



**BALLESTAS
ISLANDS TOURS S.R.L.**

Agencia de Viajes - Tour Operador



PERU EXPRESS

LIMA - PUNO + CUSCO - LIMA

07 DAYS / 06 NIGHTS

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DAY 01 :/LIMA

Transfer to the selected hotel. Check In.

14:00 City Tour Lima: We start our tour with a panoramic view of the "Pucllana Pyramid" a magnificent ceremonial and archeological center, then we visit the Historical Center of Lima, where you will appreciate more than fifty monuments and Colonial edifications, such as the Paseo de la República, the San Martín Square, the Main Square, the Government Palace, the Archbishop's Palace, the Cathedral Basilica, and the City Council Palace amongst others.

We will visit the Museum of the "Banco Central de Reserva", where we will admire the "Treasures of Perú" Collection, a fine selection of objects made of gold, ceramics and textiles from different pre-columbian cultures.

We will visit the monumental San Francisco Convent, which displays the largest collection of religious art in America. Our highlight will be the visit of the underground vaults, known as "Catacumbas" or Catacombs. At the end we will visit traditional residential areas of Lima and Larcomar.

**Museum of the "Banco Central de Reserva" is closed to the public on Saturday and Sunday afternoon. Monday closed all day.*

Return to the hotel. Accommodation.

DAY 02: LIMA/CUSCO

Transfer to the airport to take your flight to CUSCO City.

Meeting at assistance upon Arrival at "Velazco Astete" Airport, and transfer to the hotel.

We recommend you to rest to get accustomed to the altitude.

P.m. City tour visiting: the Main Square, the Cathedral, its extremely sober renaissance facade contrast with the baroque and plateresque style of its interior, and Koricancha, a famous temple dedicated to the sun. Then, visit to the nearby ruins: Kenko, ancient ceremonial centre dedicated to the earth; Puca Pucara, administrative and military center; Tambomachay, important place of worship dedicated to water and the fortress of Sacsayhuaman, cyclopean fortress built for the defence of Cusco. Return to the hotel. Accommodation.

DAY 03: FULL DAY MACHU PICCHU

Breakfast at hotel.

Transfer to the train station, you will take the train To Machu Picchu Pueblo.

Am. Arrival, and transfer by minibus to "The Lost City of the Incas", it lies within the spectacular framework provided by the exuberant vegetation of the nearby jungle and the rugged landscape. The ruins are on the eastern slope of Machu Picchu in two separate areas: the agricultural and the urban.

Sightseeing through the archaeological site with a professional guide. Once the guided tour is over, you will have some free time to explore the site on your own, to relax, and to meditate. At the scheduled time, you will descend to "Aguas Calientes", eat lunch, and then head out to the city of Cuzco. Arrival at Cusco and transfer to the hotel. Accommodation.

DAY 04: FULL DAY SACRED VALLEY

Breakfast at hotel.

A.m. Full day excursion to the Urubamba Valley visiting the village of Pisac, a picturesque town of Creole and colonial aspect and its Indian market and craft fair.

P.M. Visit to the fortress of Ollantaytambo, an architectural group that in the days of the Tahuantinsuyo empire was a gigantic agricultural, administrative, social, religious and military complex. Return to Cuzco. Accommodation.

DIA 05: CUSCO/PUNO

Breakfast. 07:00 Transfer to the bus station to take your bus to Puno, During the trip, we will know to the beautiful town : Andahuaylillas: It is named the "Sixtine Chapel of America" and in some sense the comparison examples of the Andean popular religious art. The church of Andahuaylillas is a jewelry of the mestizo baroque architecture that developed in Cusco. Its nave presents profuse decoration, especially in the ceiling decorated with carved panels which is a recover with "pan de oro" (type of gold decoration). On the way, we stop in Raqchi: (Temple of Wiracocha God): To 121 Km of Cusco, it was an Inca church of monumental dimensions: 100 meters of length by 26 meters of wide and 14 meters of height; the temple is divided in two naves and each nave shows basics of 11 giant columns. The bases of the church are bulit perfectly carving stones continued with



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adobe. It is appreciated besides qolqas or granary places of military order, religious, Inka between others. About 70 Km further on, we pass through La Raya: Media point in the route of Cusco - Puno. It is the highest part, it has 4335 meters above sea level, we can appreciate beautiful landscapes, llamas and vicuñas, geographic union between two cultures quechua and aymara, we can see the Altiplano arid and dry union with the quechua zone with rivers and valleys. Pukara: It is the most important and oldest ceremonial center of the Altiplano, preceding to Tiahuanaco, characterized by a series of echelon platforms ceremonial center. It's also possible to appreciate interesting litoscultures, trails or tomb stone of intriguing personage that seems to show evidence of a brave civilization. here is where it was discovered the origins of the Andean culture in the Altiplano. Lunch in a countryside restaurant, where we can enjoy the delightful culinary art of the region.

17:00 aprox. arrival to Puno and transfer to your selected hotel. Accommodations.

DAY 06 : LOS UROS + TAQUILE / LIMA

Breakfast. Excursion to the Lake Titicaca and as a first starting point, visit the floating islands of the Uros, also called Lake Town. These islands are built using totora reed and are used as home and trade centers for the natives, who use hand-made boats of the same material as their means of transportation. We will go on to Taquile Island, where the community kindly welcomes tourists, keeping their traditions alive, as well as their costumes and colorful typical dresses; these people are very skilled artisans and they show in every piece of work all the techniques developed for centuries. Lunch included.

Transfer to the airport to take your flight to LIMA City.

DAY 07: LIMA/ ...

Breakfast. At the scheduled time, transfer to the airport to take your flight to...

END OF OUR SERVICES.

OUR PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- ARRIVE AND DEPARTURE TRANSFERS.
- 02 NIGHTS OF LODGING IN THE SELECTED HOTEL + BREAKFAST - LIMA
- 01 NIGHT OF LODGING IN THE SELECTED HOTEL + BREAKFAST - PUNO
- 03 NIGHTS OF LODGING IN THE SELECTED HOTEL + BREAKFAST - CUSCO
- LUNCHES INDICATED AS IN THE ITINERARY.
- VISITS AND TOURS AS INDICATED IN THE ITINERARY.
- TRAIN TICKET IN CUSCO (EXPEDITION OR SIMILAR)
- TRANSFERS, TICKETS AND LOCAL GUIDE FOR TOURS.

AIR TICKETS NOT INCLUDED.