

Peru - Inca motorcycle tour (M-ID: 2678)

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from €3,950.00

Dates and duration (days)

On request

14 days

11/06/2021 - 11/19/2021 14 days

On this motorcycle tour through magical Peru you will not only learn a lot about the Inca culture but also get to know the fascinating landscapes of the country high in the Andes.

Peru has a lot to offer: the tropical Amazon rainforest and the snow-covered peaks of the Andes, beautiful beaches and vast deserts. You can experience all this on a motorcycle.

Our journey begins in the colonial city of Arequipa, from where we ride up into the Andes Mountains. Afterwards we will ride north along the coast via the Panamericana. We take a scenic flight over the mysterious Nasca Lines and sleep in a real oasis in the desert.

Over a magnificent path with more than 1000 curves we climb up to 4800 meters to the snowy peaks of the Andes. From beautiful Cusco we visit the hidden Inca city of Machu Picchu. Finally, we take a boat trip on the highest lake in the world, Lake Titicaca.

PROGRAM:

Day 1 - Arrival Arequipa (2350 m)

You arrive at the airport in Lima but fly immediately further south towards Arequipa. There you will be picked up from the airport and transferred to a hotel outside the city centre. The tour guide will give a short speech about the trip. At noon you can take a tour of this magnificent colonial city. Beautiful is the central square with its large cathedral and the old convent, Santa Catalina. In the network of small streets still lives a solid community of nuns. Of course you can also visit the locally famous ice mummies. In the evening we can have dinner on one of the many cosy terraces around the central square.

DAY 2 - AREQUIPA - COLCA CANYON (3600M)

Today is our first riding day. Most of it goes over a well paved road. Slowly but surely it goes uphill through a

constantly changing landscape. We ride over a pass of 4910 meters and are far above the tree line, high in the Andes. From the pass we have a view of eight volcanoes. The pass is therefore called "Mirador de los Andes" (the view over the Andes). In Chivay we turn off and ride a piece of gravel road. We ride about 40 km to Colca Canyon, our destination. On the way we will see many vicunas and we will encounter the first traditional Inca villages. Colca Canyon is the second deepest canyon in the world and more than twice as deep as the Grand Canyon.

DAY 3 - COLCA CANYON - ATICO (50M)

In the early morning we first go to the viewpoint "Cruz del Cóndor"; the place where we can see the majestic Andean condor with a wingspan of 3 metres, which takes advantage of the rising wind to rise from the depths. An impressive spectacle! Then we descend again towards the coast, but stop first to enjoy the view over the Colca Canyon. Also today there is again a very varied landscape. From the inhospitable high Andes, where we start above the tree line, we ride through the green part into the warm desert area at the coast. At the end of the afternoon we reach the coastal town of Atico, where we spend the night.

DAY 4 - ATICO - NASCA (580M)

After the long day yesterday, today a shorter and easier day to Nasca. We follow our way north on the Pan Americana Highway. We ride many kilometers directly through the driest part of the country. This is the desert where the mysterious Nasca Lines are located. This part of Peru shows the great climatic contrast that exists in the country. It is the driest place in the world where it has not rained for 500 years. At noon there is the possibility to make a sightseeing flight over the Nasca Lines. In this desert you will also find the famous Nasca Lines. These lines are still a big mystery and date back to the time

before the Inca era. These lines are sometimes dozens of kilometers straight and others are in the form of huge animal symbols. It is possible to see some of these lines from a lookout tower, but given the enormous size of these lines, they are best seen from a plane. Weather permitting, it is possible to take a scenic flight over the Nasca Lines on arrival in the village of Nasca, optionally in the afternoon or morning. Due to the heat it is usually better to make the flight as early as possible in the morning, otherwise the air will be too hazy.

DAY 5 - NASCA - CHALHUANCA (2900 M)

We reach the main road towards Cusco. This great route climbs from sea level to about 4200 meters and is associated with a strong climate change. The endless winding roads show you in a wonderful way the transition from the dry sandy desert over green valleys to the bare cold rocky mountains of the high peaks. In the dusty and deserted village of Puquio you will be a rarely seen tourist among all the native Incas. The ride to Abacay is perhaps even more spectacular than this morning's ride. Hundreds of bends take us to a beautiful plain at about 4000 m altitude with dozens of crystal clear lakes where flamingos live. We will also meet many llamas here.

DAY 6 - CHALHUANCA - (CUSCO 3400 M)

After an early breakfast we leave and ride via Abacay and climb up again to cross an enormous pass. Hundreds of hairpin bends are waiting for us. At noon we arrive in one of the most beautiful cities in South America, Cusco, the capital of the Incas. The impressive Plaza des Armas is embellished by two colonial churches and from the many balconies of the restaurants you have a wonderful view of the city center.

DAY 7 - CUSCO - REMAINING

You have the whole day to stroll over the many markets and through small alleys along the colonial buildings. Especially remarkable is that parts of the old Inca buildings are still clearly visible. Large parts of the ancient Inca temples and palaces have been preserved and are now part of the houses and churches built by the Spaniards. So we can still clearly see how unique the building style of the Incas is. Also the city map of the old centre has remained unchanged since the ancient Inca times. A little outside the city there is the very well preserved Inca fort Sacsayhuaman. Here the unique building style of the Incas can be seen from its best side. From this fort you have a beautiful view over Cuzco. You can reach Sacsayhuaman by motorcycle or by taxi. In the evening you can visit the atmospheric restaurants, Irish pubs or nightclubs.

DAY 8 - CUSCO - OLLANTAYTAMBO (2850M)

We ride from Cusco through the Sacred Valley of the Incas. Before we arrive, we first have to cross a pass of 4750 meters. After that it is only downhill until we find ourselves in the dense jungle and hear the crickets around us. Here the Amazon rainforest begins. On the way we can visit some Inca ruins. We stay overnight in the village of Ollantaytambo.

DAY 9 - OLLANTAYTAMBO - DAY TRIP MACHU PICCHU

Early in the morning we get on the train. The train travels along mountain gorges and the beginning of the Amazon River towards Aqua Calientes. This small place at the foot of the plain, where Machu Picchu is located, can only be reached by train through the jungle. By bus over many hairpin bends you can reach the summit. Machu Picchu is

the old lost Inca capital in the middle of the jungle, the most beautiful and best preserved memory of the noble culture of the Incas. The Spanish never found it. It is fantastic to walk around here or learn more about the different theories of the local guides. There is also the possibility to do a steep hike to the top of the mountain behind the city. From there you have a beautiful view.

DAY 10 - OLLANTAYTAMBA - QUINCE MIL (630M)

Today we will continue with the motorcycle. Over a spectacular route we descend from the Andes into the jungle of the Amazon lowlands. Probably one of the most special routes you have ever ridden. Quince Mil is a typical tropical Amazon village with a completely different atmosphere than the cities in the highlands or on the Peruvian coast. We stay in a small family hotel in the jungle, with a relaxed atmosphere.

DAY 11 - QUINCE MIL - JULIACA (3800M)

Another special riding day, but now uphill towards the mighty Andes. For the first 100 kilometers we ride through the rather flat Amazon region, but then the ascent begins as if we had to climb a wall on our motorbike. The view is beautiful. We will make a stop in Macusani, which is at an altitude of 4350 meters. A climb of almost 4km! After Macusani we will descend a little and ride over the "Altiplano", the high plateau of the Andes, to the city of Juliaca, where we will arrive at the end of the afternoon.

DAY 12 - JULIACA - PUNO (3850M)

A short tour to the port city of Puno, which is situated on the highest lake in the world. On the way we will stop to visit an old cemetery of Incas and Pre-Incas, Sillustani. This is a very beautifully situated place surrounded by wonderful views. Lake Titicaca, which stretches across the border to the neighbouring country of Bolivia, lies at an altitude of about 3800 metres and covers a surface area as large as a quarter of the Netherlands. Here you can take a boat trip and visit the islands (floating reed islands) of the Uros Indians. If you don't want to take a boat trip, it is possible to take a motorbike tour along the lake.

DAY 13 - PUNO - AREQUIPA (2350 M)

Our last day of riding. The first part goes over the rather flat Altiplano. Then we ride through the lower part of the Andes and through the mountains back to Arequipa. In one of the lively cafés on the square we can exchange our many impressions once again.

DAY 14 - AREQUIPA - DEPARTURE

Departure from Arequipa to Lima and then on to Germany where you arrive tomorrow.

- Changes to the route can be adapted to the current conditions on site -

Category	Motorcycle Tour
Terrain	Combo On-/Offroad
Vehicle	motorcycle rent incl.
Tourguide / Coach	yes (guided)
Accommodation	Hotel / B&B or similar
Flight to / from	no, not incl.
Support vehicle (luggage/service)	yes
Level of difficulty	easy medium
Customer payment protection	yes
Special	Winter escape
* PRICING	Minimal without optional extras, see pricing

Pricing

per rider	€3,950.00
per pillion passenger	€3,395.00
per person single room (surcharge)	€585.00
Motorcycle Upgrade:	
BMW F700:	€500.00
BMW F800:	€950.00
BMW R1200:	€1,300.00
Honda Africa Twin:	€1,000.00

Features

Transfers airport Arequia - Hotel and back
 Overnight stays in hotels
 Rent a motorcycle
 Multilingual travel guide
 Escort vehicle and luggage transport
 Mechanic
 Breakfast
 Day trip Machu Picchu (incl. train, bus and entrance fee)
 Travel security note
 Travel Guidebook

Not included features

Visa (On arrival at the airport of Lima you will get a free visa, which is valid for 4 weeks)

Other entrance fees

Optional excursions

Entrance Colca Canyon

Boat tour Lake Titicaca

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Gasoline and tolls

Insurance

Pocket money: 800 Euro (This amount is an indication how much money you will need for this trip. It includes food, drinks, souvenirs and optional excursions).

Scheduled flight - Lima and back

More details

Minimum number of participants: 8

Maximum number of participants: 12

Maximum number of passengers: 2

Motorcycles:

During this trip we ride Suzuki DR 650 cc motorcycles, Kawasaki KLR 650 or equivalent.

Difficulty of the journey:

During this trip we ride through varied landscapes and thus through different climate zones. The first part of the journey takes place between the coast and the western side of the Andes. Here is the driest desert in the world, the Atapera Desert. It's often very hot here. In addition, our days are quite long, as we cover long distances. As soon as we drive into the Andes, the difference in altitude plays a role. The journey goes almost only on tarred roads, only a piece (40 km) to Colca Canyon is unpaved but not difficult to drive.

Motorcycle insurance:

Motorcycle insurance is not included and can be purchased on site. Costs: 15 USD per day (x 13 days): insured are damages to the motorcycle (up to min. 500 USD and max. 2500 USD excess) and property damage caused to third parties. If you don't take insurance then a deposit of 2.500,- USD by credit card (only Visacard) or cash in USD is required. Personal injury to third parties is covered up to a maximum of 3500 USD.

Clothing:

Obligatory is a helmet and a warm motorcycle jacket with protection, gloves and good, stable motorcycle trousers with protection and high (mountain) shoes. It can be very warm, especially in spring and autumn in the low regions. At the same time it is much colder in the high mountains. A motorcycle jacket with removable lining is very suitable here. In colder parts of the mountains you can also wear extra clothes under your jacket. In addition, good sunglasses and a helmet with a visor are useful as protection against the dust. The rainy season in Peru lasts from December to February. We organize the trips in spring or autumn and expect little rain then. However, in the mountains it is difficult to predict the weather and therefore it is advisable to have waterproof clothing with you.