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# Peru: Ancient Land of Mysteries

## featuring Machu Picchu & Lake Titicaca

**Departure Dates:** 2011 18 January, 15 February, 22 March, 26  
- April, 24 May, 7 Jun, 2 Aug, 6 & 20 Sept, 4 &  
25 Oct, 1, 8 & 29 Nov.  
2012 17 Jan, 28 Feb, 6, 13 & 20 Mar, 10 & 17 Apr

**Price from : Double £3,199.00 per person \***  
**Single Supplement: £580**

\*Prices are per person double/twin and include flights from Heathrow, with door-to-door transfer within 100 miles of the airport. Flights available from other UK airports – please call for your quotation. These holidays are operated by Collette Worldwide Holidays, ATOL 4832.

All space is first come first served and subject to availability



**14 Days • 18 Meals: 10 Breakfasts • 8 Dinners**

***Highlights...*** Lima • Sacred Valley of the Incas • Machu Picchu • Cuzco • Uros Floating Islands • Lake Titicaca • Paracas Reserve & the Ballestas Islands



### Day 1: Overnight Flight

### Day 2: Arrive Lima, Peru - Tour Begins

Arrive this morning in the “City of Kings,” Lima, Peru, where a day room is reserved for you to use on arrival. **★This afternoon, enjoy a fascinating city tour through the historical centre of Lima, a UNESCO World Heritage site.★** View the Government Center, the Plaza de Armas’s elegant Cathedral, an abundance of colonial architecture, and the fashionable suburbs of San Isidro and Miraflores for insight into the daily life of the Limeños. **★LANGUAGE DISCOVERY:★** Discover the origin and history of the language(s) you will experience on your tour. Learn key words and phrases that will help you communicate with locals. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner showcasing Peru’s delicious cuisine and local entertainment. *Today dinner will be included.*

### Day 3: Lima - Cuzco - Sacred Valley of the Incas

Fly to Cuzco, in the heart of the Inca civilization. Board your coach to descend through the Andes to the majestic Sacred Valley of the Incas, the agricultural centre for the Incas. Learn the centuries-old methods of spinning, dyeing, and weaving Andean traditional textiles during a visit to Awana Kancha, a living museum of the Peruvian Andes. Stop in Pisac village to visit a colourful handicraft market. **★A visit to Pablo Seminario Ceramic Studio teaches you about this internationally renowned artist's techniques and designs, inspired by ancient Peruvian cultures.★** Settle in this evening at your hotel nestled in the heart of the

Sacred Valley. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

### Day 4: Sacred Valley of the Incas - Ollantaytambo- Sacred Valley of the Incas

**★Experience the lifestyle of the modern Andean people and delve into their culture when you travel to a nearby community and interact with the locals.★** This afternoon, visit the spectacular Ollantaytambo ruins, the only Inca settlement that has been continually inhabited since its inception. A unique terraced complex topped with carved stone panels, these ruins reflect ancient Incan architecture and heritage. Do as the locals do and enjoy a tasting of “chicha,” a unique regional drink made from maize, at a local pub. *Today breakfast will be included.*

### Day 5: Sacred Valley of the Incas - Machu Picchu

Climb aboard the “Vistadome” train for a breathtaking ride through the Andes to the “Lost City of the Incas.” Hidden by mountains and semi-tropical jungle, Machu Picchu is considered the most spectacular sight in South America. Spend the afternoon with your guide uncovering the mysteries of these majestic ruins. Tonight, stay at the base of Machu Picchu, for chance to further soak up its atmosphere. **★Enjoy an exclusive culinary demonstration before dinner.★** *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

### Day 6: Machu Picchu - Cuzco

With leisure time this morning, you may return to Machu Picchu on your own or explore the local markets. Return by train to Cuzco, a city that blends Inca culture and Spanish colonial influence. **★Enjoy a visit to a local orphanage**

**sponsored by the Collette Foundation and learn about their efforts to help the children of the region.★** Relax and become acclimated to the altitude this evening. *Today breakfast will be included.*

### Day 7: Cuzco

Explore this former capital of the Inca Empire during a colonial city tour, experiencing the architectural legacy visible in the Cathedral, Santo Domingo and the Plaza de Armas. Discover the important sacred Incan ruins of Sacsayhuaman Fortress and Qenko Temple. **★This evening, enjoy a dinner and performance of traditional Andean folkloric music and dance.★** *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

### Day 8: Cuzco - Puno

**★Join your tour guide this morning for a visit to the Centro Artesanal Cuzco market, where you can browse colourful displays of textiles, pottery and jewellery.★** Or enjoy leisure time to explore the San Blas artisans quarter or visit one of the many impressive museums. Then fly to Puno, hugging the shores of Lake Titicaca. Known as the birthplace of the Inca Empire, ancient legends say that life began here. Relax this evening at your lakeside hotel. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

### Day 9: Uros Floating Islands - Las Chullpas de Sillustani - Lake Titicaca

The Titicaca area, steeped in tradition and folklore, is the centre of Incan legends. **★Enjoy a morning cruise to the floating islands of the Uros people of Lake Titicaca.★** Experience walking on the spongy surface, made from compacted beds of tortora reeds,



and meet the locals, learning about their history and lifestyle. In the afternoon, visit mystical Chullpas de Sillustani – an archeological area boasting 13th century funerary monuments. Participate in a local home visit to gain insight into daily life. *Today breakfast will be included.*

**Day 10: Puno - Lima - Paracas National Reserve**

This morning fly to Lima; continue south to the Paracas National Reserve – Peru’s only coastal wildlife sanctuary. En route, travel through the region of Pisco, known for wine and “pisco” (Peru’s national drink) production. Visit

a local bodega for a tour and tasting of pisco. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

**Day 11: Paracas National Reserve**

Today is yours to spend at leisure at your ecologically-designed seaside resort. Try spotting the dolphins in the bay! Or, join an optional day tour to Nazca to see the enigmatic Nazca Lines. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

**Day 12: Paracas National Reserve - Lima - Tour Ends**

This morning, cruise out to the Ballestas Islands – the “Galapagos of Peru.”

These islands are home to thousands of sea birds including Humboldt penguins, boobies and pelicans, who share their home with hundreds of playful sea lions. Watch for them swimming around your boat and for a glimpse of the elusive condor. Travel north and return to Lima, taking in views of the Peruvian Pacific coast. After a farewell dinner at one of Lima’s finest restaurants, transfer to the airport for your overnight flight home. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

**Day 13: Lima - Tour Ends**

**YOUR ITINERARY AT A GLANCE**

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| Day | 2      | Doubletree El Pardo, Lima   |
| Day | 3, 4   | Sonesta Posada del Inca, Sacred Valley or Casa Andina Private Collection, Sacred Valley |
| Day | 5      | Sumaq Machu Picchu Hotel, Aguas Calientes   |
| Day | 6, 7   | Sonesta Posada del Inca, Cuzco or Casa Andina Private Collection, Cuzco                 |
| Day | 8, 9   | Sonesta Posada del Inca, Puno   |
| Day | 10, 11 | Doubletree by Hilton Resort, Paracas  |

Add pre and post nights in Lima from only £60 per person per night

*On some dates alternate hotels may be used.*

**OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST**

**The Inca Terraces at Moray & the Sacred Valley Salt Mines** - Cusco, Peru - Price from £30 per person

**Bird Walk** - Cusco, Peru - Price from £35 per person

**Peruvian Cooking Class** - Cusco, Peru - Price from £30 per person

**Mystical Shaman Ceremony** - Cusco, Peru - Price from £55 per person

**Nazca** - Paracas National Park, Peru - Price from £45 per person

# EXTEND YOUR STAY

## PERUVIAN AMAZON POST TOUR EXTENSION

**from only £629 per person (4 nights)**

### **Day 13 - Lima - Puerto Maldonado - Peruvian Amazon Basin**

Fly from Lima. Arriving at the Puerto Maldonado airport where you meet your naturalist guide for the canoe transfer up the Tambopata River to the Libertador Tambopata Lodge. A box lunch is provided. Upon arrival, enjoy a welcome drink followed by a late afternoon introductory walk into the "terra firme" forest, dominated by giant Brazil nut and Dipteryx trees. Frequently seen mammals on this trail are saddle-back tamarinds, brown capuchins, agoutis, pacas, blue morpho butterflies, trogons, toucans and many other species of birds. After dinner, a night walk in search of nocturnal animals and insects is planned. Approximately 50% of rain forest animals are nocturnal.

*Today lunch and dinner will be included.*

### **Day 14 - Hike to Lake Condenado**

After an early breakfast, join your naturalist guide on foot and paddle canoe adventure exploring the lake system of Lake Condenado. Known for its abundance of bird and aquatic life, during your excursion you may observe giant otters and many species of birds including the tiger-herons, great egrets, wattled jacanas, hoatzin and the noisy donacobius. Lunch is included at the lodge and is followed by an afternoon of exploring the nearby forest. You may also choose to relax and swim nearby in the Galluncon stream or climb the tree platforms (extra cost) for a bird's eye view of the forest, aboreal orchids and the many other species of plants and animals that are never seen near the ground. Dinner is followed by a Tambopata River motorized canoe excursion in search of caiman (alligators) and other nocturnal animals.

*Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

### **Day 15 - Hike to Lake Sachavacayoc (Tapir Lake)**

An early breakfast is followed by a boat excursion to a spectacular hidden lake. Your naturalist guide leads you on a fascinating walk viewing giant Lupuna trees (kings of the jungle), the elusive black caiman, giant otters and many more aspects of the forest and its animals. Return to the lodge in time for lunch followed by an afternoon of relaxation or independent exploration.

*Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

### **Day 16 - Puerto Maldonado - Lima**

Depart at dawn for the canoe trip back to Puerto Maldonado. En route, enjoy memorable views of the sunrise over the river. Be on the lookout for the early morning wildlife activity, including the sounds of the howler monkeys as they stake out their territories. Your guide will take care of you on arrival in Puerto Maldonado and will deal with all the necessities at the airport prior to your departure to Lima. The remainder of the day is at leisure to shop, relax or visit one of Lima's many fine museums.

*Today breakfast will be included.*

### **Day 17 - Lima - Depart for Home**

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

*Today breakfast will be included.*

### **Day 18 - Arrive UK**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Prices are based on 2 adults sharing a double room. The price is inclusive of flights. This extension is handled by a local representative who will provide all included services. Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. Collette Worldwide Holidays prides itself on bringing travelers the very best experiences a destination offers. When travelling in the Amazon you will encounter full days of sightseeing, frequently in warm temperatures. You will be travelling by small river boats to reach the lodge and by canoe during some excursions and should be reasonably fit in order to board comfortably. In order to most fully experience the wildlife, you will be walking on nature trails which may be muddy and over one mile in length. To experience the Amazon fully, Collette recommends that all travellers be in reasonably good health and prepare properly. Unfortunately, wheelchairs cannot be accommodated on this trip. In addition, passengers who require assistance walking or who travel with oxygen tanks will not fully enjoy this trip and Collette strongly recommends a different Collette tour. The Libertador Tambopata Lodge is fully situated in the Tambopata National Reserve and has fully screened bungalows, mosquito net protection and private bathrooms in each room. Snacks and beverages are available 24 hours. Taxes/fees to be paid in local currencies or US\$ for domestic flights are approximately US\$6 per person (approx. £5 per person). Airport departure tax for international flights is approximately US\$31 per person (approx. £22 per person). Travellers may leave any large luggage at their Lima hotel during the extension.

## IMPORTANT RESERVATION INFORMATION

Deposits are non-refundable. 60 - 29 days prior to departure: Cancellation fee of 50% of total price. 28 - 15 days prior to departure: Cancellation fee of 60% of total price. 14 - 8 days prior to departure: Cancellation fee of 75% of total price. 7 - 4 days prior to departure: Cancellation fee of 90% of total price. 3 days prior to departure or later: Cancellation fee of 100% of total price. For ocean/river cruises and holidays to Antarctica deposits are non-refundable. Balance due date to 90 days prior to departure: Cancellation fee of 50% of total price. 89-40 days prior to departure: Cancellation fee of 60% of total price. 44-21 days prior to departure: Cancellation fee of 75% of total price. 20-8 days prior to departure: Cancellation fee of 80% of total price. 7 - 4 days prior to departure: Cancellation fee of 90% of total price. 3 days prior to departure or later: Cancellation fee of 100% of total price. For Oberammergau: A cancellation fee of 75% will apply for cancellation between 120-90 days prior to departure; A cancellation charge of 100% will apply for cancellation less than 90 days prior to departure.

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### Please Note:

To complete your holiday, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing Collette airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Each client is responsible for proper documentation and inoculations that may be required and/or recommended to participate on this tour. Please contact your local travel clinic or personal doctor for specific details on the destinations you are travelling to and from.



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Please be advised that this tour is not exclusive to HPB Bondholders and that the group may be made up of various nationalities and age ranges. If you require further clarification please contact HPB Travel Club on 01638 674711

Photos shown are reflective of the area(s) visited, but may not be included in the actual tour itinerary.

Wheelchairs and walkers cannot be accommodated on this tour. Some of the most unique sightseeing can mean accessing locations that restrict motorcoaches, especially in historic areas. For your comfort, we recommend bringing good walking shoes.

Customers travelling to or via the United States are required to have completed an on-line ESTA (Electronic System for Travel Authority) application prior to travel and to have completed the details including arrival flight information and the address of the first night's accommodation in the US. The ESTA web site is at <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov> or, if you have no access to the internet, contact Collette Worldwide Holidays or your travel organiser for assistance.

Rooms have been reserved at the Doubletree El Pardo for use upon arrival in Lima on Day 2.

In general, hotels outside of Lima are small with one or two levels and do not have elevators which may require you to climb 10-15 steps to get to/from the room.

Highest elevation is approximately 12,421 feet (Puno).

Due to flight schedules, a post night may be required in Miami (at an additional cost). Please inquire at time of booking.

The internal flights on this tour are not included in the land price of your holiday. These flights need to be arranged and purchased separately if you arrange your own air. Internal flights are included with the air portion of your holiday if you purchase air through Collette Worldwide Holidays.

\* Please note that Collette Foundation sites may not be available for visit due to school holidays or programming challenges.

To truly experience the programme and destination, you need to be able to participate in physical activities such as longer walking tours, walking over uneven terrain, climbing stairs and periods of standing. Some of the touring days may be longer, with select included activities occurring later in the evening.