

Trip to Peru

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- **Days** : 1, 2, 4, 6 or more...
- **Places** : Lima – Ica – Arequipa – Titicaca – Puerto Maldonado – Iquitos – Huaraz – Trujillo – Mancora – Machu Picchu & Uyuni to Bolivia
- **Departures**: Every Week
- **Guide**: English
- **Hotel** : All circuit more camping option trek Salkantay or Huaraz trek
- **Meals** : Pisco sour; Variety; Vegetarian; Chicha drink
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A place of **deep canyons**, soaring mountains, **tropical islands** and dense rainforests, Peru is one of the most beautiful countries in the world. Ancient ruins sit high in the Andes, while down at sea level the **Pacific Ocean** washes up against sandy shores. And a Peru tour is the best way to discover it all.

This magnificent country is best known for [Machu Picchu](#) – an Incan citadel in the Andes and one of the New Seven Wonders of the World. The remote site can be reached by train or bus from the city of Cuzco. Or you can hike the famous Inca Trail –

a **26-mile route** that takes up to five days, and allows you to explore **villages and ruins** along the way.

In **Cusco**, meanwhile, you can discover the Coricancha religious complex – the Incas' most sacred site. The city also has gorgeous churches and markets, plus plenty of **delicious Peruvian food** on offer at an array of street stalls and restaurants. Elsewhere, Peru's **capital city, Lima**, is a charming mix of ancient and modern. Lose yourself among centuries-old palaces and cathedrals, bustling neighbourhoods, and lively nightlife. The central **Plaza Mayor** is the heart of the city, surrounded by grand palaces, cathedrals and palm trees.

Southeast of Lima and Machu Picchu, **Lake Titicaca** is South America's largest lake. This vast expanse of gleaming blue is home to a number of **man-made islands**, the Uros. These structures are made entirely from reeds and home to the Uros Indigenous group. And, in the south of Peru, you'll find the mysterious **Nazca Lines**, where more than 300 different geoglyphs depict animals and plants. These fascinating landmarks are thought to date back to 450AD. If you can, it's best to see them from a plane or the nearby hills on the **Pampas de Jumana**.

Whatever you're most excited about, you can **discover endless wonders** on one of our Peru tours. Take your pick from escorted tours and independent itineraries, as you explore this remarkable country.



SEE MORE OF SOUTH AMERICA

For an unforgettable South American experience, choose an adventure-packed tour that ticks off Peru, Bolivia, Argentina and Brazil. This epic trip starts with two nights in Lima before a flight to Cusco, from which you can journey to the amazing Machu Picchu. Your final stop in Peru is Lake Titicaca, where you'll then sail across to the Bolivian section of Lake Titicaca.

In bustling Bolivia, you can spend some time in the exciting capital, La Paz, and the mesmerising Moon Valley with its bizarre rock formations. Then you'll continue on to Argentina and its capital city, Buenos Aires. Here, you can explore lovely streets, busy squares and peaceful parks. You'll also get to watch a tango show and tuck into juicy Argentinian steak.

The tour continues into Brazil, via the exhilarating Iguazu Falls. Your trip wraps up in colourful Rio de Janeiro, where you can see Christ the Redeemer and Sugar Loaf Mountain. And, on your final night, you can enjoy a Brazilian barbecue and samba show.

MACHU PICCHU

No Peru tour would be complete without visiting the ancient Inca citadel of Machu Picchu, an archaeological wonder set high in the Andes. This 15th-century site is remarkable both for its ornate stone buildings and its beautiful setting, high on a mountain ridge overlooking the Sacred Valley. The backdrop of mist-covered peaks, as well as the curious llamas pottering around, make it all the more special.

Our guided tours explain the history and significance of Machu Picchu's most important monuments, including the Temple of the Sun, the Intihuatana ritual stone and the Inti Mach'ay cave, where the Incas used to celebrate the Festival of the Sun.

The remote site can be reached by train and bus from the city of Cusco. Or, if you want a real adventure, you can walk the famous Inca Trail. The hike can take up to five days, and you'll get to visit sleepy villages and age-old ruins along the way.

LAKE TITICACA

Straddling the border between Peru and Bolivia, Lake Titicaca is the largest freshwater lake in South America. It's also home to the Uros, a group of Indigenous people living on 62 man-made floating islands crafted from totora reed. Old meets new here, as centuries-old practices mingle with modern conveniences like TVs, powered by solar panels.

The most common way to explore Lake Titicaca is by boat from the dock in Puno. Tours of the islands allow you to meet local people, learn about their customs and traditions, and buy handicrafts. You can also experience an overnight stay on the larger natural islands of Amantani and Taquile, which are inhabited by the Indigenous Aymara people.

Alternatively, Isla Suasi is the lake's only privately-owned

island.

RAINFOREST

Nearly two-thirds of Peru is Amazon rainforest, which is densely packed with exotic plants and wildlife, such as jaguars, river dolphins and giant otters. So, if you're a nature-lover, make sure your Peru tour includes some time in the jungle.

A short flight from Cusco, the UNESCO World Heritage Centre of Manu National Park is a huge and extremely well-preserved area of the Amazon. This place is home to sloths, alligators and howler monkeys, as well as the Indigenous Machiguenga people. It's virtually impossible to visit Manu without joining a guided tour, which allows you to enter this 1.7-million-hectare park and learn about its rich greenery, animals and birds. Tours also include boat rides on the Madre de Dios River, and overnight stays in rustic lodges.

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