

Unique Peru Tours

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Sample Tour Itinerary - Sacred Valley, Machu Picchu, Cusco

July 18

You arrive at the Cusco airport at 9:30am on LAN 2023 where your driver, Armando, and your guide, Alfredo, will pick you up and take you to the Sacred Valley. Located at a lower altitude than Cusco, this will help you in your acclimation. On the way, we'll stop at Awanacancha where you will learn about the differences between llamas and alpacas, as well as abe shown a bit about the weaving that is native to this area. There is also a high quality shop onsite if you want to check out some better alpaca goods. After this, depending on the time, you can either have lunch in Pisac first, and then head to a quick visit of the archaeological site, or see the site first. We'll play the afternoon by ear, as there is no telling how the altitude will affect you. We'll then take you to your hotel in Urubamba. (I can arrange massages for the afternoon/evening with me if you like, at my center, or you can take advantage of the lovely spa at the hotel.)

Hotel: Rio Sagrado - Garden Suite

Included: Personal licensed tour guide, private transport, all entrance fees, hotel. Not included: Lunch, Diinner

July 19

You'll be picked up at your hotel at 8:00am and taken to visit the archaeological site of Ollantaytambo, located in a picturesque town of the same name which is still organized today as it was in lnca times. I've had to change your trains to an early one, as there wouldn't have been time for a proper tour of Machu Picchu in the afternoon otherwise. You'll take the 10:32am Vistadome train to Aguas Calientes, a journey of about 1.5 hours. This train allows for the best views of the stunning landscapes you'll be passing through. Your guide will go with you and, in the afternoon, you will have a personalized tour of the most important areas of the site before heading back down to town where you'll spend the night. You'll have a box lunch that you can enjoy on the train, allowing you to make the most of your time at the citadel.

Hotel: Casa del Sol Suite

Included: Breakfast in hotel, personal licensed tour guide, private transport, all entrance fees, train to Aguas Calientes, roundtrip bus to Machu Picchu, box lunch, hotel.

Not Included: Dinner

July 20

Head back early to Machu Picchu where you'll have less people to contend with, and can also hike to the top of Huayna Picchu which gives you a great view of Machu Picchu for taking stunning photos. You'll have a 1:37pm train back to Ollan-taytambo where you'll be picked up and taken to Cusco where you can spend time wandering about the ancient capital of the Inca empire on your own. (You'll want to leave the site by around 12:30pm to get your luggage at the hotel and catch your train.)

Hotel: J.W. Marriott

Included: Breakfast in hotel, second entrance to Machu Picchu, roundtrip shuttle bus, return train to Cusco, private transport. Not Included: Lunch, Dinner, Hotel

July 21

You can have a leisurely start this morning before being picked up for a tour of Cusco city... We can coordinate your start time the night before. In the city itself, this includes the Cathedral and Qoricancha, the Temple of the Sun. Above the city, you'll visit Sacsayhuaman, Qenqo, Pukapukara and Tambomachay. If you're up for a short hike, we can arrange a box lunch and have you walk back down an ancient Inca Trail, past the Temple of the Moon, and stop off for lunch along the way.

Hotel: J.W. Marriott Included: Breakfast in hotel, private transport, personal licensed tour guide, entrance fees, box lunch.

Not Included: Dinner, hotel

July 22

You'll be picked up at 6:30am and taken to the airport for your LAN 2028 flight to Lima at 8:45am.

Included: Breakfast in hotel, private transport to airport