

# "Lima, Paracas, Nazca, Arequipa, Puno, Cusco And Rainbow Mountain"

# 12 Days / 11 nights

#### PRICES PER PERSON:

Group size	From 2 to more	
	people	N KH K
Price	USD 1959.00	

#### **OVERVIEW AND HIGHLIGHTS:**

Explore the coast of Peru with Lima, Paracas and Nazca to later arrive to the White City of Arequipa, visit to the world-famous Lake Titicaca, home to more than 65 floating islands! Thir trip also includes Cusco, Machu Picchu and Rainbow Mountain.

#### **ITINERARY**:

#### DAY 01: TRANSFER FROM APT/HTL/ LIMA CITY TOUR(AFTERNOON)

We will be waiting for You at the airport in lima (flight information required) once You arrive, we will take You to Your hotel (hotel address required). We have a City tour exploring Lima city in the afternoon You can get lunch previously.

We will meet in a tourist bus on the Colonial Lima and its most important tourist attractions a sighting for the main important places in Lima like Miraflores district, we will have an amazing view of the pre-Inca site Huaca Pucllana which was a ceremonial



center because the urban expansion This Chemeological site has been reduced along the years. Later We will go to the center of Lima walking trough important buildings like the government palace, the cathedral, beautiful water fountain and then We will visit the monastery of San Francisco and its catacombs. Time to come back, we will take to your hotel.

. From 14:00 p.m. to 16:30 p.m.

- Meals: Not included
- Night: 3\*\*\* hotel in Lima
- **ACTIVITY LEVEL:** Moderate
- **WALKING DISTANCE:** By Bus moderate walking.
- WALKING TIME: 2.5 Hours
- MINIMUM ELEVATION: 2.4m / 7.87 ft
- MAXIMUM ELEVATION: 2.4m / 7.87 ft

# DAY 02: LIMA – PARACAS – ISLAS BALLESTAS – SANDBOARDING HUACACHINA

Very early at approximately 3:30 in the morning we will pick you up from your hotel to board the bus to the south of Peru, specifically to Paracas; we will arrive approximately at 07:30 hours, then we will transfer by boat to the Paracas Peninsula, where is the most important wildlife sanctuary of the Peruvian Coast.

We will take a guided boat trip to the Ballestas Islands, in the National Reserve of Paracas, where we can observe sea lions, silly birds, pelicans, penguins and other seabirds. After lunch we will transfer by bus to Oasis Huacachina, located amidst beautiful tropical palm trees and surrounded by imposing dunes. Here we will enjoy a beautiful natural landscape, and also experience some of the most popular sports of recent times, called sandboarding or Table on Sand. After the tour we will transfer to your hotel in the city of Ica for the night.

- Meals: Breakfast. •
- Night: 3\*\*\* hotels in Ica Our Operation
- **ACTIVITY LEVEL:** Moderate to Difficult. •
- WALKING DISTANCE: By Bus, moderate walking. •
- WALKING TIME: 2 Hours
- MINIMUM ELEVATION: 0 m / 0 ft
- MAXIMUM ELEVATION: 2.4m / 7.87 ft

# DAY 03: ICA - NAZCA LINES - LIMA

At 06:00 a.m. we will pick you up from the hotel to take a bus where we will start the overflight in Nazca. Reception in the aerodrome, where we will fly over the Nazca Lines, impressive drawings in the desert representing figures of various animals and plants such as the spider, monkey, dog, lizard, hummingbird, condor, among others, in large dimensions that reach from 15 to 300 meters each and with a depth of approximately 30 centimeters. After the flight will be transferred to the bus station for your return to Lima, arriving at approximately 13:30 p.m.

- Meals: Breakfast.
- Night: 3\*\*\* hotel in Lima
- ACTIVITY LEVEL: Moderate to Difficult.
- WALKING DISTANCE: By Bus, moderate walking.



- WALKING TIME: 2 Hours Tour Operator -
- MINIMUM ELEVATION: 0 m / 0 ft
- MAXIMUM ELEVATION: 2.4m / 7.87 ft

### DAY 04: LIMA - AREQUIPA CITY TOUR

Enjoy a city tour, including a visit to the Yanahuara Square and Church, Portals of yanahuara, Mirador de Carmen Alto - Cayma, Plaza de Cayma, Inca Alpaca, Goyeneche Palace, Mansion of the Founder, Mill from Sabandía and Paucarpata platforms.

Enjoy free time to explore the city and surroundings.

- Meals: Breakfast.
- Night: 3\*\*\* hotel in Arequipa
- ACTIVITY LEVEL: Moderate.
- WALKING DISTANCE: By Bus, moderate walking.
- WALKING TIME: 2 Hours
- MINIMUM ELEVATION: 0 m / 0 ft
- MAXIMUM ELEVATION: 2335m / 7660.761 ft

# DAY 05: AREQUIPA TO COLCA CANYON

Early in the morning, we pick you up from your hotel to the Colca Canyon one of the deepest canyons in the world, passing through Pampa Cañahuas in the Aguada National Reserve Blanca, habitat of vicuñas and alpacas (Camélidos of South America). On the route we will appreciate pre-Columbian terraces that are still cultivated by the native Collaguas. Refreshment during the trip. Upon arrival to the Colca Valley, transfer to our selected hotel or lodge.

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- Meals: Not included
- **Night:** 3\*\*\* hotel in Chivay
- ACTIVITY LEVEL: Moderate.
- WALKING DISTANCE: moderate hike
- WALKING TIME: 4 Hours
- MINIMUM ELEVATION: 2325 m / 7627.953
- MAXIMUM ELEVATION: 3635m / 11925.85 ft
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#### DAY 06: COLCA CANYON TO PUNO

The canyon is rich with wildlife and stunning scenery. Watch out for the Andean Condor, the "King of the Andes", and be sure to photograph the alpacas and llamas while exploring this geological marvel. In the afternoon we will take the bus that will take us to the city of Puno where we will spend the night.

- Meals: Breakfast.
- Night: 3\*\*\* hotel in Puno
- **ACTIVITY LEVEL:** Moderate.
- WALKING DISTANCE: moderate hike and Bus transportation
- WALKING TIME: 2 Hours



MAXIMUM ELEVATION: 3827m / 125555.77 ft

# DAY 07: FLOATING UROS AND TAQUILE ISLANDS

Early in the morning we will transfer you from the hotel to the port and then by motor boat. We will take you to one of the legendary islands of Uros, where you can observe the lives of the Uros people who live on the floating reed islands. After a beautiful three hours boat ride, we reach Taquile Island, where we will break into smaller groups to stay with the local families.

You have the opportunity to trek to the top of the mountain (4150 m.a.s.l) to see the Temples of Pachamama and Pachatata. Enjoy the traditional customs of the island people. Food and authentic music prepared and performed by your designated family.

In the evening we will take the bus that will take us to the city of Cusco.

- Meals: Breakfast, Lunch.
- Night: 3\*\*\* hotel in Cusco, The night will be on the bus.
- ACTIVITY LEVEL: Moderate.
- WALKING DISTANCE: By Bus, on boat, moderate walking.
- WALKING TIME: 2 Hours
- MINIMUM ELEVATION: 3812m / 12507 ft
- MAXIMUM ELEVATION: 4150 m / 13615.49 ft

#### DAY 08: CUSCO - WALKING TOUR

Pick up at the bus station and then transfer you to your hotel. In the afternoon you can have a walking tour exploring Cusco city. Walking tour - Places to see: Main Square, Cathedral, Sun temple, San blas neighborhood.

- Meals: Breakfast.
- Night: 3\*\*\* hotel in Cusco
- ACTIVITY LEVEL: Moderate.
- WALKING DISTANCE: By Bus, moderate walking.
- WALKING TIME: 2 Hours
- MINIMUM ELEVATION: 3399 m / 11151.57 ft
- MAXIMUM ELEVATION: 3427m / 11243 ft

#### DAY 09: SACRED VALLEY – AGUAS CALIENTES

We will pick you up from your Cusco Hotel around 07:30 am, them we will start our adventure. Our first stop after driving some minutes is: El Mirador del Valle Sagrado, the Sacred Valley Lookout Point, for amazing views and photos. Following, we will visit the famous Pisaq Market, where People come down from the Andean villages to sell their textiles and vegetables. We will continue the journey up to the Pisaq Inca Archeological site, located on top of Pisaq Mountain in the Sacred Valley. our tour guide will take you to the most impressive spots. Then, we will drive along the valley for



about 01 hour, until we reach Urubambor, Whereowe will stop for lunch (Not Included).

After lunch, we will drive to Ollantaytambo, where the second heaviest Inca monoliths are to be found. The ruins have an amazing Temple of the Sun, Moon, and The Temple of the 10 Niches. This living Inca town displays narrow walkways, lined with water channels. Later in the afternoon You will head the train station and catch your train to Aguas Calientes, the journey is just under two hours, descending into the Cloud Forest, where you will see orchids, bromelias and ferns. Our representatives will meet you just outside the train station, upon arrival and lead you to your hotel.

- Meals: Breakfast.
- Night: 3\*\*\* hotel in Aguas Calientes (standar)
- ACTIVITY LEVEL: moderate.
- WALKING DISTANCE: Bus and hike, moderate Walking.
- WALKING TIME: 04 Hours
- MINIMUM ELEVATION: 2040m / 6692 ft
- MAXIMUM ELEVATION: 3600m /11811 ft

# DAY 10: MACHU PICCHU - CUSCO

Today you will visit Machu Picchu. You will be visiting the famous Sacred City of the Incas, you will determine, with your tour guide, the best time to start your day. Most people prefer to rise at 06:30 a.m. walk to the bus station to take one of the first buses up to Machu Picchu. After a 25-minute bus ride to Machu Picchu, our tour guide will take you to the best views before the day trippers arrive. Then, we will start the two hours guided, walking tour, exploring all of the famous places of this impressive citadel: The Temple of the Sun, The Royal Tomb, The Intiwatana (sun Dial rock), Main Plaza, Temple of the 3 Windows. After the tour, you will have time to explore the ruins on your own. We suggest to take the bus down around 01:00 pm to Aguas Calientes to enjoy lunch at one of the many restaurants there. Be sure to arrive at the train station 30 minutes before your departure. Our train schedule is usually at 4:15 p.m. to Ollantaytambo, where you will catch our private transportation for another two-hour drive back to Cusco.

- Meals: Breakfast.
- Night: 3\*\*\* hotel in Cusco.
- **ACTIVITY LEVEL:** moderate.
- WALKING DISTANCE: Bus and hike, moderate Walking.
- WALKING TIME: 04 HOurs
- MINIMUM ELEVATION: 2040m / 6692 ft
- MAXIMUM ELEVATION: 3600m /11811 ft

#### DAY 11: RAINBOW MOUNTAIN VINICUNCA

Very early, pick up Time from your Cusco hotel and set out on a drive to the trailhead at Quesiuno (4,326 m / 14,189 ft) is 1:30 hours long. On the way we will provide you Breakfast We then start off on our hike, following a lovely stream. Literally herds of alpacas and llamas will immediately surprise you. We will have consistent views of the Ausangate Mountain. We will hike through villages and interact with the local residents. We will stop for our box lunch along the trail. Back on the trail, we encounter more of the traditional elements of this trek. This includes potato fields and unique fauna.



We have the prospect of seeing chind wild a second wicunas. Vicunas are the only nondomesticated animal of the llama family in Peru. Many red mountains are also a highlight of this portion of the hike. After a total hike of approximately 4 hours, we finally reach our destination, what we came to see the Rainbow Mountains (5,020 m / 16,466 ft). After getting over the shock of their beauty, you will have time to explore the area. You will have time to take pictures and soak in the environment. We will spend approximately 30 minutes at the top. At this point, it is time to go back down. We hike downhill the way we came. The hike will take 3 to 4 hours. Our van will be waiting for us to take us back to Cusco

- Meals: Breakfast, Lunch.
- Night: 3\*\*\* hotel in Cusco.
- ACTIVITY LEVEL: moderate to hard.
- WALKING DISTANCE: 7 km
- WALKING TIME: 3&4 hours
- HIKING STARTING POINT: 4630m / 15190 ft
- MINIMUM ELEVATION: 4795m/ 15371ft
- MAXIMUM ELEVATION: 5100m/16732 ft

# DAY 12: TRANSFER OUT

Breakfast at the hotel. At the appropriate time, transfer to the airport for your departure flight (flight information required).

- Meals: Breakfast.
- Night: Not included.

WHAT IS INCLUDED:

- All transfers in/out, airport, hotel, bus and train station.
- 02 nights hotel at 3\* hotel in Lima.
- 01 night hotel 3\* hotel in Ica.
- 01 night hotel 3\* hotel in Arequipa.
- 01 night hotel 3\* hotel in Colca.
- 01 night hotel 3\* hotel in Puno.
- 04 nights hotel at 3\* hotel in Cusco.
- 01 night hotel 3\* hotel in Aguas Calientes.
- 11 Breakfast at the hotels and WiFi and equipment for sandboarding / 2nd day.
- Bus ticket Lima Nazca Lima via Cruz del Sur (cruise service) / 3rd day.
- Transfer from the hotel or bus station to Nazca aerodrome / 3rd day.
- Flight ticket to the Nazca Lines of 30 min / 3rd day.
- Transmission of informative video about the Nazca Lines / 3rd day.
- Overflight rate / 3rd day.
- Shared Tourist Transportation Arequipa Colca Cruz del Cóndor -Puno.
- Bus from Arequipa to the city of Puno.
- Bus from Puno to Cusco.



- Lunch day 7th and 11th
- Guided group. English and Spanish speaking professional guide.
- Train ticket from Ollantaytambo to Aguas Calientes and back
- Entrance to Machu Picchu and the Rainbow Mountain.
- Bus ticket Aguas Calientes Machu Picchu and back.

# WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED:

- Flights Lima Arequipa and Cusco Lima.
- Entrance tickets to attractions.
- Lunch and Dinner
- Tips

# WHAT TO BRING AND ADVICES:

- Just in case, you can take personal medication for altitude sickness, you will find locally some drugstores at the main street in lima, Arequipa, Puno and Cusco.
- Please make sure to inform us about your health/food/physical restrictions in advance so we can prepare them for you.
- In case you need to pay the remaining balance, it is advisable to take some cash. You can get some money from the ATM machines that are located in the center of the City of Cusco.
- Be always ready for rain and cold, take some rain poncho water proof clothes and warm clothes. Proper hiking boots.
- Insect repellent, some mosquitos are really annoyed specially at lower altitude, you will probably visit Machupicchu so this advice is for You.
- Original Passport is very important to enter to Machupicchu
- Extra money is advisable just in case to buy souvenirs or in case of emergency.
- Covid vaccination certificates required.
- Camera and Memory cards (recommended)
- Rechargeable batteries and adapters (recommended)
- Small towel and swim wear
- Hiking boots, walking shoes (with ankle protectors, recommended)
- Sun block
- Sunglasses
- Flashlight (head light recommended).

**<u>TERMS & CONDITIONS</u>**: <u>https://crossoverperu.com.pe/booking/term-and-conditions/</u></u>