

12-DAY TEXTILE TOUR OF PERU

LIMA, PARACAS, AND THE SACRED VALLEY, PERU

Raices Andinas Sustainable Tourism



TOUR DESCRIPTION

Thank you for choosing Raíces Sustainable Tourism Agency for your upcoming trip. Your support means a lot to us.

We're thrilled to welcome you and have tailored your visit to provide an immersive, hands-on experience exploring Peruvian textiles. You'll learn ancient techniques passed down for generations and foster meaningful connections with indigenous communities. Our carefully curated trip offers a keen practical focus on textiles, complemented by cultural activities that create deeper connections.

We are excited to welcome you to Peru.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

Accommodations

- Lima
- Paracas
- Cusco

Meals

- Breakfast included daily
- Lunches provided on days 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11

Activities

- All cultural activities included
- All community payments covered

Guides

- Private guide for Lima
- Private guide for select activities in Cusco

Raices Facilitation and Translation

✤ 24/7 Support Pre/During Trip

Transportation

Private transportation in Lima, Paracas, and Cusco

Machu Picchu Package

- Train and bus transportation
- Entry to Machu Picchu
- Boxed lunch included
- Local guide at Machu Picchu site

ITEMS NOT INCLUDED

- International and Domestic Flights
- Dinners
- Lunches on days 1,2,3,4

SOME THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND

- We want this to be the experience of a lifetime. Need something? Just ask!
- Some of the times noted on the itinerary are flexible, others are not. If you need us to make adjustments, please ask! We'll do our absolute best to accommodate your requests whenever possible;
- Credit cards are accepted in many larger or more formal institutions, while local establishments are often cash only, with a preference for exact change and smaller denomination ;
- Inspect all bills you receive back as change from purchase and request replacements for anything torn or damaged;
- Plumbing infrastructure in local establishments will not accommodate paper, 'flushable wipes,' sanitary items. If it doesn't come out of your body, don't flush it. Note: this is not generally the case in the hotels where you will be staying;
- Drink only filtered or bottled water, nothing from the tap.

ACTIVITIES

*Times are approximate and subject to change pending confirmation of flights. Itinerary will be updated accordingly.

DAY	ACTIVITIES	
	DAY 1: TRIP BRIEFING; AFTERNOON GUIDED LIMA EXPLORATION (Full-Day Private Transport)	
	9am ARRIVAL LIMA (Airport transfer to San Isidro/Miraflores approximately 1.5 hours depending on traffic. Arrival time based on an international flight arriving at approx. 7am) Upon arrival in Lima, we'll transfer to your accommodation where you will check in and rest.	
19/09	10am Pick-up from the hotel. Before you kick off our day, our driver can take you to a fantastic restaurant for a meal. We have some excellent recommendations for brunch!	
	11.30am-1pm AMANO TEXTILE MUSEUM Your next destination is right around the corner, where you will embark on a leisurely guided visit to the Amano Textile Museum, offering a captivating visual introduction to the rich tapestry of Peruvian textiles.	



1pm-5pm LIMA EXPLORATION

(Destinations to be decided based on preferences. Drop-off to hotel approx 5pm)

Pending the group's preferences, your guide will take you around Lima to explore local sites and enjoy some of the festivities of the season. You'll break for lunch along the way (ceviche, anyone?!), and participants will be responsible for covering their own meals. We'll wrap up our activities late in the afternoon, leaving some time for rest before dinner. If desired, we can contract a second guide if the group is split with desired sightseeing.

7pm FREE EVENING IN LIMA

Lima holds the esteemed title of being the culinary capital of South America, boasting a diverse array of world-renowned restaurants. Share your preferences with us, and we'll be delighted to offer tailored suggestions for an unforgettable dining experience.

DAY 2: A TRIP DOWN THE COAST, PARACAS (Full-Day Private Transport)

7am BREAKFAST AT HOTEL

(Check-out before breakfast, ensure luggage is ready to be loaded into transportation)

8.30 am DEPART LIMA FOR PARACAS (Pick-up 8.30am)

Indulge in a scenic journey along the Pan-American Highway, renowned as the world's longest highway. Revel in the captivating contrasts of the Lima coast, where the rugged desert landscape meets the tranquil shores, creating a breathtaking backdrop for your drive.

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12.30pm HOTEL CHECK-IN & FREE TIME (Approx. arrival time 12.30pm depending on traffic)

Upon arrival in Paracas, you'll settle into your accommodations near the national reserve. Take time to explore the town and enjoy lunch on your own.

3pm-5pm JULIO C. TELLO MUSEUM. (Pick-up 2.50pm, drop-off at hotel approx 5.10pm)

Immerse yourself in the captivating world of Peruvian textiles at the Julio C. Tello Museum, where your exploration of the intricate and diverse textile styles of Peru continues. Paracas, renowned for its breathtaking landscapes and rich cultural heritage, also boasts a unique tradition of textile craftsmanship, adding an extra layer of



	fascination to your experience.
	7pm FREE EVENING IN PARACAS There are ample dining choices within walking distance in town so find a charming seaside spot where you can feast on delicious seafood. It'll be the perfect setting to savor the flavors of the sea while enjoying the serenity of the coastline.
	DAY 3: PARACAS NATIONAL RESERVE (Full-Day Private Transport)
21/09	7.30am BREAKFAST IN HOTEL
	 8am or 10am DEPART FOR PARACAS NATIONAL RESERVE- Enjoy a tailored private guided tour lasting approximately 5 hours. Choose between two convenient pick-up times from your hotel: 8am or 10am, according to your preferences. INCLUDES BOXED LUNCH Your guide and driver await you to take you to one of Peru's hidden treasures. Nestled on Peru's coast, Paracas National Reserve offers a captivating blend of wildlife and culture. You will start with a guided tour, spotting flamingos and marine life. The day includes exploring ancient sites like the Paracas Candelabra. Paracas Reserve promises an unforgettable adventure, combining natural beauty with cultural intrigue.
	3-4pm RETURN TO PARACAS + FREE TIME (Hotel drop-off) Enjoy a peaceful afternoon with a glass of fine wine from Peru's Ica region, close to Paracas. Take in the scenic views while enjoying a leisurely dinner on your own in town.
	DAY 4: JOURNEY TO THE NAVEL OF THE EARTH, CUSCO (Full-Day Private Transport)
22/09	6am BREAKFAST IN HOTEL (Ideally, please ensure that you've completed the check-out process before breakfast, and have your luggage ready to be loaded into your transportation) To ensure a hassle-free journey to the airport, kindly eat promptly and prepare your belongings the night before, if possible.
	6.30am PARACAS > LIMA AIRPORT TRANSFER



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(Prompt 6.30am departure from Paracas)

Depart from Paracas to arrive at Lima Airport by approximately 10am. Anticipated departure time for Cusco is between 12pm and 12:30pm. Purchase snacks the night before as lunch will be slightly delayed today. Stay well-hydrated and consider acquiring hydration salts from the pharmacy to prepare your body for the altitude.

10am Arrival to Lima Airport

Please proceed to check any luggage and pass through security for your domestic flight.

12pm Depart for Cusco from Lima

1.30pm ARRIVAL CUSCO (1.30pm arrival, leaving airport by approx. 2pm)

Your trusted driver, Tio Manuel, eagerly awaits your arrival at the Cusco airport. He'll greet you with refreshing coca tea to help acclimatize to the altitude.

3.15pm LUNCH STOP-CALCA

Manuel will take you to one of our favorite lunch spots, Carmen del Valle, to replenish your energy after your day of travel.

4.30pm ARRIVAL AT AIRBNB CALCA- FREE EVENING (AirBnB 5-minute drive from Carmen del Valle)

Tio Manuel will transfer you to your cozy AirBnB in Calca. Remember to stay hydrated by drinking plenty of water as you settle into your accommodations. You're conveniently located near the plaza, where dinner options are just a 5-minute walk away. Take your time to unwind and enjoy the ease of access to nearby dining choices.

DAY 5: ACCLIMATIZATION INKARIY MUSEUM, ECOHUELLA FARM, WEAVING DEMONSTRATION, URCO YOUTH ASSOCIATION (Full-Day Private Transport)

8am BREAKFAST AT LODGING



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9.00am INKARIY MUSEUM (8.45am pick-up, arrive at Inkariy 9am)

Your day kicks off with a fascinating exploration of the remarkable Inkariy Museum. This immersive experience offers a captivating tour of indigenous culture in Peru, serving as an ideal introduction to your adventures in the Sacred Valley. Gain invaluable insights and a solid foundation of knowledge that will enrich your journey through this culturally-rich region.

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11am-1pm FARM-TO-TABLE LUNCH AT ECOHUELLA (10.45am pick-up from Inkariy, arrive to Ecohuella by 11am)

Next on your itinerary is a delightful farm-to-table lunch at the remarkable Eco Huella Farm. Here, you'll indulge in fresh, locally-sourced cuisine while surrounded by the natural beauty of the Sacred Valley. As you dine, you'll also have the opportunity to learn about Eco Huellas biodiverse practices for seed conservation efforts and their impressive no-waste farm techniques. It's a culinary experience that's both delicious and educational, leaving you with a deeper appreciation for sustainable agriculture.

1pm-3.30pm NATURAL DYEING AND WEAVING WORKSHOP WITH EVANGELINA

(Activity staged at Ecohuella Farm-no transport necessary)

Embark on a hands-on workshop with Evangelina to explore natural dyeing and weaving techniques. Learn to extract vibrant colors from local plants and minerals for dyeing, then immerse yourself in the art of traditional weaving. Evangelina's expertise will guide you through this immersive experience, offering insight into Peru's rich textile heritage in the Sacred Valley.

3.45pm-5.45pm URCO YOUTH ASSOCIATION JEWELRY (3.30pm pick-up, arrive by 3.45)

Discover the art of jewelry-making with a unique twist at the Urco Youth Association Jewelry Workshop. In this special workshop, children from the association will become your teachers, guiding you through the process of crafting your very own silver ring and bracelets. It's a heartwarming experience that not only showcases traditional craftsmanship but also fosters intergenerational connection and community empowerment.

	6.00PM RETURN TO CALCA- FREE EVENING IN CALCA (5.45pm pick-up, arrival to Calca by 6.00pm) Return to Calca with your heart a little fuller after the day's activities and find a nice restaurant to dine in.	
	DAY 6: APULAYA CENTRE FOR ANDEAN CULTURE (5-minute walk from accommodation)	
24/09	7.30am BREAKFAST AT LODGING After enjoying breakfast, consider taking a leisurely 5-10 minute stroll to the Apulaya Centre. It's a wonderful way to start the day, offering you the chance to soak in the morning atmosphere and explore the area at your own pace. If anyone prefers not to walk, we can arrange transportation to ensure everyone's comfort and convenience.	
	9am-4pm APULAYA ANDEAN TEXTILE ART AND WEAVING/NATURAL DYEING WORKSHOP + LUNCH AT APULAYA 12PM Further immerse yourself in the practical side of Andean textile art with a full-day workshop at Apulaya Centre for Andean Culture. Learn traditional weaving and natural dyeing techniques from skilled artisans. Discover the process of extracting dyes from local plants and minerals, creating your own unique pieces. Gain insights into Andean culture while honing your skills in this immersive experience.	
25/09	DAY 7: APULAYA 1/2 DAY + CHINCHERO WEAVING ASSOCIATION + MARAS Y MORAY (Half-Day Private Transport)	
23/09	7.30am BREAKFAST AT LODGING If anyone prefers not to walk to Apulaya, we can arrange transportation to ensure everyone's comfort and convenience.	
	9am-12pm APULAYA ANDEAN TEXTILE ART AND WEAVING/NATURAL DYEING WORKSHOP + BOXED LUNCH AT APULAYA 12:00PM Continue your hands-on practical immersion at the Apulaya Andean Cultural center. You will be provided with a boxed lunch following your session to ensure prompt arrival to Chinchero.	

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25/09	12.15pm-3pm Chinchero Textiles Association Visit (12.15pm pick-up, 1pm arrival to Chinchero) Chinchero is renowned for its textiles, showcasing the incredible weaving skills of the Andean highlands. As you explore various communities in the region, you'll notice subtle differences in techniques and styles of textiles, allowing you to distinguish between them. Perhaps you'll even develop a favorite style or method along the way!
	3pm MARAS Y MORAY (3pm pick-up, arrival by 3.30pm) When you visit Maras y Moray, you'll be blown away by the ancient salt terraces cascading down the mountainside. And don't miss Moray's circular agricultural terraces, which show off the genius of the Inca civilization. These places take you on a fascinating journey through Peru's incredible cultural heritage and agricultural history.
	6pm RETURN TO CALCA- FREE EVENING IN CALCA (6pm pick-up, arrival in Calca by 7.15pm) After a long and eventful day, take some time to unwind and treat yourself to a meal at your favorite dining spot in Calca. Relax, and recharge for another day of adventures ahead.
	DAY 8: QUISHUARANI TEXTILE COMMUNITY + HOT THERMAL BATHS (Full-Day Private Transport)
26/09	7.30am BREAKFAST AT LODGING Get a day pack ready with water, sunblock, a hat, and any snacks you desire. Bring a bathing suit for the thermal baths and a change of clothes if desired.
26/09	9am-1.30pm QUISHURANI TEXTILE COMMUNITY (9am pick up, arrive by 11am) + LUNCH IN COMMUNITY Quishuarani, nestled in the Peruvian Andes, is renowned for its exquisite textiles crafted with locally sourced alpaca and llama wool. Through intricate weaving techniques passed down through generations, artisans create vibrant textiles inspired by Andean cosmology and daily life. Beyond their artistic significance, the community plays a vital role in preserving indigenous culture, providing economic opportunities, and welcoming visitors to experience their rich heritage firsthand. We'll be exploring Quishuarani with our trusted guide, Ruben, who grew up there and



can offer invaluable insights into the community's history and experiences.

2pm-4pm LARES HOT SPRINGS

(1.30pm pick-up from Quishuarani, 2pm arrival)

The Lares Thermal Hot Springs in Cusco, Peru, offer a serene escape amidst the stunning Andean landscape. Nestled in the Sacred Valley, these natural springs provide a relaxing retreat for travelers seeking rejuvenation. Surrounded by lush mountains and crisp air, unwind in the mineral-rich waters, renowned for their therapeutic properties. Whether soaking in the warmth of the pools or simply enjoying the tranquil surroundings, a visit to the Lares Thermal Hot Springs promises a blissful experience of relaxation and natural beauty.

4pm RETURN TO CALCA-FREE EVENING IN CALCA (4pm pick-up, 5.30pm arrival Calca)

Rest up, hydrate and nourish yourselves with local delicacies on your own for dinner. Ready your things for check-out of your AirBnB the following day. Your Machu Picchu adventure awaits!

DAY 9: HUILLOC + OLLANTAYTAMBO (Full-Day Private Transport)

7.30am BREAKFAST AT LODGING

Ready your belongings for your driver to load into your transportation. Separate your day pack ready with water, sunblock, a hat, and any snacks you desire.

9am-2.30pm HUILLOC TEXTILE WORKSHOP (9am pick up, 10.30am arrival) + LUNCH IN COMMUNITY

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Discover yet another remarkable textile community through the Andean Alliance. For years, they have partnered with Huilloc, witnessing the community's growth and development firsthand. Huilloc's textiles are renowned for their beauty and craftsmanship, and they are eager to share their artistry with you. Prepare to be amazed by the intricate designs and vibrant colors of their textiles as you immerse yourself in their culture and learn from their skilled artisans. Get ready for a memorable and enriching experience as you delve into the world of Huilloc's extraordinary textile tradition.

3.30PM OLLANTAYTAMBO, FREE AFTERNOON AND EVENING IN OLLANTAYTAMBO

(2.30pm pick-up from Huilloc, 3.30pm arrival to hotel)

Take a scenic walk through the picturesque town of Ollantaytambo,





	hidden at the end of the Sacred Valley. Enjoy the tranquility and historic charm of its cobblestone streets and Inca ruins. Take this time to relax and prepare for your Machu Picchu adventure tomorrow. Rest up and enjoy the local cuisine before your exciting journey ahead. Ensure to ready your luggage for early check-out the next morning.	
	DAY 10: MACHU PICCHU ADVENTURE (Full-Day Transportation)	
28/09	7am BREAKFAST AT LODGING + BOXED LUNCH FOR MAPI Enjoy breakfast before getting picked up by your guide to begin your adventure. Ready your bags at reception for your trusty driver Manuel to come pick up. Ensure you have your day-pack including your passport, tickets (train, bus, Machu Picchu), water, sunblock, any desired snacks, and of course, a hat! Check-out before leaving the hotel.	
	7.45am TRAIN TO AGUAS CALIENTES (Plan to arrive 30 mins before train departure to ensure ample time for boarding) Take a short walk with your guide from your hotel to the train station to embark on an unforgettable journey aboard the train to Machu Picchu. As you wind through the breathtaking landscapes of the Andes Mountains, marvel at the majestic beauty that surrounds you. Sit back, relax, and let the train carry you towards one of the world's most iconic archaeological sites. Get ready to experience the wonder of Machu Picchu like never before.	
	 9.45am-10.30am COFFEE BREAK IN TOWN (The train station is surrounded by shops so no need to go far to get what you desire) Upon arrival, you'll have some time to shop, explore, and enjoy a snack/coffee in Aguas Calientes before taking the bus to the Machu Picchu gate. 10.30am DEPART FOR MACHU PICCHU GATE VIA BUS (Bus stop conveniently sits just outside the train station. Please 	
	queue up 20 minutes before the scheduled departure. The departure time is at 10.30 am, and we expect you to arrive at Machu Picchu by 11.00 am) Board a charter bus shuttle in Aguas Calientes for a twenty minute ride from the town to the Machu Picchu Entry.	

28/09	Ham-Ipm MACHU PICCHU TOUR (We anticipate completing the circuit in approximately three hours) Your guide will take you through the park and share their insights about the site's history, architecture, and flora as you experience the magic of Machu Picchu. You will investigate ancient ruins, unveiling the mysteries of this UNESCO World Heritage site. Marvel at the breathtaking architecture, learn about the fascinating history, and soak in the awe-inspiring beauty of this legendary Incan citadel. *Be sure to use the restrooms at the gate before you enter the park as they are the only ones (you'll have to exit and reenter if you need the facilities during your time at Machu Picchu).
	Ipm DEPART FOR AGUAS CALIENTES VÍA BUS (Ipm bus, arrive to town by 1.20/30pm approx.) After your tour, you'll depart from Machu Picchu and return to Aguas Calientes. You will have some time to eat your boxed lunch, or purchase additional food or drink before your train departs.
	2.30pm DEPART FOR OLLANTAYTAMBO (Arrive 2.10pm to begin boarding process) Meet back at the train station to begin the boarding process for your departure back to Ollantaytambo.
	 4.30pm ARRIVAL IN OLLANTAYTAMBO + CUSCO TRANSFER (4.30pm arrival approx. Leaving Ollantaytambo by 4.50pm) Manuel will be awaiting you at the station, luggage loaded and ready to take you to Cusco city.
	6.30pm ARRIVAL AT ACCOMODATION IN CUSCO + FREE EVENING I IN CUSCO Enjoy your first peek of Cusco City! We're delighted to offer some fantastic restaurant recommendations to enhance your experience.
	DAY 11: CUSCO CITY EXPLORATION + NUNA RAYMI COOKING CLASS
29/09	8am BREAKFAST AT LODGING Wake up to the bustling Incan city of Cusco outside your window after a well-deserved sleep-in.

29/09	10am-1pm Nuna Raymi Cooking Class-lunch included (leisurely 5-minute walk from accommodation, leave approximately 9.45am) You will enjoy a beautiful tour of the famous San Pedro market before a cooking class at the renowned Nuna Raymi restaurant, where they use fresh products from all over Cusco, and especially from the farm you'll visit at the start of the trip, EcoHuella! Nuna Raymi only uses the best and freshest products for their delicious meals, so you will see the entire process, from farm to plate, while participating in this fun activity.
	Ipm FREE TIME TO ENJOY THE CITY Feel free to reach out if you're interested in booking a city or museum tour. Additionally, there's another textile museum conveniently situated in central Cusco if you're interested in rounding out your trip with that experience. However, if you've already had your fill of textiles we're more than happy to explore other suggestions for you!
	7pm FREE EVENING IN CUSCO We are happy to provide some dinner suggestions to celebrate the culmination of your trip in Peru. Get your bags ready for departure tomorrow.
	DAY 12: DEPARTURE (Airport Transfer)
	7am BREAKFAST AT LODGING (Check-out depending on departure time)
30/09	AIRPORT TRANSFER Your airport transfer will be arranged based on your flight time, ensuring you arrive at the airport at least 2 hours before your departure. The drive from Cusco City center to the airport takes approximately 20 minutes.

Price breakdown below:



PRICE SUMMARY 12-day Trip

Price Breakdown PER PERSON		
LODGING	\$761	
MEALS	\$49	
TRANSPORTATION	\$547	
COMMUNITY VISITS (lunches included)	\$151	
ACTIVITIES	\$1151	
PERSONNEL & MISC	\$384	
PRICE PER PARTICIPANT	Approx \$3043	

GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

Payment Terms

Suggested payment terms are as follows:

- 50% of the balance 3 months before start date (includes non-refundable group deposit of 15% of total program fee)
- Remaining balance by 1 month before start date

Payment Method

Payment is accepted via check, direct deposit, or wire transfer.

Proposal Validity Period

This proposal is valid for a period of 90 days

Exchange Rate Guarantee

Costs are fixed in US dollars; no exchange rate penalties are applicable.

Cancellation Policy*

Canceling more than 60 days prior to program start: Refund of all fees paid less deposit and less any bank fees

Canceling between 30-60 days prior to program start: Refund of all recoverable fees paid less deposit and less any bank fees

Canceling less than 30 days prior to program start: No refund

*Due to extenuating circumstances caused by COVID-19, additional flexibility may be necessary and can be discussed and agreed upon by both parties prior to signing contract.