

Peru

Beyond Machu Picchu



Trip Summary

Explore Peru far beyond the allure of Machu Picchu and towering mountain ranges on this incredible adventure in the south. Journey through Lima, the Ballestas Islands, Paracas and more on this 6-day excursion into the rich culture of Peru. Guests will tour ancient ruins, national reserves, striking coastlines, and search the countryside for geoglyphs, all while indulging in delicious local cuisine, learning about Peruvian culture and folklore, and making memories to last a lifetime.

Itinerary

Day 1: Lima / Paracas

Arrive at Lima International Airport, where personnel will await you with Austin Adventures signage • Transfer to your hotel • During transfer, enjoy a private tour of the ruins of Pachacamac • Arrive to your hotel for the evening and check in • Enjoy an evening of well-deserved rest to prepare for tomorrow • *Overnight Hotel Paracas (No meals)*

Days 2: Ballestas Islands / Paracas National Reserve

Enjoy an early breakfast with your group at the hotel • Tour Peru's oldest marine reserve, Paracas National Reserve • Take a two hour shared boat tour with your private guide to the Ballestas Islands • Enjoy views of El Candelabro, a large geoglyph • Enjoy a private land tour of the reserve • Visit multiple local attractions, including the interpretation center • Relax on beaches such as Yamaque, Lagunilla, and La Mina • Return to the hotel and enjoy a night of leisure and relaxation • *Overnight Hotel Paracas (B, L)*

Day 3: Paracas / Nazca Lines / Ica

Breakfast this morning will be served at your hotel • Check out of your hotel before departing • Today, enjoy an 90-minute sightseeing flight over Peru's Nazca Lines • Search for twenty three geoglyphs, including the spider, monkey, hummingbird, condor, and astronaut, from hundreds of feet in the air • Spend the afternoon sightseeing on the incredible Peruvian coast • Take time to relax on the multitude of beaches near you • Visit with locals • Visit street markets and local vendors • Check in to a new hotel this evening • *Overnight Viñas Queirolo (B)*

Day 4: Ica / Huacachina

Breakfast will be eaten at the hotel today • Spend the morning indulging in leisure activities • Utilize your new hotels many luxurious amenities • Depart in the afternoon for a guided trip to the Huacachina Oasis, just outside Ica • Tour the Regional Museum of Ica, known for mummies, ceramics, and textiles • Tap into your wild side with guided dune buggy driving in the desert • Surf the famed Peruvian sand dunes with your compatriots • Play in the sun and sand to your hearts content • Return to your hotel in the evening to rest and recuperate for tomorrows activities • *Overnight Viñas Queirolo (B)*

Day 5: Ica

Eat breakfast early in the morning at your hotel • Depart for a guided tour of many vineyards, such as Tares Generations and Hacienda La Caravedo • Discover the oldest distillery in the Americas • Visit Tacama Vineyards, home to the oldest vines in all of Southern America • Learn about wine making and the process which grapes undergo • Indulge in a free wine tasting including sparkling



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wine and the vineyards famed pisco • Eat lunch at the winery restaurant, including an expertly paired wine with each dish • At 4:00 PM, take a sommelier-guided stroll through the vineyards • Taste more wine while overlooking some of the most beautiful vineyard scenery Peru has to offer • Return to your hotel in the evening • Enjoy your last night in Peru! • *Overnight Viñas Queirolo (B, L)*

Day 6: Ica / Lima

Private transfer from Ica to Lima (4.5 hours + stops) • Check in at the Lima International Airport and connect with your international flight home • (B)

***Trip itineraries are subject to change without notice due to road, weather and other factors outside of our control, for the safety and enjoyment of our guests, as deemed necessary and appropriate by Austin Adventures.*

Activities

Hiking: There will be mild hiking most days of this Peruvian adventure, ranging from easy to intermediate. Guests should not expect steep inclines or extended periods of hiking, but should be in good physical health to accommodate the hiking and physical activity included in this adventure.

Walking: Much of this tour involves exploration by walking. Whether it be on the beaches of Paracas National Reserve or through the streets of Ica, guests should expect to be on their feet for multiple hours at a time. Guests should be in good physical health to accommodate the many hours of walking, standing, and extended activity involved in this adventure.

Discovery: Peru is commonly a popular adventure travel destination; however, many guided adventures cover the likes of Peru's mountainous regions, Machu Picchu, and other typical attractions. On Austin Adventures' Beyond Machu Picchu adventure, guests will be treated to an atypical Peruvian experience generally reserved for locals. While the mountainous sectors of Peru are stunning, the coastline is just as much if not more so. Explore Peru's soft sand beaches, fruitful nature reserves, and coastal islands on this once-in-a-lifetime adventure. Guests will be afforded opportunities to interact with locals, learn about Peruvian culture, explore mysterious ruins, and truly absorb the essence of Peru.

Austin Adventures guides are experienced facilitators and regional experts. They will take the time to explain the details of each activity, answer any questions and demonstrate the use of all equipment. Each activity has been carefully planned to include options for all levels. Most importantly, Austin Adventures guides will help you select the distance that's right for you.

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Distinctive Accommodations

Nights 1 & 2: Hotel Paracas

Hotel Paracas, positioned directly in front of Paracas National Reserve, is the foremost standard for five-star accommodation in Peru. Boasting a private dock, two swimming pools, a bar and lounge area, a luxury spa and a children's area, guests are sure to find everything they may find themselves needing in this upscale and comfortable resort. Spa treatments available to guests include many native specialty ingredients such as Andean cocoa, grapes, and even seaweed. The resort offers a full buffet style breakfast in the mornings, including but not limited to tropical fruits, jams, and Peruvian specialty foods.

Nights 3 – 5: Viñas Queirolo

Hotel Viñas Queirolo offers guests the opportunity to relax while surrounded by Peruvian nature. Positioned in the middle of acres upon acres of vineyards, Viñas Queirolo is truly an escape from the hustle and bustle of city life that many of our guests are all too accustomed to. Guests will be housed in one of 89 spacious, stylishly decorated rooms complete with private bathrooms, republic-era décor, and anything your heart may desire.

Additional Information

Meals

You will be treated to the finest cuisine Peru has to offer during your adventure. From classic Peruvian dishes to Italian cuisine, there will be something to suit every taste palette on this journey. Most meals will be purchased by guests at their liberty. Breakfast can be expected to be typical continental style with toast, fruit, and juices available. Lunch and dinner will often be ordered independently, and guests will be able to cater their meals to personal tastes.

Additional Services

Bilingual guides will be available for all excursions and activities. Guests will have extensive time to explore locale; guides will be available during this time as well, and may have extra costs not associated with Austin Adventures dependent upon timing and location.



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Arrival & Departures

Arrival: On Day 1 of the trip, an Austin Adventures / Apumayo representative will meet you upon arrival at the Lima Airport. Your guide will be waiting with Austin Adventures signs just outside of the arrivals terminal. Upon clearing customs, transportation to Paracas Hotel (3.5 hours + stops) will be provided.

Departure: On Day 6 of the trip, transfer from Ica to Lima (approximately 4.5 hours + stops). Guests may book flights out of Lima International Airport at any time during the day and we will do our best to accommodate your flight. We recommend drop-off at the Lima Airport approximately 3 hours prior to your flight time.

Trip Price

\$3,258

\$580 Single Supplement

Trip Length

6 days / 5 nights

2020 Dates

Call for dates

Host City

Lima, Peru (LIM)

Reservations & Availability

1-800-575-1540

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Trip Reservations

Reservations, Deposits and Balances Due

To make a reservation, contact Austin Adventures with your choice of trip and dates. A \$750 per person deposit is required to confirm your reservation. **Some Custom and International programs may require additional deposits.** Full payment is required at the time of booking if your trip departs within 90 days. Choose one of the following contact methods:

Toll free: 800-575-1540

Phone: 406-655-4591

Online: austinadventures.com

Email: reservations@austinadventures.com

Mail: Austin Adventures, P.O. Box 81025, Billings, MT 59108

* You may also book your Austin Adventure with your preferred travel professional.

** We accept most major credit cards and personal checks (U.S. funds made payable to Austin Adventures). Please do not send cash.

Included in the Trip Price

- Accommodation at all listed hotels based on double occupancy.
- Meals as indicated in this itinerary (B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner).
- Private transportation for airport and hotel transfers.
- Private transportation for tours.
- Professional bilingual guide (English-Spanish).
- Privately guided tours of Pachacamac, Ballestas Islands, Paracas National Reserve, Museo Regional de Ica, and Vineyards.
- Dune buggy riding and dune surfing equipment (shared tour).
- Flight over Nazca lines (on shared basis) + airdrome taxes

Not Included in the Trip Price

- All gratuities (drivers, guides, etc.)
- Alcoholic beverages and related gratuities.
- Meals not specifically indicated in this itinerary.
- Pre- and post-trip accommodations and associated expenses.
- Air and land transportation to/from host cities.
- All types of personal insurance.
- Personal expenses.

Pre-departure Information

After receiving your reservation and deposit, we'll send you a pre-trip planner with general information about the area you'll be visiting, a packing list, exercise guidelines, a guest information questionnaire and a liability release agreement for you to sign and return within 10 days.



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Private Custom Trips

Maybe your vacation schedule doesn't fit our list of trips and dates. Or perhaps you'd prefer a slightly different itinerary or level of luxury and activity. A Custom Adventure is the perfect answer. You pick the date and destination and brief us on the size of your group, what activities you want, your "must haves" and just how you like to relax and unwind. No detail is too small, no idea too outrageous. Our staff of experts will help create a tailor-made vacation that's just right for you and your group. In short, if you can dream it, we can make it happen.

Room Occupancy, Single Supplements, and Shared Room Assignments

All trip prices are based on double occupancy. Single rooms are available for an additional charge, referred to as a "single supplement." If you're traveling alone and wish to share a room, make the request at the time of booking.

Minimum Age

The minimum age on our non-family designated adult and teen adventures is sixteen years old.

Cancellations and Refunds

The following cancellation policies and cancellation fees are in effect:

***As with deposits on some international and custom programs, refund schedule may vary, speak with your Adventure Consultant for details.

Cancellation 91 days or more before trip departure – Full trip payment refunded less \$750 per person nonrefundable deposit.

Cancellation 61-90 days before trip departure – Full trip payment less 25% per person is refunded.

Cancellation 0-60 days before trip departure – No refund is given.

Our Guarantee

Exceeding your expectations is our number one priority. In the unlikely event that you are dissatisfied with something during your trip, immediately notify your guide(s). If he or she is unable to resolve the issue, call our main office and give us the details of the problem, and a chance to correct it. We will do our best to find a resolution. If we are unable to do so during your trip, we will work with you upon your return home to arrive at a fair and equitable solution, including up to a full refund.