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LIMA | ICA DESERT | CUSCO| SACRED VALLEY MACHU PICCHU| LAKE HUMANTAY

10 NIGHTS

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2023-2024

6 TO 12 TRAVELERS

### Adventure Tour of Peru

### Overview

Peru is unlike any place in the world! From its delicious cuisine and vibrant culture to the country's beautiful and diverse natural landscapes, it should be on every traveler's bucket list. Peru also holds a special place in our hearts. It is my father's birthplace and a place we have lived in and traveled to for over 30 years. We can't wait to share this truly magnificent destination with you.

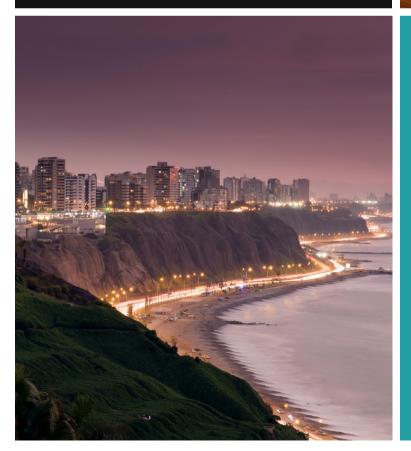
On this trip, we will take you on an adventure like you have never experienced. We will explore Peru through its melting pot of amazing food and mixing of cultures (foodies be fore-warned). We will visit one of the driest deserts in the world and sandboard down South America's largest dunes. We will feel the spiritual energy of the Sacred Valley as we climb the magnificent Inca ruins of Machu Picchu. We will get to tour the lively markets of Cusco and paraglide off the cliffs of Lima. Most importantly, this will be an opportunity to connect with like-minded people who are passionate about experiencing new things together.

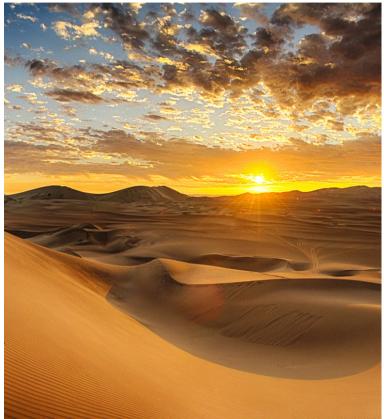
On this small group private tour (6 to 12 adventurers) we will be visiting; Lima, the capital of Peru, the deserts of Ica and Paracas, fly over the Andes Mountains to Cusco, from where we will explore the Sacred Valley, the Inca ruins of Machu Picchu, and finally, Lake Humantay. This adventure tour is scheduled for Summer 2022 and will be 10 nights.

# HIGHLIGHTS

### LIMA (3 DAYS)

- Welcome Dinner and opportunity to meet fellow travelers
- **Culinary Adventure Tour**, to understand why Peruvian cuisine is considered one of the best and diverse in the world
- Enjoy a Historical Lima City Tour
- Visit fascinating museums (Museo Larco, San Francisco Monastery and Catacombs, etc.)
- Experience Barranco at Night, the bohemian neighborhood of musicians, artists and local shops
- **Tandem Paragliding** (additional cost) off the cliffs overlooking Miraflores





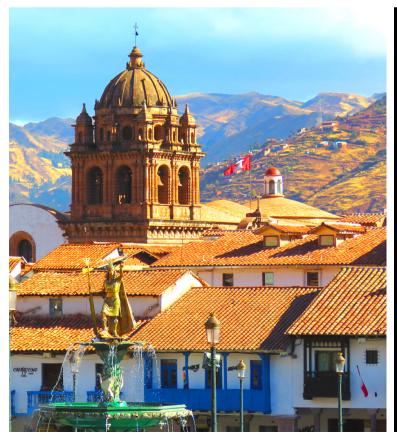
### ICA DESERT (2 DAYS)

- Take a Wildlife Boat Ride to Islas Ballestas (The Peruvian "Galapagos")
- Visit a Pisco Viñedo (winery) for pisco tasting
- Ride a Dune Buggy in the desert oasis of Huacachina, and try sandboarding on South America's largest dunes
- Let's Go Back in Time and visit Hacienda Pozuelos, where Jorge was raised, and Hacienda San Jose
- Visit El Carmen, stronghold of Afro-Peruvian culture

# HIGHLIGHTS

### SACRED VALLEY (2 DAYS)

- **Hike Machu Picchu**, one of the 7 Wonders of the World
- Experience a Traditional Pachamanca earth oven cooked meal with cuy
- ATV or Mountain Bike Tour along the Sacred Valley
- Explore Sacred Valley, including the famous salt mines of Salineras and circular terraces of Moray
- Scenic Train Ride from Ollantaytambo to Aguas Calientes, admiring the geography of the towering Andes mountains





### CUSCO (4 DAYS)

- Complete City Tour, visiting Plaza de Armas, Catedral de Cusco, Q'oricancha (Temple of Sun), Avenida del Sol, Sacsayhuaman fortress, Q'enko, Puca Pukara, Tambomachay
- Stroll San Pedro Market for a taste of local fruits, cheese and spices
- Visit the San Blas Neighborhood, a unique, bohemian enclave of of artisans and shops
- Hike Beautiful Lake Humantay surrounded by Andean peaks and glaciers

# LIMA OVERVIEW



**Lima is one of the most incredible and diverse places on the continent.** The second largest city, and the culinary capital of South America, Lima is a city full of contrasts, cultures, and energy.

For us, the story of Peru can be best told by taking a food journey through its neighborhoods and markets. Possibly the most diversified cuisine in the world, with influences from the Incas mixed together with Asian, European and African immigrant populations. It is a true fusion of ingredients, flavors and traditions. The opportunities for foodies in Lima are endless, ranging from sizzling street food to Michelin class restaurants. Two of the top ten Best Restaurants in the World (Central y Maido) are right here in Lima.

# ICA DESERT/PARACAS

Peru's southern coast is a unique mixture of barren desert juxtaposed with the sweeping Pacific Ocean. Just North of the Atacama desert, the Ica region is one of the driest places on Earth. Yet, it offers a world of outdoor adventure. Here you will find Huacachina, a small desert oasis, where you can try sand boarding in South America's largest dunes. Next is Paracas and Isla Ballestas which are considered the Galapagos of Peru, and are full of marine wildlife. We will get to visit traditional vineyards in Ica, Haciendas Pozuelos and San Jose, and the historic town of El Carmen.



# SACRED VALLEY



The Sacred Valley was Heaven on Earth for the Incas. It is the best example of how they always tried to build harmony with nature and the environment. This magnificently picturesque area, high up in the Andes mountains, is rich with nature, tranquility and ancient history. It is one of the best areas to see baby alpacas, llamas and vicuñas. Here, we will also explore Moray, Maras and Ollantaytambo.

### CUSCO



High in the South American Andes, the Peruvian city of Cusco is a living monument to Inca history and architecture, and the cultural capital of Peru. Once the heart of the Inca Empire, Cusco now draws thousands of travelers lured by the "lost" city of Machu Picchu perched on an isolated mountain. Experience the rich tapestry of interweaving histories: Spanish colonial homes are built atop Inca walls, indigenous Quechua culture mixes freely with modern cafes and nightlife.

Lake Humantay is a gorgeous lake with pristine turquoise-blue waters fed by the nearby glacier and snow-capped Nevado Humantay. Nestled among the various scenic mountain peaks of the area, this is without a doubt one of Peru's most magical places. You can breathe the pure air and feel the mystical energy.

# ITINERARY

#### DAY 1: ARRIVAL TO LIMA & WELCOME DINNER

Pick up at Jorge Chavez International Airport. Rest and relax with a pisco sour on the rooftop of the hotel, while you get to meet fellow adventurers of our intimate group. This evening we will take a nice stroll along the Pacific Ocean mirador in Miraflores en route to our Welcome Dinner. *Hotel in Lima. Meal (s) provided - Dinner (D)* 

#### **DAY 2: PERUVIAN CULINARY ADVENTURE**

Start with a typical Peruvian chicharron breakfast at prior to the Lima Historical City tour, where we will visit places like the Plaza de Armas, Catedral de Lima, Palacio de Gobierno, Jiron de la Union, and Plaza San Martin. Then we will go back to Miraflores for lunch in the Larcomar area. Perfect time to try the ultimate Peruvian comfort food, pollo a la brasa. Feel adventurous? Try paragliding, high above Lima's shores before dining at a traditional Chinese-Peruvian Chifa. Afterwards, we will stroll in the bohemian neighborhood of Barranco, where anticuchos & picarones are a must-try! Hotel in Lima. Meal (s) provided - Breakfast (B), Lunch (L), Dinner (D)

#### DAY 3: ICA DESERT ADVENTURE & PISCO TASTING

Early departure in a private shuttle to the Ica region, stopping halfway for breakfast. We will tour a local viñedo (winery) followed by a pisco tasting. Then off to visit Huacachina for a dune buggy ride and sandboarding as the sun sets over the beautiful desert horizon. *Hotel in Paracas. Meal (s) provided - B, L* 

#### **DAY 4: PARACAS NATIONAL RESERVE**

Breakfast at Hotel, then embark on a 2-hour boat tour around Isla Ballestas and the Paracas National Reserve. You will get a chance to see pelicans, sea lions, penguins and maybe even dolphins and whales. Visit Hacienda Pozuelo and Hacienda San José to explore the Chinese and African (forced) immigration, and finally stopping by El Carmen. *Return to Hotel in Lima. Meal (s) provided - B* 

#### DAY 5: RELAX IN THE SACRED VALLEY

Breakfast at Hotel, then an early flight to Cusco. We will take a private shuttle to the Sacred Valley, along the way we will stop in the town of Chinchero to learn about traditional textile making and dying. Then off to our hotel to relax and wind down at the spa before a typical Andean Pachamanca (Earth Oven) dinner. *Hotel in Urubamba. Meal* (s) *provided - B, D* 

#### DAY 6: EXPLORING THE SACRED VALLEY

Breakfast at Hotel, then hop onto a mountain bike or ATV for an incredible ride to Moray, where we will see the spectacular ancient circular terraces used for agriculture. After lunch, we will continue to the Salineras in Maras which are salt terraces built by the Incas. *Hotel in Urubamba. Meal (s) provided - B* 

## ITINERARY

#### DAY 7: HIKING MACHU PICCHU

Breakfast at Hotel to catch an early train to Aguas Calientes, followed by a shuttle up to Machu Picchu, one of the Seven Wonders of the World. We will have a private 3-hour guided tour. After lunch at Aguas Calientes, we will take the return train to Urubamba, pick-up our luggage and take a private shuttle back to Cusco. *Hotel in Cusco. Meal* (s) *provided - B, L* 

#### DAY 8: DISCOVER CUSCO CITY

Breakfast at Hotel, and then off to discover historical Cusco City. We will visit the Plaza de Armas, Catedral de Cusco, Q'oricancha (Temple of Sun), Avenida del Sol, Sacsayhuaman fortress, Q'enko, Puca Pukara and Tambomachay. Will have free time after lunch to stroll the ancient Inca passageways, in search of the famous "twelve angled stone" and explore the city on your own. *Hotel in Cusco. Meal (s) provided - B* 





#### DAY 9: EXPLORE GLACIAL LAKE HUMANTAY

Breakfast at Hotel then join us for a spectacular full day trip to beautiful Laguna Humantay. We will hike up to this lake filled with breath-taking turquoise waters, nestled high up in the Andes mountains (almost 14,000 ft). Lunch at the end of the hike, and then return shuttle to Cusco. *Hotel in Cusco. Meal* (s) provided - B, L

#### DAY 10: CUSCO MARKETS AND NEIGHBORHOODS

Breakfast at Hotel. We will have a final day in this beautiful town for sightseeing in the San Blas neighborhood, exploring the ancient streets and markets, and last minute shopping. We can arrange a private cooking class as well. Take time to relax this afternoon before the Farewell Dinner. *Hotel in Cusco. Meal (s) provided - B, D* 

#### DAY 11: BACK TO LIMA

Breakfast at Hotel. Flight back to Lima. Then it's "Hasta la Proxima BABY" as you catch your flight back to the U.S., or stay an *optional 11th night in Lima.* 

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### TRIP COST & DETAILS

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#### Prices are per person, and based on double occupancy.

\$3995 (9-12 Travelers) \$4395 (6-8 Travelers)

To offer the lowest possible cost, our trips are priced according to the number of participants on the trip. Single rooms available for a supplemental fee.

<u>**Contact us directly</u>** for groups of 5 or less (or to design an exclusively private group tour).</u>

#### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Private journey personally designed and led by Andrew/Jorge
- 10 nights in luxury hotel
- 9 (B=Breakfast), 4 (L=Lunch), 4 (D=Dinner)
- All in-country transportation including domestic flights, trains, boats, and shuttles
- Personal local guides as needed
- All agreed upon excursion and activity costs, including entrance fees: Lima City Tour, Paracas National Reserve, Islas Ballestas, Huacachina dune ride & sandboarding, entrance to Haciendas, ATV/Mountain Bike Moray/Maras, Cusco City and Ruins Tour, Private Hike & Tour of Machu Picchu, and Hiking Tour of Laguna Humantay

#### WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED?

- Your international flight to and from Aeropuerto Internacional Jorge Chavez (Lima)
- Optional 11th night accommodation at hotel in Lima, Peru
- Travel and medical insurance (suggest using squaremouth.com to compare plans)
- Spa and other optional activities/excursions
- Tipping or gratuities

#### I'M INTERESTED, SO WHAT DO I DO NEXT?

If you are interested in joining this trip or have any other questions please email us at <u>nobuyatravelers@gmail.com</u> so we can schedule a phone call with you. This allows you to ask any questions or voice any concerns you may have. Our goal is to provide intimate and small group trips; a quick yet personal conversation allows you to get to know how our trips work, and make sure it's the right fit.

After you call, **IF ITS A GO**, we will bill you for a non-refundable deposit, 50% of the trip's cost, and your place is secured. At this point, you're committed to the trip. Your remaining balance will be due 2 months prior the trip.



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