



Inca Trail Deluxe

13 Days | 12 Nights



Peru Inca
Discovery



Day 1

Destination: USA-LIMA

Accommodation: Miraflores Park Hotel by Belmond or similar Hotel.

Meal Included: B/L

You depart from the U.S. and fly to Lima Peru, arriving late in the evening or early in the morning. After proceeding through immigration, please collect your baggage and continue through customs. Please leave the airport arrivals hall passing through the exit doors.

Our PERUINCADISCOVERY Tour Leader will be at the airport to meet you and escort you to your hotel, the hotel will be located in the heart of the vibrant Miraflores District, and depend on the traffic the journey will take 1 hour approximately.

Morning:

Welcome Briefing at the hotel during which we will introduce ourselves and review carefully our itinerary. Logistics, safety emergency procedures, and any questions will also be discussed.

Activity Note:

After the briefing, we leave the hotel for our first Discovery.

Lunch:

The culinary capital of South America, Lima offers an incredible variety of flavors, we have carefully selected one of the best restaurants.

Afternoon:

Around 5 pm, We will leave the hotel to visit a very important neighborhood in Lima.

Barranco is the artsy, bohemian neighborhood of Lima popular with visitors. It is a must- see while in town, offering visitors world-class food, culture, and nightlife – basically, all the best things the capital has to offer in one charming neighborhood

Admire the Bridge of Sighs, the poetic ambiance of Barranco's Puente de los Suspiros (Bridge of Sighs) has inspired writers and artists alike and makes for the most romantic place to bring your partner in Peru.

The bridge itself is not an architectural wonder, but at night, when the lights go on, it's an unforgettable spot to be. After dark, vendors come out selling drinks and Peru's famous picarones dessert, alongside musicians performing near the bridge.

Dinner:

On Your Own, we will be happy to offer suggestions for dining.



Day 2

Destination: LIMA

Accommodation: Miraflores Park Hotel by Belmond or similar Hotel.

Meal Included: B/L/D

Breakfast:

An irresistible breakfast menu that offers fresh pieces of bread, pastries, and local Peruvian specialties. Charcuterie, fruit, and eggs cooked to order ensure a hearty start to your day, beginning at 6:30 am.

Morning:

Larco Museum, Downtown Lima, and The Convent of San Francisco.

We are leaving the hotel at 8 am to enjoy Lima's historic city center declared by UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Lima was Founded by Francisco Pizarro in 1535 and became Spain's largest and wealthiest city in the New World. The city has a proud history, including the founding of one of the first universities in South America, The University of San Marcos, in the middle of the 16th century.

We begin our day exploring The Larco Museum (officially known as Rafael Larco Herrera Archaeological Museum) it is one of the best museums in South America covering more than 6,000 years of pre-Columbian history.

You will be able to observe in chronological order how the Pre-Columbian cultures were evolving until their splendor and of course their fall, this is a very important part to understand the complex history of Peru from 5000 BC to the Inca period before the Spanish conquest.

The museum contains an impressive collection of ceramics, gold, silver items, and textiles from Peru's pre-Columbian history, all housed in a former mansion with lush gardens.

We continue our discoveries with a car ride of 30 minutes to reach The Convent of San Francisco and the Main Square of Lima. You are going to visit one of the most important and visited religious temples in the city of Lima, However, what is most striking are its extensive underground cloisters, the catacombs where hundreds of human skulls lie since colonial times.

Lunch:

The culinary capital of South America, Lima offers an incredible variety of flavors, we have carefully selected one of the best restaurants.

Afternoon:

On the way back to the hotel, we will stop for another Discovery.

Dinner:

In one of Lima's most famous restaurants, La Rosa Nautica, located at the end of a pier in the Pacific Ocean, right where all the surfers look for big waves off the rocky shores below the Costa Verde.



Day 3

Destination: LIMA-CUSCO

Accommodation: Rio Sagrado Hotel by Belmond or a similar Hotel.

Meal Included: B/L

Breakfast:

An irresistible breakfast menu that offers fresh pieces of bread, pastries, and local Peruvian specialties. Charcuterie, fruit, and eggs cooked to order ensure a hearty start to your day, beginning at 6:30 am.

Activity Note:

We rise early this morning for our flight to Cusco. We will spend tonight and the next few nights at elevations above 9,000 feet. We recommend staying hydrated while at high altitude.

Morning:

We leave from the hotel and drive to the airport of Lima, today we are landing in Cusco City, the former capital of the Inca Empire and a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Its elevation is around 3,400 m (11,200 ft), that is why we don't stay in Cusco, we will descend by driving to the sacred valley of the Incas which is lower in elevation (9,000 ft) and therefore warmer than any other nearby area, the lower elevation of the sacred valley of the Incas eases our transition to the high altitudes of the Andes, which is a key for a great travel experience in Cusco.

Lunch:

Cusco offers an incredible variety of flavors too; we have carefully selected one of the best restaurants.

Cusco's cuisine stands out for the use of local ingredients like potatoes, corn, quinoa, fava beans, different types of meat like guinea pig, alpaca, pork, trout fish and more.

Afternoon:

We continue our journey through The Sacred Valley of the Incas, until we reach the town of Urubamba where our hotel is located, you will have the rest of the afternoon to relax in the best place.

Dinner:

On your own, we will be happy to offer suggestions for dining.



Day 4

Destination: PUMAMARKA-OLLANTA

Accommodation: Rio Sagrado Hotel by Belmond or a Similar Hotel.

Meal Included: B/L

Breakfast:

An irresistible breakfast menu that offers fresh pieces of bread, pastries, and local Peruvian specialties. Charcuterie, fruit, and eggs cooked to order ensure a hearty start to your day, beginning at 6:30 am.

Morning:

Begin the day with a scenic drive to the impressive Inca site of PumaMarka, this is going to be a very lovely half-day.

This hiking path to Ollantaytambo is splendid, we begin our gradual descent hike through a lovely forest shaded by large trees with small waterfalls, passes by impressive Inca terraces, all while boasting spectacular views of the Patacancha Valley until we reach the lovely Inca living town of Ollantaytambo.

We will visit The Impressive Templo of The Sun consider one of the biggest mysteries left by the Inca architecture.

This incredible Inca Town is one of the finest preserved examples of a great urban planning, the narrow streets, the water canals still in use, we will get to know the everyday life of its inhabitants.

Lunch:

Today, we will visit the unique Wayra restaurant accompanied by Peruvian Paso Fino horse riding demonstrations and Marinera dancers.

Afternoon:

Free for your discoveries in the town of Urubamba.

Dinner:

On Your Own, we will be happy to offer suggestions for dining.



Day 5

Destination: MARAS-MORAY-SALINERAS

Accommodation: Rio Sagrado Hotel by Belmond or a Similar hotel.

Meal Included: B/L

Breakfast:

An irresistible breakfast menu that offers fresh pieces of bread, pastries, and local Peruvian specialties. Charcuterie, fruit, and eggs cooked to order ensure a hearty start to your day, beginning at 6:30 am.

Morning:

Prepare for a full day of immersive cultural Discovery.

We will spend a Day in the Life of the colonial village of Maras known for its nearby evaporation salt ponds, which have been harvested since Inca times.

Today we'll see locals collecting the salt in much the same way as their ancestors would have done 900 years ago. Salt has been obtained in Maras by evaporating salty warm water.

The highly salty warm water emerges at a spring, a natural outlet of the underground stream. The flow is directed into an intricate system of tiny channels constructed so that the water runs gradually down onto 4 thousand Inca terraced ponds. The salt ponds are shallow and expansive, allowing sunlight to penetrate and reach the seawater. Once the pond is filled, the flow of water is cut and it is allowed to dry for a week, when the salt crystallizes it can be harvested, it is worked in a cooperative system that remains from Inca time.

Lunch:

A feast to celebrate Mother Earth.

We drive about 20 minutes to the mountain weaving village of Misminay, which at an elevation of 12,000 feet is a literal high point of our exploration of the Sacred Valley to enjoy our home-hosted lunch, which is going to be one of the oldest culinary traditions Pachamanca (from the Quechua language Pacha "earth", manka "pot") is a traditional Peruvian dish baked with the aid of hot stones. It is generally made of lamb, alpaca, pork, beef, chicken, guinea pig, all marinated in herbs, spices, potatoes, fava beans, sweet potatoes, plantain, humitas (corn cakes) and cheese

Afternoon:

We drive 15 minutes to the Inca site of Moray.

According to archaeologists, this sinkhole is widely agreed to have been used for experimental agriculture stations, and soil samples have shown that soils were brought in from different regions to be used in helping grow crops at the different levels of the terraces. The wide temperature differences in the terraces have created microclimates, similar to what is achieved in green-houses in modern times. Then we drive back to your hotel.

Dinner:

On your own, we will be happy to offer suggestions for dining.



Day 6

Destination: LUXURY INCA TRAIL DAY 1

Distance Covered: 7 MILES

Technical Difficulty:

Fitness Level:

Minimum Altitude: Km 82 – 2, 700 mts/ 8,800 ft.

Maximun Altitude: Wayllabamba campsite – 2,900 mts /9,700 ft.

Meal Included: B/L/TT/D

Important Note: EVERYDAY STAY HYDRATED we will make sure you have enough fresh water.

Breakfast:

An irresistible breakfast menu will be served at your hotel that offers fresh pieces of bread, pastries, and local Peruvian specialties. Charcuterie, fruit, and eggs cooked to order ensure a hearty start to your day, beginning at 6:30 am.

Morning:

Today we start this unique experience that will take you back to the time of the great Incas civilization, where you will walk through the same original trail and discover mysteries, knowledge, and peace all along the way.

“The concept of how much work it would take to build this trail and these Inca sites
it is more than our minds can comprehend” By Marco Aragon

Our day begins by driving for 40 minutes until we reach Piscacucho or km 82. This is the starting point of our adventure, in this place we will present our passports, permits and meet with the rest of the team, our porters, our chef, our massage therapists, our guides and all the camping equipment, ready to offer the best travel experience.

We then crossed a picturesque bridge across the river Urubamba and finally start the “world's greatest hike”.

We do it slow and steady, that's the key.

We stumbled upon local people, living on the first part of the track, usually have little stands where they sell food and drinks.

After a couple of hours of gentle hiking the trail gets a little steeper and we reached a wide area with a great view of Patallacta and HuillcaRaccay site, offering an unforgettable experience that combines breathtaking scenery with rich cultural heritage.

Lunch:

Our chef awaits us with a delicious and nutritious meal at Tarayoc (2,700 mts / 8,800 ft).

Afternoon:

We continue hiking up on incline path, diverting away from the Urubamba River and following the Cusichaca river towards the village of Wayllabamba (2970 m. /9744.1 ft.), where we will camp in luxury and comfort in the vast wilderness surrounded by the dramatic mountains of the Andes.

Welcome to your personalized standing bedroom tent with many amenities and indulge in a hot shower in the shower tent. After that, take pleasure in a soothing massage, using aromatic natural oils to relax your body.

Dinner:

it's time for a flavorful dinner prepared with organic ingredients from the region by our Chef.



Day 7

Destination:	LUXURY INCA TRAIL DAY 2
Distance Covered:	5 MILES
Minimum Altitude:	Wayllabamba 2,900m (9,842 ft)
Maximun Altitude:	Warmiwanusqua, or Dead Woman's Pass 4215m (13,828 ft)
Meal Included:	B/L/TT/D
Important Note:	Today we start hiking on the original cobblestone paved trail left by the Incas all the way to MachuPicchu.

Breakfast:

We know that breakfast is the most important meal of the day for hikers. We always prepare, delicious, nutrition and balanced food.

Morning:

After a good night rest, we will get started on what is generally considered the most challenging day of the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu.

Today is where the route really starts to gain some height. The gradient increases and the path narrow. This is all about conquering the highest point on the whole of the route: Warmiwanusqua, or Dead Woman's Pass at (13776ft). We are going to pass through different ecological zones to appreciate the sudden changes in vegetation and geology.

The trail will cross an area of the Cloud Forest, which is inhabited by many different kinds of birds and animals. You may see hummingbirds and sparrows and if you are lucky, you may even see the Andean Black Bear, which is also called the Spectacled Bear (Tremarctus Ornatus).

Lunch:

We are going to have a delicious and nutritious food at Llulluchapampa (3760 m. / 12335.9 ft.) while appreciating magnificent views of the surrounding Cloud Forest and the Peruvian Andes.

Afternoon:

We continue the tough ascent towards the highest pass of the trail the Dead Woman's Pass (Warmiwañusca Pass 4215 mt), feel a sense of accomplishment and celebrate this triumphant experience with your family and friends with a toast to nature. Then it's time to descend for another 2 hours until you reach Pacaymayo Valley (3600m/11808ft) where the campsite will be set up for the evening where you will delight in a hot shower and massage in the wilderness of the Peruvian Andes.

Dinner:

it's time for a delicious and nutritious dinner prepared with organic ingredients from the region by our Chef at Pacaymayo where you are going to eat like an Inca king and the food experience will be only surpassed by the first sight of Machu Picchu from the Sun gate.



Day 8

- Destination: LUXURY INCA TRAIL DAY 3
- Distance Covered: 6 MILES
- Minimum Altitude: Chaquicocha 3,535m (11,597.8 ft)
- Maximun Altitude: Runkurakay Pass 3,955 m (12,975.7 ft)
- Meal Included: B/L/TT/D

Breakfast:

We know that breakfast is the most important meal of the day for hikers. We always prepare, delicious, nutrition and balanced food.

Morning:

We begin our day with a steep hike up to the second pass, the Pass Runkurakay at 3,970m/ 13,022 feet. on the way up, we must stop to visit the archaeological complex with the same name. This site, located at 3,800m/ 12,464 feet, consists of a small half circular structure that is believed to have served the purpose of a check point.

Then we keep hiking up to the top of the second pass 3,970m/ 13,022 feet. From there, we start descending steeply towards the beautiful complex of Sayacmarca at 3,624m-11,887 feet.

We are going to explore this archeological site which is masterpiece of Inca architecture for 30 minutes after that we keep moving on to reach our lunch spot.

Lunch:

We are going to have a delicious and nutritious food at Chaquicocha.

Afternoon:

The stone paths laid by the Inca keep wiggling and weaving through the lush cloud forests from here on. There's another couple of miles until you reach Phuyupatamarca "the place above the clouds" at 3,700m/ 12,136 feet, which will be the rest point for the night. Relish in the glamor, for one more night with a hot shower, massage, and Inca king treatment on the luxury Inca Trail.

Dinner:

Feast on a Peruvian gourmet dinner prepared by our chef, and toast with our crew to a wonderful time.



Day 9

Destination: LUXURY INCA TRAIL DAY 4

Distance Covered: 5 MILES

Minimum Altitude: Machu Picchu 2430 m/ 7972.4 ft.

Maximun Altitude: Intipunku site 2750 m/9022.3 ft.

Meal Included: B/L/TT/D

Important Note: Sunrise in Phuyupatamarca is considered one of many highlights of the trek.

Breakfast:

We know that breakfast is the most important meal of the day for hikers. We always prepare, delicious, nutrition and balanced food.

Morning:

Today begins with a steep descent from Phuyupatamarca to MachuPicchu.

We will explore Phuyupatamarca and enjoy the spectacular cloud forest its beauty and biodiversity, we continue through the

cloud forest and suddenly we will encounter with Wiñayhuayna, this place is without a doubt another marvel of civil engineering, discovered in 1941 in the middle of the dense vegetation.

Lunch:

We are going to have a delicious and nutritious food at Wiñayhuayna.

After lunch our chef, our porters and our therapists, this amazing team have to go home.

Afternoon:

We continue a gentle hike through one of the most amazing cloud forests to reach Int Punku the famous Sun Gate, the main entrance to the Inca Citadel Machupicchu.

This is the point where you will get your first glimpse of the spectacular city of Machu Picchu below you. 45 minutes descent along the royal Inca trail and we will be in front of this enigmatic site.

Dinner:

Enjoy a delicious dinner at the Hotel Sanctuary Lodge by Belmond.



Day 10

Destination: MACHUPICCHU-CUSCO

Meal Included: B/L/D

Breakfast:

An irresistible breakfast menu that offers fresh pieces of bread, pastries, and local Peruvian specialties. Charcuterie, fruit, and eggs cooked to order ensure a hearty start to your day, beginning at 6:30 am.

Important Note:

If today you want to hike to HuaynaPicchu mountain, the inca bridge or MachuPicchu mountain please let us know in advance.

Availability is limited. If you are planning to do those hikes, it is important to book your trip well in advance. The availability is affected by several factors, including the time of year, the number of people in your group, and the number of spaces regulated by the Peruvian state.

Morning:

We will discover the enigmas of MachuPicchu our highlight of the journey, the Inca Masterpiece.

We will have the honor of having the company of our senior lecturer Marco Aragon.

MachuPicchu “discovered” by Hiram Bingham in 1911, inching up to the edges of cliffs high above the Urubamba River and seemingly floating among the clouds the mystical stone city stretches boldly across a high ridge in the Andes Mountains, the mysterious city of the Incas.

Surrounded by lush vegetation and steep, dramatic escarpments, it’s one of the most famous and breathtaking archaeological sites in the world and will literally take you centuries back in time.

On July 7, 2007, Machu Picchu was elected one of the New 7 Wonders of the Modern World; these were elected by more than 100 million people around the world, through an open Internet vote; the wonders were randomly announced by the New Open World Corporation.

Lunch:

Embark on a captivating culinary journey at Sanctuary Lodge hotel by Belmond.

Afternoon:

We are going to witness the full mystical essence of the most important Inca Citadel.

Tea Time:

Starts at 4:45 pm in the buffet restaurant.

Dinner:

The return trip includes a fine dining experience on the luxury train, you can accompany your meals with beverages and an excellent wine selection.



Day 11

Destination: CUSCO CITY

Accommodation: Monasterio Hotel by Belmond or similar Hotel.

Meal included: B/L

Breakfast:

An irresistible breakfast menu will be served at your hotel that offers fresh pieces of bread, pastries, and local Peruvian specialties. Charcuterie, fruit, and eggs cooked to order ensure a hearty start to your day, beginning at 6:30 am.

Activity Note:

Today we are going to visit Sulca Textile Museum Home.

Morning:

Meet your PeruIncaDiscovery Tour Leader in the hotel lobby for your next excursion to see remains of the temple of the sun, the famous QORICANCHA, one of the most finely worked stone structures. Inca architecture is widely known for its fine masonry, which features precisely cut and shaped stones closely fitted without mortar.

After this visit, we are ready to see SACSAYHUAMAN, by driving 20 minutes from Cusco, we approach into SACSAYHUAMAN, you will be impressed by the scale of the Inca Site, this is one of the biggest mysteries of the Inca architecture.

From an architectural perspective Sacsayhuaman is fascinating. The amount of effort and coordination it took to build this structure combined with the level of precision in the craftsmanship of the material puts this site on the top of Inca knowledge.

Lunch:

This is one of the best restaurants in Cusco, The Inka Grill, considered the pioneer of the culinary revolution in Cusco.

Afternoon:

You will have free time to rest after the day's activities, or make independent discoveries in the town.

Dinner:

It is on your own, we will be happy to offer suggestions for dining.



Day 12

Destination: RAINBOW MOUNTAIN

Accommodation: Monasterio hotel by Belmond or a similar hotel.

Distance covered: 5 MILES

Minimum Altitude: Cusco 11,000 feet (3,200 meters)

Maximun Altitude: Vinicunca 17,060 feet (5,200 meters)

Meal Included: B/L/D

Breakfast:

An irresistible breakfast menu will be served at your hotel that offers fresh pieces of bread, pastries, and local Peruvian specialties. Charcuterie, fruit, and eggs cooked to order ensure a hearty start to your day, beginning at 6:30 am.

Important note:

The altitude of the mountain makes it a very challenging hike.

Morning:

We will start early and drive 2 hours and 45 minutes to Rainbow Mountain, listed in National Geographic's *"Top 100 Places to Visit Before You Die"*.

This is a gentle hike the trail itself is mostly flat until the final ascent, there are also horses available along the trail, they bring you to the end of the flat part of the trail where you'll have to dismount and climb the final stretch on foot to reach the summit.

Rainbow Mountain is becoming the main attraction to see before Machu Picchu. As you could guess, the mountain is famed for its natural, multi-colored beauty. This rainbow-like appearance is created by the sediment of minerals throughout the area giving the mountain turquoise, lavender, gold, and other amazing colors.

Lunch:

We will enjoy typical dishes from Cusco in a local restaurant.

Afternoon:

You will have free time to rest after the day's activities, or make independent discoveries in the town.

Dinner:

At 6:30 pm, our group will meet in the hotel lobby and walk about 5 minutes to a nearby restaurant.



Destination: USA-LIMA

Meal Included: B

Breakfast:

An irresistible breakfast menu that offers fresh pieces of bread, pastries, and local Peruvian specialties. Charcuterie, fruit, and eggs cooked to order ensure a hearty start to your day, beginning at 6:30 am.

Morning:

Please meet your PeruIncaDiscovery representative in the lobby ready for your private transfer to the airport for your flight to Lima, where you'll connect to your flight back to the U.S.

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN YOUR TRIP (AND WHAT'S NOT)

NOT INCLUDED

- International flights to and from your home country
- Travel Insurance
- Meals not specified
- All gratuities

INCLUDED

- English-Speaking
- Luxury Accommodations
- Full Breakfast Daily; Select Lunches and Dinners
- Laundry Service
- Internet Access
- Entrance Fees, Taxes, and All Gratuities Except Your Tour Leader
- 24/7 P.I.D On-Call Support

INCLUDED ON THE INCA TRAIL

- Professional English-speaking guide
- All entrance fees and required permits
- A private, hand-crafted, and fully personalized service with our staff
- All entrance fees and permits
- Meals indicated: B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner.
- 3 nights at ultra-luxury camping
- Train tickets to Machupicchu, of your choice
- Massage Sessions during 3 days, and Yoga Sessions
- Hot Shower during the Inca trail
- Bath and hand towels per person, Sleeping bags, Duffle bags
- Private porter during the trail for your personal belongings
- Modern Hiking and camping equipment
- Oxygen bottle and first-aid kits
- Wine, Champagne, safe bottled water.
- Personal tents (Gore-Tex) Inflatable Terma-rest sleeping pad Pillow Sleeping bag, mummy.
- An excellent Chef. Please let us know if you have any dietary requirements or food allergies in advance.
- Gourmet meals with high-quality cutlery.
- Porters are to carry up to 25 pounds, of personal gear.
- 24/7assistance

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