

# Inca Empire

## 8 Days Lima - Cusco - Sacred Valley - Machu Picchu

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The Inca Empire right at our feet. Visit the most representative and astonishing sites of each place we visit. A memorable selection of the main attractions offered by Cusco and Lima.

### Data

Departures: daily.

Minimum: 1 passenger.

Operating season: all year.

Service: shared tour.

### Detailed Itinerary

#### DAY 1: LIMA | INC: -

Arrival in Lima, meet and greet at the airport, transfer to your hotel. In the afternoon we will have a tour through Lima's streets and plazas. Starting at the Love Park in Miraflores, with a spectacular view of the Pacific Ocean, and then heading to the HuacaPucllana, ceremonial center of the Lima culture. After this, we go on to the Main Square where the Government Palace and the Town Hall are located. We will visit the Cathedral and explore the Santo Domingo Convent, along which corridors San Martin de Porras and San Rosa de Lima used to walk around in 17th century, and where their remains rest today. Stay in Lima.

#### DAY 2: LIMA | INC: B

In the morning we will set off for the archaeological sanctuary of Pachacamac which is located at only 30km south of Lima. Adobe made and overlooking the ocean and the Lurin River Valley, this was the center of pilgrimage for many of the cultures that inhabited Peru in the past. When the Incas arrived, the complex was adapted as an administrative center, respecting the local constructions. See the Temple of the Sun, the Acllahuasi, the Taurichumbi Palace, and the Pilgrims Plaza, among others. We will also visit the In-site Museum to have a better understanding and see the remains found in the area.

In the afternoon, we will visit the spectacular Larco Museum, which is considered one of the main attractions of Lima. Then, we will take a break to enjoy a drink made of Pisco, our flagship liquor, in a traditional tavern in Pueblo Libre to later head to the Park of the Reserve to enter the Magic Water Tour, the newest entertainment icon in the city, comprised of 13 water fountains that provide a mixture of color, illusion and fantasy. Overnight in Lima.

#### DAY 3: LIMA/CUSCO | INC: B

Transfer to the airport and flight to Cusco. Arrival in Lima, meet and greet, transfer to your hotel. In the afternoon our exclusive city tour starts with a visit to the San Cristobal Plaza to enjoy its panoramic view of the city. Then, we will visit the San Pedro Market to soak in its local flavors and to learn about more of the products grown in the area which supply the whole city. After this, the Korikanca temple will welcome us in all his magnificence; this temple, whose Quechua name means "Gold Enclosure" still bedazzles us with the thought of its gold covered walls. Then it is the turn to visit the Santo Domingo Church. We will walk from San Blas, the artisans' neighborhood, to the HatunRumiyocstreet, stopping at the Inca Roca Palace, nowadays home to the Archbishop's Palace and also at the famous Twelve Angle Stone. We will continue our walk to the Main Square to visit the Cathedral and its valuable and beautiful colonial masterpieces.

#### DAY 4: CUSCO | INC: B

In the morning we will distance from the crowds and visit Sacsayhuaman, a huge and impressive fortress of colossal constructions and surrounded by beautiful views blending together perfectly. Our adventure continues at the Inca

Shrine Qenqo, to see the sacrificial altar embedded inside a rock cave. Finally we will arrive to the PucaPucara viewpoint and Tambomachay, monument of impressive architectonic knowledge considered as one of the pillars of Andean Cosmo vision.

Free afternoon to explore the city. Stay in Cusco.

#### **DAY 5: SACRED VALLEY | INC: B/L**

This day we will visit the most outstanding sites of the Sacred Valley of the Incas. We will leave for the town of Chinchero, the most typical and picturesque of the Sacred Valley. This town is also famous for its women weavers, we will make a brief stop in a textile center to appreciate its beautiful fabrics and where they will teach us the ancient Inca techniques for dyeing and spinning with Alpaca wool. In the town of Chinchero we will visit its Inca archaeological complex and its beautiful colonial church enjoying the impressive natural images that surround the town. We will continue to Moray, beautiful and curious Inca archaeological complex composed of colossal concentric terraces simulating a large amphitheater. In Incas times, it served as an agricultural laboratory where diverse microclimates were recreated. Lunch at one of the restaurants in the area. Finally, we end our tour visiting the fabulous archaeological complex of Ollantaytambo important for the Incas as a military, religious and agricultural center. We will visit the Temple of the ten windows, the bathrooms of the ñusta, the Temple of the Sun among other places of interest. The postcards from the heights of Ollantaytambo will close this magical day in the Sacred Valley of the Incas. Stay at the Sacred Valley.

#### **DAY 6: SACRED VALLEY/MACHU PICCHU | INC: B/L**

A train trip away to see one of the New Seven Wonders of the World. We arrive at the AguasCalientes station where our staff will assist us on boarding the bus to go up the winding road to Machu Picchu, amid a spectacular view of the Urubamba River and its canyon. The Lost City of the Incas, Machu Picchu, will astonish us with its terraces, ceremonial shrines, steps and urban areas. Energy is all around us. After a guided visit, we will have lunch at one of the restaurants in the area. Overnight stay at one of the hotels in AguasCalientes or Machu Picchu.

#### **DAY 7: MACHU PICCHU/CUSCO | INC: B**

Morning off. Entrance tickets to Machu Picchu are limited. We suggest applying for the entrance tickets for later dates at the moment you book the whole tour program so as to avoid any complications due to congestions or lack of local availability. In an additional visit to Machu Picchu we will be able to see the areas of the Intipunku or Door of the Sun, the Inca Trail entrance to the citadel. For those looking for a more intense adventure and wish to visit Huayna Picchu, it is important to have in mind that there are only 400 daily spots to climb the mountain, all of which have to be reserved in advance. At the arranged time, we will return to Cusco and will be transferred to the hotel. Overnight stay in Cusco.

#### **DAY 8: CUSCO/LIMA | INC: B**

Departure transfer.

#### **End of our services.**

Includes:

##### **LIMA**

Transfer airport / hotel / airport

HD City tour - HD Pre Inca Temple of Pachacamac tour - HD Larco Museum and Magic Water Circuit tour

2 nights of accommodation - Daily breakfast

##### **CUSCO**

Transfers airport / hotel / train station / hotel / airport

HD City tour - HD Sacsayhuaman Archeological Park tour

FD Sacred Valley of the Incas : Pisacindian market and Ollantaytambo Fortress with lunch

FD Machu Picchu excursion - Buffet lunch at Sanctuary's Lodge restaurant

3 nights of accommodation in Cusco - 1 night of accommodation in the Sacred Valley - 1 night of accommodation in AguasCalientes - Daily breakfast

Note: First Class Train Program includes lunch on the train.

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<b>Comfort 3*</b>	El Tambo 1 (2n) + Augusto's Cusco (2n) + Mabey Valle Sagrado (1n) + Ferré Machupicchu (1n) + Augusto's Cusco (1n)	\$ 1777	\$ 1399	\$ 1387
<b>Tourist Superior 4*</b>	Allpa Hotel and Suites (2n) + Hotel San Agustin El Dorado (2n) + San Agustin Urubamba (1n) + Ferré Machupicchu (Media Pensión) (1n) + Hotel San Agustin El Dorado (1n)	\$ 2049	\$ 1534	\$ 1534
<b>Deluxe 5*</b>	Swissotel (2n) + Aranwa Cusco Boutique Hotel (2n) + Aranwa Hotels and Wellness (1n) + Sumaq Hotel (1n) + Aranwa Cusco Boutique Hotel (1n)	\$ 3708	\$ 2426	\$ 2546

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