

PERU EXPEDITION

Including MACHU PICCHU, Cusco, Maras, Moray & other Inca sites!



December 2-8, 2020

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PERU PRE-TRIP to the Argentina Total Solar Eclipse Expedition

**Including Machu Picchu, Cusco
Moray, Chincheros, and more!**

December 2 – 8, 2020

OVERVIEW

We invite you to join this Peru Expedition which is scheduled immediately before your Argentine Total Solar Eclipse Expedition, December 8 – 19, 2020

Seeing Machu Picchu and exploring the extraordinary cultural and archaeological wonders of Peru is certainly a lifetime experience. We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to go there.

With leadership by **excellent Peru guides**, you will visit **the heart of the Inca Empire at Cusco and explore spectacular landscapes in the Andes.**

See the crown jewel of archaeology in the Americas, **Machu Picchu**, plus the Inca sites of **Maras and Moray, Sacsayhuaman**, and others around Cusco.

Visit the village of **Chinchero** surrounded by high Andean peaks and enjoy a **festive folkloric show and dinner in Cusco!**

For reservations, please **phone April (800) 252-4910** or email: **betchartapril@gmail.com**
For costs and other details please see below. We hope you will be able to join us!

DAILY ITINERARY

DAY 1 FLY MIAMI TO LIMA, PERU

Wed Dec 2

1:30 pm Check in at Miami International Airport for American Airlines flight to Peru.
4:00 Depart Miami on American Airlines flight #1307 to Lima, Peru.
8:40 Arrive Lima.
Go through customs and immigration formalities.
Group transfer to our *Hotel (2 nights)*.

DAY 2 LIMA

Thurs Dec 3

9:00 am Breakfast at hotel.
Enjoy a morning sightseeing tour of Lima, including the Cathedral with your guide.
Afternoon at leisure to explore on your own.
Lunch & dinner on your own. (B)

DAY 3 LIMA TO CUSCO

Fri Dec 4

9:44 am Breakfast at hotel.
Transfer to the airport.
Check in with Lan Airlines flight #2027 for Cusco, heart of the Inca Empire.
11:11 Depart on LAN Airlines flight #2027.
Flight arrives in Cusco.
Meet your guide.
Have a two-hour tour of the fascinating city of Cusco and surrounding Inca sites.
Enjoy lunch with your guide in a Cusco restaurant.
Depart for Ollantaitambo for our *Hotel* in the Sacred Valley.
Dinner on your own. (B,L)

DAY 4 MACHU PICCHU

Sat Dec 5

1:30 Breakfast at the hotel and luggage out.
2:30 Depart for the train station.
5:30 Arrive at station.
Train departs to Machu Picchu.
Arrive Aguas Calientes.
Check in at the *Hatun Inti Hotel or similar (1 night)*, built in the traditional style.
Transfer to the site and take a guided tour of Machu Picchu.
Lunch at Machu Picchu Ruinas (Sanctuary) Hotel.
Afternoon return visit to Machu Picchu.
Return to hotel.
Dinner on own. (B,L)

DAY 5 MARAS, MORAY & CHINCHEROS TO CUSCO

Sun Dec 6

8:30 am Breakfast at hotel.
Board the train for Ollanta Station.
Disembark and board your private van or bus to visit the fascinating Inca site of Maras.
Enjoy a picnic lunch in Moray.
Continue to the village of Chincheros, surrounded by spectacular Andean peaks.
See the weaving demonstration in Chincheros.
Arrive Cusco and check into our *Hotel (2 nights)*.
Dinner on own. (B,L)

DAY 6 CUSCO

Mon Dec 7

Breakfast at hotel.

Free time today to enjoy Cusco's Historic Center with its many colonial buildings built on the base of Inca structures around the main square and cobbled streets.

Lunch on own.

Dinner at Tunupa Restaurant with folkloric show. (B,D)

DAY 7 CUSCO TO BUENOS AIRES

Tues Dec 8

Breakfast at hotel.

Transfer to Cusco airport for flight to Lima.

7:10 am Depart on Lan Airlines flight #2010.

8:42 Arrive Lima.

Pick up luggage and check your luggage for your flight to Buenos Aires.

12:25 pm Depart on Lan Airlines flight #2429

Lunch on flight.

7:00 Flight arrives Buenos Aires.

Transfer to the *Cyan Americas Towers Hotel* to begin your Argentine Eclipse Expedition. (B)

Please Note: This itinerary is a guideline and is subject to change due to local circumstances and flight schedule changes. Your guide will keep you informed.

COSTS & CONDITIONS

Peru Pre-Trip Fee: \$2,495 per person (twin share) + **International Air Fare** \$2,195 per person Miami/Lima/Buenos Aires, return Iguazu/Miami + **Peru in-tour flights** \$ 595 per person Lima/Cusco RT. Air Fares are subject to change until ticketed.

Singles: We encourage singles to register twin share. If you do not have a roommate, there is an \$695 additional cost for single accommodations.

Peru Trip Fee Includes: Land transport; group airport transfers; accommodations twin share in first class and country-style hotels which reflect the heritage of Peru; breakfasts, 3 lunches, 1 dinner; group entrance fees; leadership, administration.

Peru Trip Fee Does Not Include: Air fare (quoted separately); independent in-transfers; some meals; beverages at meals; personal items such as alcoholic beverages, laundry, phone calls, bottled water or soda, snacks; passport, personal insurance; tips to local guides and drivers.

Independent In-Transfers and Pre-Nights: We can arrange independent in-transfers for you (if you are not on the group arrival flights) for \$100 per person or couple. Pre-Nights at the Hotel in Lima are \$175 per room.

What to Expect: This expedition is for the travel enthusiast who would enjoy exploring and learning about the fascinating cultural heritage of Peru, with a special look at Machu Picchu and the extraordinary Inca archaeological sites in and near Cusco, heart of the Inca empire, plus nearby villages in the spectacular Andean highlands of Peru.

With leadership by an excellent Peru guide, travel is by van, train to Machu Picchu, and scheduled flights with daily outings on foot. Archaeological sites include some stairs and walking. Temperatures will be in the 60's to 80's during the day, and may drop into the low 50's in the Andes at night. You will spend a few days at elevations from 7,500 to 11,000 feet. If concerned, please consult your physician before registering for this expedition. (No smoking in vehicles, during lectures, or meals, please.)

Questions, Reservations, Deposits, and Payments: To reserve your place on the Peru Pre-Trip, please phone **April at Betchart Expeditions Inc. (800) 252-4910** or email: **april@betchartexpeditions.com**.

Please mail the reservation form and your deposit check for \$500 per person to: Betchart Expeditions Inc., 17050 Montebello Road, Cupertino, CA 95014. The final payment is due July 20, 2020.

Cancellations & Refunds: The initial deposit is refundable until 120 days before departure, less a handling fee of \$100 per person. There is no refund for any cancellation after the 120-day period unless your space can be resold; then a \$100 per person handling fee applies. No refunds are made for unused services.

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RESERVATIONS

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YES! I/We want to join the **Peru Pre-trip, December 2-8, 2020**, offered by Betchart Expeditions Inc. Please reserve _____ space(s). As a deposit, I/we have enclosed a check for \$_____ (\$500 per person), payable to Betchart Expeditions Inc. Trust Account.

Name _____ Age _____

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Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Please reserve _____ double _____ twin or _____ single accommodations.

Please reserve _____ (#) pre nights at the hotel in Lima @ \$175/night and _____ independent Lima arrival transfer at \$100 per person or couple.

Our arrival date in Lima is _____. Payment is enclosed.

Please mail to: **Peru Pre-Trip Dec 2020
Betchart Expeditions Inc.
17050 Montebello Road
Cupertino, CA 95014**

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