



## **Machu Picchu, Iguazu & Rio Expedition**

**8 September – 17 September 2018**

### **Day 1 [September 8, 2018] Arrival in Lima, Peru**

Welcome to Peru! After gathering your luggage, you'll be met by a representative who will welcome you and assist with check in at the Lima airport hotel, across the footpath.

### **Day 2 [September 9, 2018] Lima to Cuzco to Sacred Valley [B D]**

In the morning you will check in for your flight to Cuzco, the capital city of the former Inca Empire. You'll immediately head by private transfer into the Sacred Valley, the fertile region that once fed the Inca Empire and that sits at a lower altitude than Cuzco. You'll have the afternoon free to enjoy your hotel grounds, filled with expansive gardens, a chapel and beautiful colonial décor.

### **Day 3 [September 10, 2018] Private Sacred Valley Tour [B L D]**

Your Sacred Valley tour will include visits to the ancient circular agricultural terraces of Moray, the salt mines at Maras, and the ruins and village of Ollantaytambo.

Departing from Ollantaytambo, enjoy a scenic train ride through the Sacred Valley to the town of Machu Picchu where you will stay in your hotel at Aguas Calientes.

#### **Day 4 [September 11, 2018] Private Machu Picchu Tour [B L]**

Uncover the secrets of Machu Picchu during a guided tour of this Incan citadel. You'll visit the most important parts of the ruins to learn how and why they were constructed. After the tour, you'll have time to further explore the ruins or sit back and enjoy the magic of Machu Picchu. You can also hike to the top of Huayna Picchu for a bird's eye view of the ruins. The steep path takes about an hour and a half to ascend.

Departing from Machu Picchu town, enjoy a train ride to Ollantaytambo. Upon arrival at the train station you will be met and transferred to your Cuzco hotel.

#### **Day 5 [September 12, 2018] Private Half Day Cuzco City Tour [B L]**

Though Machu Picchu was once an Inca royal retreat, Cuzco was the beating heart of the Inca Empire. Today you'll discover this cobblestoned former capital city during a private tour. You'll walk among the massive stonework at Sacsayhuaman (an Inca complex overlooking the city), marvel at Koricancha, one of the most important Inca temples (where the walls were once completely covered in gold), and visit Cuzco's Cathedral on the main plaza.

#### **Day 6 [September 13, 2018] Cuzco to Iguazu [B]**

You will be picked up from your hotel and driven to the Cuzco airport for your flight to Lima, from where you'll connect on a flight to Iguassu, Brazil. On arrival, you'll be transferred across the Brazil-Argentina border to the Argentina side of Iguazu, where you'll settle in for the evening.

#### **Day 7 [September 14, 2018] Private Argentina Falls Tour [B L]**

This morning you'll experience Iguazu Falls from the Argentina angle. Argentina's Iguazu National Park allows an intimate waterfall experience with walkways and paths that hug the falls. During your tour, you'll visit Devil's Throat, the largest set of waterfalls in the park.

**Day 8 [September 15, 2018] Private Brazil Falls Tour / Rio [B L]**

In the morning you'll visit the Brazil National Park to see the stunning jungle scenery and rushing waterfalls from a different perspective. The Brazil side of Iguazu Falls provides stunning panoramic views of the 275 falls, which stretch over a mile across. When your tour finishes, you'll be taken to the airport in time for your flight to Rio de Janeiro. On Arrival, you'll be transferred to your hotel for a relaxing evening at leisure.

**Day 9 [September 16, 2018] Private Botanical Gardens & Sugarloaf Mountain Tour [B L]**

In the morning you'll explore the Jardim Botânico, the Royal Botanical Garden of Rio de Janeiro. This garden was established in the early 1800s and currently contains over 6,000 plant and 140 bird species. After time for lunch, you'll visit Rio's postcard perfect Rio landmark, the Sugarloaf Mountain, in time for sunset! To get to the top, you'll take an exciting two-stop ride in a glass cable car. From Sugarloaf's peak you'll have spectacular panoramic views of Guanabara Bay, Corcovado, and the cityscape.

**Day 10 [September 17 2018] Private Corcovado Tour & Departure [B L]**

In the morning, you'll visit Rio's most famous landmark: Christ the Redeemer. This massive statue, which has watched over the city since 1931, sits on top of Corcovado Mountain. You'll ascend the mountain for the opportunity to see this New Wonder of the World up close. Following, when necessary, you'll be returned to the airport in time for your flight home.

**PRICING**

- \$5,595 per person based on double occupancy
- +\$1,050 single supplement

## **INCLUDED**

- Guides
- Tour transportation
- Meals as specified
- Accommodations
- Regional flights

## **NOT INCLUDED**

- Trip insurance
- International flights to/from the US
- Passport fees
- Gratuities to guides and drivers
- Additional food or beverages not part of the menu on the included meals
- Meals outside of those specified
- Personal expenses