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PERU ARCHAEOLOGY TOUR: UNCOVER HISTORY

Tracing Ancient Footsteps: Unearthing
the Coast and the Andes - A Journey
Through Evolving Faith and Politics

Destinations: Lima, Ica, Paracas, Nazca, Ayacucho & Cusco.



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LIMA - PARACAS

Embark on an exciting adventure as you start your day early in **Lima** and make your way to **Paracas**. Begin the day with a captivating **Ballestas Islands tour**, where you'll witness a myriad of wildlife, including sea lions, pelicans, and exotic birds. Marvel at the impressive rock formations and listen to fascinating stories about the rich marine ecosystem. Afterward, visit the **Julio C Tello site Museum**, dedicated to the renowned Peruvian archaeologist. Delve into the history and archaeological discoveries of the region. Continue your exploration with a visit to the **Paracas Reserve**, a natural wonderland teeming with diverse flora and fauna. Take some time to relax on the beautiful beaches and soak in the tranquil coastal ambiance.

 English speaking guide.

 Transfer Lima-Paracas, approx. 250 Km, 3,5 hs.

 Includes breakfast and dinner.

 Ballestas tour: 2 hours.

 Paracas Reserve tour duration: 2 hours.

 Overnight at selected hotel.



NAZCA:

CHICCHITARA, ANTONINI MUESUM, PAREDONES

Embark on a guided journey from **Paracas to Nazca**, where we'll visit the intriguing Petroglyphs of **Chicchitara** en route. Our knowledgeable archaeologist will provide insights into the ancient rock carvings and their cultural significance. We'll also explore the **Antonini Museum**, discovering Nazca artifacts with expert commentary. Upon arrival in Nazca, we'll be enthralled by the architectural marvels of the Archaeological site of **Paredones**. This impressive site showcases the remnants of a vast ceremonial and administrative complex built by the ancient Nazca civilization. To add a touch of celestial wonder to our Nazca experience, we'll also have the opportunity to visit a small hotel's **planetarium**. Discover the mysteries of the night sky as you gaze upon the stars and learn about the fascinating astronomical knowledge of the ancient Nazca people. This unique visit will deepen your understanding of their connection to the cosmos and their remarkable achievements.

 Private english speaking guide.

 Transfer Paracas-Nasca, approx. 120 Km, 2 hours

 Includes breakfast and dinner.

 Overnight at selected hotel.



CAHUACHI, NAZCA LINES, HUACACHINA

Begin your day with a visit to the **Cahuachi** archaeological site, where an archaeologist will guide you through the remnants of this ancient ceremonial center. Next, brace yourself for an extraordinary encounter with the famous **Nazca Lines**. Take to the skies on a thrilling overflight and marvel at the enigmatic geoglyphs that have puzzled archaeologists for centuries. From the vantage point of your aircraft, witness the immense scale and intricate designs of these ancient drawings, ranging from geometric patterns to depictions of animals and mythical creatures. This awe-inspiring aerial perspective offers a unique glimpse into the mysteries of the Nasca culture and their incredible artistic achievements. Prepare to be mesmerized by this **UNESCO World Heritage** site and its profound historical significance. As you make your way back to Paracas, make a stop at the **Huacachina Oasis**, a picturesque desert oasis nestled amidst towering sand dunes. This hidden gem provides a perfect photo spot where you can capture the breathtaking beauty of the surrounding landscape. To top off the day with a touch of indulgence, visit a local bodega in the Pisco region. Delight your taste buds with a **Pisco tasting** session and discover the flavors of this traditional Peruvian beverage. Finally, return to Paracas, cherishing the memories of an extraordinary day filled with archaeological marvels and unforgettable experiences.



Private english speaking guide.



Transfer Nasca-Huacachina-Paracas, approx. 170 Km, total driving time 6 hrs.



Includes breakfast and dinner.



Overnight at selected hotel.



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TRANSFER TO AYACUCHO

Drive to **Ayacucho**, a city steeped in rich history and known as the "City of Churches." Explore its colonial architecture and learn about its pivotal role during the Spanish conquest. On the way, visit the Incan sites of **Tambo Colorado** and **Huaytará**, witnessing the remnants of ancient civilizations. Experience the cultural heritage of Ayacucho by visiting the **Retablo Museum**, which showcases the intricate and colorful art of retablos, a traditional Andean craft.



Private english speaking guide.



Transfer Paracas-Ayacucho, approx. 340 Km, 6 hrs



Includes breakfast and box lunch.



Overnight at selected hotel.

DAY 5

VISIT AYACUCHO

Explore the fascinating **Wari archaeological** site accompanied by a knowledgeable local archaeologist. Uncover the ancient remnants of the Wari civilization and learn about their impressive architectural achievements. Continue your journey to

Quinoa, a town renowned for its talented ceramists. Witness the intricate craftsmanship and artistic expressions displayed in their pottery. In the afternoon, take some time to immerse yourself in the charm of Ayacucho, strolling through its streets, admiring its colonial architecture, and experiencing the vibrant local culture.



Private english speaking guide.



Overnight at selected hotel.



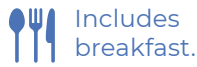
Includes breakfast and box lunch.



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LIMA CUSCO

Conclude your exploration of Ayacucho with a flight back to Lima, where you can either end your journey or continue your adventure by connecting to the enchanting city of Cusco. Lima serves as a convenient hub for connecting flights, allowing you to seamlessly transition to the next leg of your Peruvian expedition. Whether you choose to delve deeper into the rich history of Cusco or conclude your trip in Lima, your journey through Peru's archaeological wonders will leave a lasting impression.



End of services.

INFO

RECOMMENDED HOTELS

Paracas

Standard: La Hacienda Bahia Paraca | Room: Standard

Nasca

Standard: Majoro | Room: Standard

Ayacucho

Standard: Ayacucho DM | Room: Standard
