

12 Days Adventure in the Southern Circuit

Lima, Paracas, Nasca, Arequipa, Colca, Puno, Cusco and Machu Picchu

Valid Till : Dec 2019

An opportunity to discover the wonders Peru has to offer on bus tour through its coast and highlands; our travel companions? the ocean's breeze, the silent of the desert and the tall mountains home to one of the biggest empires of the continent.

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Departures: daily.

Minimum: 2 passengers.

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 Huaca Pucllana, 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/PARACAS/NASCA | INC: B

Early in the morning we will be transferred to the bus station to depart to Paracas. On arrival, welcoming reception and transfer to the hotel pier to embark on a boat tour to the Ballestas Islands. The "Chandelier" a giant figure marked in the sand in the style of the Nazca lines can also be seen on our way to the islands. On the islands you will be able to observe sea lions, pelicans, Humboldt penguins and other sea birds.

At the coordinated time, we will head towards the Paracas National Reserve for a visit to the Interpretation Center of the Reserve, where they conduct research and preservation projects of marine species in the area; then we will take a tour of Yumaque and Lagunilla beaches, and finally we will visit the Independence Obelisk.

Transfer to the bus station to depart to Nazca. Arrival and welcoming reception. Overnight stay at Nasca.

DAY 3: NASCA/AREQUIPA | INC: B/BL

In the morning we will go to the local airfield to fly over the Nazca lines, huge drawing that can only be seen from the sky and which represent several insects and animals like a monkey, hummingbird, condor or a spider. The origins are unknown, while many think it is a big astronomic calendar. Free rest of the day to enjoy the hotel facilities and surrounding areas. In the afternoon transfer to the bus station and departure to Arequipa . Arrival in Arequipa at night. Welcoming reception and transfer to hotel. Overnight stay at Arequipa.

DAY 4: AREQUIPA | INC: B

Free morning. This afternoon the White City opens its doors on a journey that begins in the beautiful Colonial district of San Lazaro, the founding place of Arequipa; from here we will walk through its picturesque streets adorned with geraniums to later go to the Carmen Alto viewpoint for a chance to see the wonderful landscape of agricultural terraces and the three volcanoes surrounding the city: Misti, Chachani and Pichu-Pichu. It is time to head for the Yanahuara Colonial district, famous for its Andalusian style church and its viewpoint, architecture jewel surrounded by *sillar* (volcanic stone) arches. Then we will visit the Santa Catalina Monastery, impressive religious monument which was closed for about 400 years; with narrow streets, squares and gardens reminiscent of the old quarters of Seville or Granada. We will proceed to the Main Square to see its beautiful Cathedral and the stone arches that surround it, and finally, it is time to visit the Church of the Society of Jesus, founded in the seventeenth century by the Jesuits, famous for its cloisters and its magnificent San Ignacio Dome. Stay at Arequipa.

