

Full Itinerary

PERU HIGHLIGHTS – EXTENSION TO AMAZON RIVER CRUISE



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EXPERTS

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Monday to Friday 09:00 - 18:00
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JOURNEY SNAPSHOT

ACTIVITY LEVEL:

Level 2

DESTINATION:

Peru Highlights – Extension to Amazon River
Cruise

DURATION:

5 Days / 4 Nights

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Please arrange your flights to depart from Cusco
International Airport, Peru [CUZ] at the end of
the Peru extension

PICKUP LOCATION:

Cuzco Airport, Peru [CUZ]

OVERVIEW

16 - 20 May, 2026

Extend your stay to see the Sacred Valley and Machu Picchu in Peru after your luxury cruise around the Amazon.

Continue your journey of a lifetime with this 5-day extension, exploring the heart of the ancient Inca Empire and witnessing one of the world's greatest wonders.

Venture high into the Andes to discover the charm of Cusco — the historic capital of the Inca civilisation — with its cobbled streets, colonial architecture, and vibrant local culture. Then, journey by rail through the Sacred Valley to reach the breathtaking Machu Picchu, perched among mist-shrouded peaks. This awe-inspiring citadel is a true bucket-list destination and a spectacular finale to your South American adventure.

Whether you're drawn by history, nature, or stunning scenery, this unforgettable extension is the perfect complement to your Amazon experience.

ITINERARY SUMMARY

DAY 1 - Travel to Cusco

DAY 2 - Cusco Sightseeing & Dinner Show

DAY 3 - Cusco to The Sacred Valley & Macchu Pichu

DAY 4 - Machu Picchu & Return to Cusco

DAY 5 - Goodbye to Peru and Home

FULL ITINERARY

DAY 1 - TRAVEL TO CUSCO

Today we depart from Iquitos Airport and board our flights to Cusco in Peru, via Lima

You'll be met on arrival at the airport in Cusco and transferred to the hotel where the evening is at leisure.

Included meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Palacio Del Inka, A Luxury Collection Hotel (or similar)

DAY 2 - CUSCO SIGHTSEEING & DINNER SHOW

We start the day with a half day city tour, taking in the best view of the city from atop Cerro Pukamoqo (Red Peak).

We will visit the nearby Fortress of Sacsayhuamán, a colossal structure of enormous stones carved and fitted together in antiquity with incredible precision.

There will also be a stop off at the Mercado de San Pedro, the city's main street market which will give you an opportunity to get to know the products of Cusco. The sights, aromas, tastes, and colours of this region can be overwhelming - you may just want to sit and watch the world go by, enjoying a hot drink and soaking up the atmosphere.

Our tour will also take in one of the most impressive buildings of Incan Cusco: the Korikancha (the Golden Temple) - a temple dedicated to the worship of the Sun God, whose interior walls were said to have been covered in gold. The tour ends with a stroll through the Cusco Plaza de Armas (Main Square), where you can visit the Cathedral and admire its exquisite vestibules and priceless paintings from the Cusco School of the 17th and 18th centuries.

Tonight we'll enjoy the best combination of Peruvian Novo-andenean dinner and folkloric show.

Included meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Accommodation: Palacio Del Inka, A Luxury Collection Hotel (or similar)

DAY 3 - CUSCO TO THE SACRED VALLEY & MACCHU PICHU

This morning, we continue towards the Sacred Valley.

Our first stop will be at Pisac, a beautiful place where Incan and Colonial influences have reached a perfect balance and created a unique way of life for the local inhabitants. Explore this quaint town, famous for its artisan markets where you can find extraordinarily fine jewellery and ceramic and textile craftwork.

Afterwards, we visit one of the last remaining Incan towns, Ollantaytambo, once fiercely guarded by a massive fortress. Discover the large archeological complex of what used to serve as a wayside inn for royal delegations on long journeys. Surviving structures here include multiple walls and towers that were used to protect the citadel from possible invasions.

This afternoon we will walk a short distance to Ollantaytambo train station to take the vistadome train up high to the town of Aguas Calientes, the gateway to Machu Picchu

Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Accommodation: Machu Picchu Sumaq Luxury Edition

DAY 4 - MACHU PICCHU & RETURN TO CUSCO

Today is probably the highlight for most visitors to Peru as we visit the Historic Sanctuary of Machu Picchu

This morning, we board a bus to the entrance gate of the citadel of Machu Picchu, rediscovered by Hiram Bingham more than a century ago. Machu Picchu is considered one of the Seven Wonders of the World, with its architectural beauty, spectacular natural landscapes and the energy held in its enigmatic structures - it will take your breath away. Follow in the footsteps of the ancient Incans as you explore the magical citadel with a local guide.

After the tour, we'll stop at a local restaurant for lunch before we re-board the Vistadome train at Aguas Calientes Station for the journey back down through the stunning scenery of the Sacred Valley

We transfer back to our hotel from the station and enjoy a final dinner at the hotel together to round off our South American adventure.

Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Accommodation: Palacio Del Inka, A Luxury Collection Hotel (or similar)

DAY 5 - GOODBYE TO PERU AND HOME

After breakfast, it is time to say farewell to Peru as you will be transferred to Cusco Airport in time for your departure flights

Included meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: None

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- One way flights from Iquitos Airport [IQT] to Cusco, Peru [CUZ]
- Meet & Greet at the airport on arrival in Cusco
- Accommodation as detailed in the itinerary
- All meals as detailed in the itinerary
- Transport as detailed in the itinerary
- Excursions as detailed in the itinerary
- A qualified and experienced English speaking guide

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- ATOL Protection
- Transfers on arrival or departure, to/from the airport(s), outside of the tour dates.
- Drinks.
- Gratuities.
- Visas, travel and medical insurance.
- Any personal items and anything not mentioned under included in price above.
- Any meals not mentioned in itinerary.
- Any optional activities offered.
- Any COVID tests or related entry & exit requirements

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **Flights:** International flights to/from your chosen destination are not included in this package. The Big Journey Company will be happy to provide a quotation for your flights—please contact us for further details.
- **Vaccinations & Health:** Vaccinations may be recommended depending on your destination. Please consult your doctor or travel clinic for the most up-to-date medical advice.
- **Visas & Entry Requirements:** Entry requirements vary by destination, and a visa may be required. Please refer to the travel tips section for full details. It is your responsibility to ensure you have the necessary travel documentation prior to departure.
- **Medical Needs:** Please inform The Big Journey Company prior to travel of any medical conditions or medications you take that we should be aware of to help ensure a safe and enjoyable experience.
- **Accommodation Check-in/Out:** Unless otherwise stated in your itinerary, check-in is after 2–3pm and check-out is before 10am. Please note that hotels may be subject to change to the same or similar standard due to availability.
- **Cancellation Policy:** Cancellations made within 90 days of departure are subject to a 100% cancellation fee. Deposits are non-refundable, and balance payments are due 14 weeks prior to departure. It is your responsibility to ensure adequate travel insurance is in place to protect against the need to cancel your holiday.
- **Minimum Numbers:** The Big Journey Company host will accompany the tour should minimum guest numbers be met. We will confirm this closer to the departure date.
- **Terms & Conditions:** Further terms and conditions apply and will be provided upon request or at the time of booking. The Big Journey Company reserves the right to withdraw any offer prior to accepting a reservation. This does not affect your statutory rights. All offers are subject to availability and space is limited.

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