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ITINERARY HIGHLIGHTS

- Lima
- Sacred Valley
- Machu Picchu
- Cusco



Tuesday, 21 June 2016
Arrive Lima

Welcome to Lima!

Upon arrival in Lima's airport you will be met by your guide who will be waiting for you in front of the international arrival's door, you will be met and transferred you to your hotel.

Dinner on your account.

Wednesday, 22 June 2016
Lima

B

Morning dedicated to architectural photography introduction and/or exploring, sketching, and photography.

In the afternoon you will embark on a city tour beginning with a visit to the Plaza Mayor, official center of the city and the original site upon which Lima was founded. You will visit the historic Cathedral an architectural masterpiece. From the Cathedral, you will walk past the Presidential Palace where the soldiers guarding the palace offer an excellent photo opportunity, and on to the Church of Santo Domingo and Church of San Francisco and its library and collection of fine paintings and frescoes.

After finishing the tour of greater Lima, the guide advises clients that they will stop at the breath-taking Casa Aliaga, Lima's oldest colonial mansion. Located in Lima's central

Jirón de la Unión, just half a block from the beautiful Plaza de Armas, centuries of restoration undertaken by the countless generations of Aliagas's have given the house its own particular physiognomy that you will be able to appreciate today as you visit with your guide.

Dinner on your account.



Thursday, 23 June 2016
Lima - Cusco

B

A proper time transfer to Lima airport. Assistance with your flight to Cusco.

Upon arrival in Cusco, Andean community and former ancient capital of the Inca Empire, you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

Rest of the afternoon dedicated to graphic workshop and/or exploring, sketching, and photography.

Lunch and dinner on your account.

Friday, 24 June 2016
Cusco

B

Day at your leisure for exploring, sketching, and photography.

Lunch and dinner on your account.

Half Day Morning walking tour:

This morning, you will visit Cathedral on the Plaza de Armas and Santo Domingo, a Dominican church and convent built upon the foundations of the Koricancha, or the 'place of gold'. You will also visit La Compañía Church. Visit also "Plaza Regocijo" and "Plaza San Francisco.

Lunch at local Restaurant.

After lunch you will embark on "The Andean Baroque Route - style Cusco Churches"

The Andean Baroque Route is a chain of Peruvian churches located in small towns east of Cusco along Route 3 and Interoceanica highway. The churches are famous for their interior frescoes. This is also a scenic route of Peru mainly dedicated to 4 churches belonging to the Andean Baroque artistic movement, including the Society of Jesus Church of Cusco and the Saint Peter the Apostle Church of Andahuaylillas. There are two possible versions of this route: one short and one long. The short route passes through Cusco, Andahuaylillas, Huaró and Urcos towards Lake Titicaca and Bolivia. The long route includes these same stages but continues towards Puerto Maldonado after reaching Urcos. It passes through Ccatcca, Ocongate and Marcapata.

The construction of the church began in 1576 at the initiative of the Jesuits on the top of the Amarucancho, the Palace of the Inca Huayna Capac. The church is considered to be one of the most beautiful representations of the colonial baroque art in America. Its spectacular façade, the highest of the Cusquenian churches, is entirely made of stones. Inside, one can see an altar covered with gold leaves built over an underground chapel. The church has a significant collection of sculptures and paintings such as "the wedding of Ignatius of Loyola's nephew".

Saint Peter the Apostle Church of Andahuaylillas is nicknamed the Sistine Chapel of the Andes because of the magnificent frescos adorning its walls. Andahuaylillas is a small town located 45 km away from Cusco. The church, probably built on an ancient Inca site at the end of the 16th century, is covered with murals. One of them is signed by the Limenian painter Luis de Riaño in 1626.

Saint John the Baptist Church – Huaró. The small town of Huaró is located 4 km south of Andahuaylillas. Its white church dedicated to John the Baptist was built at the end of the 17th century. Its structure, made up of a single nave, is of classic style. Its façade is enlivened by indigenous decorations and flanked by a bell gable. Inside, the Renaissance altar is among the oldest of Peru. However, the magnificent pair of frescos made by Tadeo Escalante, situated on both sides of the entrance gate, is undoubtedly the most fascinating artwork in the church.

Dinner on your account.



Sunday, 26 June 2016
Cusco – Pisac – Cusco

B – L

This morning visit the local village of Pisac, famous for its bustling and colorful market which attracts tourists from all over the world to try their hand at bartering for local sweaters, ponchos, wall hangings, jewellery and goods.

After visiting the village, you will have the opportunity to explore the ruins above the town. Here, you will see some fantastic Inca remains, including ritual baths fed by aqueducts and one of the largest known Inca cemeteries. The precision with which the relatively small stones in this site must have been cut is astonishing: in fact it has been said that in some respects the stonemasonry here is even more awesome than that of the more famous ruins in Machu Picchu.

Lunch at the Huayocari Hacienda, which is also home to an interesting collection of Colonial and folk-art. The current inhabitants of the house, the Lambarri-Orihuela family, will be your hosts.

Dinner on your account.



Monday, 27 June 2016
Cusco

B

This morning visit this afternoon takes you to the ruins of Sacsayhuaman, a testimonial to Incan architectural skills. Compiled of massive stones (one weighs 125 tons!) you are challenged to try to slip a piece of paper between the cracks of these blocks, cut and fitted together with incredible precision without a single drop of mortar to hold them in place. This ancient fortress, where the greatest battle between the Spanish and Incas took place, overlooks the red-tiled roofs of Cusco and the spectacular lush countryside. Also visit Qenqo ("The Labyrinth"), an Incan shrine dedicated to the Earth Mother; the small fortress of Puka Pukara.

Lunch and dinner on your account.



Tuesday, 28 June 2016
Cusco - Sacred Valley

B – L

Enjoy a private guided trip to Maras Salt Mines and the circular terraces of Moray. On the way you will see some of the most scenic spots in the Sacred Valley. First, visit the ancient salt mines near the village of Maras, where salty springs emerge from the hillside and the Incas built terraces to capture the flows and harvest salt.

Continue the excursion to Moray, where huge circular agricultural terraces were built by the Incas on limestone sinks served to plant various crops. It is said to have a cosmological significance, however, the Incas used the terraces as an agricultural laboratory to determine the optimum conditions for each species in varying altitudes.

Lunch at Parador de Moray restaurant.

After lunch, continue on to the massive fortress of Ollantaytambo. The fortress, a formidable stone structure that climbs massive terraces reaching the top of a high peak, was the valley's main defense against the Antis and was the site of the Incas' greatest victory against the Spanish during the wars of conquest. Constructed of rose-coloured granite, this huge installation was once a thriving complex of baths, temples and military barracks. Below the fortress lies a complete Incan town, also called Ollantaytambo, still inhabited and with its original architecture and layout preserved

Dinner on your account.



Wednesday, 29 June 2016
Sacred Valley

B

Day at your leisure for exploring, sketching, and photography.

Lunch and dinner on your account.

Thursday, 30 June 2016
Sacred Valley – Machu Picchu

B – L - D

After breakfast you will be picked up by your private guide at lobby of hotel. Transfer to Ollantaytambo train station to board the Vistadome Train to Machu Picchu.

Buffet lunch at Sanctuary Lodge.

The driver will collect your luggage at Pakaritampu and deliver it to Cusco property so you can have your belongings available when arriving at the property after your Machu Picchu visit.

Discover Andean cuisine and architecture with a contemporary approach, creating innovative fusion-style fare, and casual sophistication under a traditional Amazonian thatched-palm roof. Both an experience and a destination, Café Inkaterra overlooks the Vilcanota River. With a décor based on regional crafts, it is the perfect place for guests to unwind away from the crowds, following a visit to the ancient Machu Picchu Citadel.

After lunch accompanied by your guide, explore the city's ruins, and feel its pulse as you visualize the lives of the priests, craftsmen, and servants who inhabited this seemingly uninhabitable citadel. Excavations at the site have revealed skeletons, artefacts and woollen clothing, but no gold. The same precision of assembled stones exists here as in other Incan sites.

Overlooking the raging Urubamba River and discovered in a hidden tangle of vines and trees atop the mountain, the city of Machu Picchu will forever hold its secret of its destruction - the Incas left no written record.

Dinner included at the hotel.



Friday, 1 July 2016
Machu Picchu

B – L - D

Note: We are including guide and Entrance fees or bus to/from Machu Picchu.

Day at your leisure for exploring, sketching, and photography.

Dinner included at the hotel.

Note: We are not including Entrance fees or bus to/from Machu Picchu.

In the morning you will join the Vistadome Train (10:55 / 11:32) back to Ollantaytambo train station

Upon arrival at Cusco's train station, a representative will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel in Cusco. (2 hours).

Box lunch will be provided.

Rest of the afternoon at your leisure.

Farwell dinner today will be served at the Restaurant in the Pre-Columbian Art Museum. This building was originally an Inca ceremonial court around 1450 A.D before becoming the mansion of the Spanish conqueror Alonso Diaz in 1580 and in 1850 the mansion of the Earl of Cabrera. In June 2003 it was restored and turned into Cusco's Pre-Columbian Art Museum. This extraordinary historic monument is home to the only museum in Peru dedicated to the art of ancient Peruvian cultures. After dinner you will have the opportunity to visit the museum. The exhibition uses texts in Spanish, English and French to emphasize the artistic context of its collection, displayed across 11 showrooms. Its galleries were designed to meet the highest standards of modern museography and to enable visitors to admire Pre-Columbian art at its dazzling best.

A proper time Transfer you to Cusco airport to take your flight to Lima.

Upon arrival to Lima you are met and will be transferred to your hotel.

On the way to hotel you will visit the Larco Herrera Museum, an extensive private collection of pre-Inca ceramics – probably the largest collection of its kind in the world.

Lunch and dinner on your account.



Monday, 4 July 2016
Lima

B – L – D

This morning visit the National Museum. National Museum is one of the most important museums in the history of Peru in Lima, Peru.

The museum, as great conservative Peruvian heritage, has thousands of original pieces for the different periods of the history of Peru, which have been obtained through archaeological investigations and asset recovery that had been trafficked illegally.

This great collection consists of more than 12,500 pre-Hispanic pieces, among which are collections of ceramics, metals and textiles from Paracas, Moche, Wari, Lima, among other cultures; and over 2,500 historical pieces of art from the colonial and republican era, among which are collections of colonial, popular and contemporary art. What a total of over 15 500 pieces

Lunch at local restaurant.

After lunch you will visit the Gold Museum, visit the dazzling collection of the Gold Museum. The Museo de Oro Del Peru has numerous artifacts of gold, silver and precious stones.

This Farewell dinner, enjoy a meal at the Huaca Pucllana Restaurant. The owners of this restaurant, which specializes in contemporary Peruvian cuisine, are justifiably proud of their culinary philosophy based around the use of a wide range of Peruvian ingredients in classic and contemporary recipes that satisfy the most demanding of palates.

After dinner back to the hotel.

Tuesday, 5 July 2016
Lima - Depart

B

A proper time transfer you to the Lima airport. Lima airport assistance with your international flight back to home.

Check out at 12.00 pm

BUDGET

Land Services: 10 -13 Passengers

Cost per person sharing double room: **\$4,739.00 Per Person**
(excludes domestic's flights)

Additional cost for Single Supplement: **\$1925.00**

Cost per person Additional for domestic flights to consider
(Economy class and non-refundable):

Lima / Cusco / Lima

Cost per person **USD 400.00***

***Price subject to change**

Accommodation Summary:

- All hotels are 3 or 4 star

Inclusions:

- Round trip transfers from/ to airports with a representative by private vehicle in the most modern equipment available.
- Guardian Angel Included (who will oversee the group).
- Private sightseeing with local English speaking guide. (Lima, Cusco, Sacred Valley and Machu Picchu).
- Vistadome Train (Sacred Valley / Machu Picchu / Cusco).
- Baggage Handling: two pieces of luggage per person
- Meal as indicated in the itinerary: B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner, BL=Box Lunch
- Sightseeing and entrance fees as indicated (Lima, Cusco, Sacred Valley and Machu Picchu).
- Hotel taxes and service charges on quoted services
- Accommodations based on double occupancy
- Price includes 1 guest using single occupancy.
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Exclusions:

- Cost of obtaining a passport or visa
- Domestic flight tickets mentioned above (quoted separately)
- International flights ticket mentioned above (quoted separately)
- Airport taxes – Domestic & International (included in the flight tickets)
- Soft and alcoholic drinks
- Communications costs, such as phone calls and faxes
- Gratuities for local guides, drivers and crew members
- Any items of a personal nature
- Any items not included in inclusions

Please note...

- Huayna Picchu entrance fees are subject to availability.
- All rates are subject to reconfirmation if an actual booking is made
- Accommodation is subject to availability unless otherwise stated
- If payment is by credit card, we need you to fill out a form and send it back to us signed in order to proceed with the charge
- No actual reservations have been made yet unless stated
- The flight times are subject to change

*Tipping is customary in Peru, and while it is certainly up to the discretion of each client, to a certain extent it is recommended in order to guarantee the best level of service. We can provide you with a list of recommended tipping scales if you wish, or suggest an all-inclusive tips package that can be included in the total cost and that we, as Akorn, will promise to distribute fairly to ensure the best possible service.



YOUR ITINERARY IN SUMMARY

DATE	DAY	ACCOMMODATION	MEALS
June 21, 2016	Arrive Lima		- - -
June 22, 2016	Lima		B - -
June 23, 2016	Lima – Cusco		B - -
June 24, 2016	Cusco		B - -
June 25, 2016	Cusco		B - -
June 26, 2016	Cusco – Pisac – Cusco		B - -
June 27, 2016	Cusco		B - L -
June 28, 2016	Cusco - Sacred Valley		B - L -
June 29, 2016	Sacred Valley		B - -
June 30, 2016	Sacred Valley – Machu Picchu		B - L - D
July 1, 2016	Machu Picchu		B - L - D
July 2, 2016	Machu Picchu – Cusco		B - BL -
July 3, 2016	Cusco – Lima		B - - -
July 4, 2016	Lima		B - - - D
July 5, 2016	Lima – Depart		B - - -



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