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TRADITIONAL PERU TOUR

(06 DAYS /05 NIGHTS)

Day 1 ... / Lima

July 27, 2018 (Friday)

Upon your arrival in Lima, you will be met by your transfer-man who will assist you with your luggage and check-in procedures at your hotel. You will receive a contact information sheet with all the hotel's information as well as our office's contact information for each city and the 24-hour emergency numbers for any further assistance you may require. Accommodation at Costa del Sol Wyndham airport hotel, for one night in one Standard room. Hotel tax and services charge are included for today (-/-/-)

Day 2 Lima / Cusco / Sacred Valley

July 28, 2018 (Saturday)

At the appropriate time, you will be met by your transfer-man who will assist you with your flight to Cusco. When you arrive to Cusco, the Imperial City, you will be met by your transfer-man and private driver who will assist you with your luggage and will drive you to your hotel located in the Sacred Valley of the Incas.

On the way, visit **Awanacancha textile** center to observe traditional Andean weaving and to see the four types of camel-related Andean animals – llamas, guanacos, alpacas and vicuñas. Alpacas have thick wool and is the most commonly used while the vicuñas are small and delicate with fur considered the finest. Awanacancha is a weaving center with the goal to keep alive the traditional textile arts. Here you can meet these four types of camelids, learn about the harvesting of the different wools, the natural dying techniques and have a chance to see native weavers from different areas showing their different weaving secrets and lifestyle.

Accommodation at Aranwa Sacred Valley Hotel & Wellness, for two nights in one Deluxe rooms, including breakfast, hotel tax and service charge. (B/-/-)

Day 3 Sacred Valley

July 29, 2018 (Sunday)

FD Pisac Market, Pisac Ruins & Ollantaytambo fortress with Lunch (Private)

Today can visit **Pisac ruins**, famous for its ruins which lie atop a hill at the entrance to the valley and separated along the ridge into four groups: P'isaq, Inti Watana, Q'allaqasa, and Kinchiraqay. Visit the Inti Watana group which includes the Temple of the Sun, baths, altars, water fountains, a ceremonial platform, and an inti watana - a volcanic ritual stone used as an astronomic clock or Inca calendar to define the change seasons. The Incas constructed agricultural terraces on the steep hillside by hauling richer topsoil by hand from the lower lands, enabling the production of surplus food, more than would normally be possible at altitudes as high as 11,000 feet. The narrow rows of terraces beneath the citadel are thought to represent the wing of a partridge (pisaca), from which the village and ruins get their name.

Continue to the **Pisac Markets**, which was the place of reunion for all artisans of the region to get together and exchange or buy and sell their products. Originally held only on Sundays, but due to the increase of tourism in the area during the 16th century, it became increasingly popular to the point that now it is held daily. It is a favorite destination for visitors from all over the world who don't want to miss the opportunity of enjoying the colorful ambience in this marketplace.

Lunch is enjoyed in the **Wayra Gardens** among the native plants, served in a modern environment. We are enveloped by the aroma of freshly baked bread coming out of the wood-burning ovens, tasty empanadas with different fillings and an amazing assortment of native potatoes from remote communities that have preserved them along with their stories. After lunch visit the Inca fortress and citadel of Ollantaytambo. This fortress was believed to be constructed to guard the entrance to this part of the valley and protect it from possible invasions of tribes from the jungle lowlands. Later, it served as a temporary capital for Manco Inca, leader of the Inca resistance in 1,537 during the Spanish conquest of Peru, who fortified the town to stop the advance, as Cusco had fallen under Spanish domination. Ollantaytambo also features the vestiges of the town built by orders of Inca Pachacutec and thought to be not only a strategic military place to control the Sacred Valley of the Incas but also for agricultural and religious purposes. Additionally, this place is a ceremonial center dedicated to the purification and worship of water with 150 steps built with perfectly carved stones. The archaeological site includes a series of superimposed terraces and stunning finely carved stone blocks located on the upper terrace or Temple of the Sun. The main settlement has an orthogonal layout with four streets crossed by other seven parallel streets and at the center, the Incas built a large plaza about the size of four blocks.

The town of Ollantaytambo is referred to as a "Live Inca Town" because inhabitants still live according to customs and traditions inherited from their ancestors. Take a journey in time through its straight streets with perfectly laid stones that feature a canal for water to run through the town. After the tour, return to your hotel.

Accommodation at Aranwa Sacred Valley, hotel & Wellness. Today includes Breakfast, Lunch, hotel tax and service charge. **(B/L/-)**



Day 4 Sacred Valley / Machu Picchu

July 30, 2018 (Monday)

FD Machu Picchu citadel by Round Trip VISTADOME Train (Private)

This morning, you will be transferred to the respective train station in the Sacred Valley. Onboard the VISTADOME train you will move along the tracks following the river's course into the jungle lowlands to Aguas Calientes a.k.a. Machu Picchu Pueblo (a 2-hour ride). This is the last stop before getting to the famous archaeological complex. Find crafts, books, restaurants and array of hotels in this buzzing town. The bus zig-zags up the steep side of the mountain for nearly 20 minutes. The pre-Hispanic engineering marvel unveils itself gradually; this was the site Pachacutec Inca (1438-1572) chose as royal retreat and where his "malqui" or mummified remains were to be worshiped. Machu Picchu or "Old Mountain" is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the New Seven Wonders yet the traveler senses a beauty unmatched by these or any other title. How was such a work accomplished? Granite stone buildings that seem to naturally sprout from the earth instead of being constructed on it. Andean mountain aesthetics can truly be appreciated at Machu Picchu; explore the site at your own pace. Visit the Royal Mausoleum or take the path to the Inca Bridge, or the central flight of steps to reach Intihuatana. Or simply contemplate the sacred geography all around; the Urubamba nearly encircling the site and Mount Salkantay ("Wild"), overlooking the citadel from the southeast.

Buffet Lunch will be served at Tinkuy restaurant at Belmond Sanctuary Lodge hotel.

Note. - There are 2 shifts for the visit of Machu Picchu citadel, the AM Shift and PM Shift. You are scheduled to visit at any of these turns (not both) and the shift confirmed will depend on the train schedule that we will be able to confirm upon booking time.

After the visit of Machu Picchu, take the Shuttle bus down to Aguas Calientes town.

Accommodation at Casa Andina Standard Machu Picchu hotel, for one night in one Jr. Suite, including breakfast, Lunch, hotel tax and service charge. **(B/L/-)**



Day 5 Machu Picchu / Cusco

July 31, 2018 (Tuesday)

2nd entrance to Machu Picchu and surroundings (without guide)

Early wake up and get on board the shuttle bus that will take us to Machu Picchu. This morning you will return to Machu Picchu and have a visit on your own of any of the attractions of the citadel.

Option 1: Hike to Inti Punku, or Sun Gate, original gateway into Machu Picchu when approaching the site along the Inca Trail. Inti Punku is the first point in the Inca Trail where the ruins of Machu Picchu are visible. (Approximate total time for this excursion is 2.5 hours: 75 minutes to get there, and 75 minutes to return). Views of the site and surrounding landscape along the route are superb.

Option 2: Hike up to Huayna Picchu, the mountain behind Machu Picchu. This hike is strenuous and recommended only for travelers comfortable with heights and who have a good fitness level. A fair amount of climbing is required. Get fabulous views of Machu Picchu from the top. Total time for this excursion? 2.5 hours. You may want to extend your hike and go to the Moon Temple as well, which is close to Huayna Picchu. This adds an extra hour total to this excursion. Total time for the Huayna Picchu visit, including the Moon Temple? 3.5 hours. (This hike requires advanced reservations.)

Note: Government regulations limit the number of visitors to Huayna Picchu daily. Entrance is subject to availability. Please book with plenty of notice so we may confirm your entrance to the ruins

“In case entrances for Huayna Picchu are sold out, we will provide instead entrance tickets to Machu Picchu Mountain which is another great option for Huayna Picchu mountain. “

Option 3: Take a 45-minute hike along a narrow Inca road that leads to an ancient stone bridge.

In the afternoon, head to the train station of Aguas Calientes and from there take the VISTADOME TRAIN back to Cusco. Upon arrival to Ollantaytambo station, a private transport will be waiting for you to take you to Cusco city. Accommodation at El Mercado hotel, for one night in Superior room.

Today includes local taxes. **(B/-/-)**

Day 6 Cusco / Lima / Out

August 01, 2018 (Wednesday)

AM HD City tour of Cusco & nearby ruins (Private)

Inca rulers once called Cusco the "Navel of the World". Cusco remains today a city that blends colonial Spanish charm with older, more austere remains of pre-Columbian glory. One can see the foundations of Inca structures on many of its city streets today. Today you will go on a guided visit of the Imperial City of Cusco. In this Cusco city tour, you will visit the Main Plaza, which has been the scene of great historical events in the Capital of the Incas, the main Cathedral church, built of great slabs of red granite in renaissance style and thus contrasting with the baroque style silverwork which decorates its interior. You will then continue to the Santo Domingo church, built upon the foundations of the Inca temple Koricancha, which was dedicated to Sun worship. Later, you will head to the City's nearby ruins; the fortress of Sacsayhuaman, a magnificent example of Incan military power; Qenqo, a ritualistic site with subterranean galleries that form an underground maze; Puca Pucara, the red fortress and finally Tambomachay, also known as the Incan Baths. After this amazing educative Cusco city tour, you will be driven back to your hotel. Balance of the day at leisure.



Transfer hotel / Cusco airport (private)

At the appropriate time, your guide will take you to the Cusco airport in time for your flight to Lima. Upon arrival to Lima, reception at the airport by a representative and assistance at airport with your international departure flight back home. **(B/-/-)**

End of our services.

All touring arrangements herein are subject to change without notice and can be operated in a different sequence, depending on operational considerations and weather conditions. All hotels are subject to availability and can be substituted for similar hotels. Each passenger must have a valid passport with a minimum of 6 months of remaining validity, before its date of expiration. Visitors arriving with less than 6 months of remaining passport validity to any foreign country risk immediate return to the airport where they boarded the arriving flight. If any visas are required, they are the sole responsibility of each passenger. All payments are non-refundable in the event of cancellation by passengers. TRAVEL INSURANCE IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED. PLEASE LET US KNOW IF INTERESTED IN A FREE QUOTE.

NOTES

- This is a preliminary costing; hotels may vary according to availability
- All services stipulated above are subject to availability at the time of booking/ reservation
- No airfare nor airport taxes included in above given rates
- Domestic Airfare Lima / Cusco / Lima are given by an additional net per person of US\$360.00, subject to change
- Airport taxes are to be included in the above air fare
- International departure tax from Lima should be included in your int'l air fare
- Air fares are referential only. Actual rates are subject to availability at time of purchase and type of ticket (refunds and changes allowed/not allowed, penalties apply/not apply, etc.). Tickets are non-refundable and non-endorsable in case of cancellation
- All entrance fees are subject to change without previous notice.
- All tips are optional and voluntary
- *For every payment with Credit Card, we are forced to apply 4% more out of the total due to bank fees.*
- *The only way to confirm the Entrances fees for Huayna Picchu and Machu Picchu is by purchasing the entrances tickets ahead of time, for that we do require a deposit plus passenger's full data (full name, date of birth, nationality, passport number & expiration date) Otherwise bookings will be on a request basis. Also, once the tickets have been purchased, no refunds or endorsement applies.*
- Rates valid for 2018, except on Inti Raymi dates (Jun22/27), Christmas & New Year (Dec23/Jan02) and any other National or Religious Holidays which special rates may have; please verify
- Rates are subject to change without prior notice in case supplier conditions change and/or if there are USD exchange rate variations in Peru

INCLUSIONS

- Private services with local English or Spanish speaking guide, except where otherwise specified
- All entrance fees to the sites mentioned above
- Meals: As indicated in the itinerary
- 01 Round train ticket to/from Machu Picchu via Vistadome coach per person
- 01 Entrance ticket to Machu Picchu per person.
- 01 Entrance ticket to Machu Picchu & Huayna Picchu OR Machu Picchu mountain per person.
- 02 shuttle bus ticket to and from the Machu Picchu ruins per person
- 05 night's hotel acomodación
- All tips (except hotel staff & guides); additional tips are optional and voluntary. However, we provide the following guidelines:
 - Guide/transfer man: US\$ 4.00 per guest per day
 - Driver: US\$ 2.00 per guest per day
 - Restaurant Tips: 10% of the total check
- Permanent assistance during the trip

EXCLUSIONS

- International and domestic airfares (actual price subject to changes by the airline).
- Meals or any other item not described in the itinerary.
- Early check-in, late check-out, services and non-mentioned meals in the itinerary
- Personal expenses.
- Drinks during meals, hotel extras and personal spending

- Tips to guides and hotel staff
- Local VAT taxes (18% applicable only to Peruvian and foreign residents of Peru; to be exempted you will need to show your passport and the Andean Immigration card given at Customs at Lima Airport upon your arrival to Peru.). Foreigner should also have stayed not longer than 60 days in Peru, otherwise Peruvian taxation will apply at hotels.

***Important note:** On the train journey to Machu Picchu, you will be limited to one piece of luggage weighing no more than 11 pounds and a total linear dimension (length + width + height) of 62 inches. You may keep excess luggage at your hotel in Cusco city.*

BOOKING CONDITIONS

To process a reservation to Peru, the following information is required, for each guest:

- Complete names and surname(s)
- Nationality
- Passport number
- Date of Birth
- Gender
- **Scanned copy passport's picture page**
- Dietary restrictions, if any

City	HOTELS – 4 * hotels
Lima	Costa del Sol, Wyndham airport hotel – Standard room
Sacred Valley	Aranwa Valle Sagrado hotel & Wellness – Deluxe room
Machu Picchu	Casa Andina Standard Machu Picchu hotel – Jr. Suite room
Cusco	El Mercado Cusco hotel – Superior room