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travel program

The Heart of the Inca

An adventure into the heart of ancient Peru



Your Itinerary Outline:

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Dear Travelers,

It is my pleasure to enclose your customized travel itinerary.

Your South American Adventure Starts Here!

Thank you for traveling with Latin America For Less! I have created the following travel plans for you to review. I hope you find everything to your satisfaction, and please remember:

Please look over the details below and explore the range of additional options available for your customized trip. These services include our wide selection of excellent quality hotels and various exciting excursions available at each of your destinations.

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Travel Dates: May 16th-27th, 2012

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ITINERARY

DAY 1: Arrival to Lima

May 16th, 2012

- ▶ International flight arrival
- ▶ Collection at the airport by a Peru For Less representative and transfer to the comfortable Lima hotel
- ▶ Overnight in Lima



DAY 2: Lima City Tour

May 17th, 2012

- ▶ Morning at your leisure, before your afternoon city tour.
- ▶ Enjoy a City Tour of Lima's colonial center, including the main Plaza, the Cathedral, the Convent of San Francisco, the handsome Plaza de San Martin, plus many of the other highlights of old-town Lima
- ▶ Afternoon at your leisure to explore the city at your leisure
- ▶ Overnight in Lima

Check out our other [Lima city tours](#), including a culinary tour.



DAY 3: Arrival to Sacred Valley

May 18th, 2012

- ▶ Transfer to the airport for your flight to Cuzco
- ▶ Lima-Cuzco flight
- ▶ A Peru For Less representative will meet you at the Cuzco airport to take you to your Sacred Valley hotel.
- ▶ Spend the afternoon at your leisure acclimating to the altitude or exploring Sacred Valley at your leisure.
- ▶ Overnight in the Sacred Valley

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DAY 4: Tour of the Sacred Valley of the Incas

May 19th, 2012

- ▶ Full day Sacred Valley tour
- ▶ After breakfast at your guesthouse, you will begin your tour with a drive through the rolling landscapes of Pisac, famous for its lively market and archaeological gems
- ▶ Lunch in Urubamba included
- ▶ You will next visit the ancient town of Ollantaytambo, which has been continuously inhabited since the 13th century
- ▶ Visit the impressive hillside ruins of Ollantaytambo fortress
- ▶ Overnight in Sacred Valley



DAY 5: Machu Picchu Tour & Overnight

May 20th, 2012

- ▶ Start your trip to Machu Picchu, the pride of Peru.
- ▶ You will be taken to the train station to embark on a breathtakingly beautiful journey through the mountains to Aguas Calientes, the town at the foot of Machu Picchu.
- ▶ Upon arrival to Aguas Calientes, a Peru For Less representative will take your luggage to your hotel while you continue on to the bus station. You will take a short bus ride up to the citadel itself, which is hidden on a mountain top amid cloud forests.
- ▶ Lunch options (*not included*) will vary depending on schedules.
- ▶ Enjoy a professionally guided tour of the entire site, followed by free time to explore the spectacular ruins on your own.
- ▶ Once you have your fill of this spectacular site, head to the bus station for the drive back to Aguas Calientes where you will check in your confirmed hotel.
- ▶ Overnight in Machu Picchu area.

Read and download our free [Machu Picchu guide](#) for further information.



DAY 6: Machu Picchu Free Day

May 21st, 2012

- ▶ Enjoy a relaxing day in the Machu Picchu area.
- ▶ If desired, return to the Machu Picchu ruins to further explore the ancient citadel and its surrounding trails (*not included*).
- ▶ Overnight in Machu Picchu area

Note: Machu Picchu Entrance Tickets are subject to availability and must be purchased in advance. Speak with your Travel Advisor for more details. If desired, you can also take an optional hike up Huayna Picchu, the peak overlooking the site. The Huayna Picchu hike requires an additional cost and must be booked in advance as it's subject to availability. Let us know if you are interested.



DAY 7: Return to Sacred Valley

May 22nd, 2012

Morning train to Sacred Valley train station
Meeting at the train station and transfer to your Sacred Valley hotel
Overnight in the Sacred Valley



DAY 8: Volunteer Project with Crooked Trails

May 23rd, 2012

- ▶ Transfer to Chinchero to begin your volunteer project
- ▶ For the next two days you will be living in the village of Chinchero, a 45 minute drive from Cuzco in the Sacred Valley. You will get settled into our community guest house, meet your hosts and get oriented to the project and town. You will enjoy lunch with your hosts Paulino and Vilma and then walk the ruins of Chinchero getting more acclimatized to the altitude. In the late afternoon, we will travel to Usabamba to meet with local community members and set up the project. Upon our return to Chinchero, you can participate in an informative and beautiful weaving demonstration by our hosts who have started a small weavers cooperative to try and revive this ancient Inca tradition. Dinner with family and time around the fire for stories and songs. **(Lunch and Dinner)**



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DAY 9: Volunteer Project with Crooked Trails

May 24th, 2012

- ▶ Breakfast with the family and then transfer to Usabamba for a days work, play and exploration. Lunches will be picnic style at the work site. You will be working in adobe and helping to construct the stove system. Community members, families and children will assist in the project. Evenings will be back down in Chinchero where you can rest, clean up and spend time getting to know Quechua life style, humor and wonderful hospitality **(Breakfast, lunch and Dinner)**



DAY 10: Cusco City Tour

May 25th, 2012

- ▶ Pick up in Chincheros and transfer to Cuzco and to your hotel
- ▶ Afternoon city tour of the ancient and colonial sights of Cusco, including the Cathedral, the hilltop fortress of Sacsayhuaman, Q'enko, Puka Pukara and Tambomachay
- ▶ Spend the evening at your leisure, enjoying the ancient city's restaurants and ambiance

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DAY 11: Cusco Free Day

May 26th, 2012

- ▶ Free day in Cuzco to explore at your leisure, shop or participate in volunteer activities on your own.
- ▶ In the evening, enjoy a Dinner and Folk Show at Tunupa restaurant in the Plaza de Armas



DAY 12: Departure from Cuzco

May 27th, 2012

- ▶ After breakfast at your Cuzco hotel, transfer to the airport for your flight back to Lima

OPTIONAL ADD-ON

DAY 12: Arrival to Puno

May 27th, 2012

- ▶ Enjoy a filling breakfast in your Cusco hotel.
- ▶ A Peru For Less representative will meet you at your hotel and take you to the bus station for your trip to Puno. Upon arrival in Puno, you will be transferred to your confirmed hotel.
- ▶ You'll spend the afternoon and evening exploring Puno and the shores of Lake Titicaca at your leisure while you adjust to the high altitude.
- ▶ Overnight in Puno.



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DAY13: Lake Titicaca Tour

May 28th, 2012

- ▶ Fill up on a tasty breakfast at your Puno hotel in preparation for a full-day tour of Lake Titicaca.
- ▶ You'll start your expert-guided tour by visiting several of the famous floating islands. These islands are made of bundles of reeds woven together by the Uros people.
- ▶ In the afternoon you'll visit the natural island Taquile where you can enjoy a simple lunch (*not included*) and meet the local people while your guide introduces you to their unique traditions and collective society. You'll also see several Inca and pre-Inca ruins on the hillsides.
- ▶ You'll take a boat back to your hotel and have the evening to enjoy Puno at your leisure.
- ▶ Overnight in Puno.
- ▶ **Optional extension to spend the night on the Island of Amantani on Lake Titicaca.**



DAY 14: Departure from Puno

May 29th, 2012

- ▶ Breakfast in your hotel before meeting your transfer to the airport for your return flight to Lima
- ▶ Connect with your international flight home.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Passport requirements

- ▶ A passport valid for 6 months after the date of your arrival to Peru is necessary for all travels
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Included

- ▶ Excellent quality hotels based on U.S. standards
 - ▶ 2 hotel nights in Lima; 3 nights in the Sacred Valley; 2 in Machu Picchu; 2 in Sacred Valley guesthouse; 2 nights in Cuzco (2 nights in Puno: Optional)
 - ▶ All breakfasts (other meals where stated)
 - ▶ All meals during volunteer portion
 - ▶ All tours stated in the itinerary
 - ▶ Multi-lingual, professional tour guides
 - ▶ All transfers and entrance fees
 - ▶ Train Ollantaytambo-Machu Picchu-Ollantaytambo
 - ▶ Flight Lima-Cuzco-Lima (or Lima-Cuzco; Puno-Lima for those doing extension)
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Price per passenger at 3-star hotels

▶ Double/Triple Occupancy:	\$2446
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Optional Puno Add-on

▶ Double/Triple Occupancy:	\$344
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**return flight would be from Juliaca airport rather than Cuzco

HOTELS

Our Peru For Less Top Hotel Picks **3-star:**

- ▶ *Our team of travel experts has carefully selected the Peru For Less Top Hotel Picks based on their excellent value and high standards*
- ▶ *Lower Prices + Top Service = Better Value*
- ▶ *We can book any hotel for you at competitive rates, but published prices are based on our Peru For Less Top Hotel Picks*
- ▶ *All Hotels are subject to availability and upgrades are available upon request*

LIMA



▶ Hotel Allpa

The brand new Allpa Hotel, opened in July 2010, is located in the heart of the popular Miraflores neighborhood and close to many of the main attractions in Lima.

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CUSCO



▶ Maytaq Hotel

Ideally located only blocks away from Cusco's Main Square, while still far enough to ensure a quiet stay in the heart of the Inca empire, the beautiful Maytaq Wasin Boutique hotel provides guests with the utmost level of comfort and a friendly, personalized service reflecting the warmth of the people of Cusco.

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MACHU PICCHU



▶ Santuario Hotel

This excellent value hotel is located near the Urubamba River in a peaceful and stunning setting. Its collection of benches perched near the riverbanks allows guests to relax while enjoying the spectacular landscape. Each of the 30 rooms comes with cable TV, a safety deposit box, telephone, and private bathroom. This cozy hotel also features comfortable and inviting salon, restaurants, and a bar/pub serving drinks in the evenings to help stave off the Andean chill.

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SACRED VALLEY



► El Albergue Bed & Breakfast

Located steps away from the Ollantaytambo train station, this bohemian, family-run Bed & Breakfast is the ideal place to rest before starting an Inca Trail trek or visiting the magnificent archaeological site of Machu Picchu.

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PUNO



► Eco Inn-Puno

This comfortable hotel is located on open grounds, away from the hustle of Puno's main square, and boasts spectacular views of the lake.

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ADDITIONAL SERVICES:

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- ▶ Extra day in Cusco
- ▶ Extra day at Machu Picchu
- ▶ Overnight in the Sacred Valley of the Incas
- ▶ Tipón – Piquillajta – Andahuaylillas Day Tour
- ▶ Sacred Valley Full-Day Horseback Riding to Maras Moray Salt Mines
- ▶ Camping at Ollantaytambo (Sacred Valley)
- ▶ Sacred Valley Full-Day River Rafting
- ▶ Horseback riding
- ▶ Bike riding
- ▶ Whitewater rafting
- ▶ Maras Moray Salt Mines Full-Day Tour
- ▶ Horseback riding near Cusco
- ▶ Cusco - dinner with folk show (transportation from hotel not included)
- ▶ Shopping tour

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- ▶ Extra day in Lima
- ▶ Tour of the Pachacamac Archeological Site
- ▶ Lima Dinner and Folk Show (transportation from hotel not included)
- ▶ Lima Half-Day Museum Tour
- ▶ Colonial Lima Evening Tour
- ▶ Half- Day Tour of the Historic Port of Callao
- ▶ Lima Culinary Tour
- ▶ Personalized restaurant experience
- ▶ Half-Day Tour of the Historic Port of Callao

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Unless otherwise stated, all tours include:

- Transportation
- Professional, multi-lingual guide
- Entrance fees

Items not included:

- Tips
- Airport taxes
- Any meals, transfers or transportation not stated in the itinerary or travel program

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