

# Wonders of Peru



AMAZON CRUISE | MACHU PICCHU



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### Dear Alumni and Friends of WSU,

Join us on a thrilling, immersive Peruvian experience! Savor your first taste of Peru in Lima, the capital city, before traveling to Iquitos, the gateway to the Amazon. Then, embark on a three-night, deluxe cruise aboard the Delfin III. This elegant ship offers luxurious accommodations as well as an open-air deck and lounge, perfect for appreciating the extraordinary sights and sounds in the rainforest. During your cruise, you'll also board small expedition boats for incredible and memorable excursions!

Following your cruise, travel to the Sacred Valley to explore impressive Inca ruins and meet townspeople in an Andean mountain village. Afterward, journey to Machu Picchu, the mesmerizing Inca city high in the Andes. Complete your explorations in fascinating Cusco, a city sacred to the Incas and home to significant remains of their empire.

This carefully crafted itinerary also includes an exclusive, educational program to enhance your appreciation of Peru's heritage. Plus, a professional Travel Director accompanies you throughout the journey to handle all the details so that you can truly savor your travels!

Space on this amazing adventure is limited to 28 travelers and will fill quickly. Make your reservations today to witness the wonders of Peru!

Sincerely,

Leilani Carpenter  
Assistant to the Executive Director  
Washington State University Alumni Association

#### UNESCO World Heritage

1. Historic Center of Lima
2. Historic Sanctuary of Machu Picchu
3. City of Cusco



Machu Picchu



Lima



# A World of Discovery



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 rainforest 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!

Top: Exploring the Amazon Basin on skiff boats

Above: Macaw, Amazon rainforest

Cover: Machu Picchu

Mail panel: Red-eyed tree frog | Amazon rainforest

## 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 rainforest.
- 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**.



Monastery of Santo Domingo, Lima

### 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.** View the Larco Museum's excellent collection of pottery, jewelry and artifacts that spans more than 5,000 years of pre-Columbian Peruvian history. Continue to Plaza Mayor in Lima's historic center, lined with majestic, colonial-era buildings. After lunch on your own, see the splendid interior of the Cathedral of Lima and visit the beautiful Monastery of Santo Domingo, a religious complex with relics of important Peruvian saints. Next, 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.** Tonight, enjoy a Welcome Reception and Dinner at Casa Garcia Alvarado, a National Historical Building. Tour this elegant, private home and savor a traditional meal with one of the owners.

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

Transfer to Lima's airport for your flight to Iquitos, the gateway to the Amazon, accessible only by plane or boat. Journey through Iquitos to Nauta on the Marañon River. Along the way, see the vibrant "terra firma" (non-flooded forest) and other aspects of daily jungle life. Once in Nauta, embark the Delfin III at a private port. Admire sweeping views from the observation deck as your naturalist guide reviews your upcoming activities and the wildlife and vegetation that you are likely to see.

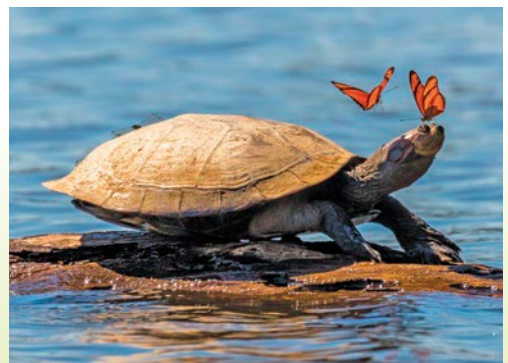
### Day 4 | Cruising the Amazon Basin

Set out aboard skiff boats, anticipating the day's astounding and unexpected wildlife encounters. The region in which you are cruising, Pacaya Samiria National Reserve, is one of Peru's largest wildlife preserves, boasting more than five million acres of rich biodiversity. Skim along rivers, creeks and lagoons, where abundant wildlife, such as capybaras, toucans and macaws, hides in the deep rainforest. Marvel at grey and pink dolphins and perhaps even glimpse the endangered charapa turtle, spider monkey or giant river otter.

### 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. Hike with your expert guide to discover the fantastic flora and fauna. You'll likely see brilliant parrots, hummingbirds and "laughing" falcons. Sharp eyes may spot red howler monkeys, sloths, exotic spiders, butterflies and tarantulas.

**Enrichment: Contemporary Peru.**



Amazon side-necked turtle



## 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. Once you arrive in Cusco, take a panoramic drive to the stunning Urubamba Valley, the Sacred Valley of the Incas, amid towering mountain slopes.

Check in to the Casa Andina Premium Valle Sagrado. Dine on Andean specialties tonight.

## 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. Then, at a mountain village, learn about daily life in this challenging environment and ancient weaving methods. Enjoy a wonderful lunch afterward at a family estate that boasts gorgeous grounds, spectacular views and a collection of fine art.

## Day 8 | Sacred Valley | Machu Picchu

Take in scenic views on a train ride through the Sacred Valley to the town of Aguas Calientes and the Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo hotel.



Above: Plaza de Armas, Cusco | Inset: Local woman weaving

**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. The mountaintop complex contains more than 200 buildings, all of which testify to the Incas' remarkable architectural skills. Wander through the temples, palaces and grassy plazas with your expert guide.

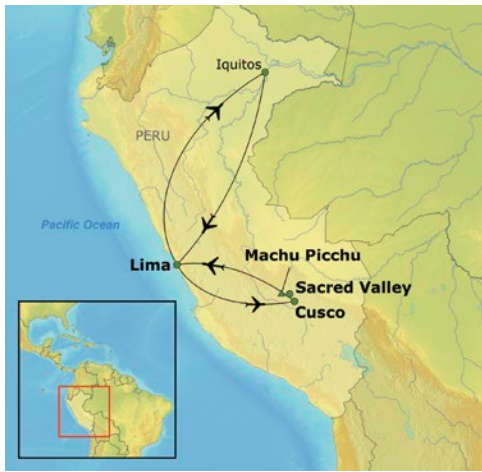
## Day 9 | Machu Picchu | Cusco

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

Relish lovely mountain scenery on a train ride, then depart by motor coach for Cusco and check in to the Aranwa Cusco Boutique Hotel.



Ollantaytambo



## 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, trains and deluxe motor coaches.

### Extensive Meal Program

- 10 breakfasts, 8 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 wherever we travel.
- **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- 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.

**Free Time:** Make your own plans for dinner.

### Day 10 | Cusco

**Cusco, Ancient Inca Capital.** Perched 11,152 feet above sea level, Cusco was the religious and administrative center of the Inca Empire. Enjoy guided visits to the Cathedral on the Plaza de Armas, noted for its colonial art, and the Santo Domingo Church, built on the foundations of the Incas' Koricancha Temple dedicated to the worship of the sun. Take a break for a delicious lunch nearby.

**Sacsayhuaman.** Marvel at the huge stones (one weighs 125 tons!) of this Inca fortress constructed without any mortar.

Gather for a Farewell Reception at the hotel.

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

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

**Note:** Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

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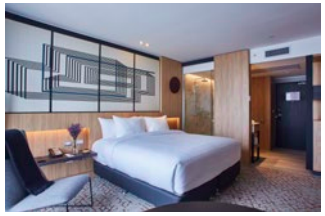
### Excursions on this program require:

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



Manatee Rescue Center

## Accommodations



**Pullman Lima Miraflores | Lima**



**Casa Andina Premium Valle Sagrado | Sacred Valley**



**Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo | Machu Picchu**



**Aranwa Cusco Boutique Hotel | Cusco**



*Exploring Machu Picchu*

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## Air-Inclusive Program

### Travel dates †

**September 12-23, 2024**

† Travel dates include any overnights required for international travel. These dates may vary depending on air schedules.

### Tour dates\*

**September 12-22, 2024**

\* Tour dates begin on the scheduled arrival date at your destination and end on the scheduled departure date from your destination.

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Category-Deck	Full Price	Special Price*
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## Delfin III



Aboard this intimate river ship, five-star comforts and conveniences abound. Enjoy outward-facing suites that feature floor-to-ceiling panoramic windows and luxurious amenities, including daily housekeeping with turndown service, individual climate control and the finest bed linens. On the open-air deck, gather for morning yoga or sip a rich Peruvian coffee as you watch the sunrise. Indulge in the Rainforest Spa's signature treatments that rejuvenate the mind and body. In the Andes Dining Room, the ship's culinary team serves delectable, regional cuisine expertly prepared with the freshest ingredients. At day's end, share your adventures in the air-conditioned Canopy Lounge and revel in the sounds of the jungle coming to life.



Sloth, Amazon Basin



Amazon flora

### AHI Travel Expertise



From your reservation to your return home, we are here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

#### *Before you go:*

**Travel Consultants** stand ready to answer your questions as they guide you through the reservation process.

**Travel Coordinator** offers personalized assistance with flights, electives and special requests.

**Travel Information** provides pre-departure details and enrichment about your destination.

#### *Once you arrive:*

**Your Travel Director**, a seasoned, multilingual professional, manages daily logistics so you enjoy a seamless experience.

**Handpicked Expert Guides** offer fascinating insights and share their passion for their country with you.

**Knowledgeable Lecturers** deepen your appreciation for the region and its history, culture and current events.



Traditional Peruvian music



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