodations at selected hotel

DAY 04: MACHU PICCHU, THE LOST CITY

The much-awaited day to visit one of the 7 Wonders of the World. Boarding at the Ollantaytambo station. Departure in the selected train service (Vistadome Train). Arrival at Machu Picchu station. Assistance, from our staff to board the bus that will ascend up a winding road, with a spectacular view of the Urubamba River which forms a deep canyon. The Lost City of the Incas, Machu Picchu, will greet us with its incredible terraces, staircases, ceremonial sites and urban areas. Energy exudes from the whole place. Lunch. At the coordinated time, return by train and transfer to the hotel in Cusco.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Overnight accommodations at selected hotel

DAY 5: DEPART CUSCO

Transfer from the hotel to the train or bus station or to the airport for your departure to your next destination.

Meals: Breakfast at the hotel

HIGHLIGHTS:

- San Pedro central market of Cusco.
- Qorikancha temple.
- Chinchero Inca Old Town.
- Moray Inca terraces.
- Ollantaytambo, the Last Inca Town
- Machu Picchu, Inca Lost Citadel.

TOUR RATES INCLUDE:

- Private transfers from airport to hotels.
- Shared transfer to the train station.
- All admission tickets on tours.
- Round trip railway ticket to Machu Picchu via Vistadome Train Service.
- Tours with English speaking guide.
- 2 Lunches.
- 3 nights of accommodation in Cusco in selected hotels.
- 1 night of accommodation in Sacred Valley in selected hotels.
- Daily breakfast at hotels.
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NOT INCLUDED:

- Roundtrip international air between the USA and Lima
- Air transportation within Peru.
- Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages.
- Expenses of personal nature and/or land tour services and hotels not included in the itinerary.
- Gratuities to guides and drivers.

WHAT SHOULD TRAVELERS KNOW:

- Machu Picchu has limited capacity. It is required to give the full name, identification document, nationality, date of birth at the time of the reservation. The access to Machu Picchu is taking turns. We are allowed to only remain 4 hours in the citadel. The paths are delimited. We will follow the high-long path. Not permitted: to climb the walls, rest on the steps or terraces, or use walking sticks and drones.
- Operated exclusively, we offer the experience of visiting the city and the Archaeological Park of Sacsayhuaman in two half days to discover interesting spots of the city of Cusco that the traditional visitor does not cover. Our operation takes the visitor away from the crowd and gives each archaeological site and church the necessary time to get to know it.

ALTITUDES: (Meters above sea level)

Cusco - 3,400 .

Sacsayhuaman - 3,700

Sacred Valley - 2,871

Machu Picchu - 2,440

WHAT TO BRING:

- Long sleeve shirt. The solar radiation is high at high altitudes. Protect your skin.
- Sunscreen.
- Sunglasses.
- Cap or hat. You can also get them in the artisan markets and contribute to the local economy.
- Warm clothing for the night. Scarf.
- Comfortable shoes for walking. Trekking sneakers.
- Raincoat, in the November to March season. Avoid purchasing single use raincoats.
- Reusable water bottle. Several hotels have water filters available to refill your reusable water bottles. We support the reduction of the single use plastic water Bottle.

