

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

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from €4,195.00

Dates and duration (days)

On request

14 days

11/02/2024 - 11/15/2024 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 offers a lot: the tropical Amazon rainforest and the high snowy Andean peaks, beautiful beaches and vast deserts. You can experience all of this by motorcycle.

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

Over a magnificent road 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 (2300 M).

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

DAY 2 - AREQUIPA- COLCA CANYON - CABANA CONDE (3300 M) - 220 KM

Today is our first day of riding. Most of it is on a well paved road. Slowly but surely we climb up through a constantly changing landscape. We ride over a pass of 4910 meters

and are well above the tree line, high in the Andes. From the pass we have views 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 the 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. We will sleep in the non-touristy town of Cabanaconde.

DAY 3 - CABANA CONDE - MAJES (825 M) - 255 KM

If we didn't see the Andean condors yesterday, we will first visit 'Cruz del Condor'. Then we ride on a paved road to the small town of Huambo. Here begins a spectacular 50 km long gravel road downhill to the river Majes. On the other side we meet a tarred road again. We climb to over 4,800 meters and then descend into the Majes Valley. This is NOT a straight road!

DAY 4 - MAJES - CHALA (0 M) - 335 KM

We head back to the coast and reach a comfortable altitude: sea level! Here we ride along the Panamericana Highway, which follows the beautiful coastline north. Lunch will be somewhere along the road and we end up in the small town on the coast: Chala.

DAY 5 - CHALA - NASCA (500 M) - 160 KM

Today a relatively short ride through the extremely dry desert to Nazca. This is the desert where the mysterious Nazca Lines are located. This part of Peru shows the great contrast in climate that exists in the country. It is the driest place in the world, where it has not rained for 500 years. Nazca is world famous for its pampas with very mysterious geoglyphs, figures and lines. These lines are still a great mystery and date back to pre-Inca times. These lines are

sometimes dozens of kilometers straight and others are in the form of huge animal symbols. It is possible to see part of these lines from an observation tower, but given the enormous size of these lines, they are best seen from an airplane. Weather permitting, upon arrival in the village of Nazca, there is the option of taking a scenic flight over the Nazca Lines in the afternoon.

DAY 6 - NASCA - CHALHUANCA (3400 M) 345 KM

From Nasca we have to conquer the mighty Andean range to the east. In about 80 kilometers we will be at 4,000 meters and this is associated with a strong climatic change. The endless winding roads show you in a beautiful way the transition of 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.

DAY 7 - CHALHUANCA - CUSCO (3400 M) 310 KM

After an early breakfast we set off and ride via Abacay and climb again to cross an enormous pass. Hundreds of hairpin curves are waiting for us. At noon we arrive in one of the most beautiful cities of South America, Cusco, the capital of the Incas. The impressive square Plaza des Armas is still embellished by two colonial churches and from the many balconies of the restaurants you have a magnificent view of the center. We stay 2 nights in a hotel in the heart of the city. Of course we have a beer in the Norton Pub at the Plaza de Armas.

DAY 8 - CUSCO - REMAIN

You'll have the whole day to stroll through the many markets and through small alleys along the colonial buildings. Particularly noteworthy is that parts of the ancient 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 Spanish. So we can still clearly see how unique the Inca architectural style is. Also the city plan of the old center has remained unchanged since the old Inca times. Just outside the city is the very well preserved Inca fort of Sacsayhuaman. Here the unique architectural style of the Incas can be seen at its best. From this fort you have a beautiful view over Cuzco. You can reach Sacsayhuaman by taxi. It is also possible to take a city tour with the guide in the morning. In about 2.5 hours you will see the beautiful sights of Cuzco. In the evening you can visit the atmospheric restaurants or Irish pubs.

DAY 9 - CUSCO - OLLANTAYTAMBO (2800M) 100 KM

We ride from Cusco through the Sacred Valley of the Incas, here we can visit the Salinas. Before we arrive, we first have to cross a pass of 4750 meters. After that it is only downhill until we are in the dense jungle and hear the crickets around us, here begins the Amazon Rainforest. Lunch will be in Urubamba. In the early afternoon we reach the authentic Inca town of Ollantaytambo, where you can visit the most impressive Inca fortress. This is the ONLY place where the Incas won a battle in the war against the Spanish.

DAY 10 - OLLANTAYTAMBO - DAY TRIP MACHU PICCHU

Early in the morning we board the train. This train will take us along mountain canyons and the beginning of the Amazon River in two hours towards Aqua Calientes. This small town 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 top in half

an hour. Machu Picchu is the ancient lost Inca capital in the middle of the jungle, the most beautiful and best preserved reminder of the noble Inca culture. The Spanish never found it. It is fantastic to wander around here or learn more about the various theories of the local guides. In the afternoon we return to Ollantaytambo by train.

DAY 11 - OLLANTAYTAMBA - QUINCE MIL (630M) 300 KM

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

DAY 12 - QUINCEMIL - PUNO (3800M) 440 KM

The longest riding day of the whole tour. What goes down must come up. On our way to Macusani we climb the mighty Andes once more. Probably the ride of your life! We will have a simple lunch at the Plaza des Armas. We continue to Puno, on the shores of Lake Titicaca. On the way we pass the 'little New Delhi' town of Juliaca, an experience in itself.

DAY 13 - PUNO - AREQUIPA (2300 M) 300 KM

An early 'Rise & Shine' as a boat trip on Lake Titicaca, the highest lake in the world, is on the agenda. Lake Titicaca, which stretches across the border to neighbouring Bolivia, lies at an altitude of about 3800 metres and covers a surface as large as a quarter of the Netherlands. Then the last day of riding lies ahead of us. The first part goes over the rather flat Altiplano. Then we ride through the low part of the Andes and through the mountains back to the 'White City' of Arequipa.

DAY 14 - AREQUIPA - DEPARTURE

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

- Changes to the itinerary can be adapted to the current local conditions.

Countries	Peru
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.
Ferry	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 in a double room incl. Honda CB 500 X cc (only available when booking with own room partner. As a person participating alone choose additionally the single room surcharge).	€4,195.00
per rider in a double room incl. Kawasaki KLR 650 or equivalent motorcycles (only available when booking with own room partner. As a person participating alone additionally choose the single room surcharge).	€4,195.00
Motorcycle upgrade to BMW F 700 GS:	€550.00
Motorcycle upgrade to BMW F 750 GS:	€720.00
Motorcycle upgrade to BMW F 800 GS:	€820.00
Motorcycle upgrade to BMW F 850 GS:	€1,140.00
Motorcycle upgrade to BMW R 1200 GS:	€1,050.00
Motorcycle upgrade to BMW R 1250 GS:	€1,620.00
Motorcycle upgrade to Honda CRF1000 Africa Twin:	€1,020.00
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per pillion passenger in shared twin/double room (pillion passengers can only book along with an accompanying rider)	€3,195.00
per person single room (surcharge, only available with an additional selection of the basic price "per rider in shared twin/double room")	€550.00

Included

Transfers airport Arequipa - 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

Everything that is not specified under services
Scheduled flight - Lima and back
Flight Lima - Arequipa and back
Visa (Exclusive): Free of charge on entry in Peru
Other admission fees ☒
Optional excursions ☒
Entrance fee Colca Canyon ☒
Lake Titicaca boat tour ☒
Food and drink ☒
Petrol and toll ☒
Insurances

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

More details

Minimum number of participants: 8
Maximum number of participants: 12
Maximum number of passengers: 2
Motorcycles:
During this trip we ride Honda CB 500 X cc or Kawasaki KLR 650 or equivalent motorcycles. Upgrades are possible with surcharge.
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 arrive to 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 ride.

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.