Day 1 – ARRIVAL - LIMA

Arrive at Lima airport in an international flight (own arrangements).

Upon arrival, on the first day of your trip to Peru, you will be welcomed at Lima airport and transferred to the selected hotel. After check-in you will have a briefing in which you will be handed your “Travel kit” which includes all your travel documents such as itinerary, flight, train and bus tickets, and hotel information.

Overnight: Lima

Day 2 - LIMA

Breakfast at the hotel.

City Tour Colonial & Modern + Larco Museum (Private Tour - 4 hours)

You will visit colonial Lima, the Cathedral, located in the Main Square; it is in the same place as the original building of 1555. After the earthquake in 1746, the Cathedral was rebuilt on the same site under the direction of Jesuit priest Juan Rehr. Both its facade and interior are austere with its remarkable wooden choir stalls, altars and the tomb of Francisco Pizarro, who died in 1541. Later, you will visit the Church of San Francisco, its convent, Art Museum, cloisters and catacombs. Afterwards, you will have a panoramic view of the Main Square with the Government Palace, the Municipal Hall, the "Desamparados" Train Station, before driving through the old streets, where you will have a spectacular view of traditional mansions and Moorish style balconies. You will then continue through classic and modern Lima. Finally, you will enjoy an amazing view of the Pacific Ocean.
After, you will visit the Rafael Larco Herrera Museum, founded in 1926, which has the largest private collection of pre-Columbian art in the world. The collection concentrates on the refined ceramics of the Moche Dynasty and the people who lived along the northern coast of Peru between 200 and 700 AD. You will learn about their religion, agriculture, transport, dance and music through their ceramic designs and shapes.

Lunch at the Larco Museum Restaurant to feast the best Peruvian and international cuisine in a magical and welcoming atmosphere, offering through the flavors and customs their own physiognomy reflects contemporary aspirations of society. The restaurant has a privileged view of the pre-Columbian pyramid and vice regal mansion that is part of the Larco Museum.

Overnight: Lima

**Day 3 – LIMA- CUSCO**

Breakfast at the hotel.

At coordinated time, you will be transferred to the airport to board your flight to Cusco. Upon arrival in Cusco, you will be transferred to your selected hotel.

**City Tour & Surrounding Ruins (Private Tour - 4 hours)**

You will be picked up from your hotel, to start the City Tour visiting Cusco’s Historical Inca and Spanish Colonial Monuments, such as the Main Square, known in Inca times as Huacaypata or the Warrior's Square; it was the scene for many key events in Cusco's history.

The Cathedral, originally built on the site of the old temple of Suntur Wasi (House of God), now the church of El Triunfo, the choir cloisters are a point of interest, the pulpit, the engravings on the altar and furniture. Continue onto the Church and Convent of Santo Domingo, a Spanish construction belonging to the Dominican Order built upon the foundations of the Inca temple of Koricancha or Temple of the Sun. Koricancha (in quechua, site of gold) was the main religious building of the Incas dedicated to the worship of the Sun and whose walls, according to the chroniclers, were plated with sheets of gold. Magnificent blocks of finely carved stone were used in its construction.

After, you will visit the surrounding ruins of the city of Cusco: Sacsayhuaman, this huge Inca fortress is built on three overlapping platforms, each of them over 360 m long. Then we continue, onto Tambomachay, known as the Inca baths. It was apparently a site dedicated to the worship of water and a resting place for the Inca monarch. Kenko, it is said to have been a worship site. There is a huge 5, 9 m high stone block that looks like a puma. There are also passages, canals and stairways with stone engravings representing animals. Finally, Puca Pucará, which was an administrative and military center formed by terraces, stairways, passages, turrets and vaulted niches.

Overnight: Cusco

**Day 4 - CUSCO - SACRED VALLEY - CUSCO**

Breakfast at the hotel.

**Full Day Sacred Valley Awanakancha, Chinchero, Maras & Moray (Private Tour - 7 hours)**

You will visit Awanakancha. Here you will see alpacas as well as other animals of the area. At this idyllic place you will also be explained the art of dyeing. The locals use various natural resources to give their textiles the typical, intense colors.
Then you will continue visiting Chinchero, a small traditional village located on the way to Urubamba from Cusco. At Chinchero you will visit a traditional weaving workshop where you will be given a very interesting presentation on how the local artisans use natural products such as various plants, minerals and even insects, to obtain the varied selection of colors used to dye their textiles.

After, move on to the Maras Salt Mines. These Salt Mines have been used since long before the Inca times. The extraction method employed involves using an ancient drying process, whereby saltwater, flowing from an underground stream, is left in thousands of wells until it has evaporated, leaving behind only the salt, which is then ready to be sold or exchanged for provisions.

Next, continue towards the Archaeological Site of Moray, these unusual Inca constructions, mostly consisting of several enormous terraced circular depressions, have been built in such a way that the temperature difference from the highest and the lowest terrace can be of up to 10 °C. Moray seems to have been an Inca agricultural experiment station to adapt crops to different microclimates.

Lunch is included in this tour
Overnight: Cusco

**Day 5 – CUSCO - MACHU PICCHU - CUSCO**

Breakfast at the hotel.

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the train station to board your train to Machu Picchu, a great World Heritage Site. This archaeological site was hidden for centuries, until it came to light during the early 1900s, by the famous discoverer Hiram Bingham.

It is almost impossible to describe in words, how you will feel when faced with the citadel, a huge complex located between the mountains and the jungle and a wonderful challenge to your imagination.

Upon arrival at Aguas Calientes, reception at the train station and transfer uphill to Machu Picchu (approximately 20 minutes).

*Visit to Machu Picchu (Private Tour - 2 ½ hours)*

On arrival to Machu Picchu you will begin your tour of the Citadel where you will appreciate the history of this enigmatic and impressive place.

The citadel was built on a very special spot covered in vegetation between two mountains: the Machu Picchu (old mountain) and Huayna Picchu (young mountain), at the foot of which meanders the Urubamba or Vilcanota River (lower Jungle featuring abundant flora and fauna).

In the afternoon, you will return to Aguas Calientes to board your return train to Cusco. Upon arrival, reception and transfer to your hotel.

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Overnight: Cusco
Day 6 – CUSCO – FREE DAY
Breakfast at the hotel.

Free day to enjoy the city at your leisure. Walk around the cobblestone streets, discovering the different sites of Inca architecture. Visit San Blas, the artists’ neighborhood, to see artisans working on their pieces like furniture, paintings, etc.

Make great use of your Tourist Ticket and visit the following sites on your own: Qorikancha Site Museum, Historic Regional Museum, Contemporary Art Museum, Qosqo Native Art Center, Popular Art Museum, Pachacutec Monument.

Overnight: Cusco

Day 7 – CUSCO – LIMA - DEPARTURE
Breakfast at the Hotel.

At coordinated time, you will be transferred to the airport to board your flight to Lima. Upon arrival to Lima airport, assistance to connect with your international flight back home.