



Itinerary - 12 days / 11 nights (10 hotel nights)

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Andean Highlights 12 days 11 nights:

Lima, Arequipa & Colca, Puno & Lake Titicaca, Bolivia & Copacabana, Cusco & Machu Picchu.

By: Valencia Travel Cusco.

Day 1. - The adventure begins: From Miami to Lima!

You will take a flight from Miami to Lima "time to be confirmed"

Day 2. – Discovering Lima..!

After your arrival in Lima a representative of Valencia travel Cusco will be waiting to pick you up and take you to the Hotel in Miraflores.

Option 1 (Casa Andina Classic San Antonio)

<http://www.casa-andina.com/classic-miraflores-san-antonio/>

Option 2 (Hotel San Agustin Colonial)

<http://www.hotelessanagustin.com.pe/hotels/lima/miraflores/colonial/>

In the afternoon you have a City tour where you will have the opportunity to visit important places like:

- "Huaca Pucllana" (magnificent ceremonial and archeological center).
- Historic Center of Lima.
- Colonial buildings (Plaza Mayor, the Government Palace, the Archbishop's Palace, the Cathedral, the City Hall).
- Central bank Museum.
- San Francisco.
- The current Lima.





After touring in the colonial city of Lima we will rest before traveling to the condor home...!

Day 3. - On the way to the Andes!

A representative of Valencia travel Cusco will pick you up from the hotel (time to be confirmed) and take you to the airport where you will take your flight to Arequipa!.

In Arequipa, you will be picked up by a representative of Valencia travel Cusco and they will take you to your Hotel in Arequipa.

Option 1 (Casa Andina Classic Arequipa).

<http://www.casa-andina.com/classic-arequipa/>

Option 2 (Hotel San Agustín Posada del Monasterio - Arequipa)

<http://www.hotelessanagustin.com.pe/es/hoteles/arequipa/posada-del-monasterio/>

You will have the opportunity to walk on the white city and surroundings. The architecture in the historic center is characterized by the prominence of ashlar, the use of which begins in the last third of the s. XVI. This volcanic stone, white or pink exceptionally soft, lightweight, and weatherproof, emerged as a seismic structural solution.

Day 4. - Time to visit – condors home!

We will pick you up 7:30 - 8:00 am to go to the Colca Canyon.

Colca Canyon trip:

Pick up 7:30 – 8:00 am and travel by bus, approximately 4 hours including stops along the way – beautiful landscapes and scenery. You will arrive at Chivay and have time to settle in to your hotel. In the afternoon you can go to the thermal baths – 3 km from Chivay (entrance 10 soles each – not included in tour price). In the evening there is a folkloric show with dinner (dinner not included in price – menu around 20 soles).

You will spend the night at:

Option 1 (Casa Andina Colca - Arequipa).

<http://www.casa-andina.com/classic-colca/>





Day 5. - Close to the Condors!

5.30 am – breakfast and then leave the hotel to go to Cruz Del Condor – the point where you can see the depth and beauty of Colca Canyon and where, hopefully, you will see Condors. Return in direction of Chivay, visiting a few small villages on the way. Lunch in Chivay in the afternoon and then begin journey to Puno.

Once you arrive in Puno (Folklore capital) you will be taken to the hotel where you will stay the night.

Option 1 (Hotel la Hacienda Plaza – Puno).

At night, keep to the main, lit areas – the main street will be obvious and there are lots of little restaurants there. It would be a good time to buy your gifts for your host family on your island trip (not obligatory but recommended) – 1 kilo of sugar, 1 kilo of rice, and bottle of oil – these are fine/or something along these lines – practical items. Please do not take sweets for the children or give your host family money.

Day 6.- Floating Islands and more!

You will be picked up from your hotel at about 7:00 am. You will travel by boat for about an hour to visit the amazing floating islands (Uros Islands – you will spend about 30 - 45 minutes here). Then you will continue on to the Island of Taquile (a further 3 hours) (the people on this island are known for being the best weavers in Peru). You will walk for about 30 minutes to the top of the island where you will visit the island community and have lunch. You will walk back to the boat to travel back to Puno, arriving around 6pm. You will be taken to the hotel where you will stay the night.

Option 1 (Hotel la Hacienda Plaza – Puno).

www.hhp.com.pe/haciendaplaza/en Tel: 365134

Day 7. - On the way to Bolivia.

PUNO - COPACABANA - ISLA DEL SOL – PUNO.

We will pick you up at 7:00 am from your Hotel and take our bus to Copacabana (approximately 3 hours), along the way we will skirting the lake Titicaca with a breathtaking view of Lake and after arriving Copacabana we will visit the Shrine of **La Virgen De La**

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In the afternoon we will go to the Isla del Sol where we will visit the archeological site of "Pilkokaina – Inca temple, then a short walk through the steps of Yumani built by our ancestors up to the fountain of youth, there you may be purified taking some sacred water, it is believed that this source is the source of eternal youth, and also enjoy the beauty of this beautiful garden Inca after our return visit to the town of Copacabana, where we take the bus to the city of Puno to hours 6:00 p.m. Puno arriving at 8:30 p.m. You will be taken to the hotel where you will stay the night.

Option 1 (Hotel la Hacienda Plaza – Puno)

Day 8.- On the way to the capital of the Incas!!

We will pick you up at 7:10 am and take you to the bus station to take bus to Cusco. This is a really nice bus trip that is more like a tour - it stops at four interesting sites along the way where you have guided tours:

- **Pukara:** This is the most important and oldest ceremonial center of the altiplano. There are interesting lite-sculptures and tombs. The trip also includes a really nice buffet lunch in Sicuani.
- **La Raya:** This is the half-way point between Cusco and Puno and also the highest point (4335 meters above sea level). The landscapes here are stunning and typical Andean animals like the llama, alpaca and vicuña are common. It is also the geographic border between the two cultures - Quechua and Aymara.
- **Raqchi (Wiracocha God Temple):** This was an Inca church of monumental dimensions; 100 meters long, 26 meters wide and 14 meters high. The temple is divided in two naves and each nave shows 11 giant columns - huge! .
- **Andahuyalillas:** Sistine chapel of South America: this church is one of the most beautiful examples of Andean popular religious art. **(It leaves at 7.30am and arrives at about 5pm.)**

Option 1 (Casa Andina Classic Cusco plaza).

<http://www.casa-andina.com/classic-cuzco-plaza/>

Day 9. - Today you will have a free day to explore the City by yourselves, enjoy the city and relax.



There is an optional Free Walking tour in the afternoon around 2:00 pm where will show you a different sides the city of Cusco. We will walk the following places:

- Main Plaza (Main cathedral, colonial houses).
- Plaza Nazarenas (convent of Nazarenas).
- San Blas neighborhood.
- 12 angles Stone.
- San Pedro local market.

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Day 10. - On the way to Machupicchu!!

Train times might change depending on availability.

We will pick you up at 6:45 am (to be confirmed) and take you to the train station - the train leaves at 8:20 am (time may change depending on availability and changes to timetable). After a 3:30 hours journey of majestic views you arrive at Aguas Calientes (Hot Springs Town) where you will spend the night. There will be plenty of time to relax if you want to have a hot bath in the natural springs!!!

Things to do:

Visit the Machu Picchu 'Manuel Chávez Ballón' museum and orchid exhibition. This is open from 9 am to 4.30 pm and is a 35 minute walk down the road to Puente Ruinas. It is a very illustrative museum that gives an interesting introduction to Machu Picchu. (It's worth it!). You could go to the thermal baths – these cost 10 soles. There are lockers that you can use to store your belongings (1 sol)..

Option 1 (Hotel Wiñaywayna – Aguas Calientes) where you will spend the night.

<http://grupointi.com/en/index.php/inti-winaywayna>





Day 11.- Machu Picchu in its Glory – big day!.

You will have breakfast and then your Guide will pick you up from your hotel (5:40 am). You will take the bus up to majestic Machu Picchu to catch the sunrise and then begin your walking tour (approximately 2 hours) with your guide, after this you can explore the mysterious city by yourselves. You can meet your guide in Aguas Calientes (it can be reached by bus or on foot) for lunch and to be given your train tickets back to Cusco. Train Included in all tours is the Expeditions (to Ollantaytambo) and bus to Cusco.

Please leave enough time to catch your train. It is a 20 - minute bus ride from Machu Picchu to Aguas Calientes and buses leave when they are full. It is also necessary to be at the train station in good time (20 minutes before).

Option 1 (Casa Andina Classic Cusco plaza) where you will spend the night.

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Day 12. - Time to say good bye – Chau Cusco!.

After exploring Machu Picchu You will have the morning to rest and relax. We will pick you up from your hotel and take you to the airport where you will take your flight to Lima to be followed by a flight to Miami.





END OF THE SERVICE.

What is included?

- Round trip flights (Miami-Lima / Lima – Miami.).
- Airline taxes & fuel
- Intra - flights. (Lima- Arequipa / Cusco- Lima).
- 10 night's accommodations in your choice of hotels.
- 11 meals: 10 breakfasts, 1 lunches.
- All transportation.
- All transfers.
- City tour in Lima.
- Colca canyon trip.
- Bus to Puno.
- Full day Uros tour.
- Full day Copacabana, Isla Del sol tour.
- Turistic bus to Cusco.
- Expeditions train to Machu Picchu.
- Buses to Machu Picchu.
- Private guided tour in Machu Picchu.
- Entrances to Machu Picchu.
- **Tour Conductor (will be in charge of coordinating every detail during the trip and will be the guide in Cusco)**

