

## PERU:

# **URUBAMBA WEAVER'S TREK (with Glamping!)**

An excellent alternative to the well-traveled Inca Trail







DURATION: 11 days/10 nights (2 nights upgraded tent camping)

SEASON: April through mid-November

DEPARTURES: Guaranteed with a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 12 participants

TRIP RATING: Moderate/Strenuous Trekking, Grade (III): This Southwind original is an active, off-the-

beaten-path, culturally oriented trip. It features a 3-day, fully supported trek averaging 7 miles per day crossing 2 high passes reaching elevations up to 14,764'. Early and late in the

season, a 2.5-hour whitewater rafting adventure with class II-III rapids is included.

2015 DATES: APR 30 - MAY 10 O AUG 20 - 30 O

MAY 28 - JUN 07 O SEP 24 - OCT 04 O

Full moon departures

Also on request any week during the season for a minimum of 4 travelers

## **INTRODUCTION:**

This route is a fantastic alternative to the popular Inca Trail, which is regulated by a permit system and often sells out months in advance. Without permit constraints on this route, we are able to upgrade our gear, services and staff to bring you an impressive "glamping" experience – complete with cots, plush air mattresses, and spacious tents!

Trekking the trails of the Urubamba Range is a walk back in time. The region is populated with scattered Quechua communities. Meet extended families who live together in modest one-room adobe homes. You'll see them practice their rural Andean livelihoods of farming potato crops and raising guinea pigs, llamas and sheep.

Men and women also weave, producing the family's colorful ponchos, *chullos*, skirts, shawls and other items, on their backstrap looms, renowned throughout the Cusco area. By graciously welcoming us into their communities, they invite us to partake in this traditional craft and glimpse a simpler life, a world apart from our own!

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Barter and bargain your way through the traditional Sunday market in Chinchero
- Visit the red tile shingle workshop in the village of Piñipampa and meet the craftsman
- Be welcomed into the homes of traditional Andean backstrap weavers
- Spend two nights "glamping" in outdoor comfort with top quality equipment, meals and support
- Stop by the classroom of a rural school house in the village of Cochayoq and meet the students
- Trek to the top of Coltambillo pass (14,764') to admire the peaks of the Urubamba Range
- Catch the early morning light as the sun rises over the mountains to shine on Machu Picchu

#### **DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY:**

DAY 01 (THU): USA / LIMA

Participants arriving this evening to Peru's capital city, **Lima**, are met at the airport by a Southwind representative and assisted checking-into the <u>Costa del Sol Hotel</u> located near the International Terminal. Meals are on your own.

DAY 02 (FRI): LIMA / CUSCO

Participants who spent the previous night in Lima are picked up early at the hotel and accompanied to the airport for the 1-hour flight to **Cusco** (11,150'), the former Inca capital. Reception upon arrival and transfer to the historic and centric <u>Libertador Palacio del Inka Hotel</u> (former palace of the first governor of Peru, Francisco Pizarro, recently renovated into a Luxury Collection Property). The remainder of the morning is at leisure for acclimatization. Lunch is on your own.

In the early afternoon, we meet together with our local guide for an **orientation tour of the city** and the nearby Incan ruins. The city tour includes the main plaza and Cathedral; the *Coricancha*, the Inca's Sun Temple, whose stonework is some of the finest in the country; *Sacsayhuaman*, the spectacular mountaintop temple overlooking the Cusco valley and surrounding hills; and *Tambo Machay*, where the clear cool springs of the ceremonial baths continue to flow 500 years after they were built. Later, join our guide for a trip briefing and enjoy dinner on your own at one of Cusco's finest restaurants serving Novo Andino cuisine.

### DAY 03 (SAT): URUBAMBA RIVER / CUSCO

After breakfast, we drive southeast to the Cusipata village for a 2.5 hour easy/moderate **whitewater rafting adventure** on the Urubamba River (April-May and October-November departures only). From June through September, low water levels make rafting less enjoyable, so we'll **hike and explore** the intriguing terraces and aqueducts of the Inca site of Tipón instead.

Following our morning outdoor activities, we'll have a picnic lunch, then drive a short distance to visit the **Andahuaylillas church**. Built in the 16<sup>th</sup> century, it represents one of the finest examples of Peruvian colonial art. We continue to explore the extensive archaeological site of **Pikillacta**, overlooking Lake Muina. This site was constructed as a provincial capital of the Huari Empire, which ruled over 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.

Returning to Cusco we stop at Piñipampa, a town where the region's typical red tile shingles are produced. We **visit the workshop** of Francisco Hanco, a native of this land that has been working on this activity since he was 12 years old. Two of Francisco's sons, Ronal and Julio also work with him. The family is learning to play Andean instruments and hope to form a band. From April to November, they produce about 10,000 tile shingles each month, following techniques that has been passed along for three generations. Once back in Cusco, there will be time to relax at the <u>Libertador Palacio del Inka Hotel</u> and enjoy an evening at leisure with dinner on your own to try one of Cusco's gourmet restaurants.

## DAY 04 (SUN): CHINCHERO / PISAC / SACRED VALLEY

Returning to the highlands by vehicle, we'll arrive to **Chinchero** (12,335'), a charming community with a characteristic blend of both Inca and colonial architecture. Sunday morning is the traditional market day. We'll **mingle**, **observe and learn from locals** that gather to trade goods still using an ancient system of bartering without money. We also visit the colonial church and ruins of Inca Yupangui's palace.

We continue driving across the highlands to the small town of Maras (11,070') to begin a two-mile downhill hike, past farm houses and fields en route to the **Pichincoto Salt Mines**. Still in use from Incan times, a series of over 2,000 terraced mountainside pools are fed by a natural spring. We **interact with some of the local families** working there.

Following a typical lunch in the Valley, we drive to the charming town of **Pisac** (9,708') where our knowledgeable guide shows us the main plaza and narrow side streets typical of Andean communities. We walk a couple of blocks to visit the unique collection of cactus, plants and flowers at the small and private Felipe Moreno botanical garden. Later on,

we'll tour the Pisac ruins, perched on a ridge high above the Sacred Valley. Here we can observe how the Incas directed the meandering Urubamba River into a canal to irrigate the fertile valley below. Impressive stretches of agricultural terraces trace the contours of the mountainsides. A **one-mile hike** along a stone-paved trail with expansive views will lead to Pisac's religious sector with exquisite stonework and views of the *Intihuatana*, or Hitching Post of the Sun. In nearby Urubamba, we check-in to the charming Andean hacienda-style Sol y Luna Lodge & Spa. Dinner is together this evening at the Lodge. O **Full Moon** - May 03 & Sep 27, 2015. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 05 (MON): OLLANTAYTAMBO / PALCA / JUNUNA PAMPA CAMP

After an early breakfast, we drive along the Sacred Valley, past burial tombs and fields of corn, wheat, barley and quinoa, to arrive at **Ollantaytambo**, a town whose street plan still maintains an original Inca layout. Here, the Huaman Quispe family (one of the town's original inhabitants) invites us to visit their typical house just a block from the main square. We'll bring them bread, coca leaves and other goods as a friendly gesture. Their house is simple with few rooms and has an inner courtyard where we can see their guinea pigs, farming tools and a variety of corn and other crops. We continue along a winding dirt road up to the Quechua communities of Huilloc and Patacancha. We'll see their small stone and mud brick homes with thatched roofs. Here, villagers go about their daily chores and wear their traditional dress, proud to maintain their cultural heritage.

On the final stage of our uphill drive, we reach the trailhead at **Palca** (13,451') where our trekking staff greets us. We begin our trek, ascending towards the first pass, Yanamayo (13,800'). Accompanied by local porters and their pack animals (either llamas or horses), trekkers only need to carry a light daypack with essentials; the camping and personal gear is transported by the pack animals. The ascent is gradual, following the river past outlying homes and farms of the Patacancha community. From the pass, we have expansive views of the Urubamba range and the glacier-clad summit of Mt. Verónica. Flocks of Andean geese, or *huallata*, as they are known locally, some caracaras and puna ibis may be present.

We descend along the Jatun Huayco valley towards the village of **Quelcanca** (12,190'), located at the confluence of the Jatun Huayco and Ocobamba rivers. Residents of this Andean hamlet produce some of the finest weavings in the Cusco region. We have **access to a weaver's home** to learn about the ancient weaving tradition and simple techniques with intricate designs and patterns reflecting aspects of their everyday lives and culture. We continue hiking into the Urubamba range for about an hour to our first campsite at Jununa Pampa (12,800'), where our staff has set up our high-quality equipment for "glamping" in comfort and style. Tonight our dinner delights will include delicious, organic and locally grown ingredients. **Driving distance:** 2 hours; **Trek length:** 7 miles or 5 hours of hiking; **Camp elevation:** 12,800'.

#### DAY 06 (TUE): COCHAYOQ CAMP

After a hearty breakfast, we ascend gradually up the valley following the Terijuay River. Local people living at these high elevations raise sheep or llamas and grow some of the more than 800 varieties of potatoes found in Peru. We continue gaining elevation as we head towards the second pass of our trek. At 14,764', Coltambillo pass stands along the southeastern shoulder of Mount Terijuay (17,487'), whose solid rock face rises dramatically above an emerald green lake, at the foot of the pass. Condors, the world's largest flying birds, can often be seen soaring silently above these valleys on their impressive 10-foot wingspan.

From the top of the pass, we enjoy views of ice-clad peaks and granite walls in all directions. After descending past Yanacocha Lake, we follow high ridges well above the valley's floor. These highlands are ideal for grazing llamas and alpacas, so we'll likely encounter a few shepherds as we walk down to the community of **Cochayoq** (12,520'), known also for its fine weaving traditions. We visit the school house, interact with teachers and students alike, and share classroom supplies that Southwind donates to the school on behalf of our guests. After setting up camp, we should be able to visit with one of the local artist weavers. Admire and perhaps purchase some of the high quality handmade textiles, such as ponchos, wool hats, shawls, scarves, blankets and other garments. If the evening is clear, we can try to identify some southern hemisphere constellations such as the Southern Cross or Corona before comfortably "glamping" for the night in our spacious tents. **Trek length:** 6.5 miles or 5 hours; **Camp elevation:** 12,520'. **Full Moon** - May 03, 2015.

#### DAY 07 (WED): LARES / SACRED VALLEY

In the courtyard of a weavers' home, we might start the day watching colorful *ponchos* and *mantas* being made on **traditional backstrap looms** as children play nearby. Weavers use natural dyes from some minerals and native plants that we may see along the route such as mutuy, molle, tara, retama, chillca and quolle. Back on the trail, the trek

today is mostly downhill as we follow a well-worn path on the bank of the Cochayoq River. As we lose elevation, the vegetation becomes lusher, the temperature warmer and we may **spot exotic bird species** such as the giant Peruvian hummingbird, swallows, swifts and flocks of green parakeets, squawking noisily up the valley.

We have a picnic lunch along the way, recalling the genuine warmth and kindness shown by the many local people we visited. Afterwards we meet our vehicle to continue to **Lares** (10,225'), a more modern community with electricity and nearby medicinal hot springs. Then, we begin the winding drive on a scenic dirt road leading back to the Sacred Valley of the Incas. We cross the Amparaes Pass at 15,026' with Andean views of the snow-covered Sawasiray peak (18,930'). Approaching the valley, we pass an extensive pre-Inca site situated at the top of the gorge guarding the entrance to the sacred lands below. Passing through the town of Calca, we meet the main paved road to arrive at the familiar and charming <u>Sol y Luna Lodge & Spa</u>. **Trek length:** 7.5 miles or 6 hours; **Driving distance:** 3 hours; **Final elevation:** 9,435'.

#### DAY 08 (THU): MACHU PICCHU

At the Ollantaytambo station we board the Vistadome train for the 1.5 hour journey to Machu Picchu town (formerly Aguas Calientes). Ascending to **Machu Picchu** by bus, we'll join our guide for a private tour of the renowned archaeological site. Perched on 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 a perfect union of engineering and nature. Never reached by the Spanish, Machu Picchu is a city in harmony with its surroundings. It 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.

For convenience, a buffet style lunch is served at the Tinkuy restaurant just outside the main gates. This afternoon we can take a 30-minute panoramic walk to view the Inca Drawbridge, an ingenious construction. The drawbridge is a natural gap in the stone-paved trail that the Incas used to prevent unwanted visitors from crossing by using logs that could be withdrawn easily. Once in the village below the ruins, we check-in to the charming <a href="Inkaterra Machu Picchu Hotel">Inkaterra Machu Picchu Hotel</a>, situated in 12 acres of cloud forest gardens beside the Urubamba River. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 09 (FRI): MACHU PICCHU / CUSCO

Rising early, those who wish may venture up to the ruins to catch the early morning light as the sun rises over the mountains to shine on the sacred city. Several optional activities are available today around **Machu Picchu**. At 8,860' **Huayna Picchu**, or Young Peak, looms as a backdrop to the citadel. Active participants may choose to climb the very steep, exposed trail to the mountain top ruins for an amazing, bird's-eye view. Another choice is a 1.5-hour hike downhill through the forest to the partially excavated and intriguing *Temple of the Moon*. The day is flexible and some people may prefer to simply choose a favorite spot to meditate, photograph, or continue guided explorations. Reality surpasses imagination at this mysterious sanctuary.

We'll meet together in town for lunch at the prestigious Sumaq restaurant before catching the Vistadome train for the scenic 1.5 hour 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 <u>Libertador Palacio del Inka Hotel</u>. We join our guide for a congenial farewell dinner and Pisco Sour this evening. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 10 (SAT): CUSCO / LIMA OR USA

Morning at leisure to explore Cusco's colorful San Pedro market, go for last minute souvenir and crafts shopping at some of the fine boutiques available in the city, or discover the many historical side-streets, museums and plazas. We are picked up at the hotel at noon 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 the several gourmet restaurants in the upscale Miraflores district. Participants leaving tonight have a return transfer to the airport this evening. **Full Moon** - Aug 29, 2015.

#### DAY 11 (SUN): LIMA/USA

Arrive home this morning after an overnight flight from Lima.







**NOTES ON THE ITINERARY:** Since this is also a custom trip run on request around preferred dates, components can be modified to suit the group's interest. For planning purposes, the principal market day in the Cusco region is Sunday (both produce & handicrafts). Every day there are also handicrafts markets. Timing the departure to coincide with the full moon during the trek can add improved weather and scenery to the trip. Although we do our best to adhere to the schedule listed, the day-by-day activities are subject to change for numerous reasons beyond our control including group, weather, road/river/trail conditions, and train or plane schedules. This trip is suitable for physically fit participants age 12 and up accustomed to outdoor activities. In Cusco, we may use the new and deluxe boutique-style <u>Aranwa hotel</u> instead of the Libertador (the Aranwa, also located near the main square is a restored colonial mansion from the XVI century that offers the benefit of oxygenated rooms).

**2015 LAND COST:** \$5,045 p.p.d. (4-6 participants)

\$4,655 p.p.d. (7-12 participants)

\$1,075 Single Supplement

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

#### **HOTEL UPGRADE:**

We can reserve the elegant 5-star JW Marriott Hotel in Lima's Miraflores overlooking the Ocean; the Sacred Valley's Aranwa Resort & Spa or Libertador Tambo del Inka (with a heated pool); the historical Monasterio Hotel in Cusco; and the exclusive Sanctuary Lodge adjacent to Machu Picchu for an additional fee. Due to high demand these reservations are recommended at least 4-5 months in advance. These and other possible hotel upgrades are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. See details in 'Accommodations'. Private *Urubamba Weaver's Trek* departures are also available on request for a minimum of 4 participants. Please contact our office for details.

#### 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.
- Local and return flight reconfirmation, in-country airport check-in and luggage assistance.
- **First-class round trip Vistadome or similar train** from Ollantaytambo to Machu Picchu town. Machu Picchu bus service to/from town and the archaeological sanctuary.
- All accommodations in first-class (4-5 star) hotels as listed (or at similar hotels) on a shared basis with
  private bath. Note: advanced bookings are recommended if you plan to arrive early or extend your stay.
  Double beds (king/queen) for couples can be requested in advance, but cannot be guaranteed, as the hotels
  offer few rooms with double beds.
- Single Supplement includes single room and single tent on trek. Due to the small size of the hotels in Cusco and Machu Picchu, the number of singles available per group are limited to 2. If you require single accommodations, making reservations well in advance is recommended
- All **meals** indicated on itinerary (B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=dinner); **Vegetarian diets accommodated** on request (with advance notification). For other diets, consult your travel specialist before making a reservation.
- All **guided tours** (as listed) conducted on a private basis by knowledgeable, English-speaking local guides (includes applicable entrance fees).
- Rafting service (April, May, October & November only) includes expert river captain, Avon or Hyside rafts, life vests, helmets, paddles, and dry bags.

- First-class trekking/glamping service includes:
  - Experienced, licensed, English-speaking, Andean guide and assistant guide (provided for groups with 9 or more participants). The main guide will have a satellite phone for logistics and emergencies.
  - Expert camp chef, kitchen assistant, camp assistant and Quechua Indian porters and horses or llamas with their handlers (porters and other camp staff are treated and compensated well).
  - All group camping equipment: spacious 4-person all season Eureka Grand Manan 9 tents (floor size 9ft by 9ft, center high 6ft, shared by just 2 members), 3-4" thick inflatable sleeping pads atop raised cots, camp pillows, kitchen and dining tents, lanterns, folding tables with tablecloth, silverware & utensils plus camp chairs, sun shower enclosure/tent and an environmentally-friendly toilet tent.
  - All meals: we serve a variety of healthy and nutritious food with fresh and native ingredients. A cup of hot wake-up tea is brought to your tent door followed by a full hot breakfast, box or picnic lunch en route, and a 3 course served dinner.
  - o Tips to the porters and llama handlers.
  - First-aid kit.

#### **NOT INCLUDED:**

- US domestic, international flights, nor local flights within Peru.
- Local Peruvian airport departure taxes (currently included in airfare for USA & Canadian bound flights).
- Six (6) meals at approx. \$20-30 each.
- Tours or other services not listed on the itinerary.
- Tips to the tour guides and drivers plus main trekking staff (trekking guide, assistant & chefs).
- Alcoholic beverages nor personal items such as; clothing, equipment, laundry or phone calls.
- **Sleeping bag** and other personal gear. Southwind has a limited number of synthetic or down sleeping bags rated to 0° or +10°F available for rent for \$35 per person. Reservations and prepayment required.
- Expenses incurred during trip preparation 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 MASSAGE ON TREK:** On request for custom departures we can provide an experienced massage therapist from Cusco to accompany the group while on trek. This professional will provide optional 15-20' neck and leg massage sessions at lunch break and more comprehensive individual neck/back massages at each campsite in the late afternoon. Please contact your Southwind Travel Consultant for details and extra costs.

**OPTIONAL KM 104 INCA TRAIL DAYHIKE:** A private trekking guide will accompany those group members who choose to disembark the Vistadome train at Km 104 on Day 08 of the itinerary and trek the classic stone-paved Inca Trail through the Gateway of the Sun to approach Machu Picchu as the Incas did centuries ago. The 7-mile hike is moderate/difficult but highly rewarding and takes approximately 6.5 hours. Extra costs apply for the required permit and logistics, advance planning is recommended (at least 4-5 months in advance). Please contact our office for details.

**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, click on <u>'Extend Your Trip'</u>.

### **ANDEAN GUIDES:**

**Romulo Lizarraga** - Romulo is one of the most knowledgeable, experienced and professional guides in the Andes. This University of Cusco graduate was born in Intihuatana, at the foot of Machu Picchu Mountain where his grandfather lived as well. Romulo has over 25 years of experience in the Peruvian Andes and has co-authored two guide books. He's an avid hiker having led trekking groups throughout the mountain ranges in the Cusco region and beyond. He is married with two daughters and is fluent in Quechua, Spanish and English.

**Francis Casapino** - A native of the Andes, Francis graduated with a degree in Tourism from the San Antonio Abad University in Cusco. Over the past 15 years he's had a variety of experiences in the travel industry, having worked as a guide, receptionist in hotels, at the regional tourism office, in travel agencies and as a guard in Manu National Park. He speaks fluent English and has quickly become a favorite of Southwind clients receiving superb comments regarding his knowledge, charm and caring attitude.

**Ronny Peña, Jose Ayerbe & Aly Amaut**, each have a minimum of 5 years' experience leading groups in the southern Andes of Peru. These native bilingual guides are among the finest professionals working with Southwind groups.

**WEATHER:** The Andean trekking season, **April-November**, is normally clear, dry and cool. During the transitional months (April and October/November), more unstable weather patterns may occur with afternoon cloud build-up and possible rain showers through the night. We have designed the trip around the best weather months, but **rain can be expected anytime** since the trip takes place in the cloud forests on the eastern slopes of the Andes. Short hail, sleet or snow storms might occur at the highest elevations. Andean nights are cold while days are pleasant and spring like. Daytime highs along the **trekking route** average 74-80°F on sunny days (higher elevations have cooler temperatures) but may only reach the mid 50's on overcast days. At high campsites, expect nighttime lows of 25-30°F. **Cusco** has daytime highs in the mid 70's when sunny and nighttime lows in the upper 30's. Rain is likely at **Machu Picchu**, so expect showers or mist. Daytime temperatures at the ruins will be hot (78-85°F), nights are mild (45-50°F). Despite warmer temperatures during the Andean rainy season (December-March), trekking is not recommended due to high risk of mud slides, rock fall or lightening. Trails & high passes may be closed during the rainy season due to due to heavy hail or snow fall.

Cusco	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC
AVE HIGH (°F)	65	65	66	67	67	66	66	67	68	69	69	69
AVE LOW (°F)	43	43	43	41	36	32	32	35	39	41	42	43
AVE RAINFALL	6.3	5.2	4.3	1.8	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.9	1.9	3.1	4.7

Rainfall amounts are in inches.

Machu Picchu	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC
AVE HIGH (°F)	77	75	77	79	77	77	77	79	77	81	79	77
AVE LOW (°F)	50	50	50	50	46	45	46	46	48	52	52	50
AVE RAINFALL	8.1	8.5	7.7	4.2	1.3	0.7	0.9	1.3	2.1	3.6	4.5	6.8

Rainfall amounts are in inches.

**ESTIMATED AIRFARE:** The Land Cost DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY FLIGHTS. 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 are estimated at \$375 per person for Lima-Cusco-Lima. The best way to save on airfare is to have Southwind quote all your air using LAN for your international & in-country flights. Upon receipt of your deposit, we will send you more information about booking 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 your trip is guaranteed.

**HOW TO SIGN UP:** Submit Southwind's <u>Trip Reservation Form</u> along with a \$1,000 per person per trip deposit by credit card via our secure <u>Online Payment Form</u>. 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 predeparture planning documents by email.

**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.

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