

HIGHLIGHTS OF PERU

Lima – Cusco – Sacred Valley – Machu Picchu – Lake Titicaca



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May 7 to 16, 2023 - 10 DAYS

Discover Peru's legendary monuments, fascinating traditional culture and sweeping mountain landscapes on this one-of-a-kind journey. Look forward to exploring the country's unique mix of Spanish colonial architecture and Inca ruins, discovering the traditions of the Uros people, who live on handmade islands on one of the world's highest lakes, and enjoying not one, but two visits to the famous Machu Picchu citadel, one of the seven Wonders of the World.



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Tour Summary

Day #	Destination	Overnight	Meals
1	MAY 7 Arrive Lima	LIMA (1 night) Hotel Holiday Inn Lima Miraflores (4-star)	
2	MAY 8 Lima/Cusco	CUSCO (2 nights) Hotel Jose Antonio (3/4-star)	(B)
3	MAY 9 Cusco	Hotel Jose Antonio (3/4-star)	(B)
4	MAY 10 Cusco/Sacred Valley	SACRED VALLEY (1 night) Hotel Casa Andina Premium Valle Sagrado (4-star)	(B)
5	MAY 11 Sacred Valley/Aguas Calientes & Machu Picchu	AGUAS CALIENTES (1 night) Hotel El Mapi by Inkaterra (3/4-star)	(B, D)
6	MAY 12 Aguas Calientes/Cusco	CUSCO (1 night) Hotel Jose Antonio (3/4-star)	(B)
7	MAY 13 Cusco/Puno	PUNO (2 nights) GHL Hotel Lago Titicaca (5-star)	(B, L)
8	MAY 14 Lake Titicaca	GHL Hotel Lago Titicaca (5-star)	(B, L)
9	MAY 15 Puno/Lima	LIMA (1 night) Hotel Holiday Inn Lima Miraflores (4-star)	(B)
10	MAY 16 Depart Lima		(B)

DETAILED ITINERARY

Day 01 – May 7, 2023: Arrive Lima

Upon arrival at Lima International, we are warmly received and transferred to our hotel. Hotel check in time is 3:00 pm. Lima, also known as the “City of Kings”, was founded in 1535 by the Spanish conqueror Francisco Pizarro. Today, the city is famous for its regal colonial centre, bohemian neighbourhoods and exquisite cuisine.

Overnight: [Hotel Holiday Inn Lima Miraflores](#) (4-star), Lima (1 night)



Day 02 – May 8, 2023: Lima/Cusco (Flight)

After breakfast, explore colonial and contemporary Lima*. Admire the colourful colonial architecture around Plaza San Martín and the main square, Plaza de Armas, before exploring the San Francisco Monastery and its catacombs. Then, discover Lima’s contemporary districts, Miraflores and San Isidro. Transfer to the airport for our flight to Cusco, where we are met and transferred to our hotel.

Overnight: [Hotel Jose Antonio](#) (3/4-star), Cusco (2 nights) (B)

Day 03 – May 9, 2023: Cusco

Tour Cusco*, heartland of the Incan empire. Visit Plaza de Armas and its Cathedral before seeing the foundations of Koricancha temple, now incorporated into Santo Domingo Church. We then explore the San Pedro Market, taking in the lively bustle of the colourful fruit and vegetable stands and enjoying the opportunity to sample some local products. Our day ends with a visit to Sacsayhuaman, an Inca ceremonial fortress dedicated to the sun.

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**Day 04 – May 10, 2023:
Cusco/Sacred Valley (Drive)**

Enjoy an exciting 1.5-hour drive as we explore the Sacred Valley, a scenic valley offering beautiful views and a host of Inca ruins. We start our tour at Moray, a terraced agricultural site dating back to pre-Inca times. We then see the Maras salt mines, admiring more than 3,000 salt ponds with a famous view of the Andes Mountains in the background (please note entrance to the salt terraces is not available between May to November). Our next stop is the impressive ruins of

Ollantaytambo, one of the few places where the Incas won a battle against the Spaniards. Climb up the platforms and savour a view of the village and valley below. Near the ruins, we have the unique opportunity to visit a traditional home and learn about the way of life of the families who have lived in the valley for generations.

Overnight: [*Hotel Casa Andina Premium Valle Sagrado*](#) (4-star), Sacred Valley (1 night) (B)

Day 05 – May 11, 2023: Sacred Valley/Aguas Calientes & Machu Picchu (Train)

This morning, we are transferred from our hotel to the Ollantaytambo train station. Here, we board a panoramic train which offers stunning views of the valley and mountains. We arrive at Aguas Calientes, the village at the bottom of Machu Picchu*, and take a shuttle bus up to the ancient citadel. The “lost city”, discovered by the wider world only in 1911, is one of the world’s must-see sites. With a specialized tour guide, we will explore this legendary location and learn about its many mysteries. After this matchless day, take the shuttle bus back to Aguas Calientes and walk to your hotel.



Overnight: [*Hotel El Mapi By Inkaterra*](#) (3/4-star), Aguas Calientes (1 night) (B, D)

Day 06 – May 12, 2023: Aguas Calientes/Cusco (Train/Drive)

Deepen your experience of Machu Picchu by heading to the citadel a second time. The visit this time will not be guided, allowing you to see this magnificent site at your own pace. Tickets will be valid for a select entry time, for a visit of no more than 4 hours. The schedule of your visit must be pre-selected and entry and exit times are strictly enforced. In the afternoon, take the shuttle bus back to Aguas Calientes, then board our train returning to Ollantaytambo. Upon arrival in Ollantaytambo, we are transferred by bus to our hotel in Cusco.

Overnight: [*Hotel Jose Antonio*](#) (3/4-star), Cusco (1 night) (B)

Day 07 – May 13, 2023: Cusco/Puno (Drive)

Another interesting day ahead. After breakfast we are transferred to the bus station for a shared bus ride from Cusco

to Puno accompanied by an English tour guide. En route, we stop at Andahuaylillas Church, considered the Sistine Chapel of the Americas, followed by the Raqchi ruins, which house the Temple of the Wiracocha god. This temple is about 90 meters (300 feet) long, and the foundations for its walls are more than 3 meters (10 feet) high. At the town of Pucara, we visit the Museum Litico de Pucara, which hosts objects from the pre-Incan Pucara civilization. Lunch is enjoyed at a local restaurant before we reach the enchanting town of Puno on the banks of Lake Titicaca. Upon arrival, we are transferred from the bus station to our hotel.



Overnight: [GHL Hotel Lago Titicaca \(5-star\), Puno \(2 nights\) \(B, L\)](#)

Day 08 – May 14, 2023: Lake Titicaca

At an elevation of 3,810 meters (12,500 feet), Lake Titicaca, is the highest navigable lake in the world. We depart from Puno’s docks to the unique Uros Islands, where we meet resident families dressed in traditional outfits who will proudly show us their homes, boats, and islands made of reed. We continue to Taquile Island, which offers elaborate pre-Inca terraces and unique traditions. We enjoy typical cuisine for lunch here before returning to Puno.

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Day 09 – May 15, 2023: Puno/Juliaca (Drive)/Lima (Flight)

Depending on our flight timing we may see the archaeological site of Sillustani en route to Juliaca airport. This impressive pre-Inca cemetery offers fantastic views on the shores of lake Umayo. Check in at Juliaca for our flight to Lima, where we are welcomed at and transferred to our hotel (check in time is 3:00 PM). Time free to enjoy your last night in Peru.



Overnight: [Hotel Holiday Inn Lima Miraflores \(4-star\), Lima \(1 night\) \(B\)](#)

Day 10 - May 16, 2023: Depart Lima

Time comes for us to bid farewell to Peru as we are transferred to the airport in time for our departure flight. Hotel check out is at 12:00 pm. For extensions within Peru and to other countries, please contact Bestway Tours & Safaris.

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Recommend adding Ecuador and the Galapagos or Bolivia to the above tour

* DENOTES UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITES INCLUDED:

- Historic Centre of Lima
- City of Cusco
- Historic Sanctuary of Machu Picchu

TOUR DATES & PRICES: HIGHLIGHTS OF PERU

Tour Date - 2023

May 7 – 16, 2023

Tour Price - 2023

USD\$ 2,285 / CAD \$3,095* per person sharing Twin/Double room, USD \$635 / CAD \$850* Single room supplement

Deposit of USD \$1,000 / CAD \$1,350* required to secure your space

Final balance is due by January 10, 2023

*Please note that this tour is priced in USD. Payment can be made in USD or CAD. If you choose to make payment in CAD, the payment will be based on the conversion rate of the date the payment is made. If you choose to pay the full cost of the tour in CAD in advance, you are secured against any currency fluctuations. Once full payment is made, you will also be secure against any currency fluctuations.

Tour Price Includes

- Accommodation as mentioned or similar, including hotel taxes
- Meals as mentioned (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)
- All sightseeing and transfers on private basis, unless otherwise mentioned in the itinerary
- Services of local English-speaking guides in each location
- Entrance fees to museums and sites included in the itinerary
- Train tickets as mentioned

Tour Price does not include

- International airfares – Though international airfare is not included in the tour price, we are happy to assist with booking this if needed. As of Nov. 8, 2022, round trip flights between Vancouver and Lima are priced at CAD\$ 850 per person (subject to change).
- Within tour airfares Lima/Cusco and Juliaca/Lima, currently at US\$ 430 per person (subject to change till ticketed) – We can also assist with the purchase of these.
- Travel Insurance (highly recommended) – Contact us for information about our preferred provider Manulife Travel Insurance.
- Tips/gratuities
- Any optional activities

Tour Size

Tour cost is based on a minimum of 25 participants.

Notes

- For the train ride to and from Aguas Calientes, only one 5kg piece of hand luggage is allowed. Extra luggage can be stored at your hotel in Cusco.
- We recommend wearing good walking or hiking shoes for Machu Picchu. Please note walking sticks need to have a rubber end in order to be permitted inside. Bags/Backpacks bigger than 40x35x20 as well as umbrellas, selfie sticks, and plastics like bags and straws are not permitted.
- In Cusco, please note that due to regulations, in order to protect the historic buildings and streets, certain larger vehicle sizes are not allowed in some central areas of the city. This implies that various parts of the city tour will be done walking, and in order to approach hotels, groups will be split up temporarily in smaller vehicles. Some vehicles will be travelling for a short period of time without an assistant (driver only). This also applies for groups travelling in large coaches in the Sacred Valley – for certain visits as well as to access Ollantaytambo train station, smaller vehicles are used for certain periods. The vehicle sizes

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depend on the exact group size.