



CLASSIC MACHU PICCHU AND LAKE TITICACA
10 Days/9 Nights from \$2,069



Appreciate Peru's fascinating cultures and history in one of our most popular tours. It includes Lima, Cusco, the Sacred Valley of the Incas, an overnight stay in Machu Picchu, and an excursion to Lake Titicaca. You will have city tours of Lima and Cusco, and visit the Indian artisan market in Pisac and the fortress of Ollantaytambo in the Sacred Valley. You will have a free day in Machu Picchu to revisit the site or enjoy the surrounding area, and then travel by train to Puno and Lake Titicaca to experience the unique cultures of the inhabitants of Peru's Altiplano.

CUSTOMIZATION: This tour can be customized to suit your requirements.

ACTIVITIES: Cultural/historical sightseeing and hiking.



DEPARTURE DATES: Daily departures throughout the year.

GROUP/PRIVATE: All transfers are private, and the city tour of Lima, city tour of Cusco, and the Sacred Valley of the Incas excursion are group tours for single passengers, economy, and 3 star accommodations, and private for 4 Star, Superior First, 5 Star, and Deluxe accommodations. The guided tour of Machu Picchu is a group tour. In Puno, the Taquile Island and Floating Islands of Uros excursion is a group tour, and the chullpas of Sillustani excursion is private.

ELEVATIONS: Cusco is 10,912 feet (above sea level), the Sacred Valley of the Incas is 8,944 feet, Machu Picchu is 7,900 feet, and Puno is 12,566 feet.

ACCLIMATIZATION: In order to acclimatize to the higher altitudes of Cusco and Puno, we suggest that you travel first to the Sacred Valley of the Incas. If you are

interested in this option, which would add one day to your tour, please ask your travel counselor to provide you with an itinerary.

DETAILED ITINERARY

DAY 1: Lima.

Depart to Lima. After passing through immigration and customs, proceed to the reception area, where our inbound services representative will be holding a sign with your name on it. You will be greeted and then transferred to your hotel. Overnight in Lima.

DAY 2: Lima/City Tour/Folkloric Dinner Show.

In the afternoon, you will have a city tour of Lima. You will visit downtown Lima and see several examples of the Spanish architecture of the colonial period including the Plaza de Armas, the Presidential Palace, the Cathedral, and the Church of San Francisco and Catacombs. After that, you will see Huaca Huallamarca, a restored adobe pyramid dating from the pre-Inca period located in San Isidro. You will tour the upscale residential and commercial district of Miraflores and see the Parque del Amor, a seaside park with a huge statue of a kissing couple, before returning to your hotel. In the evening, you will enjoy a Folkloric Dinner Show at Junius Restaurant. Overnight in Lima. (B,D)

DAY 3: Lima/Cusco/City Tour.

Early morning transfer to the airport for the flight to Cusco. Upon arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel. Because of the high altitude (10,912 feet above sea level), we recommend that you rest for a short period. In the afternoon, you will have a city tour that includes a walk through of the Cathedral, the Koricancha ('site of gold'), typical streets, and the four ruins that surround the city: the Sacsayhuaman Fortress, Kenko, Puca Pucara, and Tampumachay. Overnight in Cusco. (B)

DAY 4: Cusco/Sacred Valley of the Incas/Pisac Market/Ollantaytambo.

Full-day excursion to the Sacred Valley of the Incas, including the Indian artisan market in Pisac and the fortress of Ollantaytambo. Lunch at a restaurant in the Sacred Valley. Overnight in Cusco. (B,L)

Note: The Indian market is open on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays from October to March, and daily from April to September. On the days of the week that the market is not open, you will be taken to the Inca ruins above the village.

DAY 5: Cusco/Machu Picchu.

Early morning transfer to the train station for the ride to Machu Picchu, 'the Lost City of the Incas' (7,900 feet). This mountaintop citadel, which served as both a center of worship and an astronomic observatory, is located in the middle of the cloud forest overlooking the Urubamba River. There are both agricultural and urban areas

constructed with the precision stonework that the Incas are known for. The agricultural area consists of terraces and food storehouses, and the urban area contains temples, squares, and royal tombs. Guided tour followed by lunch at the Sanctuary Lodge. In the afternoon, you will be transferred to your hotel. Overnight in Aguas Calientes. (B,L)

DAY 6: Machu Picchu/Cusco.

This is a free day to explore Machu Picchu on your own. You may want to hike Huayna Picchu, visit the nearby hot springs of Aguas Calientes, or enjoy another activity. Mid-afternoon, you will depart from Machu Picchu by train to Poroy Station in the Sacred Valley, and then be taken to your hotel in Cusco. Overnight in Cusco. (B)

DAY 7: Cusco/Puno.

Early morning transfer to the train station for the train ride to Puno (12,566 feet) on the Andean Explorer. Upon arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel. Overnight in Puno. (B,L)

Note: The Andean Explorer operates every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday year-round. During high season from April to October, it also operates on Fridays.

DAY 8: Puno/Lake Titicaca/Taquile Island/Floating Islands of Uros.

Morning departure by boat to Taquile Island on Lake Titicaca. The island is known for the hospitality of its people, their distinctive knit clothing, and its landscape with Inca terracing where potatoes, corn, and quinoa are cultivated. Lunch is included. On the return to Puno, you will stop at the Floating Islands of the Uros people, which are part of the Titicaca National Reserve. These islands, as well as the houses and boats used by their inhabitants, are made of totora, a water reed that can grow to 10 feet tall. Overnight in Puno. (B,L)

DAY 9: Puno/Chullpas of Sillustani/Lima.

Morning transfer to the airport for your return flight to Lima. On the way to the airport, you will visit the chullpas of Sillustani on the shores of Lake Umayo. Some of these stone funerary towers stand nearly 40 feet tall. They house the remains of the nobility who were buried in family groups along with food and their possessions for the afterlife. Upon arrival in Lima, you will be transferred to your hotel. Overnight in Lima. (B)

DAY 10: Lima.

Check out at noon. Transfer to the airport for your return flight to your final destination. (B)

B = Breakfast, **L** = Lunch, **D** = Dinner

A Note About Your Free Day in Machu Picchu

On your free day, you will be on your own. If you choose to revisit Machu Picchu, you will need to purchase a one-day pass to enter the site, which currently costs 127 soles per person (+/- \$44 per person, which you must pay for in soles, the local Peruvian currency). If you are staying in Aguas Calientes, you will also need to purchase a round-trip bus ticket (\$15 per person, which you must pay for in dollars) for transportation to the site. As an alternative to visiting Machu Picchu again, you can visit the hot springs nearby, or partake in another activity. At the end of the day (mid-late afternoon), you will walk to the train station for the return ride to Cusco. Our local representative will be waiting for you at the train station in Poroy to take you to your hotel.

PRICE PER PERSON (in U.S. Dollars)

	Single	Double	Triple
Economy	\$2,689	\$2,069	\$2,009
3 Star	\$2,929	\$2,169	\$2,129
4 Star	\$3,289	\$2,529	\$2,399
Superior First	\$4,069	\$2,979	\$2,829
5 Star	\$4,699	\$3,289	\$3,069
Deluxe	\$6,029	\$3,969	\$4,039

The above prices are valid until December 15, 2011.

NOTES:

1. Machu Picchu Pueblo, Hatuchay Tower, and Sanctuary Lodge accommodations include breakfast and dinner.
2. Room upgrades and additional nights in each destination are available upon request.
3. Upgrade to the Hiram Bingham train, which operates every day except Sunday, is available for \$450 per person.
4. Oxygenated rooms are available at the Monasterio for an additional \$50 per room per day.
5. Christmas Season and High Season (from June to August) surcharges may apply.

HOTELS

Economy: Lima, Leon de Oro Inn & Suites; Cusco, San Agustin Internacional Hotel; Machu Picchu, Inti Inn Hotel; Puno, Qelqatani Hotel.

3 Star: Lima, Casa Andina Classic Miraflores; Cusco, Casa Andina Classic Cusco; Machu Picchu, El Mapi Hotel; Puno, Casa Andina Classic Puno.

4 Star: Lima, Sol de Oro Suites Hotel; Cusco, Novotel Cusco; Machu Picchu, Hatuchay Tower Machu Picchu Hotel; Puno, Sonesta Posadas del Inca Puno.

Superior First: Lima, Casa Andina Private Collection Miraflores; Cusco, Casa Andina Private Collection Cusco; Machu Picchu, Machu Pueblo Hotel; Puno, Casa Andina Private Collection Puno.

5 Star: Lima, J.W. Marriott Hotel; Cusco, Libertador; Machu Picchu, Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel; Puno, Libertador Lake Titicaca.

Deluxe: Lima, Miraflores Park Hotel; Cusco, Hotel Monasterio; Machu Picchu, Machu Picchu Sanctuary Lodge; Puno, Libertador Lake Titicaca.

PRICE INCLUDES:

- South American Vacations' expert pre-departure planning services and documentation.
- Domestic airfare in economy class.
- Airport/hotel transfers including baggage handling.
- Hotel accommodations including taxes and service charges.
- Excursion to Machu Picchu including overnight stay and transportation via Vistadome train.
- Transportation to Puno via Andean Explorer train.
- Other excursions as indicated on the itinerary including all applicable entrance fees.
- Meals as indicated on the itinerary.
- Local, English-speaking tour guides.

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- International airfare.
- International airport departure tax (\$30.25).
- Domestic airport departure tax (\$6.05 each way).
- Meals not indicated on the itinerary.
- Gratuities to tour guides, drivers, and hotel staff.
- Gifts, personal items, and travel insurance.

We will be happy to quote the cost of international airfare and travel insurance and to make these arrangements for you.

PASSPORT/VISA: U.S., Australian, Canadian, and EU citizens (except Latvia and Romania) require a passport valid for at least six months from date of entry and return ticket for stays of up to 90 days. Citizens of Latvia and Romania require a visa. Citizens of other countries are advised to contact the Peruvian embassy in their country before traveling.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: In order to protect your travel investment from unforeseen circumstances that may arise before or during your trip, we strongly recommend that you purchase travel insurance. We offer **Access America's Classic Comprehensive** and other plans. The Benefits, Coverage Limits, and rates are summarized on our website at www.savacations.com/insurance.asp. Call your travel counselor if you have any questions or to purchase a plan.

TO BOOK THIS TRIP: We require a non-refundable deposit of \$900 per person plus the cost of the international airfare (if we make the arrangements for you). The balance of the trip cost is due 60 days prior to departure.

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