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- **4-Nights Machu Picchu Land Program**
- **With Air, Transfers, Hotel & Meals, Tours & Taxes**
- **With Travel Insurance (Trip Interruption & Cancellation)** **Only \$2,299 CAD/Person**

DATE	Itinerary
April 16, 2020	Transfer from Callao Cruise Terminal to Lima Airport Transfer from Cusco Airport to the Sacred Valley of the Incas Tour Pisac Market and Ollantaytambo with lunch included Accommodation at the Casa Andina Premium Hotel with breakfast included
April 17, 2020	Tour Maras and Moray with lunch included Transfer to the Ollanta Train Station Vistadome Train to Machu Picchu Accommodation at the Casa Andina Premium Hotel with breakfast included
April 18, 2020	Private guided tour of Machu Picchu with lunch included Vistadome Train to Ollanta and transfer back to Cusco Accommodation at the Novotel Cusco with breakfast included
April 19, 2020	Cusco City Tour Accommodation at the Novotel Cusco with breakfast included
April 20, 2020	Transfer to the airport in Cusco

YOUR COMPLETE DAY BY DAY ITINERARY

APR 16: LIMA - CUSCO - SACRED VALLEY OF THE INCAS (L)

On arrival in Lima, a guide will greet the group at the cruise terminal and will transfer you to the airport, ahead of your flight to Cusco, the longest continually inhabited city in the Americas and the capital of the Inca Empire of Tawantinsuyo.

On arrival in Cusco, you will head straight for the Sacred Valley of the Incas for a tour to Pisac Market and Ollantaytambo, two of the most important sites in the region. Your first stop will be at the town and market of Pisac, a colourful market offering a wide selection of traditional goods. Take your time to visit the many stalls at the market, to barter for the best rates on jewellery, clothing, musical instruments and food, or to simply sit back and observe the cultural interaction among the local entrepreneurs.

After lunch, included at a local restaurant, you'll continue on to the remarkable fortress of Ollantaytambo, one of the most impressive Inca ruins, second only to Machu Picchu. At Ollantaytambo, you will discover a large archaeological complex of what used to serve as a wayside inn for royal delegations on long journeys. Surviving structures include multiple walls and towers that were used to protect the citadel from possible invasions. Here, a steep staircase leads into the fortress at the top of the mountain where you will find unworked stones and six huge monoliths, part of an important temple assembled with incredible precision but perhaps never fully completed.

After the tour, you will travel to the Casa Andina Premium Hotel, located in the heart of the picturesque Sacred Valley of the Incas, for two nights' accommodation with breakfast included.

APR 17: SACRED VALLEY OF THE INCAS (B, L)

Today's tour of the Sacred Valley will take you to Maras and Moray, two must-see locations in the region.

Located in the Sacred Valley of the Incas, the Moray Agricultural Terraces are accessed along a scenic drive with the snow-capped Chicon and Veronica mountains of the Vilcanota Cordillera serving as a picturesque backdrop. At Moray, you will visit the archaeological remains of what has come to be known as the Inca agricultural greenhouse or laboratory, consisting of overlapping concentric circular stone rings. At a depth of 150 meters, it is believed that the Incas used the laboratory to experiment with crops at varying altitudes and temperatures. The ancient peoples of the region took four enormous natural depressions in the landscape and sculpted them into several levels of agricultural terraces that served, hundreds of years ago, as an experimental agricultural station for the development of different strains of crops. It is believed that Moray itself played a key role in the original transformation of maize into a high-altitude crop and represents one of the most important agricultural advancements of the time.

The Maras Saltworks, another unique construction, are made up of about 3,000 small wells with an average surface area of about 5m² are fed by a saltwater stream that fills the pools every three days or so. The water evaporates and the salt gradually solidifies, ready to be granulated, packaged and shipped to the markets in the region. Maras was already in use during the times of the Incas and were an important means of economic exchange at the time.

Later, you will return to your hotel with the balance of the afternoon at leisure.

APR 18: SACRED VALLEY OF THE INCAS - MACHU PICCHU - CUSCO (B, L)

This morning you will transfer to the nearby Ollanta train station ahead of your journey on the Vistadome Train to Machu Picchu. Enjoy scenic views as your travel through the Sacred Valley of the Incas (approx. 2 hours) before finally arriving at Aguas Calientes where a guide will greet you and travel with you by bus (10-15 minutes) to Machu Picchu.

At Machu Picchu, you will have the opportunity to explore the three principal zones of this once grand city – the urban, agricultural and adjacent zones – on an approximately 2-hour guided tour. Visit the Temple of the Sun, the Intihuatana, the Principal Bath and other highlights with plenty of time to explore on your own included afterwards. Lunch is included at the Sanctuary Lodge Hotel, located at the entrance to Machu Picchu.

After your visit, you will return to Aguas Calientes where you will later take the Vistadome Train back to the Sacred Valley, transferring to your hotel in Cusco on arrival.

Some Additional Information:

Machu Picchu, which means the "Old Mountain" in the ancient Quechua language, is considered to be one of the most extraordinary examples of scenic architecture in the world. The so-called Lost City of the Incas was built around the year 1450 at the top of a granite mountain and has come to be known as the most familiar symbol of the Inca Empire. Machu Picchu was never found by the Spanish conquistadors who arrived in the mid-fifteen-hundreds and was not discovered until 1911 when American historian and archaeologist Hiram Bingham stumbled across the mountain top citadel. The name "Lost City of the Incas" is derived from this. The site was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1983 and has most recently garnered recognition as one of the New Seven Wonders of the World.

Invisible from below and completely self-contained, surrounded by agricultural terraces sufficient to feed the population, and watered by natural springs, Machu Picchu seems to have been utilized by the Inca as a secret ceremonial city. Two thousand feet above the rumbling Urubamba River, the cloud shrouded ruins have palaces, baths, temples, storage rooms and some 150 houses, all in a remarkable state of preservation.

***IMPORTANT:** Guests on board the Vistadome train are only permitted one small carry-on piece of luggage so please be sure to pack lightly when leaving Cusco. Luggage may include a small bag, or backpack, and may not exceed 5kg/11lbs in weight, or 157 linear centimeters in size. Peru Rail reserves the right to refuse service to any guests carrying larger luggage on board.

Guests can safely leave excess baggage with the local transport staff who will securely store all additional belongings until your return to the Sacred Valley later that evening.

APRIL 19: CUSCO (B)

This morning you will rejoin your guide at today's tour of Cusco and some of the nearby ruins scattered along the city's outskirts. First, you will explore the Plaza de Armas (the Main Square in English), where you will visit the city's Cathedral. Cusco's Cathedral, whose storied constructions lasted almost an entire century between 1560 and 1654 is famously shaped as a Latin Cross and is home to over 400 colonial-era paintings from the Cusco art school.

Next, you will visit the Koricancha, the former Temple of the Sun, the construction of which was ordered by Pachacutec, one of the Inca rulers accredited with the initial expansion of the Inca Empire. Later, the temple served as the base for the Spanish-lead construction of the Convent of Santo Domingo.

From here, you will head out to Cusco's outskirts for a visit to Tambomachay, former Inca baths, Kenko, a below-ground sacred site of worship and the impressive fortress of Sacsayhuaman, a walled complex near the old city of Cusco, considered to be one of the greatest monuments ever built by the Incas.

The balance of your day is at leisure to explore Cusco on your own. We recommend visiting the San Pedro Market, the Archaeological Museum, the Regional History Museum and the Religious Art Museum as well as the artisanal neighbourhood of San Blas, home to the San Blas Church and one of the most ornately carved pulpits in the Americas

APRIL 19: CUSCO - LIMA (B)

Your morning is at leisure to explore Cusco on your own.

Later this afternoon, you will transfer to the airport for your flight to Lima, connecting with your flight home later that evening.

- Included -

Transportation:

- Airport transfers and ground transportation, as noted above
- Round-trip Vistadome Train ticket to Machu Picchu
- Round-trip bus transportation between Aguas Calientes and Machu Picchu

Accommodation:

- Two (2) nights at the Casa Andina Premium Hotel, superior rooms with buffet breakfast included
- Two (2) nights at the Novotel Hotel, standard rooms with buffet breakfast included

Private Guided Tours and Excursions:

- Pisac and Ollantaytambo
- Maras and Moray
- Machu Picchu
- Cusco City Tour + Nearby Ruins

Extras Also Included:

- Breakfast included daily
- Additional meals, as noted above where B=breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner
- Admission to all sites noted above, including Machu Picchu and all archaeological sites
- Plus, travel Insurance - Trip Interruption & Cancellation.

- Not Included -

- Tips and gratuities
- Meals and beverages not noted or mentioned above
- Items of a personal nature
- Optional activities, tours and excursions
- Extras in hotels (laundry, room service, phone calls, etc.)



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