

Andean Crossing

9 Days Lima – Cusco - Machu Picchu – Puno - Titicaca Lake Crossing - La Paz

Crossing borders. Getting farther. The Andes take us from Peru to Bolivia. One culture, a million ways to express it. A civilization's mystery is right in front of us... let's follow the steps of an impressive culture.

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/CUSCO | INC: D.

Transfer to the airport and flight to Cusco. On arrival, meet and greet at the airport, 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 Korikancha 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 3: CUSCO | INC: D.

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.

DAY 4: CUSCO/MACHU PICCHU/CUSCO | INC: B/L

According to the season, we will go to the Poroy train station or Ollantaytambo train station, where we will depart by train to visit one of the New 7 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. At the arranged time, we will return to Cusco and will be transferred to the hotel.

DAY 5: CUSCO/PUNO | INC: B/L

Departure on a tour bus to Puno. On the way we'll stop to visit the attractions this beautiful route has to offer. The first stop: Andahuaylillas for a visit to its beautiful chapel, then its Racchi, Temple of the Wiracocha god where the walls and narrow streets stand out. Then it's lunch time and the opportunity to see the view at La Raya, natural border between Cusco and Puno. Before our final destination we will visit the in site Pucara Museum and a chance to get one of the local classic bull shaped ceramics. We will arrive in Puno at the end of the afternoon.

DAY 6: PUNO | INC: B

A morning trip to visit the "people of the lake". A visit to the Uros' handmade islands and their inhabitants who will welcome us to their peculiar life style. It is hard to believe but these friendly locals live, get an education and make a living on these floating islands. In the afternoon we will visit the pre-Inca cemetery of the HatunColla chiefs in Sillustani, on the shore of Lake Umayo. A great trip to see the funerary towers or Chullpas reaching up to six meters high. Stay at Puno.

DAY 7: PUNO/COPACABANA/SUN ISLAND/LA PAZ | INC: B/L

Early land transfer to Copacabana Sanctuary. Visit to Copacabana. Board the Catamaran Cruise Ship, snack on board while sailing to Sun Island, the legendary birthplace of the Inca Empire. Visit the Inca Garden, steps and fountain followed by the Inti Wata Cultural Complex including the Ekako Underground Museum, the traditional medicine and the Titikaka Reed Shipbuilders display centers, the Pachamama agricultural Inca terraces, a handicraft center, the Intica lounge and at the MancoKapac look out the largest variety of Andean camelids. Also, the Inti Wata Complex at Sun Island includes a unique sailing experience aboard a huge Titikaka traditional vessel for a panoramic visit to the PilkokainaInca Palace. Buffet lunch on board while sailing on Lake Titicaca. Transfer to La Paz.

DAY 8: LA PAZ | INC: B

In the morning it is time for our city tour which begins in the typical Witches' Market, then is off to the Colonial San Francisco Church and the Murillo Plaza in which we will find the Metropolitan Cathedral, the Government Palace and the Parliament. Then we will walk around the famous Jaen Street where the most important museums of La Paz are located, to later move to different directions like the residential areas of Obrajes, Calacoto and la Florida to end our tour in the spectacular Valley of the Moon. Free afternoon to discover the city.

DAY 9: LA PAZ/LIMA | INC: B

Departure transfer.

End of our services.

Includes:

LIMA

Transfer airport / hotel / airport - HD City tour

1 night of accommodation in Lima - Daily breakfast

CUSCO

Transfers airport / hotel / train station / hotel / airport

HD City tour - HD Sacsayhuaman Archeological Park tour

FD Machu Picchu excursion - Buffet lunch
 FD Cusco / Puno by bus with lunch and visits on route
 3 nights of accommodation in Cusco - Daily breakfast

PUNO

Transfers bus station / hotel
 HD Uros Floating Islands excursion - HD Sillustani Pre-Inca Tombs
 2 nights of accommodation in Puno - Daily breakfast

LA PAZ

Titicaca Lake Crossing by catamaran with lunch on board
 HD City tour and Moon Islands - Transfer hotel / airport
 2 nights of accommodation in La Paz- Daily breakfast

Note: Sacred Valley train program includes lunch and dinner on the train / First Class Train Program includes lunch on the train.

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Comfort 3*	El Tambo 1 (1n) + Augusto's Cusco (3n) + Casa Andina Standard (2n) + Hostal Naira La Paz (2n)	\$ 2398	\$ 1985	\$ 1935
Tourist Superior 4*	Allpa Hotel and Suites (1n) + Hotel San Agustin El Dorado (3n) + Jose Antonio Puno (2n) + El Rey Palace (2n)	\$ 2738	\$ 2114	\$ 2047
Deluxe 5*	Swissotel (1n) + Aranwa Cusco Boutique Hotel (3n) + Libertador Lago Titicaca (2n) + Suites Camino Real (2n)	\$ 4320	\$ 2992	\$ 3138

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