

LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

# Peru: Machu Picchu & the Sacred Valley 2024

8 days from \$7,495 per person Limited to 18 guests

### OFFER

Save 50% on the single supplement on select departures.

Experience the enduring heritage of the Incas as you interact with the people of the Sacred Valley, sample Peruvian culinary delights and explore magnificent Machu Picchu, staying at the only hotel on site.

## Included With Every Luxury Small Group Journey

- English-Speaking Resident Tour Director<sup>®</sup> and Local Guides
- Hand-Selected Luxury Accommodations
- · Airport Meet and Greet with Private Transfers
- Travelling Bell Boy<sup>®</sup> Luggage Handling
- Breakfast in Bed on Select Days
- · Full Breakfast Daily; Select Lunches and Dinners
- Your Choice of Activity on Design Your Day<sup>®</sup>
- Traveller's Valet<sup>®</sup> Laundry Service
- Internet Access
- Entrance Fees, Taxes and All Gratuities Except Resident Tour Director
- 24/7 A&K On-Call Support
- Guaranteed Departures with Just Two Guests

# A&K Advantages

Sample Peruvian cuisine at a Chef's Table experience to understand its cultural impact on Peru and the world, and enjoy an exclusive A&K street food tour led by a local chef

Mingle with the residents of the Sacred Valley of the Incas, and gain an intimate understanding of their ancestral weaving and farming techniques during a private visit to their village, where you partake in a Pachamama ceremony

Enjoy a private lecture on Machu Picchu with a renowned scholar in Incan history before discovering the magnificent ruins for yourself in the company of a local expert quide

Discover Peru's rich musical traditions during a captivating private performance by an expert in Andean music

From April through December, opt to trek the last portion of the Inca Trail from KM 104 to Machu Picchu

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# **Itinerary**

#### DAY 1 ARRIVE LIMA, PERU

Arrive in Lima and transfer to your hotel, located in the city's exclusive residential district of Miraflores. Founded in 1535 by Spanish conquistador Francisco Pizarro, this "City of Kings" is a blend of colonial structures, pre-Colombian sites and modern conveniences.

Miraflores Park, A Belmond Hotel, Lima

#### DAY 2 LIMA | DISCOVERING PERUVIAN CUISINE

Start with a visit this morning to Huaca Pucllana, a historical site in the midst of urban Lima. Then, visit a food market in the company of a local chef before enjoying lunch at a local restaurant. Afterward, stroll the city's colorful Barranco, an artists' haven, and visit the Osma Museum. Continue your gastronomic discovery of Peru on a Chef's Table experience, savoring the delicious dishes you have cooked for dinner.

Miraflores Park, A Belmond Hotel, Lima | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### DAY 3 SACRED VALLEY | CUSCO AND CAMELIDS

Fly to Cusco, located more than 11,000 feet above sea level, where you are met and transferred to the Sacred Valley of the Incas. En route, visit an animal sanctuary to interact with the South American

camelids living there — such as llamas and alpacas — and learn about the valuable fibers created from their coats. Then, visit the beautiful Hacienda Sarapampa to savor lunch with the owner, who cordially shares his family's history in farming and shows you around the farm. Continue to your awe-inspiring resort, designed to fit in with the Sacred Valley's landscapes.

Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### DAY 4 SACRED VALLEY | LEARNING TIME-HONORED TRADITIONS

Visit a remote village where the local residents provide a hands-on introduction to the customs and crafts that make up their way of life, including weaving and cooking, for an A&K-exclusive experience. Then, participate in one of Peru's oldest and most sacred rituals when you join a local shaman in a traditional offering to Mother Earth (Pachamama). After this spiritual ceremony, visit the Kuychi Center to meet the children at Niños del Arco Iris (Children of the Rainbow), a project supported by Abercrombie & Kent Philanthropy that provides education, nutrition, medical care and hope to children in the Sacred Valley. Sit down to lunch served on site before returning to your hotel, where you prepare for your visit to Machu Picchu with a private lecture from a renowned scholar and expert on the Incas. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at leisure, gazing upon the soaring Andes and savoring a refreshing Scenic Sundowner.

Inkaterra Hacienda Urubamba | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### DAY 5 MACHU PICCHU | BINGHAM'S STUNNING FIND

Today, explore Ollantaytambo, a fortress of massive stone terraces that hug the mountain slopes and the site of the Incas' greatest victory over the invading Spanish. Then Ride Like a Local, journeying aboard the Inca Rail First-Class Train deep into the Andes toward Machu Picchu, and gazing out at the spectacular Peruvian countryside. Upon arrival in the early afternoon, explore the ruins with your expert guide and, as you wander amid the age-old stone walls, picture life as it might have been in this majestic high-altitude citadel. Overlooking the Urubamba River, Machu Picchu was built in the 15th century at the height of the Inca Empire. Although this "Lost City" was revealed to the rest of the world by American historian Hiram Bingham in 1911, its location was long known to locals. Alternatively (for an additional cost), travel by train for the same scenic ride, but with a twist: disembark at KM 104 and set out with a guide on a hike that culminates at the Sun Gate (Inti Punku), looking out over the vast UNESCO World Heritage Site. Either way, arrive for your overnight stay at the only hotel located on-site at marvelous Machu Picchu.

Sanctuary Lodge, A Belmond Hotel, Machu Picchu | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### DAY 6 MACHU PICCHU | WALKING THE SPECTACULAR RUINS

Rise with the sun to walk through Machu Picchu in the early morning mist before the crowds arrive, an experience some consider the spiritual highlight of the journey. After exploring the "Lost City of the Incas," board the Vistadome train back to Ollantaytambo. Continue to Cusco, where you check in to your hotel, once a 16th-century monastery and now a national monument that offers a retreat from the bustle of Cusco while set just off the city square.

Monasterio, A Belmond Hotel, Cusco | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

### DAY 7 CUSCO | PLAZA DE ARMAS & COLOSSAL SACSAYHUAMAN

This morning, discover Cusco on a city tour that includes the Cathedral on the Plaza de Armas and the Santo Domingo Temple. Listen as a local expert explains how the historic clashes between the Incas and the Spanish played a role in forming today's Peruvian culture. Later, visit the well-preserved ruins of Sacsayhuaman, a testament to Incan architectural skill. This imposing fortress, which witnessed the greatest battle between the Spanish and the Incas, is compiled from colossal stones and overlooks the red-tiled roofs of Cusco. This afternoon, enjoy time at leisure to rest or shop. Tonight, listen to a private Andean music presentation by a regional expert and learn the history of his handmade instruments. Absorb not only the timeless quality of the Peruvian folk tunes he plays, but the unmistakable cultural identity revealed by their haunting, immersive melodies as well. Afterward, sit down to a farewell dinner at an elegant Cusco restaurant, where the chef gathers local ingredients for use in innovative recipes that remain true to Peru's culinary traditions.

Monasterio, A Belmond Hotel, Cusco | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### DAY 8 DEPART LIMA | DESIGN YOUR DAY

This morning, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

Visit the San Blas Neighborhood, a unique, bohemian enclave where you find the workshops of artisans.

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Stroll San Pedro Market and Visit the Inca Museum for a taste of local fruits and cheese, and a glimpse of daily life, followed by a look back into Peru's rich history.

Explore with an Expert Photographer who helps you refine your skills and capture Cusco as a local sees it, including its narrow streets and beautiful

Later, board your departing flight.

Wyndham Costa del Sol Lima Airport (dayroom) | Meals: Breakfast

# Dates & Prices

Prices are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy.

Dates	Prices	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
Jan 19 - Jan 26, 2024	\$7,495	\$2,795	\$545	Call for Availability
Feb 09 - Feb 16, 2024	\$7,495	\$1,398 (was \$2,795)	\$545	Waitlist - Call A&K
Mar 01 - Mar 08, 2024	\$7,495	\$1,398 (was \$2,795)	\$545	Waitlist - Call A&K
Apr 12 - Apr 19, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Waitlist - Call A&K
Apr 19 - Apr 26, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Available
Apr 26 - May 03, 2024	\$7,795	\$1,548 (was \$3,095)	\$545	Call for Availability
May 10 - May 17, 2024	\$7,795	\$1,548 (was \$3,095)	\$545	Waitlist - Call A&K
May 17 - May 24, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Available
May 24 - May 31, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Waitlist - Call A&K
May 31 - Jun 07, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Waitlist - Call A&K
Jun 07 - Jun 14, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Waitlist - Call A&K
Jun 14 - Jun 21, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Available
Jun 21 - Jun 28, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Call for Availability
Jun 28 - Jul 05, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Available
Jul 12 - Jul 19, 2024	\$7,795	\$1,548 (was \$3,095)	\$545	Waitlist - Call A&K
Aug 09 - Aug 16, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Available
Aug 16 - Aug 23, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Call for Availability
Aug 23 - Aug 30, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Available
Sep 06 - Sep 13, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Call for Availability
Sep 13 - Sep 20, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Limited Availability
Sep 20 - Sep 27, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Available
Oct 04 - Oct 11, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Call for Availability
Oct 11 - Oct 18, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Available
Oct 18 - Oct 25, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Available
Oct 25 - Nov 01, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Available
Nov 01 - Nov 08, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Call for Availability
Nov 08 - Nov 15, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Available
Dec 06 - Dec 13, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Call for Availability
Dec 13 - Dec 20, 2024	\$7,795	\$3,095	\$545	Available

### Journey Details

Internal Air: Economy class from \$545

Lima/Cusco; Cusco/Lima

For a supplement (\$750), Hike the Inca Trail from KM 104 as an optional activity on departures from April through December. This full-day high-altitude hike is challenging and over steep and uneven terrain. A good level of physical fitness and appropriate footwear is necessary.

This journey contains some active elements.

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: welcome briefing at 9:00 a.m. on Day 2. Page: 3 of 4 As of Jan 08, 2024

Last group event: airport assistance in Lima upon return from Cusco on Day 8.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

### Special Offer Terms & Conditions

Suites on European river cruises excluded. Offers subject to availability and may be withdrawn at any time.

Prices are per person based on double occupancy. Internal and international air not included. See complete terms and conditions here.

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