




**ACTIVE TRAVEL**  
for Cultural Explorers



**AIR INCLUSIVE**  
from Miami, FL

# Wonders of Peru

featuring an Amazon Cruise & Machu Picchu

## Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Immerse yourself in the unhurried atmosphere and **serene, unspoiled natural beauty** of this remote Amazon region.
- ▶ Witness the **incredibly rich wildlife** on the water and in the rain forest.
- ▶ Be awed by **Machu Picchu**, the majestic Inca complex perched high in the Andes among the clouds.
- ▶ Wander among the timeworn ruins of **sacred Inca cities**.
- ▶ Meet with residents of a village in the **Sacred Valley** and learn about their everyday life in the mountains.
- ▶ Visit a landmark private residence in Lima and savor a **home-cooked Peruvian dinner**.
- ▶ Experience three **UNESCO World Heritage sites**.

## ACTIVE TRAVEL

### Excursions on this program require:

- ▶ walking distances up to 3-5 miles
- ▶ walking on cobblestones, unpaved paths and/or uneven and slippery surfaces
- ▶ getting on/off motor coaches, boats and/or trains
- ▶ climbing in/out of excursion boats
- ▶ walking up (sometimes steep) hills in ports where docks are not available and at sites in the Sacred Valley
- ▶ tolerating varying climatic conditions, including high altitude and humidity



*Cruising the Amazon Basin aboard skiff boats*

From magnificent Inca ruins to sophisticated Lima and the lush Amazon Basin, explore the richness of Peru! Delight in a luxury cruise through the Amazon rain forest and discover the astonishing diversity of its wildlife on guided skiff boat rides and jungle hikes. In the Sacred Valley and Cusco, delve into Peru's remarkable Inca heritage, and ride by train through the Andes to explore the temples, palaces and plazas of magical Machu Picchu!


## Day-by-Day Itinerary

### Day 1 | Miami, Florida | Lima, Peru

Depart Miami for Lima, Peru. Upon arrival, transfer to the Pullman Lima Miraflores.

### Day 2 | Lima

**Highlights of Lima.** At the Larco Museum, view collections of pottery, jewelry and other artifacts that span more than 5,000 years of pre-Columbian Peruvian history. Head next to Lima's Plaza Mayor, lined with majestic, colonial-era buildings. After lunch, see the splendid interior of the Cathedral of Lima and visit the beautiful Monastery of Santo Domingo, featuring relics of important Peruvian saints. Then, tour Casa Aliaga, a delightful gem built in 1535 and still occupied by descendants of the Aliaga family. See its grand rooms richly adorned in wood and the serene courtyard.

 **AHI Connects: Meet the People.** Gather for a Welcome Reception and Dinner at Casa Garcia Alvarado, a National Historical Building. Take a tour of the stately house, and then sit down to a home-cooked Peruvian meal with one of the owners.

### Day 3 | Lima | Iquitos | Nauta | Cruising

Transfer to the Lima airport and fly to Iquitos, the gateway to the Amazon, accessible only by plane or boat. Travel to Nauta, a small town on the Marañon River. Along the way, see the vibrant "terra firma" (non-flooded forest) and other aspects of daily jungle life. Embark the Delfin III at a private port in Nauta.

### Day 4 | Cruising the Amazon Basin

Set out aboard skiff boats, anticipating each day's astounding and unexpected wildlife encounters! The region in which you are cruising, Pacaya Samiria National Reserve, is Peru's largest wildlife preserve, boasting more than five million acres of rich biodiversity. Skim along rivers and cruise through creeks, peeking into lagoons and other waterways, where an abundance of wildlife hides in the deep rain forest, such as blue



and yellow macaws, toucans, umbrella birds, capybaras and more. You may catch glimpses of the endangered charapa turtle, spider monkey or giant river otter. See pink dolphins, known as boto, swimming nearby!

#### Day 5 | Cruising the Amazon Basin

Never does nature seem more bountiful than in the tropics, and rising early is always rewarding since wildlife is most active at daybreak. With your expert guide, hike into the rain forest to explore the fantastic flora and fauna. Sharp eyes may spot squirrel and red howler monkeys, iguanas lazing in the sun and sloths hanging in the canopy. You'll also likely see brilliant parrots, hummingbirds and "laughing" falcons. In fact, over 1,300 species of birds are found in the Amazon!

**Enrichment: Contemporary Peru.**

#### Day 6 | Nauta | Iquitos | Lima | Cusco

After breakfast, disembark the ship in Nauta and transfer via coach to the Iquitos airport.

**Manatee Rescue Center.** On your way to Iquitos, visit this conservation center to see these gentle, endangered creatures up close.

Board your flight for Cusco via Lima. After arriving in Cusco, take a scenic drive to the stunning Urubamba Valley, the Sacred Valley of the Incas, and then check in to the Casa Andina Premium Valle Sagrado.

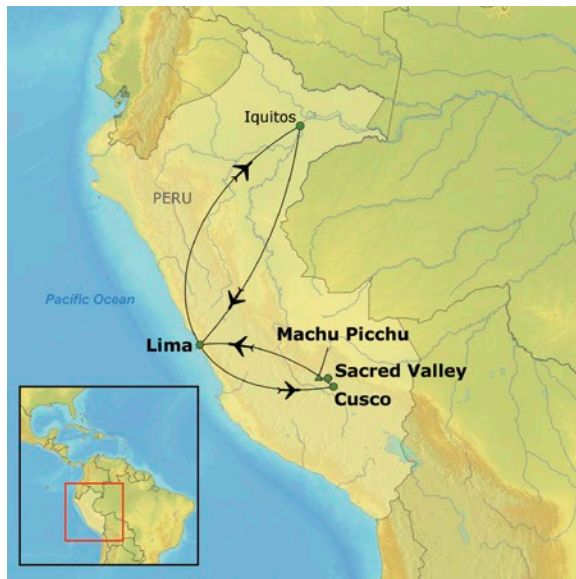
#### Day 7 | Sacred Valley

**Sacred Valley.** Explore Ollantaytambo, the ruins of an Inca fortress notable for a series of huge terraces that hug the hillside. Originally built for religious purposes, the site was used by the forces of Inca emperor Manco Inca in the 16th century to successfully fight off Spanish conquistadors. After exploring there, visit a mountain village to learn about life in this challenging environment and ancient weaving methods. Enjoy a wonderful lunch later at a family estate that boasts gorgeous grounds, spectacular views and a collection of fine art.

#### Day 8 | Sacred Valley | Machu Picchu

Take in lovely vistas as you travel by train through the Sacred Valley to the town of Aguas Calientes. Check in to the Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo hotel.

**Machu Picchu.** Nestled in a cloud forest high in the Andes, the Lost City of the Incas is regarded as the most important archaeological site in the Americas. Archaeologists believe that this masterfully planned site served as a center of worship or a royal estate for Inca emperors and nobility. Surrounded by steep agricultural terraces at an elevation of 7,972 feet, the complex's



many buildings testify to the Incas' exceptional design and construction skills. With your guide, explore the stone temples, grassy plazas, palaces and workshops.

#### Day 9 | Machu Picchu | Cusco

**Free Time:** Your morning is at leisure.

Travel by train through the mountain scenery and then by motor coach to Cusco. Check in to the Aranwa Cusco Boutique Hotel.

**Free Time:** Select a nice spot for dinner on your own tonight. Your Travel Director can assist with planning.

#### Day 10 | Cusco

**Cusco, Ancient Inca Capital.** Located 11,152 feet above sea level, this sacred city was the Inca Empire's religious and administrative center. Enjoy guided visits to the Cathedral on the Plaza de Armas and the Santo Domingo Church, which was built on the foundations of the Koricancha Temple, the Incas' principal religious building dedicated to the worship of the sun.

Break for a delicious lunch after your excursion.

**Sacsayhuaman.** Marvel at this site's structures, constructed from massive stones (one weighs 125 tons!), which were precisely cut and fitted together without a single drop of mortar to hold them in place.

Celebrate your journey at tonight's Farewell Reception.

#### Day 11 | Cusco | Lima | Miami, Florida

Enjoy free time in Cusco this morning and lunch in town. Depart for the airport and fly to Lima. Connect to your return flight to Miami, Florida.

## Included Features

### Accommodations {with baggage handling}

- **2 nights** in Lima, Peru, at the first-class Pullman Lima Miraflores.
- **3 nights** aboard the deluxe Delfin III.
- **2 nights** in the Sacred Valley at the first-class Casa Andina Premium Valle Sagrado.
- **1 night** in Machu Picchu at the first-class Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo.
- **2 nights** in Cusco at the first-class Aranwa Cusco Boutique Hotel.

### Flights & Transfers {with baggage handling}

- Round-trip flight between Miami and Lima and all transfers in the Land | Cruise Program: flights, train and deluxe motor coaches.

### Extensive Meal Program

- 10 breakfasts, 9 lunches and 6 dinners, including a Welcome Dinner; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

### Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- **Small group:** Sized just right at 28 guests.
- **AHI Travel Assurance** plan covers Accident and Sickness Medical Expense, Trip Delay and Emergency Evacuation for U.S. residents.
- **Enrichment by expert speakers** enhances your insight into the region.
- **Engaging excursions** showcase the local culture, heritage and history.
- **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive impact in the communities we visit.
- **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- Free time to pursue your individual interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

## 2024 Departures & Pricing

### September 12-23, 2024

Full Price from	\$7,245
Special Savings	\$250
<b>Special Price from</b>	<b>\$6,995*</b>

**\*See website for complete category pricing.**

\*Special price available for a limited time. Call for details.

VAT & port tax supplement are an additional \$495 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy (unless otherwise stated). \*FREE Economy Air price includes round-trip air transportation from Miami. Please call for special air add-on rates from other gateways.

Single accommodations (available in most categories) are an additional \$1,695 (limited availability).

Program-specific terms and conditions are available at <https://usc.ahitravel.com/destinations/1804A?schoold=177>. You can also request a copy from our travel experts.

**Note:** Itinerary sequence and/or scheduled events may change. Walking is required on many excursions.