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9 Days Itinerary

9 Day Sample Peru Itinerary

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About Peru

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It's the multiple layers of great civilizations that make Peru so intriguing. Wander around colonial cities preserving the legacy of Spanish conquistadors, visit the ancient Inca capital of Cuzco, explore the lost city of Machu Picchu and ponder the enigma of Nazca Lines.

It also has some of the most spectacular and varied scenery in South America. The Peruvian Andes are arguably the most beautiful on the continent and the mountains are home to millions of highland Indians, who still speak the ancient tongue of Quechua and maintain a traditional way of life.

The verdant Amazon Basin, which occupies half of Peru, is one of the world's top 10 biodiversity 'hot spots' - a species-rich area of tropical rain forest that will make your head spin when you start to learn about its ecology.

The coastal deserts, with their huge rolling dunes, farmland oases and fishing villages, are underappreciated by travellers but offer the opportunity to get off the Gringo Trail in a big way.

Day 1



Flight from USA to Lima



Transfer · Private Transfer

Departure Location
Lima International Airport

Arrival Location
Lima Accommodation

Vehicle
Private Transfer

Notes

Welcome to Peru! Arrive at Lima Airport. A transportation service and a guide will pick you up from the airport at the scheduled time to transfer you to your hotel in Lima



AC Hotel Lima Miraflores

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Malecón de la Reserva 729 Miraflores, Lima Peru

3:00 PM

Check In

12:00 PM

Check Out

2 Nights

Duration

Luxurious comfort meets convenient style at AC Hotel Lima Miraflores. Our contemporary hotel in Lima, Peru boasts an unbeatable location at Malecón de la Reserva, with stunning ocean views of Miraflores.

Enjoy easy access to popular attractions, including Costa Verde and Puente de los Suspiros. Walk to Larcomar, an upscale shopping center next to our hotel with many dining, retail and entertainment options. Kennedy Park and the Indigenous Market are also a short walk away. Take in stunning views of the ocean and beautiful sunsets from our European-influenced bar, hotel rooms and rooftop restaurant, Insumo Rooftop, which boasts the best ocean views in Lima.

Escape to our chic rooms featuring luxury bedding, elegant bathrooms, flat-screen TVs and free high-speed Wi-Fi access. If you're traveling with a group, reserve one of our two private meeting rooms for your upcoming gathering, and maintain your exercise routine at our 24-hour fitness center. Elevate your travel experience at AC Hotel Lima Miraflores

Room Selection

Room Description

OCEAN DELUXE

Day 2



City Tour of Lima including Light Show

2:30 PM

Start Time

8:00 PM

End Time

5hr 30min

Duration

Meeting Point

Hotel Lobby

Enjoy a personalized guided tour of Lima including the Lacro Museum, Historic Center, and Magic water Circuit.

Tour can be personalized based on family's interests, to include the archaeological site of Huaca Pucllana that operated between centuries V - VIII AD and the Historic Center of Lima, and enjoy the Capital of Peru and its 2000 years of history and colonial wealth. Admire the Plaza Mayor, which has important architectural monuments and buildings, like the Archbishop of Lima with its elegant balconies, the Government Palace and its magnificent bronze fountain dating from 1650.

Continue to the convent of San Francisco, a masterpiece of colonial architecture where you can appreciate the beauty of its monastic cloisters decorated with tiles and remarkable paintings depicting the life of the holy founder of the Order, St. Francisco de Asis. In the underground galleries are impressive catacombs whose purpose, according to popular histories, remains an enigma.

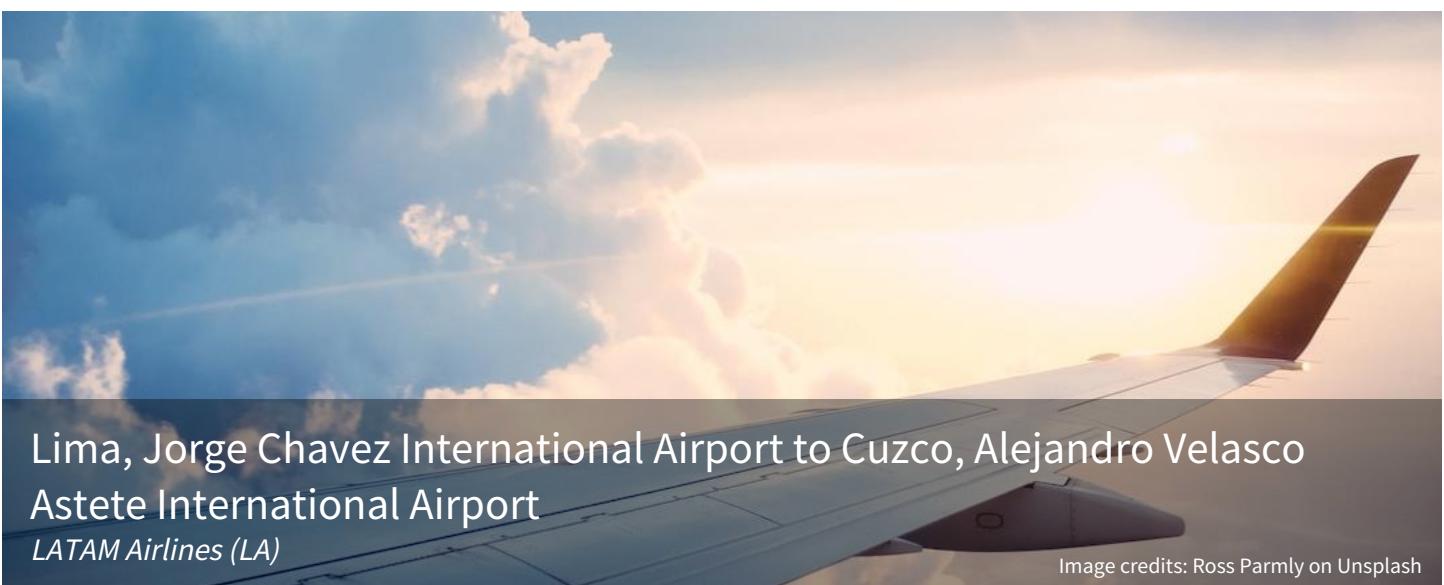
After the visit, transfer back to the hotel.

Day 3



Private Transfer

Enjoy a pleasant transfer from the selected hotel to the airport. A representative will assist you along the way



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Notes

Fly from Lima to Cusco, flight time approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes



Tour of Awanakancha and the Pisac Markets

Meeting Point Airport

You will start your tour in Awanakancha, an exhibition center of textiles and South American camelids located at kilometer 23 of the road to Pisac. It is considered a living museum and here you can see Andean camelids, learn about the techniques to take their wool and finally acquire finely spun garments.

You will then visit the Pisac market, consisting of dozens of stalls displaying and selling goods crafted by residents of the area. You can find textiles, carvings, and replicas of ancient Inca pieces. Located 33 kilometers from the city of Cusco, it is a town built as a partridge, also known for hosting one of the most important archaeological sites in the Sacred Valley on the slopes of the hills. It is perhaps the largest complex of platforms in the area. Free time to visit the area on your own.

Then, arrive at the beautiful Hacienda Sarapampa, where you will enjoy a day full of Peruvian traditions. Upon your arrival, the guide will receive you at the forecourt of the plantation with a welcome drink, followed by a guided tour by the agricultural processes and the corn interpretive center around the property. Then, lunch will be served at gardens of the Plantation House composed of a 3-course meal of the delicious local gourmet gastronomy.

Once you finish the tour, you will be transferred to your hotel located in the Sacred Valley of the Incas.



**Aranwa Sacred Valley Hotel & Wellness - Urubamba,
Peru**

51 84-581900

Antigua Hacienda Yaravilca, Urubamba, Peru 084

3:00 PM

Check In

12:00 PM

Check Out

Built on a 17th century colonial hacienda by the Vilcanota River - 1 hour from Cusco, on the route to Machu Picchu.

Room Selection

Room Category

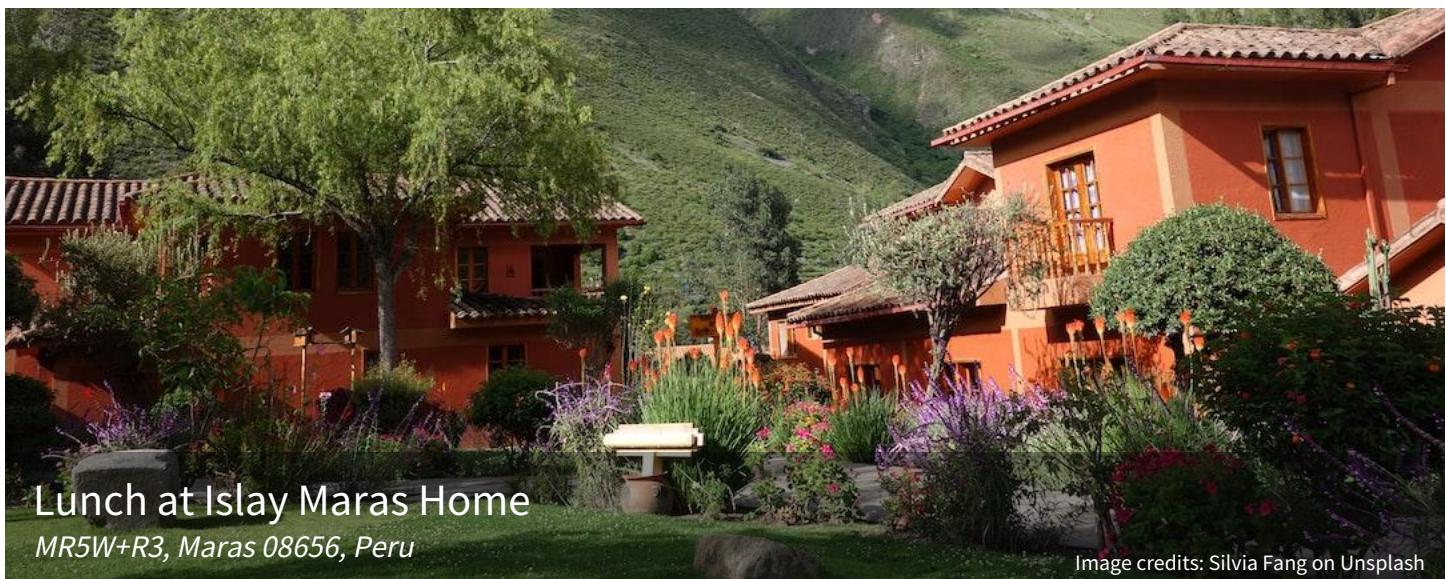
Deluxe Double Room

Day 4



Tour of Urubamba / Sacred Valley

You will start your trip at the Chinchoro town, which was one of the most important villages during the Inca Empire. Then you will have lunch and continue your trip until reaching the archaeological vestiges of Maras and Moray. Maras is a surreal view. It is near Moray and it is an impressive salt exploitation complex. Its huge salt deposits were used to trade them for other products with other parts of the empire. Moray's archaeological vestiges are composed of mysterious concentric circular terraces which, according to some scholars, would be an agricultural research center. The higher external terraces would be at a higher temperature than the inner ones and could simulate the conditions of the different ecological strata of the empire.



Lunch at Islay Maras Home

MR5W+R3, Maras 08656, Peru

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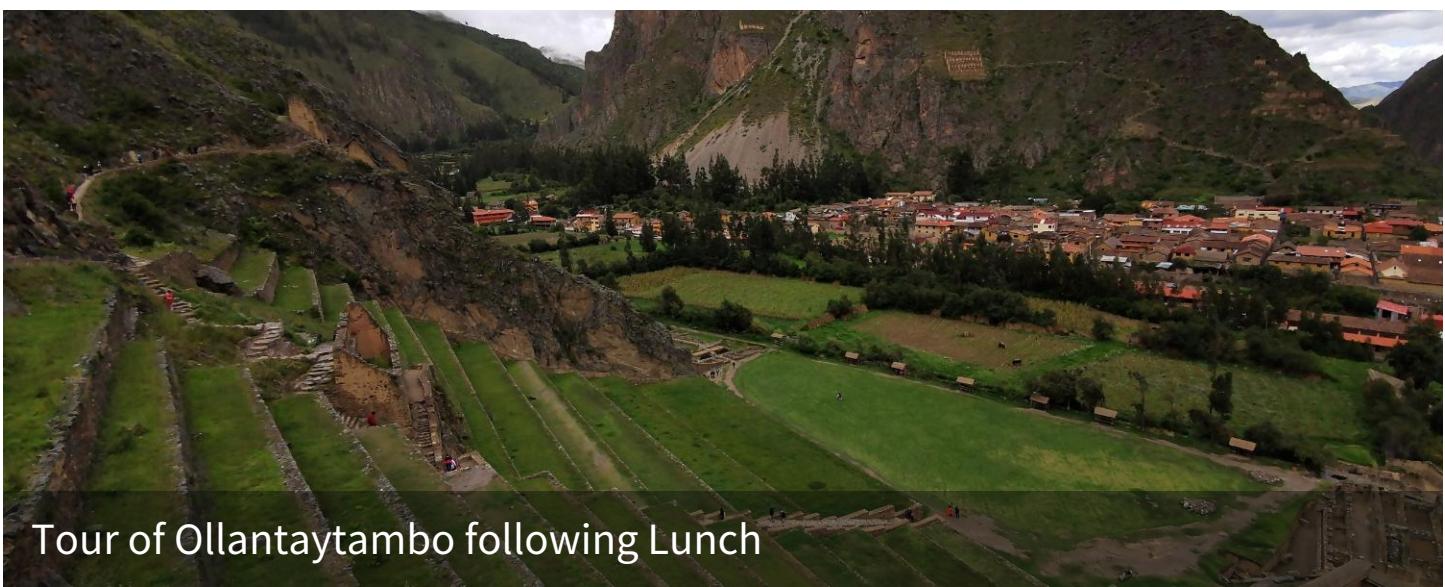
Surrounded by an impressive landscape of high mountains and green fields; its strategic location makes it an ideal place for passengers visiting Maras, Moray and Chinchoro. Attention is only available with a prior reservation, and behind closed doors, this is why it does not have signs on the facade or information on the Internet, which makes it an exclusive environment. Here, visitors can enjoy a set menu, which varies according to the season, the requirements or food restrictions of each of the guests. The ingredients come from a field of cultivation and an organic bio-garden located within the premises of the house to guarantee a unique culinary experience.

Day 5



Lunch at Wayra Ranch

Rich soil, ideal weather and millenary wisdom have combined to make the Sacred Valley arguably the most fertile in the world. You will probably become a believer as you indulge in its bounty. Delight yourself with a surprising gastronomic feast led by the prominent Chef, Pedro Miguel Schiaffino and Nacho Solis. The Peruvian Paso horse, renowned for the smoothest gait in the world. Stunning equestrian demonstrations, to the rhythm of marinera music will render the environment favorable for tasting the quality of their cuisine



Tour of Ollantaytambo following Lunch

In the afternoon, your journey will begin towards the town of Ollantaytambo, a typical example of urban planning of the Incas still inhabited as in the past. Pachacútec (1438 - 1471) conquered the town of Ollantaytambo Town, destroyed it and built a new one by absorbing it as part of its empire considered today as one of the most remarkable archaeological complexes of the Incanate. At the end of your tour you will be transferred to your Sacred Valley Hotel

Day 6



Vistadome Train to Machu Picchu

A transportation service with a guide will pick you up from your hotel in Urubamba at the established time and will drive you to the Ollantaytambo train station. The guide will assist you at the station.

Your journey to Machu Picchu begins with a train ride to the town of Aguas Calientes, where you will find a handicraft market, restaurants and accommodation of different categories. After a short bus ride, arrive in Machu Picchu, a masterpiece of engineering and architecture that served as a sanctuary and resting residence for the Inca Pachacútec. According to UNESCO, Machu Picchu, which means 'Old Mountain', is considered a World Heritage Site and one of the New Seven Wonders of the modern world.



Inkaterra Machu Picchu - Aguas Calientes, Peru

51 1-610-0400

Machu Picchu Pueblo, Aguas Calientes, Peru

1:00 PM

Check In

11:00 AM

Check Out

1 Night

Duration

Popular with those heading to the ancient citadel of Machu Picchu, Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel is an intimate Andean village with terraced hills, waterfalls, stone pathways and 83 whitewashed adobe casitas tucked away in the cloud forest. The property has 12 acres of exquisite natural beauty, where 214 bird species such as the golden-headed quetzal and the iconic Andean cock-of-the-rock and the world's largest native orchid collection (372 species) have been registered.

After exploring the Historic Sanctuary and in-house excursions, guests can enjoy the Unu Spa, which combines the classic nurturing with a mystical Andean approach. Natural products are derived from local botanical extracts (mint, eucalyptus and

orchids), thus providing a pleasing spiritual, sensual and soothing experience. The first-class restaurant features stunning views of Vilcanota River, and shares the secrets of Peruvian cuisine with a contemporary twist.

Day 7



Tour of Machu Picchu

Entrance ticket to Machu Picchu and Huayna Picchu. Machu Picchu is a masterpiece of engineering and architecture that is believed to have served as a sanctuary and retreat for Inca Pachacutec (1438 - 1471). On the other hand, Huayna Picchu is located north of the citadel of Machu Picchu. It is a mountain of great beauty that displays in its summit a group of terraces apparently used for religious and aesthetic purposes, and an incomplete temple. On the northern flank is found the Temple of the Moon. Enjoy an early lunch at Sumaq Hotel.



Vista Dome Train back to Cusco



Palacio del Inka, a Luxury Collection Hotel, Cusco

+511 5186500

Plazoleta Santo Domingo 259 Cusco Peru

11:00 AM

Check In

9:00 AM

Check Out

1 Night

Duration

Historic mansion dating back nearly five centuries, Palacio del Inka stands in the very center of Cusco. Directly across from the Koricancha, it is a five-minute walk from the main square and less than a mile from an array of museums, markets, and restaurants. Uniting the past and present, Palacio del Inka Spa presents indigenous treatments and an indoor therapy pool. Inti Raymi Restaurant offers authentic Peruvian dishes with an international sophistication, while a variety of meeting and events venues make possible to host an enchanting occasion. The 203 exquisitely appointed guest rooms combine Peruvian art and handcrafted furnishings with contemporary amenities—from a signature Luxury Collection bed to state-of-the-art technology, including an LED TV, High Speed Internet Access, and an iPod docking station.

Room Selection

Room Category

Double Deluxe Room



Day of Leisure with suggested activities in Cusco

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Things to Do in Cusco With One Day

1. Plaza de Armas

With just one day in Cusco, one of the best things to do is visit the Plaza de Armas. This top tourist attraction lies in the heart of Cusco. Home to the Cathedral Basilica and the Church La Compañía de Jesús, the Plaza de Armas is a historic symbol of the mighty Incan Empire. Today the Plaza has a wide variety of restaurants offering both international and traditional [Peruvian food](#). There you can find everything from traditional cuy and alpaca steaks, to pizza, all the way to gourmet burgers and everything in between.

2. San Pedro Market

If you are looking for something special or unique as a gift for someone, then consider walking down to San Pedro Market. Although not too far from the Plaza de Armas, the San Pedro Market is a very different experience. The thick aroma of spices and food fills the air and draws you into the market. Although a trip here can take up a whole afternoon, the time spent exploring the market is well worth the visit. You can find everything from food to alpaca blankets, fresh juices, bags of fruit, sandwiches, as well as loads of trinkets to take as a [gift or souvenirs](#) back home.

3. Coricancha, Temple of the Sun

A visit to [Coricancha](#), otherwise known as “sun temple”, will offer you one of the most interesting sights in Cusco. Coricancha was once a lavish Incan temple that was lined with silver and gold. Interestingly, as the Inca never had a written language there is no correct spelling. Accepted spellings include Coricancha, Koricancha, and Quaricancha. When the Spanish came, they ravaged the temple of its riches and destroyed it, building a church on top of its ruins. The stark contrast of the Incan temple and the church foundations draw visitors from all and is one of the best things to do and see with one day in Cusco.

4. The Cusco Planetarium

If you are interested in space and like museums, then stopping by Cusco Planetarium is a great thing to do if you only have one day in Cusco. Astrology played a big role in the lives of the ancient Inca. Not only did they devise a calendar to coincide with solstices, but astrology influenced their ceremonies and even their architecture, examples of this can be seen all over Cusco. At the planetarium, you'll learn more about the history between astrology and the Inca. In addition, you'll also have one of the most amazing views of the stars thanks to Cusco's high elevation.

5. Cusco Chocolate Museum

Are you a chocolate lover? Come and live a truly chocolate experience at ChocoMuseo! In our chocolate museum you will uncover all the cocoa secrets while you taste the best artisanal chocote made with the best organic Peruvian beans! Furthermore, get ready to make your own chocolate in our Chocolate Workshops or be ready to drink the best of our coffee or chocolate delights in our cafeteria! Please notice we have another 3 locations: - On the same square, opposite corner: the factory, - on plaza de armas on the left of the cathedral, -by the 12 corner stone

6. San Blas

Often called the bohemian or artisan neighborhood, the San Blas district is full of old-world charm. The area is lined with quaint shops and buildings with stunning architecture. The area is only a small walk from the Plaza de Armas, so it's great for spending time in the city if you only have a short time to visit. You'll find small shops and galleries that line the streets. You can also find a number of gifts and souvenirs, and the product quality is slightly higher than those in the Plaza de Armas. Make your way up the hill to San Blas Plaza, where you'll be able to enjoy more delicious food and shopping. A stroll through the neighborhood is definitely one of the best things to do in Cusco with one day.

7. Wild Rover Cusco

If you are looking for a fun night on the town, then look no further than [Wild Rover](#). The popular party spot is located on the hill of Cusco and is known as the place to go for a good time and an incredible view. As one of the best bars in Cusco, the bar is known is to get wild, and a great place to get a buzz going before heading out to one of Cusco's many incredible night clubs.

8. Inca Museum

Museo de Arte Precolombino or, Museum of Pre-Columbian Art, is found in the San Blas District and a great thing to do in Cusco. With one day, you 'll have more than enough time to really explore the many exhibits on display. The extensive collection of artwork encompasses a time period of 1250 BC to 1532 AD. As one of the best collections of its type, it's worth the time to stop and see the stunning exhibits.

Day 8



Half day participatory cooking class and market with rooftop kitchen;
lunch included

Today you will experience a unique culinary experience overlooking the city's stunning historic downtown from the 11th floor at Rooftop Kitchen. The kitchen is equipped with modern utensils and contains individual kitchen stations where guests will learn to prepare typical Peruvian dishes with the freshest regional ingredients, experiencing a new way of knowing the incredible history and culinary tradition of Peru. Rooftop Kitchen offers cooking classes for lunch and dinner including pick-up from the hotel and a guided tour through the traditional San Pedro market where the class purchases will be made. You will begin with the preparation of Pisco Sour and will continue with the elaboration of the first dish based on fish. Continue with the preparation of the main dish: Quinotto de Quinua or Lomo Saltado. Then prepare the dessert and enjoy the main course accompanied by a glass of wine. A magnificent opportunity to know the country through its flavors while enjoying the wonderful view of the Imperial City. At the end of this gastronomic experience, you will return to your hotel.



Cuzco, Alejandro Velasco Astete International Airport to Lima, Jorge Chavez International Airport

LATAM Airlines (LA) AVEL ADVISORS

LA Carrier/Flight	CUZ •	LIM •	1 hr, 20 min Duration
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Wyndham Costa Del Sol Lima Airport - Lima, Peru

51 1-711-2000

Av Elmer Faucett S/N, Aeropuerto Internacional Jorge Chavez, Lima, Peru
07031

2:00 PM

Check In

12:00 PM

Check Out

1 Night

Duration

Located within Jorge Chavez Intl Airport; Spa facilities onsite.

Room Selection

Room Category

2 TWIN ROOM (2 FULLSIZE BED IN
EACH ROOM CLOSED TO EACH
OTHER)

Day 9



Flight from Lima to USA