



## PERU

### SOUTHERN HIGHLIGHTS TOUR

Paracas, Nazca Lines, Arequipa, Lake Titicaca, Cusco & Machu Picchu!



**DURATION:** 14 days / 13 nights  
**SEASON:** April through November  
**DEPARTURES:** Guaranteed with a minimum of 4 and maximum of 12 participants  
**TRIP RATING:** Moderate Cultural and Natural History Tour, Grade (II) - This is an activity-oriented, hotel-based trip which includes overland travel (up to 7.5 hours at a stretch), excursions on outboard motorized boats, and optional day hikes of 2-3 hours duration at elevations up to 12,670' in the highlands.

**2015 DATES:** On request any week during the season

#### INTRODUCTION:

Peru is a country of superlatives. The world's longest chain of mountains forms the spine of the nation and the driest desert on earth extends into its southern reaches. The richest waters on the planet are found off Peru's Pacific coast, the highest navigable lake on earth forms its southern boundary with Bolivia, and the largest river by volume in the world begins in the Peruvian Amazon. In addition, this country – which is approximately twice the size of the state of Texas – contains part of the largest tropical forest on the globe as well as some of the oldest and most sophisticated cultures of the New World!

This outstanding natural history and culturally-oriented odyssey was designed to provide a grand overview of the wonders of southern Peru, offering travelers a chance to experience the full spectrum of its fascinating diversity. We start with a drive south along the Pacific Coast to Paracas Bay, visiting quaint fishing villages and pre-Columbian ruins en route. At Paracas, we observe dozens of sea lions and marine birds on the Ballestas Islands before continuing south to Nazca, where we fly over the mysterious drawings on the desert plains. Leaving the coast, we drive up to the highlands and explore the colonial plazas and historical sites of Peru's *white-city*, Arequipa. A short flight brings us to the Altiplano where we're introduced to the lifestyle and culture of the Incas as we visit with Quechua families on Taquile Island in Lake Titicaca. Next, meet with Andean weavers in the market town of Chinchero (near Cusco), walk among silent Inca walls at Pisac, and visit the archaeological project at the Huari site of Pikillacta. We then have two days to explore and contemplate the mountaintop ruins of Machu Picchu. In 2007 this ancient city was honored as one of the New Seven Wonders of the World. From Cusco we return to Lima where our adventure concludes with a tour of the splendid Larco Herrera Museum, or we extend to the Amazon or another region in the country.

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### DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY:

DAY 01 (FRI): USA / LIMA

Travelers arriving this evening to Peru's capital city, **Lima**, are met at the airport by a Southwind representative and assisted checking-in to the [Costa del Sol Hotel](#) located near the International Terminal.

DAY 02 (SAT): LIMA / PARACAS

We leave **Lima** this morning and drive south along the Pan American highway toward Paracas National Reserve. Our first stop is a guided tour of the extensive archaeological site of **Pachacamac**, which sits on a hill overlooking the Pacific Ocean. Although this was an important Inca temple and a major city when the Spanish arrived, it predated the Incas by about 1,000 years and was an important coastal ceremonial center long before the expansion of the Inca Empire. We explore the pyramids and the Mamacuña, as well as other noteworthy complexes before continuing south through the barren coastal desert to arrive in the afternoon to the new [Libertador Paracas Resort & Spa](#) overlooking the bay. We enjoy a fresh seafood lunch at Hacienda San Jose or one of the quaint fishing towns en route. Drive to the **Paracas National Reserve** Visitor Center to observe its displays on the Paracas natural history and culture. There may be time to walk and look for flocks of flamingos wading along the shores or to simply enjoy the sunset over the Pacific before dinner at the hotel this evening. **Driving distance:** 160 miles or 3.5 hours. (B,L,D)

DAY 03 (SUN): PARACAS / NAZCA

Early departure onboard a comfortable 20-passenger speedboat (partially covered, padded seats) to the **Ballestas Islands** home to several species similar to the Galápagos. Here we enjoy close-up observations of dozens of sea lions as they swim near the boat or sun themselves on shore. We watch a variety of marine bird species including the Inca tern, remaining on the boat (no disembarkation). We might catch a glimpse of Humboldt penguins. Upon return, we enjoy an excellent view of the *Candelabro*, a figure sketched into the side of the cliff overlooking the sea, similar to those found on the Nazca plains. Back on land we drive south to **Ica** to have lunch at the desert oasis of Huacachina. Next we visit one of the best local wineries (Tacama, Ocucaje, Vista Alegre or El Catador), which also produce some of the finest Pisco, Peru's national drink, using both ancient and modern techniques. We also stop to visit the impressive Regional Museum's collection of artifacts, textiles and ceramics from the Nasca culture (flourished from the first to eighth centuries A.D.), and the preceding Paracas culture. Skulls on display show indications that trepanning, a form of surgery, was practiced by the Nasca. We continue 1.5 hours south to the comfortable country-in [Hotel Majoro](#). Time permitting this evening, we may meet with one of the researchers who has worked on the famous Lines or visit the Maria Reiche Planetarium. Here we can learn about stars of the southern hemisphere, along with the astronomy, myths and beliefs of the Pre-Columbian cultures. **Driving distance:** 145 miles or about 3 hours. (B,L,D)

DAY 04 (MON): NAZCA / AREQUIPA

Board a morning flight (approximately 45 minutes in a small 8-12 passenger Cessna or similar plane) over the **Nazca Plains**. Figures such as the hummingbird, monkey, spider and whale as well as various geometric shapes are not only fully visible from the air, lending to the mystery as to their original purpose. Flying about 1,000 feet above the desert, we circle each of the main drawings and also may fly over the ceremonial center of Cahuachi, a Nasca archaeological site covering an area of 15 square miles, before touching down at the airfield. Afterwards, we begin our longest overland drive of the trip. We drive south, then head east through the high valleys, arriving in the late afternoon to Peru's *White City*, **Arequipa** (7,675') located beneath the majestic cone of El Misti, a classically-shaped volcano whose summit soars to 19,100'. En route, we have lunch in the coastal community of Chala and stop to visit some of the small towns we pass through. Upon arrival we check-in to one of the finest hotels in Arequipa's historic center, [Casa Andina Private Collection](#), a colonial mansion turned into a boutique hotel just 3 blocks from the main square. The remainder of the evening is at leisure, with dinner on your own. **Driving distance:** 335 miles or 7.5 hours. (B,L)

DAY 05 (TUE): AREQUIPA

This morning we join our guide for a tour of **Arequipa's** lovely white volcanic, or *sillar*, stone buildings that give the city its nickname. Our stops include: the Cathedral, located on the city's flower-filled Plaza de Armas; the San Francisco or La Compañía churches; and the mansions, testimony to the city's prior wealth. We also explore the colorful corridors of the magnificent Santa Catalina Convent, the oldest convent in Peru (dating back to 1580), which still cloisters nuns. We visit the Santuarios Andinos Museum, which contains the frozen body of the Inca ice maiden, "Juanita", sacrificed near the summit of Ampato (20,935') over five centuries ago. Heading out into the green countryside, contrasting starkly with the surrounding barren desert, we enjoy a typical Arequipeño lunch followed by a visit to the reconstructed Casa del Fundador, a lovely house museum characterizing the colonial era. We return to the [Casa Andina Hotel](#) and

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enjoy an unstructured afternoon in the city. We'll dine together tonight with our guide. (B,L,D)

DAY 06 (WED): AREQUIPA / PUNO

We leave the hotel this morning and drive to the airport to catch a 30-minute flight across the Andes to **Juliaca**, a commercial center of the northern Altiplano. Here we are met by our local guide and drive south to **Puno**, located on the western shores of **Lake Titicaca** (12,505'), the highest navigable lake in the world. Along the way we stop to explore the Sillustani Burial Towers. These are an enigmatic grouping of round mausoleums, or *chullpas*, overlooking Lake Umayo, where the tombs of ancient peoples were discovered. They are from the Aymara-speaking Colla tribe, conquered by the Inca in the 1400s, and the style of architecture bears some resemblance to Inca works. Afterwards, we visit the nearby Jatuncolla community where we learn about the local Andean lifestyle. Continuing to Puno, we'll take a brief walking tour of the main plaza and downtown areas before checking into the modern [Libertador Hotel](#) on Isla Esteves. There is time to relax, enjoy the commanding views of the lake and allow our bodies to continue adjusting to the high elevation before dinner at the hotel restaurant. (B,L)

DAY 07 (THU): PUNO / TAQUILE ISLAND

The morning air is brisk at this elevation. Transfer to the docks and board a motor catamaran for the 1.5 hour crossing to **Taquile Island**. The covered vessel has seating for 30 passengers, modern safety equipment and panoramic windows offering views of small sailboats and the shoreline. En route, we visit one of the intriguing floating islands of the **Uros Indians**. Made entirely from piles of *titora* reeds, these spongy islands are a fascinating place to stretch our legs. The inhabitants use the reeds to build their homes, for handicrafts, as animal fodder and as food for themselves! Arriving to Salacancha harbor on Taquile, we walk 30 minutes along a trail leading to the peaceful village to learn about the ancient ways of the Incas from the people who consider themselves their true descendants. We watch as locals build their boats, till their fields, weave their mantas and hats, care for their medicinal herbs and plants or possibly hold a communal meeting or celebration in the town square. We enjoy lunch at a simple restaurant serving local cuisine, then visit the weaving cooperative where hats, gloves, vests and other exquisite woolen textiles, created both by knitting or on the backstrap loom, are displayed for sale. The remainder of our time at Taquile is available to visit with local families to learn more about the traditions of these Quechua-speaking people whose language and customs have been handed down from the Incas. Our boat leaves in the afternoon for the journey back to Puno and the comfortable [Libertador Hotel](#). Dinner is on your own. **Navigation time:** 3.5 hours. (B,L)

DAY 08 (FRI): PUNO / PIKILLACTA / CUSCO

Leaving early, we drive across the highlands to **Cusco**, stopping along the way for photographs and visits with small communities. Our scenic route takes us over La Raya Pass (14,175') and Sicuani, where we stop to see Raqchi, the Inca remains of the unique Wiracocha temple. Descending into the warm Cusco Valley, we explore the extensive archaeological site of **Pikillacta**. Overlooking Lake Muina, this site was constructed as a provincial capital of the Huari Empire which ruled most of highland Peru between 600-1000 A.D. Together with Cusco itself, they comprise two major pre-Columbian centers in the valley. Almost everywhere we see the ruins of ancient cultures, including a royal Inca estate built by Huascar, the last of the Inca rulers, and Rumicolca, the Inca gate built over Huari foundations, an impressive sight from the highway. We also stop to visit **Andahuaylillas** church, one of the finest examples of Peruvian colonial art. We continue to Cusco (11,150') in the late afternoon and check-in to the historic [Libertador Palacio del Inka Hotel](#) (Palace of the first governor of Peru, Francisco Pizarro, which was built over the foundations of the Inca's *Aclla Huasi* or "house of the chosen women"). The evening is at leisure with dinner on your own to try some of the gourmet restaurants in town. **Driving distance:** 215 miles or 6.5 hours. (B,L)

DAY 09 (SAT): CUSCO

After breakfast this morning, we enjoy an orientation tour (a combination of walking and bus travel) of this friendly, historical city. As we explore the main plaza and side streets, we realize that **Cusco** is still a very colonial city. There are no skyscrapers and most buildings are whitewashed adobe with red tile roofs set on Inca foundations. Cobble streets lead up narrow passageways with brightly painted balconies overhead. Small plazas are filled with flowers and fountains. Our visits include such impressive sites as the *Coricancha*, the Inca's Sun Temple; the main square and Cathedral, many of whose stones were taken from nearby Inca palaces; and the Incan walls along *Hatunrumiyoc Street*, which is named for the 12-angled stone that is clearly visible. Driving up to the surrounding hills we next explore the Incan fortress of *Sacsayhuaman*, a spectacular complex with commanding views of the Cusco valley, and *Tambo Machay*, whose ceremonial pools have remained clear and cold since the time of the Empire. We return to the familiar [Libertador Palacio del Inka Hotel](#), with lunch on your own and the remainder of the afternoon available for personal activities. This evening we join our guide for a delicious welcome dinner and pisco sour. (B,D)

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### DAY 10 (SUN): CUSCO / PISAC / CHINCHERO

After breakfast, drive one-hour to **Pisac** (9,708') in the **Sacred Valley of the Incas**. The route follows a winding mountain road, offering superb vistas of the rugged canyon formed by the Urubamba River before descending into the warm valley. At Pisac we catch the traditional weekly market, where artists and vendors set up their stalls around the main plaza to sell food and colorful handicrafts. Our knowledgeable guide shows us also the narrow side streets so typical of Andean communities. We then drive up to the impressive Inca ruins perched on the ridge overlooking the town and surrounding countryside. Our walking tour (approx. 2 miles) takes us through the main sections of the site and along a stone-paved trail with expansive views of the adjacent valleys, to the religious center with its exquisite stonework where we view the *Intihuatana*, or Hitching Post of the Sun. The Incas directed the meandering river into a canal in order to make the bottomland available for farming, impressive stretches of agricultural terraces still contour the mountainside. Returning to the valley we enjoy a delicious buffet-style Novo-Andean lunch at a charming restaurant, providing us the opportunity to sample a variety of native delicacies, including several types of potatoes, tubers such as oca, quinoa, and fava beans, and perhaps a taste of *cuy*, a savory meat roasted with a variety of herbs. In the afternoon we drive to the town of **Chincho** (12,335'). We enjoy a panoramic view of the snow-capped Urubamba range en route, including the summits of Veronica and Pitusiray, both more than 18,000 feet high. We visit the ruins of Inca Yupanqui's palace and join local women in the courtyard of their community house for a weaving demonstration. The Andean weaving process has remained virtually unchanged for centuries. We watch as wool is carded, spun and dyed, and learn about the different techniques used to create ponchos, belts and shawls. On the way back to the fertile Urubamba Valley we stop at the Inca Salt Mines, continuing to the town of **Yukay** (9,430'), where we check into the charming and spacious Andean hacienda-style [Sol y Luna Lodge & Spa](#). (B,L,D)

### DAY 11 (MON): MACHU PICCHU

We head to Ollantaytambo early to catch the Vistadome train for the 1.5-hour ride to Machu Picchu town (formerly Aguas Calientes). We ascend to **Machu Picchu** by bus and join our expert guide for a private tour of this superb archaeological site. Perched atop a narrow crest high above the meandering Urubamba River and surrounded by rugged, green slopes of forested Andean mountains, Machu Picchu (7,874') is more than just the jewel of Inca architecture – it is the perfect union of human engineering and nature. Never reached by the Spanish, Machu Picchu is a city in harmony with its surroundings that was brought to the world's attention in 1911 by the American historian Hiram Bingham. Our explorations include all of the various sectors of the ruins: the industrial area; the Temple of the Sun and Royal Tomb; the ceremonial water fountains and baths; and the Sacred Plazas. There should be time in the afternoon for a 30-minute walk to view the **Inca Drawbridge**. We stay and dine for dinner at the exquisite [Inkaterra Machu Picchu Hotel](#), situated in 12 acres of cloud forest garden beside the Urubamba River in town. (B,L,D)

### DAY 12 (TUE): MACHU PICCHU / CUSCO

Rising early, those who wish may head to the ruins to catch the early morning light as the sun rises over the mountains to strike the Sacred City. Later, there are several optional activities to choose from in and around **Machu Picchu**. At 8,860' **Huayna Picchu**, or Young Peak, looms in the background over the citadel. More active group members may choose to climb the very steep, narrow and exposed trail that ends at the ruins on top for an amazing, bird's-eye view or take the 1.5-hour hike downhill through the forest that ends at the partially excavated **Temple of the Moon**. As the day is flexible, those who prefer may simply choose their favorite spot to meditate, photograph, or continue their personal explorations. No amount of contemplation in this mysterious sanctuary reveals all its secrets, where reality surpasses imagination. We meet for a buffet lunch at a restaurant by the river before catching the Vistadome train for the scenic ride back to Ollantaytambo. Tracing the course of the Urubamba River, we wind our way past Incan terraces and Quechua communities as we leave the lush cloud forests and make our way back to the highlands. Reception upon arrival and transfer by private vehicle to **Cusco** (11,150') and the [Libertador Palacio del Inka Hotel](#) for the night. Dinner is on your own this evening to try some of the new restaurants in town. (B,L)

### DAY 13 (WED): CUSCO / LIMA / USA

Morning is at your leisure to explore Cusco's colorful San Pedro market and the many side-street craft shops, museums and plazas. We are picked up at the hotel late-morning for the drive to the airport in **Cusco** to catch the flight back to **Lima**. Upon arrival, we join our local guide for a private tour of colonial Lima and the fascinating Larco Herrera Museum, with an extensive collection of Pre-Columbian artifacts. Lunch and dinner are on your own to try a typical seafood meal such as ceviche at one of several gourmet restaurants in the upscale Miraflores district. Participants leaving tonight have a return transfer to the airport this evening. (B)

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DAY 14 (THU): USA

Arrive in the US this morning and make onward connections home.

**NOTES ON THE ITINERARY:** Although we do our best to adhere to the above schedule, this itinerary is subject to change for numerous reasons beyond our control including flight delays, schedule changes, group interests, and weather, road, sea, lake or trail conditions. In addition and depending on logistics and group interests, on **Day 03** we may fly over the Nazca lines in the afternoon and leave earlier the next morning for the long drive to Arequipa. Driving distances and altitudes are approximate, and times indicated are NET, not including lunch breaks, rest stops, time to explore the ruins or villages, etc. This program is suitable for healthy, fit participants age 7 and up. The Huayna Picchu ascent is recommended for older kids, age 12 and older.

**2015 LAND COST:**           \$6,825 p.p.d. (4-6 participants)  
                                      \$6,325 p.p.d. (7-12 participants)  
                                      \$1,675 Single Supplement

p.p.d.= per person based on double occupancy

### ☀ **2015 INTI RAYMI DEPARTURE - JUNE 15 - 29 (15 days/14 nights):**

This custom departure is 1 day longer, begins on Monday rather than Friday, in order to incorporate the fabulous *Inti Raymi Celebration* on June 24 in Cusco. The schedule of activities is as follows:

JUN 15-23: As described on pages 2-3 for DAYS 01-09.

JUN 24 (WED): This is the principal day of the **Inti Raymi Festival**, the greatest of all Inca celebrations, held each year on June 24 to worship *Apu Inti Tayta*, or the Sun God—the source of life in the Andes. The current event is a re-enactment of the original pageantry and is possibly one of the most spectacular Andean festivals in South America with parades, processions, dance contests and folk music culminating in the main ceremonial event. We join our local guide after breakfast and head first to the Coricancha, or Sun Temple, where the Inca (a local resident selected to play this role), starts the celebrations with an invocation. Dancers and musicians offer their praises to Inti Tayta. Then the Inca and his procession go to the main square where we witness the rite of coca in which the future of the Empire is made known through a reading of this sacred leaf. Afterwards, we continue up to the Sacsayhuaman ruins where we watch as the Inca relights the sacred fire and offers sacrifices to the sun. Accommodations at the **Libertador Palacio del Inka Hotel**. (B,L)

JUN 25-29: As described on pages 4-5 for DAYS 10-14.

**2015 INTI RAYMI LAND COST:**       \$7,350 p.p.d. (4-6 participants)  
  \$6,800 p.p.d. (7-12 participants)  
  \$1,895 Single Supplement

p.p.d.= per person based on double occupancy

### **HOTEL UPGRADES:**

We can reserve the luxurious 5-star Miraflores Park Hotel or the elegant 5-star JW Marriott Hotel in Lima, the historic Monasterio or Palacio Nazarenas Hotel in Cusco, the lovely Aranwa Resort & Spa, Libertador Tambo del Inka or Belmond Rio Sagrado in the Sacred Valley, and the exclusive Sanctuary Lodge adjacent to Machu Picchu for an additional fee. Due to the small size of these hotels and high demand, these reservations are recommended at least 4-6 months in advance, with a deadline of 90 days before departure. Upgrades are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. See details in [‘Accommodations’](#).

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### SERVICES INCLUDED:

- Comprehensive **pre-departure planning packet** and expert travel advice.
- All **in-country transfers** as scheduled (transfers on different days are additional). Ground transportation in spacious and comfortable private vehicles with professional drivers.
- Nazca lines **overflight** in a small aircraft (8-12 passenger Cessna or similar plane).
- Boat & Catamaran transportation where applicable on a seat-in-boat basis (other travelers will be aboard, but our group will be privately escorted).
- **First-class Vistadome or similar train** for the round trip ride from Ollantaytambo to Machu Picchu town. Machu Picchu bus service to/from town and the archeological sanctuary.
- Local and return flight reconfirmation, **in-country airport check-in and luggage assistance**.
- All **accommodations in first-class (4-5 star) hotels** as listed (or at similar hotels) on a shared basis with private bath. Double beds (King/queen) for couples can be requested in advance, but cannot be guaranteed, as most hotels offer few rooms with double beds.
- Single Supplement provides single room accommodations in all hotels. Due to the limited rooms at Arequipa, Cusco & Machu Picchu's small hotels, a maximum of 2 singles are allowed per group. If you require single accommodations, making reservations well in advance is recommended.
- All **meals** indicated on the itinerary (B=breakfast; L=lunch; D=dinner). **Vegetarian diets accommodated** on request (advance notification required). For other diets, consult your travel specialist before making a reservation.
- All **guided tours** (as listed) conducted on a private group basis (except the Inti Raymi Festival tour, where other Southwind departures may join for the same tour) by knowledgeable, English-speaking local guides (includes applicable entrance fees).
- A local English-speaking guide/escort is provided for the Lima/Arequipa segment (Days 02-05), a native resident guide in Puno (Days 06-07), and another guide/escort for the Cusco/Sacred Valley/Machu Picchu visit (Days 08-12). An assistant guide is provided for groups with 9 or more participants.

### NOT INCLUDED:

- US domestic, International flights, nor local flights within Peru, except at Nazca Lines.
- Local Peruvian airport departure taxes (for USA and Canadian travelers these taxes are included in the airfare).
- Eight (8) meals at about \$20-30 each per person.
- Tours or other services not listed on the itinerary.
- Alcoholic beverages nor items of a personal nature; such as clothing, equipment, laundry and phone calls.
- Tips to the local staff.
- Expenses incurred in preparing for this program such as, but not limited to, non-refundable airline tickets or traveler's insurance, nor additional expenses resulting from flight delays, schedule changes, cancellations, or missed connections.

**TRAVEL INSURANCE:** We strongly recommend purchasing coverage to protect your trip investment. Travel insurance is important in case of unexpected events prior to departure causing the need to cancel or change your dates. Weather, geologic events, local strikes, personal injury/illness for you, your traveling companion or family members, could require itinerary interruption or changes. Missed connections, delayed arrival, lost/delayed baggage or the need for medical attention or evacuation are also reasons why coverage is important. Southwind offers several plans through Travel Insured International (TII) to fit your budget and coverage amount. We recommend TII's *Worldwide Trip Protector* which offers a good value and **free coverage for kids 17/under traveling with a related adult**. If you, your traveling companion or a family member has a pre-existing medical condition, you can still receive coverage if a recurrence of the condition forces you to cancel your trip (some restrictions apply and plan purchase needs to be done **within 21 days of your deposit date**). **Please call our office for a quote** or to discuss your insurance options. See our [Travel Insurance](#) page to learn more and purchase a plan.

**OPTIONAL TRIP EXTENSIONS:** Travelers with extra days may wish to extend their trip to the Galápagos Islands, Amazon Basin, Lake Titicaca, Northern Peru or the Nazca Lines. All extensions require a minimum of 2 participants. To view the extensions on our website, see '[Extend Your Trip](#)'.

**WEATHER:** Much of your trip will take place in regions where the weather can change suddenly. The best policy for enjoying the diverse weather conditions encountered on this trip is to be prepared for all possibilities ranging from

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intense sunshine and heat to rain, cold, sleet and/or wind. Generally Peru's climate from April-November is clear, dry, and cool everywhere except Lima and the Amazon rainforests. The **coast** near **Ica** and **Nazca** experiences warm days (highs in the 70's) with cool nights (lows in the 50's). **Andean/Altiplano** nights are cold (28-35°F at Lake Titicaca and upper 30's to low 40's in Cusco) while the days are pleasantly warm, occasionally feeling hot because of the intense sunshine (highs in the upper 60's on sunny days or low 50's on overcast days). The months of June, July & August can be expected to be the coldest with nighttime temperatures falling to as low as 20°F. Temperatures at **Machu Picchu** are hot and humid with daytime highs in the 70's to mid-80's and night time lows in the 50's. The chance of rain showers are high at Machu Picchu.

**ESTIMATED AIRFARE:** The Land Cost DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY FLIGHTS (except the Nazca lines overflight). Round-trip **international** air from US gateways (New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Miami, Houston, Dallas, Atlanta) is approximately \$900-\$1,100 per person. Airlines offering service to Lima include American, United, Delta and LAN. **In-country flights** on Lan Peru are estimated at \$375 per person for Arequipa-Juliaca and Cusco-Lima. Upon receipt of your deposit, Southwind will send you more information about booking your flights to match your land itinerary. It is important to NOT purchase any airline tickets until your trip is guaranteed to operate. Southwind sends you a trip confirmation once a trip is guaranteed.

**HOW TO SIGN UP:** Submit Southwind's [Trip Reservation Form](#) along with a \$1,000 per person per trip deposit by credit card via our secure [Online Payment Form](#). If you prefer, you can also call us at 1-800-377-9463 to make payment arrangements or send a check. **Your deposit will be charged and your reservation confirmed once we receive your Trip Reservation Form.** Once your trip is guaranteed to operate, you will receive comprehensive pre-departure planning documents by email.

Due to the popularity of Cusco & Machu Picchu, we recommend making reservations at least 4 months in advance.

**Land Balance:** Final payment is due at 90 days by Visa, Mastercard, Discover, American Express or check. You will receive a trip invoice indicating your balance due. Provided services and space are available, reservations can be accepted up to 30 days before departure.

Cancellation Fees and other policies are outlined under the [2014/2015 Terms & Conditions](#) on Southwind's website.

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