






# Sacred Peru

## Tour Overview

 <b>Start Point</b> Lima	 <b>End Point</b> Lima	 <b>Meals</b> 10 Breakfasts   2 Lunches   3 Dinners	 <b>Transport</b> Air- conditioned coach	 <b>Tour Type</b> Fully- guided tour
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## Itinerary

### Day 1: Start of tour in Lima

 Dinner  Ibis Larco Hotel

Hola Peru! The first stop is Lima, Peru's capital city. Arrive at the hotel, check in and freshen up. This evening, meet your tour leader and fellow Expat Explore travellers for a tour briefing and find out more about what to look forward to over the next 11 days! Afterwards, enjoy a welcome dinner with the group.

#### Included:

LATAM11L - Enjoy a welcome dinner in Lima

### Day 2: Lima - Flight to Arequipa

 Breakfast  Casa Andina Standard Arequipa

After breakfast, transfer to Jorge Chavez International Airport. Catch a short flight to Arequipa. This colonial town is filled with Baroque architecture and bordered by three impressive volcanoes! Arrive and check into the hotel before embarking on a city tour with a local guide. Explore more and be sure to try some local street food during free time this afternoon.

#### Included:

LATAM11L - Explore Arequipa on a city tour

### Day 3: Arequipa - Puno

 Breakfast  Hotel Hacienda Puno

Take it easy this morning in Arequipa before transferring to Puno at lunchtime. En route, stop at Pampa Cañahuas. Admire the scenery, sip on local coca leaf tea and keep an eye out for indigenous wildlife and birdlife. See if you can spot vicuñas (similar to llamas)! Arrive in Puno this evening and check into the hotel.

#### Included:

LATAM11L - Visit Pampa Cañahuas Natural Reserve

### Day 4: Puno

 Breakfast  Hotel Hacienda Puno

Wander Puno's streets at your own pace this morning. Visit the Baroque cathedral, the Arco Deustua archway or the Museo Carlos Dreyer. This afternoon, encounter a different way of life on Lake Titicaca. Jet off on a speed boat to the floating Uros Islands which are created by hand by the Uru people. Return to Puno in the late afternoon.

#### Included:

LATAM11L - Travel to the floating islands of Uros on a speed boat

### Day 5: Puno - Sacred Valley

 Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner  San Agustin Urubamba

Enjoy Peruvian countryside scenery on today's journey. First stop is the Incan ruins of Pucará. Next, pass through La Raya and enjoy panoramic views. Then, visit Raqchi, an ancient Incan fortress. Last stop is Urubamba. Here, see the "Sistine Chapel of Latin America". Finally, arrive in El Valle Sagrado, check into the hotel and enjoy a dinner with the group.

**Included:**

LATAM11L - Visit Pucará

LATAM11L - See the ruins of Raqchi and the Temple of Wiracocha

LATAM11L - Explore the Church of Andahuaylillas

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**Day 6: Sacred Valley**

 **Breakfast, Lunch**       **San Agustin Urubamba**

Tour the Sacred Valley today. Travel deep into the area, past local villages and striking mountain ranges. Learn about intriguing Incan history and culture. Visit the town of Ollantaytambo and see the incredible Incan fortress. Get a glimpse into local life during a stop at a local marketplace. Arrive at the hotel in Urubamba later this evening.

**Included:**

LATAM11L - Embark on a guided tour of the Sacred Valley

LATAM11L - Explore the Ollantaytambo Archaeological Complex

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**Day 7: Sacred Valley (Machu Picchu optional excursion): Free Day**

 **Breakfast**       **San Agustin Urubamba**

Enjoy a free day in the Sacred Valley or join the optional, locally-guided tour to Machu Picchu! Nestled in the Andean mountains, the journey is quite a trek but definitely worth it to see one of the New 7 Wonders of the World! Learn more about Machu Picchu's intricate buildings and the mysterious history behind its creation.

**Optionals:**

Machu Picchu Day Trip

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**Day 8: Sacred Valley - Cusco**

 **Breakfast**       **Inkarri Cusco**

Enjoy the last few views of the Sacred Valley en route to Cusco. On the way, see an excellent example of Incan architecture at Sacsayhuaman. This fortress-temple is made of enormous, intricately stacked rocks. Next up is Cusco, the former capital of the Incan empire. Explore Cusco with a local guide this afternoon. Enjoy free time this evening.


**Included:**

LATAM11L - Take a guided tour of Sacsayhuaman ruins

LATAM11L - Tour Cusco with a local guide

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**Day 9: Cusco - Flight to Lima**

 **Breakfast, Dinner**       **Ibis Larco Hotel**

Travel to Peru's capital city Lima on a short flight this morning. Join a local guide for a Lima city tour. See the city's highlights including the Plaza de Armas, the Cathedral of Lima and Plaza San Francisco. Stroll through the Miraflores neighbourhood for stunning ocean views. This afternoon, check into the hotel before heading out for a group dinner.

**Included:**

LATAM11L - Discover Lima, the capital of Peru, on a guided tour

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**Day 10: Lima: Free Day**

 **Breakfast**       **Ibis Larco Hotel**

Enjoy a free day to explore Lima's many highlights! Keen to explore natural scenery and see local wildlife? Join the Ballestas Islands day trip for a leisurely boat tour of the amazing Ballestas Islands. This area is home to pristine beaches, sparkling blue waters and incredible marine life. You could see dolphins, sea lions and penguins up close!

**Optionals:**

Ballestas Islands Day Trip

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**Day 11: End of tour in Lima**

 **Breakfast**

After 11 incredible days on tour, this Sacred Peru trip comes to an end this morning. Enjoy breakfast at the hotel and say farewell to your fellow travellers. Don't forget to get your new travel friends' details to share mementoes and swap photos! If you would like to extend your stay in Lima, please contact our team.

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