



PERU 2024

OCTOBER 20 - NOVEMBER 1

A glimpse of the capital city of Lima. Learn about Inca history and culture in Cusco. An exploration at Machu Picchu - that would take your breath away (literally). Experience the island lives at Uros and Taquile on Lake Titicaca. 3-day Amazon River experience at Iquitos, which is the largest city in the world that is not accessible by road (as it's reached only via airplane or boat). See a variety of animals and fishes including piranha, caiman, sloth, anaconda, manates, paiche, woolly monkey, kingfisher, capuchin monkey, marmoset, capybara, etc.

OCTOBER 20 • • •

Arrival into Lima. Check into hotel. Welcome dinner in Miraflores. Stay in Lima for 2 nights.

OCTOBER 21 • • •

In the morning, we visit Huaca Pucllana then onwards to Museo Larco. After lunch, we begin a grand tour of the historical center of Lima. Explore Parque de la Reserva after dark.

OCTOBER 22 • • •

Morning at leisure. Transfer to airport for our flight to Juliaca. A private bus picks us up for a 1-hour drive to Puno, which is on the shore of the largest lake in South America. Drink lots of water to acclimatize as Puno is 12,540 feet above sea level. Stay in Puno for 2 nights.

OCTOBER 23 • • •

We go on an all-day boat tour of Lake Titicaca, including a hands on experience of living on floating reeds of Uros Islands and a short hike on Taquile Island.

OCTOBER 24 • • •

9-hour bus ride from Puno to Cusco with stops at Pucará, Raya Pass, Raqchi and Andahuaylillas. Stay in Cusco for 3 nights.

OCTOBER 25 • • •

Take things easy to continue acclimatizing as Cusco is 10,912 feet high. Qorikancha, Cusco Cathedral and Museo Inka are amongst the places we will visit. Optional short hike to Sacsayhuamán.

OCTOBER 26 • • •

We go on a full day tour of Sacred Valley including Pisac, Urubamba, Ollantaytambo and Chinchero.

OCTOBER 27 • • •

Depart at 4:00 am for the 2-hour bus ride to get on a 2-hour train for Chachabamba. Cross the Vilcanota River footbridge. Hike for 6 miles on the Inca Trail, which would take us about 6 to 7 hours, through Winay Wayna and Inti Punku. For those who wish to opt out of the hike will stay on the train towards Aguas Calientes. Overnight in Aguas Calientes.

OCTOBER 28 • • •

At 5:30 am, we take a zig-zagging bus ride up to Machu Picchu. 2-hour exploration through 2 sectors of Machu Picchu - agricultural and urban. Optional climb up Huayna or Wayna Picchu. Late afternoon train back to either Ollantaytambo or Poroy before getting on bus back to Cusco late in the evening. Stay in Cusco for 2 nights.

OCTOBER 29 • • •

Day at leisure in Cusco with possible optional activities. Mostly to recover and recuperate.

OCTOBER 30 • • •

Early morning flight from Cusco to Lima, then onwards to Iquitos, which is the world's largest city (with a population of 490,000) that cannot be reached by road. Take a speed boat to visit floating thatch roof houses in Belen on the edge of Itaya River, then continue towards the Amazon River. After arrival at the ecological reserve, we take a long walk into the rain forest to learn about plants and wildlife. After dinner, we don a pair of rubber boots for a nocturnal walk. Stay in Iquitos for 2 nights.

OCTOBER 31 • • •

An early morning bird-watching walk. See the legendary Hoatzin (Sansho) birds. After breakfast, we visit the Yagua village. Learn how to use blowgun. Learn how to do some dances. After lunch, we go piranha fishing. Visit a small zoo to see anacondas, sloths, caimans, etc. Nocturnal excursion on canoes after dinner.

NOVEMBER 1 • • •

Sunrise bird watching at the edge of the river at Padre Isla town. Take a canoe ride to see Victoria Regia lily pads. After breakfast, we ride on the Amazon River to seek for the gray and pink dolphins. After our return to Iquitos, we visit Belen Market and a deaf school program. After lunch, we meet orphaned and rescued manatees. Farewell dinner before transferring to the airport for Lima. After arrival into Lima, we transfer to your international flights back home.

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\$500 deposit per person is required to reserve space. The availability of space is based on a first come, first serve basis. 100% of the balance is required 90 days before the first day of the tour.

\$4,000
per person /double occupancy

13 DAYS

SMALL GROUP 8 - 14

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WHAT'S INCLUDED??

- 12 nights of accommodations in 2-star and 3-star accommodations.
- XX meals: Breakfast (x), Lunch (x), Dinner (x)
- Services of a deaf Tour Leader on call 24 hours a day.
- Services of local deaf and/or hearing guides.
- All transportation expenses.
- All admission fees for attractions and museums mentioned in the itinerary.
- Most tips, except for your Tour Leader.
- Informative travel preparation packet.
- \$100 discount per person on your next regular tour.

WHAT'S EXCLUDED?

- Domestic and/or international airfares.
- Tips for your tour leader.
- All other meals not mentioned in the itinerary and personal expenses.
- Any COVID-19 related tests.
- Travel insurance.

WHAT TO EXPECT?

- EXTRA COSTS which will be added to the invoice.
 - Approximately \$700+ for 4 domestic flights:
Lima > Juliaca; Cusco > Lima > Iquitos > Lima
- Tour will be confirmed when we meet the minimum number of participants.
- When the tour is confirmed, additional deposits/payments may be required.
- Extensive amount of walking expected during the tour. Appropriate physical fitness is required.
- Please consult the most recent version of the HOT terms and conditions.
<https://handson.travel/terms/>
- Hands on Travel recommends that you purchase a travel protection plan to help protect you and your travel investment against the unexpected. To learn more, please view the following link:
<https://handson.travel/travel-protection/>
- **Tour itinerary and price are subject to change.**