



# TOURS TO MACHU PICCHU FROM LIMA

## 8 DAYS

- ✓ **TOUR ITINERARY:** Tours to Lima, Cusco, Sacred Valley & Machu Picchu
- ✓ **TOTAL DAYS:** 8 Days / 7 Nights
- ✓ **TOUR SERVICE:** SHARED GROUPS
- ✓ **HIGHLIGHTS:** Lima city, Cusco city, Sacred Valley, Machu Picchu
- ✓ **ACCOMODATION :** 2 \*\* Hotels Economic Class ( 3 \* and 4 \* hotels available upon request )
- ✓ **MEALS:** Breakfast (B), Lunch (L), Dinner (D)

### Tour itinerary:

#### DAY 1 : LIMA CITY

Upon arrival to Lima city, a local tour guide will meet you at international airport, the guide assigned will be waiting holding a sign and your name on it with a logo of Trippers Peru .Then will bring you to your hotel selected where you will have a pre briefing of your tour in Peru.

Overnight in Lima city hotel.

**01 night of accommodation in Lima**

#### DAY 2: LIMA CITY, HISTORIC CENTER & MIRAFLORES TOURIST DISTRICT

Lima colonial located principally in the city centre or Cercado de Lima and

Rímac district areas, the Historic Centre of Lima is among the most important tourist destinations in Peru, Lima is not only the name for the capital of Peru and the province around it but also one of the city's districts called Lima. The district of Lima is characterized by some very different zones. While the industrial zone and residential areas might not be very interesting, the historic city center, actually the colonial capital of Peru that Francisco Pizarro founded in 1535, is an absolute must for every visitor. Lima's historical center was declared a World Heritage Site by the UNESCO in 1988 and a "Cultural Patrimony of Humanity" in 1996.



Your tour in Lima begins after your breakfast, a hotel pick up in a private transportation from our company, then We will start off our tour with a great panoramic view of Huaca Pucllana ,an old pre-Inca construction dating back to 500 DC. Later on we will head towards the heart of the city of Lima historic center in order to visit its colonial site. Once we get there we will start a nice walking tour that will take us to see various attractions of the city. Among them stand out; The Paseo de la Republica (Promenade of the Republic), San Martin Square and the Plaza Mayor (Main Square), with their different



buildings: Government Palace, Archbishop's Palace, the Basilica Cathedral and the Municipal...Palace. We continue our tour at the Convent of San Francisco which was built in colonial times and still today keeps all the treasures from the Spanish era, including subterranean catacombs. After visiting the center of Lima, we will head to the modern Metropolis and will have a short visit to the district of San Isidro, stopping at its Olive Grove. Our tour continues to the Area of Miraflores located in the coast of Lima city, a short stop in Larco Mar Shopping Center, a mall located in the top of a cliff facing the Ocean Pacific of Lima City. At time we will drop you off at your hotel.

**01 night of accommodation in Lima (B)**

### **DAY 3 CUSCO CLASSIC CITY TOUR & 04 ARCHEAOLOGICAL RUINS**

Breakfast in your hotel, at estimated time, hotel pick up and private transfer to the airport for your flight to Cusco city. Upon arrival to Cusco city, a representative of your Agency will pick you up in the airport and bring you to your hotel, you will receive information of your tour activities in the city.

Rest of the morning leisure to acclimatize.

Around 13:30 hrs. our guide will pick you up in your hotel and bring you to the meeting point for the classic Cusco city tour & main attractions that involves: - The Cathedral - : Cusco Cathedral is a Baroque-style cathedral built on the foundations of the palace of the Inca Wirachocha in Cusco. Construction began in 1550, using many stones looted from the site of the hillside Sacsayhuaman fortress, and was completed a century later. It is considered one of the most splendid Spanish colonial churches in America. Within the cathedral's high walls are some of the best examples of the Cusqueña School of painting, including a Marcos Zapata painting of the Last Supper with a local specialty, cuy (guinea pig), as main course.



The cathedral's centerpieces are its massive, solid-silver altar, and the enormous 1659 Maria Angola bell, the largest in South America, which hangs in one of the towers. The cedar choir has carved rows of saints, popes, and bishops, all in stunning detail down to their delicately articulated hands. Five chapels flank each side of the nave; one dedicated to Nuestro Señor de los Temblores (Our Lord of the Earthquakes) contains a solid-gold crucifix that, legend has it, minimized damage to the chapel during a 1650 earthquake. There's no-Christian imagery in Cusco Cathedral too: figures of pumas, the Inca representation of the earth, are carved on the enormous main doors. Normal access to the cathedral is not via those doors but through the adjoining Iglesias del Triunfo, the city's first Christian church.

- [The Koricancha Palace and Convent of Santo Domingo](#). Koricancha is a classic example of the fusion of Inca and Western cultures, and was one of the most important temples in the Tahuantinsuyu. Its finely polished stone walls were used as the foundations of the Convent of Santo Domingo. The temple walls were said to have been sheathed in gold and silver, it was dedicated to sun worship, as well as containing images of the gods of thunder and Wiracocha, deities brought from various regions and the mummified bodies of Inca rulers.



The temple worship was reserved for the highest-ranking figures of the era, and was visited by representatives of communities all over the empire to render homage to the gods of the Tahuantinsuyu. The tour continues visiting 4 archeological complexes located around the city:

- **Sacsayhuaman**.- Sacsayhuaman is one of the most amazing Inca constructions for tourists. Its Quechua name means "satisfied falcon", it was the falcon that guarded the capital of the empire, since it was possible to overlook Cusco from the hill in where it was erected. If, as it is known, Cusco was designed with the shape of a lying puma, Sacsayhuaman would be its head, and the Coricancha would correspond to the feline's genitalia. It is said that the work was started by Pachacutec and continued by Tupac Yupanqui, even though some chroniclers state that it was Huayna Capac who gave it the final touch. Inca Garcilaso de la Vega says that Apu Huallpa Rimachi was the main architect, and that Inca Maricanhi, Acahuana Inca and Calla Cunchuy successively took control of the works. Its construction took over seven decades and required the work of



20,000 men approximately, both for the foundations and hewn stone works, the transportation of materials, carving and stones setting. Hewn stones could have been located at Muina, Huacoto and Rumicolca, 20 kilometers away from Cusco, and at closer places such as Sallu, Rumi, Chita, Curovilca and Viracocha. Sacsayhuaman Some of its external walls exceed the 9 meters of height and 350 tons of weight.

Spectacular fortress built with huge carved rocks jointed with absolute accuracy, this astounding sample of the Incan military architecture is, undoubtedly, the greatest architectonic work of the Tahuantinsuyu. But, in addition, it proves the undeniable firmness of the great administrative capacity of the empire and its powerful logistic system capable of mobilizing and organizing such a work.

It is located 2 km away from the city of Cusco, that is, 10 minutes by car. As of the Spanish arrival its aspect has changed a lot, since this fortress was used as a hewn stone to build the colonial Cusco.

- **Qenqo**.- At 4 and 6 km, 5 minutes to the northeast of Cusco, by asphalted road, we can find the two archaeological sites of Qenqo: Qenqo Grande, which is located near the road that goes from Sacsayhuaman to Pisac; and Qenqo Chico, which is located at 350 meters to the west from the latter, on the hillside. Both of them are worship places whose nature has not been deciphered yet, but in which we can highlight the Inca's predilection for stone and their thoroughness with regard to the carving process. These sites are limestone outcrops on which intricate mythical representations had been carved. It is believed that it was destined to the worship of the land. Its Quechua name means zigzag, probably due to the labyrinthine underground galleries, or due to the small channels carved on rocks with that shape.

- **Puca-Pucara**.- Located at 7 km to the northeast of the city, by the road leading to Pisac (30 minutes by car and 2 hours on foot), we find this Inca site which Quechua name means "red fortress" due to the color of the rocks when the twilight reflects on them. (puca = red and pucara = fortress or defended place). It would deal about a military building made up by overlapping terraces, interior squares, aqueducts, watchtowers, high walls and staircases.

However, its presence along the road may also indicate that it was a wayside inn, though its structure does not belong to the standard outlining that characterizes those buildings along the Inca trails. On this possibility, there is a version that says the Inca accommodated there his numerous delegations each time he decided to



visit the Tambomachay baths. The site occupies another typical rocky place standing out in the Sacsayhuaman plain. Towards the western side, it shows a facade on a free area like a small square. On the opposite site, there is a medium size building, which main characteristic is its strategic location since it controls the whole surrounding territory.

- **Tambomachay.- Tambo Machay**, 7 km northeast of Cusco, is believed to have been built around 1500 AD. This site, sometimes referred to as Inca's Bath or El Baño del Inca, is thought to have been used for religious functions. Some theories suggest Tambo Machay was involved in an Inca water cult. Fountains or waterfalls fed by spring water were used to channel water to a ceremonial stone bath. The fountains are still functional at this well preserved site. Above the baths is an Inca wall. Tambo Machay is located in a sheltered area about 300m off the road to Pisac. Frequency: everyday in the afternoons.

Around 18:00 p.m. we will return to Cuzco city and drop you off in your hotel, rest of the night leisure to explore the city by night.

**1 night of accommodation in Cusco (B)**

## DAY 4. SACRED VALLEY TOUR TO THE HEARTLAND OF THE INCA EMPIRE

Sacred Valley of the Incas or Urubamba Valley, the heartland of the Inca empire, close to the Inca capital of



Cuzco contains numerous archaeological remains and villages, due to its special geographical and climatic qualities this Sacred Valley was appreciated by the Incas.

The route crosses a spectacular geography crossed by the Vilcanota River a fertile valley which in turn is the most productive of the country where you can find the best corn in the world, various fruits proper of the region. At an altitude of 2800 m.s.n.m. surrounded by Snow Capped mountains like Apu Salkantay (Salkantay Mountain Range), its climate is marked by two seasons: wet and dry. The wet season occurs between the months of November to April. Sacred Valley or Urubamba province is made up of the districts where the main architectural monuments of the

Incas: Urubamba, Ollantaytambo, Chinchero, Huayllabamba, Maras and Yucay.

08:30 h. You will be picked up from your hotel in Cusco by our local representative. Our excursion is done on a private tourist bus, which is shared with other travelers. Afterwards we will take a road that winds over the mountains north of Cusco. On the way we will stop at a point known as El Mirador, from where we will be able to see the whole Sacred Valley and receive a good insight of the Inca history.

The Sacred Valley was undoubtedly a key area of settlement to the Incas; its combination of agreeable climate and fertile plains bestow an unusual abundance for the high Andes. Here the Incas sculpted the mountain flanks with vast contour terracing and irrigation channels. Our driver and guide will suggest you the best points for pictures.

Later on, we will drive towards the ruins of Pisac. At the ruins you will see and learn about different aspects of Inca culture. You can see a great fine art of stone works and impressive agricultural terraces all over the place. After touring around we will get back to the car and will drive back to the modern town of Pisac, where there is a peculiar market that deserves to be visited.



At the market you will have free time to walk around and do some shopping. Afterwards we will meet for lunch in a nice local restaurant to enjoy good Andean food.

After lunch the tour continues along the Urubamba River towards the town of Ollantaytambo. Once we get there a guided visit to the ruins of Ollantaytambo, an important Inca construction built during the Inca's heydays. This is an extraordinary Inca place where besides the ruins you may also see an amazing rock formation representing the Inca god Wiracocha. Afterwards, we will drop you off at your hotel in Ollantaytambo village where you will spend the night.

**1 night of accommodation in Ollantaytambo (B), Lunch (L)**

## DAY 5. MACHU PICCHU DAY TOUR – OVERNIGHT IN AGUAS CALIENTES

After our breakfast we will drive to Ollantaytambo train station and start our journey to Machu Picchu. After leaving the village of Ollantaytambo, the train will start to descend more and more, along the edge of the Urubamba River, till finally reach the cloud forest. After approximately 2 hours we will have arrived in Aguas Calientes, where a representative from our agency will welcome you and then will escort you to the following bus terminal that will bring us to the main gate of Machu Picchu.

Guided tour in the Incan city of Machu Picchu will last about 2 hours, our professional and expert native guide will take you through the main streets and monuments of the temple, then the tourist will have free time to explore on your own the citadel taking pictures and enjoy an invaluable landscape.

At appropriate time we will return to your hotel, rest of the day to your leisure. You can relax and enjoy this picturesque town, its traditional market or just relax in the thermal baths located just minutes' walk from the village. Driving first past there is also a walk through an orchid garden to get to the falls of Mandor.

We will spend the night in Aguas Calientes Machu Picchu village.

**01 night of accommodation in Aguas Calientes Machu Picchu (B)**



## DAY 6: TRIP TO CUSCO BY TRAIN



After breakfast , you have Free morning, you can optionally return to the Inca city of Machu Picchu (on your own) or carry out the above activities as hiking to the waterfalls of Mandor crossing a Orchids botanic garden or visit the town's thermal baths.

You will have free time to explore this picturesque village, This town is in the midst of lush vegetation and a chain of mountains that form a valley, Aguas Calientes Aguas, is a pretty town but it grew very fast and in disarray, things in town are expensive, much more expensive than in Cusco and the high price is because the locals have to bring things in Cusco. Offers to travelers At an appropriate time transfer to the train station and travel by train to the city of Cusco.

Upon arrival in Cusco, our local guide will take you to your hotel where you will spend the night..  
the trip back to Cusco takes approx. 4: hrs..

**01 night of accommodation in Cusco (B)**

## DAY 7: FLIGHT CUSCO TO LIMA

Breakfast in the hotel, morning leisure to explore the city of Cusco on your own at estimated time pick up at your hotel and transfer to the airport for your flight back to Lima city, Upon arrival to Lima, our guides will be waiting to assist and in a private transportation drop you off in your hotel. where you will spend the night

You will have the rest of the day to explore on your own

**01 night of accommodation in Lima. (B)**

## DAY 8: INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT BACK HOME

Breakfast in your hotel, day leisure, at appropriate time, private transfer from hotel to the airport to take your international flight back home.

## Tour includes:

- ✓ Professional guide in English or Spanish
- ✓ All private transfers In / Out . airport - Hotel - airport in Lima and Cusco cityl
- ✓ Guided Tour in Lima city, Colonial historic center , modenr areas like Miraflores & San Isidro.
- ✓ 3 nights in Lima city
- ✓ Flight tickets Lima - Cuzco - Lima
- ✓ Cusco classic city tour + main attractions + 04 archaeological ruins + BTC ( Boleto Turistico Cuzco )
- ✓ Full day excursion to Sacred Valley of the Incas + Pisac Inka market + Ollantaytambo Inca Complex + lunch
- ✓ Travel to Machu Picchu



- ✓ Train tickets Ollantaytambo - Aguas Calientes - Cuzco .
- ✓ Round trip bus tickets to/ from the citadel Machu Picchu
- ✓ Entrance tickets for the Citadel of Machu Picchu
- ✓ Guided tour in the citadel of Machu Picchu (approx. 3 hours).
- ✓ 2 night in Cusco city hotel (food and beverages are on your own)
- ✓ 1 night in Ollantaytambo village hotel (food and beverages are on your own)
- ✓ 1 night in Aguas Calientes Machu Picchu village hotel (food and beverages are on your own)

## Tour not includes:

- Foods
- International or domestic flights
- Extra tips or gratitude

## Accommodation:

- ✓ In Lima : [Hotel Tinkus In](#)
- ✓ In Cusco : [Carlos V Inn](#)
- ✓ In Sacred Valley : [Casa de Mama Valle](#)
- ✓ Aguas Calientes Machu Picchu : [Mistico Hostel Machu Picchu](#)



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