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# 15 DAY EMPIRE OF THE INCA'S

## Departing 21<sup>st</sup> May 2015 Escorted by Tanya Mourbey







## Saturday 21st May 2016

**Flights** 

Qantas Airways QF730

From: Adelaide To: Sydney
Departs: 06:00 am Arrives: 08:20 am

Qantas Airways flight QF27

From: Sydney To: Santiago Departs: 11:25 am Arrives: 11:05 am

Qantas Airways flight QF3945

From: Santiago To: Lima
Departs: 3:00 pm Arrives: 4:55 pm

Upon arrival into Lima we will be met and transferred to our hotel for one night before our tour begins.

#### Day 1: Lima

Meals included: 1 dinner

Accommodation: Antigua Mira Flores or Similar, Lima

- On arrival at Lima's Jorge Chavez International Airport you will be transferred to your hotel.
- Pre-tour briefing. Please check the noticeboard near the hotel reception for location.
- Lima city walking tour.
- Visit the San Francisco Monastery and its catacombs.
- Visit the Central market.
- Visit to China town.

· Evening dinner included.

If you arrive early we recommend wandering around Miraflores and visiting Parque del Amor (Love's Park) where you can enjoy a view across Lima's beaches. Alternatively, catch a taxi to visit the Gold Museum or the Larco Museum, which is renowned for its ancient pottery collection. Please remember that you must agree on a fare with the driver before catching a taxi, as the taxis here do not have meters. (Miraflores-Downtown approximately 10-15 soles).

#### Day 2 & 3: Puerto Maldonado- Amazon Jungle

Meals included: 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners

Accommodation: Posada Amazonas lodge or similar, Puerto Maldonado

- Two hour flight from Lima to Puerto Maldonado.
- Upon arrival you will be transferred to the office in town where luggage can be stored before heading off for two nights in the jungle.
- A motorised canoe will transport you up river to the jungle lodge in the Madre de Dios region.
   The lodge is sustainable and eco-friendly, it is built in the native style. While simple, the rooms are comfortable, with flushing toilets, cold water showers, kerosene lamps and mosquito nets.
- Multilingual guides will take you through the forest.
- After spending time immersed in the wilderness, you will re-board the canoes and head back to Puerto Maldonado.



## Day 4: Cusco

Meals included: 1 breakfast

Accommodation: Terra Andina hotel or similar

- Short (35 minute) flight from Puerto Maldonado to Cusco.
- Opportunities to shop, wander around the cobblestone streets and visit museums, churches and colonial sites or relax in one of the restaurants or 'penas' (traditional local bars).
- Guided walking tour, visiting the Coca Museum and the San Pedro market.

#### **Day 5: Sacred Valley and Ollantaytambo**

Meals included: 1 breakfast, 1 lunch

Accommodation: Samanapaq hotel or similar

- Private bus ride to the Sacred Valley.
- At the Sacred Valley visit the stone fortress of Sacsayhuaman.
- Visit a local community to gain a greater insight into the local lifestyle. If it is market day, you will be able to wander the stalls and hunt down beautiful hand painted beads and ponchos.
- Enjoy lunch with the local community.
- Head to the town of Ollantavtambo.

### Day 6: Inca Trek (Day 1)

Meals included: 1 breakfast, 1 lunch, 1 dinner Accommodation: Camping on the Inca Trail

**Important Note**: We trek the 'Classic' and the 'Quarry' routes, both of which include a visit to incredible Machu Picchu at the end of the trek. Although you will normally trek the 'Classic' route, it is restricted by the number of trekkers permitted on the trail each day and unless you have booked early, it may be difficult or impossible for you to secure the necessary group permits (especially during the peak season). It is also

closed during the month of February for cleaning and rejuvenation. If you are unable to confirm your permit for the 'Classic' route you will instead use the 'Quarry' trail.

- Minivan ride to 2,850m above sea level marker of the trek and meet the porters, cook and guide for the Inca adventure.
- Start the trek today and head uphill to reach the first campsite at 3,300 metres.
- · Pass by the ruins of Llactapata..

#### Day 7: Inca Trek (Day 2)

**Meals included**: 1 breakfast, 1 lunch, 1 dinner **Accommodation**: Camping on the Inca Trail

- The most difficult part of the trek is today the climb to Warminwanusca, or Dead Woman's Pass (4200m). Along the way you will trek through some of the most spectacular mountain scenery.
- See the ruins of Runkuracay and Rio Pacamayo (Sunrise River).
- Make a steep descent to see the ruins of Sayacmarca (2-3 hours), before walking on to the nearby Chaquicocha campsite at 3,620 metres.

#### Day 8: Inca Trek (Day 3)

**Meals included**: 1 breakfast, 1 lunch, 1 dinner **Accommodation**: Camping on the Inca Trail

- Climb over the third pass to reach the ruins of Phuyupatamarca, the 'Town above the Clouds at 3.850 metres.
- Start the descent down the Inca steps to reach the final campsite by the Winay Wayna ('Forever Young') archaeological site at 2,750 metres.

#### Day 9 & 10: Inca Trek- Machu Picchu- Cusco

Meals included: 2 breakfasts

**Accommodation**: Terra Andina hotel or similar

- Start the day before dawn with breakfast served at approximately 4.30 am.
- Farewell the porters and start hiking by 6am to get to the Inti-Punku (sun gate) when it opens. The walk to the sun gate takes approximately 2 to 2.5 hours.
- Enjoy views of Machu Picchu, often referred to as the Lost City of the Incas.
- Tour the site with your guide and then have some free time to explore by yourself.
- Bus ride down to the small town of Aguas Calientes. There are some small shops and restaurants in the town and there are hot thermal baths located on the edge of town.
- Take an afternoon train back to Cusco
- Enjoy some free time.

**Important note**: Wayna Picchu - Due to Peregrine's internal safety policy our leaders are specifically prohibited from recommending or assisting with booking this activity.

#### Day 11 & 12: Puno - Lake Titicaca

- Puno is situated on Lake Titicaca and is a fusion of Quechuan Indian and Aymara culture.
- Tour the lake on a motor boat, visiting the floating islands that are built on totora reeds.
- Visit Taquile Island, a place where knitting is strictly the domain of men, while women are relegated to spinning.
- Hike uphill for an hour to reach the main part of the island.
- Optional lunch here, with a simple set menu of quinoa soup and muna tea (Andean mint tea).
- Return down 500 steps to the boat that will take you back to Puno.

## Day 13: Lima

Meals included: 1 breakfast

Accommodation: Antigua Mira Flores or Similar, Lima

- Fly to Lima from Puno today (approximately 1-2 hours).
- If time permits you will visit the Sillustani archaeological site near Lake Umayo.

## Saturday 04th June 2016

Flights

Qantas Airways flight QF3923

From: Lima To: Santiago
Departs: 01:35 am Arrives: 06:50 am

Qantas Airways flight QF28

From: Santiago To: Sydney

Departs: 2:30 pm Terminal 1 International Arrives: 5:45 pm 05th June 2016

Sunday 05th June 2016

Flight

Qantas Airways flight QF783

From: Sydney To: Adelaide Departs: 8:00 pm Arrives: 9:40 pm

#### **Total Cost**

\$7,990.00 per person twin share \*Based on 8 people \$655.00 per person single Supplement

#### Included

Return airfares with Qantas (subject to change until ticketed) Airline Taxes and surcharges (subject to change until ticketed) Tour escort Tanya Mourbey Itinerary as per above Local English speaking tour leader throughout Local guides at some sights All transport, sightseeing and excursions as per the itinerary Meals as indicated in the itinerary

Domestic flights

Group arrival and departure airport transfers

Comprehensive travel insurance nil excess (age and medical loading may apply)

#### Not included

Additional meals and drinks Items of a personal nature (laundry, telephone, drinks, tips, souvenirs etc.) **Optional Excursions** Chilean visa approx. USD30

A copy of photo page of current passport with at least 6 months validity is required at time of booking (if still awaiting passport written confirmation of correct spelling of name is required).

#### **Payment Details**

To secure your place on this tour a non-refundable deposit of \$500.00 per person is required. Travel insurance and airfares of \$2,141.00 per person will be due once the tour is confirmed.

#### Final payment is due on or before Friday the 26th February 2016.

Payments can be made by cash, cheque, credit card or direct deposit into our bank account. Payments made by credit card incur a 2% surcharge. If direct deposit is your preferred payment option our bank details are:

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If you have any questions regarding the above itinerary or would like any further detailed information please contact Tanya Mourbey on 08 8762 4444 or email tanya@travelncruise.net.au.

I look forward to your company on this exclusive tour.

Kind Regards,

Tanya Mourbey Owner/Manager