## **Heart of Peru**

# 12 Days / 11 Nights

### **Detailed Trip Itinerary**

### Day 1: Arrival in Lima

Upon arrival at Lima International Airport, you will be warmly welcomed by an **Inka Ayway Peru Travel representative** and transferred to your hotel in a comfortable, air-conditioned shuttle.

Our team will assist you with hotel check-in.

In the evening, an experienced tour guide will conduct a **welcome briefing**, providing an overview of the entire journey, important tips, and what to expect during your time in Peru.

Sample Lima Hotels: To be confirmed

## **Day 2: Lima City Tour**

Pickup from your hotel at **10:00 AM or 2:00 PM** (half-day or full-day option, based on preference).

Explore Peru's vibrant capital city, including highlights such as:

- Historic City Center (UNESCO World Heritage Site)
- Local markets
- Miraflores district
- Museums and cultural landmarks

Return to the hotel after the tour.

### Day 3: Lima - Cusco

Pickup from your Lima hotel and transfer to the airport for your **domestic flight to Cusco**.

Upon arrival at Cusco Airport, you will be greeted by an **Inka Ayway Peru Travel representative** and transferred to your hotel in an air-conditioned vehicle.

Hotel check-in and rest day for altitude acclimatization.

Sample Cusco Hotels: To be confirmed

### Day 4: Cusco City Tour & Inka Ruins

### Morning (9:00 AM - 12:00 PM):

Guided walking tour of Cusco's historic center, including:

- Plaza de Armas
- Cusco Cathedral
- Qorikancha (Temple of the Sun)
- San Pedro Market

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM: Lunch on your own.

### Afternoon (2:00 PM - 6:00 PM):

Inka archaeological sites tour, including:

- Sacsayhuamán
- Qenqo
- Puka Pukara
- Tambomachay

Stops at local markets to see llamas, alpacas, and handicrafts. Return to the hotel.

### **Day 5: Rainbow Mountain**

Early morning pickup at **5:00 AM** for a full-day excursion to **Rainbow Mountain** (**Vinicunca**), located south of Cusco.

- Approx. 3 hours travel each way
- Guided hike with breathtaking Andean landscapes
- Return to Cusco around 5:00 PM

#### Breakfast and lunch included.

### **Day 6: Rest Day in Cusco**

A well-deserved rest day after high-altitude excursions.

Optional activities (at your own pace):

- Shopping in Cusco
- Cafés and cultural sites
- Optional adventures such as horseback riding or biking

Your local guide will provide personalized recommendations.

## **Day 7: Humantay Lake**

Pickup at **5:00 AM** for a full-day tour to **Laguna Humantay**, located north of Cusco.

- Approx. 3 hours travel each way
- Scenic hike to the turquoise glacial lake
- Return to Cusco around 5:00 PM

#### Breakfast and lunch included.

### **Day 8: Sacred Valley of the Incas**

Pickup from your Cusco hotel at **9:00 AM** for a classic **full-day Sacred Valley tour**, visiting archaeological sites, villages, and viewpoints.

In the evening, check in to your hotel in the Sacred Valley.

## **Day 9: Sacred Valley - Aguas Calientes**

Pickup from your Sacred Valley hotel and transfer to the train station.

Enjoy a scenic train journey to Aguas Calientes (Machu Picchu Pueblo).

Upon arrival:

- Hotel check-in
- Optional visit to Machu Picchu (subject to arrival time and ticket availability)
- Free time to explore the town

# Day 10: Machu Picchu

Full-day guided tour of Machu Picchu, including:

- Hotel pickup
- Bus transfers
- Expert guided visit to the citadel
- Free time for photos and exploration

Return to Aguas Calientes hotel after the tour.

## **Day 11: Aguas Calientes - Cusco**

Check out from your hotel and return to Cusco:

- Train from Aguas Calientes to the Sacred Valley
- Private bus transfer to Cusco

Hotel check-in in Cusco.

In the evening, your guide will provide a farewell and trip-summary briefing.

### **Day 12: Cusco – Lima (Departure)**

Check out from your hotel and transfer to **Cusco Airport**.

Domestic flight back to Lima based on your international departure schedule.