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# PERU UNCOVERED FEATURING MACHU PICCHU

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## HOSTED JOURNEYS

# *Welcome to a new way of travelling*

Hosted Journeys are experts in offering travellers unique, hand-picked holidays to destinations all over the world. Our itineraries are designed to ensure you have a hassle-free and seamless holiday experience. With over 35 years experience in group travel, you can rest assured you are in expert hands from start to finish.

A professional Tour Host travels with the group, taking care of all the details. They provide security and peace-of-mind, maintain positive group morale, provide assistance through airports, assist with travel disruptions or alterations, reconfirm touring and transfers, all to maximise your holiday experience.

We are driven to help you create lifelong memories and friends that share a passion for travel, food, history, culture and adventure by providing unique itineraries that maximise your travel experience and minimise the hassles.

Let us take you to remote regions of our great country, all seven continents and more importantly, places you didn't know existed.

*Annabel Dolphin*

Annabel Dolphin  
General Manager



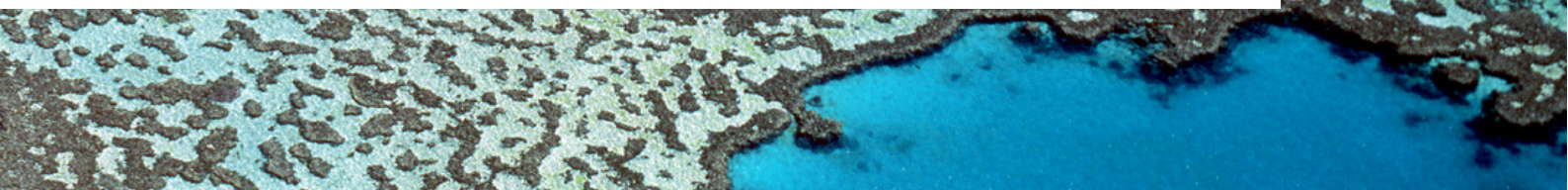
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# HOSTED JOURNEYS

## What sets us apart

### EXCLUSIVE ITINERARIES



On every Hosted Journey, experience locally-inspired moments crafted by our expert team of journey planners. You might explore a local food market by foot, exclusive behind the scenes admission to key attractions, or perhaps a refreshing cocktail in an extraordinary location against a breathtaking sunset. Each of these elements and encounters will broaden the mind and result in unforgettable experiences in each destination.

### PEACE OF MIND



Your well-being and safety is always our first priority. Working with expert operators with long-established relationships in every region allows us to keep our finger on the pulse of local dynamics and to manage your safety and security.

### SMALLER GROUPS



Hosted Journeys specialise in small group travel, meaning you travel in a like-minded group at a pace that suits you all. It also means more one on one interaction with your Tour Host, Tour Director and expert Local Guides, getting to know them for the insightful, dedicated travelling companions they are.

### CULTURAL EXPERIENCES



Our itineraries provide you with an immersive taste of the regions you visit. Hosted Journeys is delighted to share with you many interesting cultures across the world. Expand your horizons and explore the local way of life as we discover authentic cultures that will be sure to make your holiday experience truly special.

### UNIQUE STAYS



At Hosted Journeys, when considering your accommodation, our expert journey planners look at more than just the rooms. Wherever possible, they arrange to stay close to the places you most dream of seeing, close to the people you'll most enjoy meeting and close to the experiences you'll most enjoy discovering. In select locations, enjoy special feature stays with iconic hotels remarkable for their location, character and heritage.

### TOUR HOST



A professional Tour Host travels with each group, taking care of all the details. They provide security and peace-of-mind, maintain positive group morale, provide assistance through airports, assist with any disruptions to your journey, reconfirm touring and transfers, all to maximise your holiday experience.

### INCLUDED SERVICES

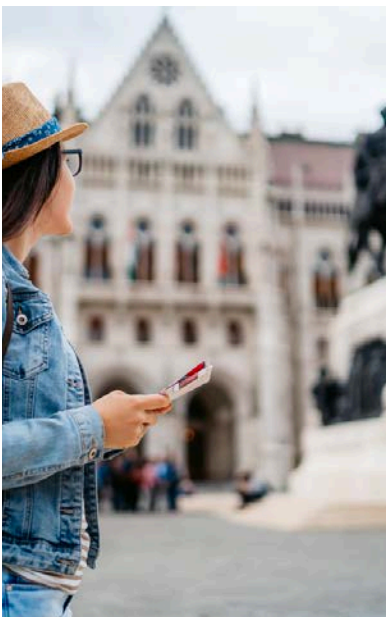


Let us take the strain off your wallet while you are away by making sure you won't need to think about the usual sundry costs of touring, entrance fees, taxes and gratuities. Touring options as per the itinerary are included in the price of the journey, meaning you can focus on the experience, not the expense.

### DINING EXPERIENCES



An authentic taste of a local cuisine is always among the highlights of any holiday. At Hosted Journeys, we ensure you enjoy the perfect mix of planned group meals including celebratory welcome and farewell dinners. You'll experience favourite local restaurants, on select journeys participate in hands-on cooking demonstrations and you may even get to dine with a local family in their home.









## RELAX KNOWING YOU'RE INEXPERIENCED HANDS

Your host will travel with you, taking care of the day-to-day arrangements until the end of each journey. Our hosts are selected for their extensive travel experience and because they have a passion for sharing their wisdom and knowledge. Your host will ensure everything goes to plan, liaising with English-speaking local guides, hotels and dining venues to ensure each itinerary runs smoothly. They also are there to take care of all tipping.

Our hosts will bring an extra dimension to your travel experience; our hosts have been leading guests all over the globe to more than 80 countries across all 7 continents for 35 years.

Johanna has had a passion for travelling and exploring new parts of the world from a very young age. Having worked in the industry for more than 18 years she has been able to step foot on all seven continents. Highlights of Johanna's travels include hosting travellers to Antarctica, Cape York in Queensland and cruising up the marvelous Mekong River. Her favourite travel experience is her animal encounters in Zimbabwe & Botswana.

"I invite you to join me on this exciting holiday to Peru. I am particularly excited to host you as we experience some bucket list destinations like Lake Titicaca, Machu Picchu & staying in a lodge in the Amazon Jungle!"

Johanna Wood  
Groups & Training Manager  
Helloworld Travel Mackay, Mt Pleasant & Willows Townsville



Johanna Wood

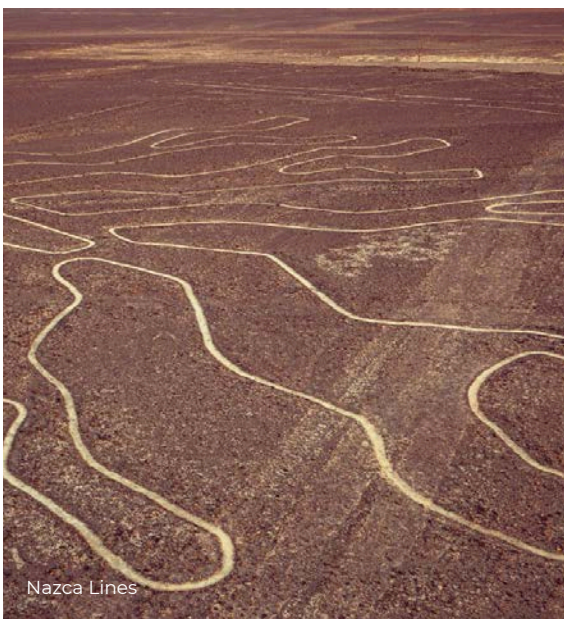
## IT'S ALL ABOUT THE EXPERIENCE

# Explore the highlights of Peru

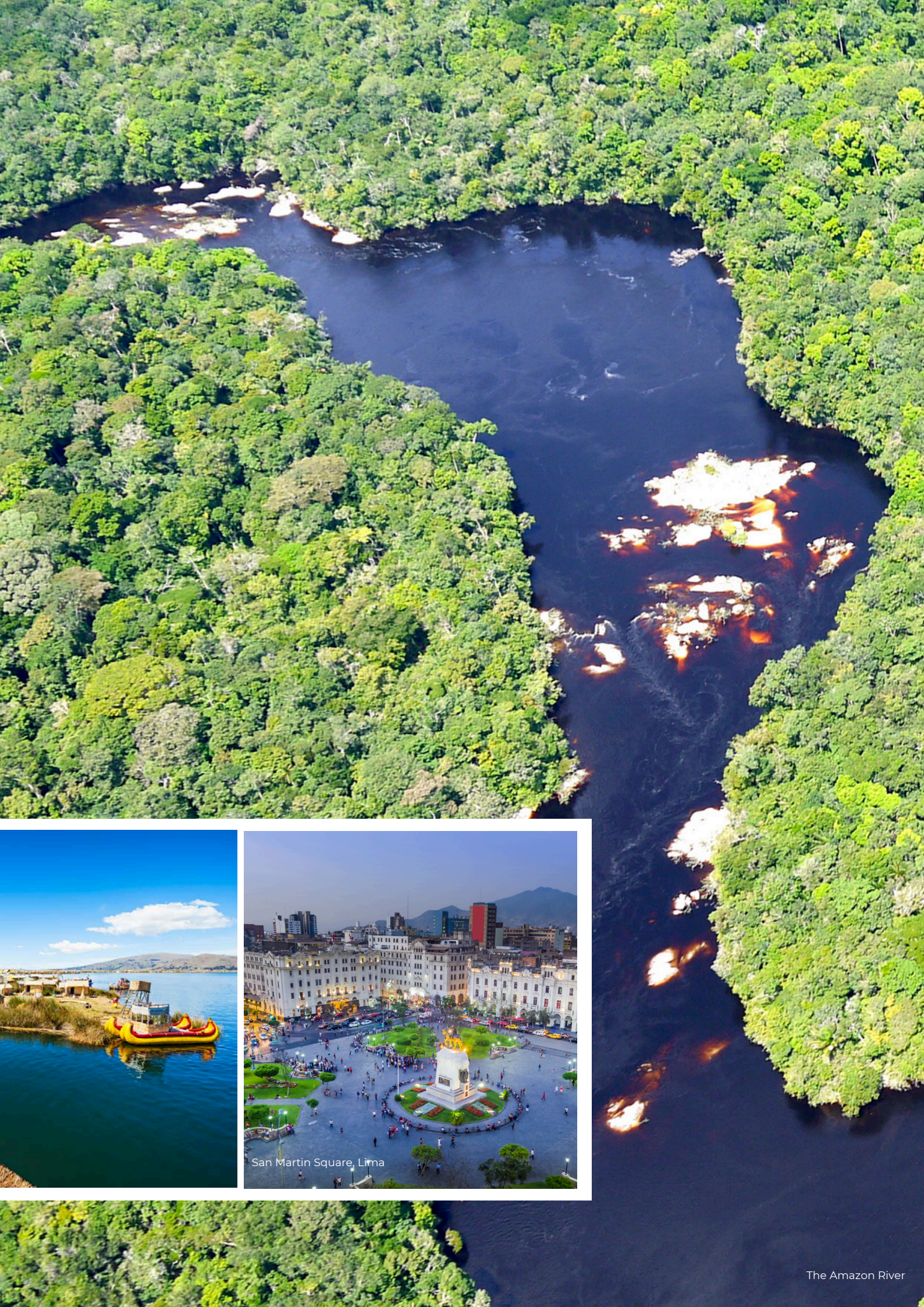
Traveling through Peru is a journey into breathtaking landscapes and rich cultural history. Begin with the enigmatic Nazca Lines, massive ancient geoglyphs that intrigue with their mysterious origins. Venture to Lake Titicaca, the world's highest navigable lake, where the floating Uros Islands offer a glimpse into the traditions of local communities.

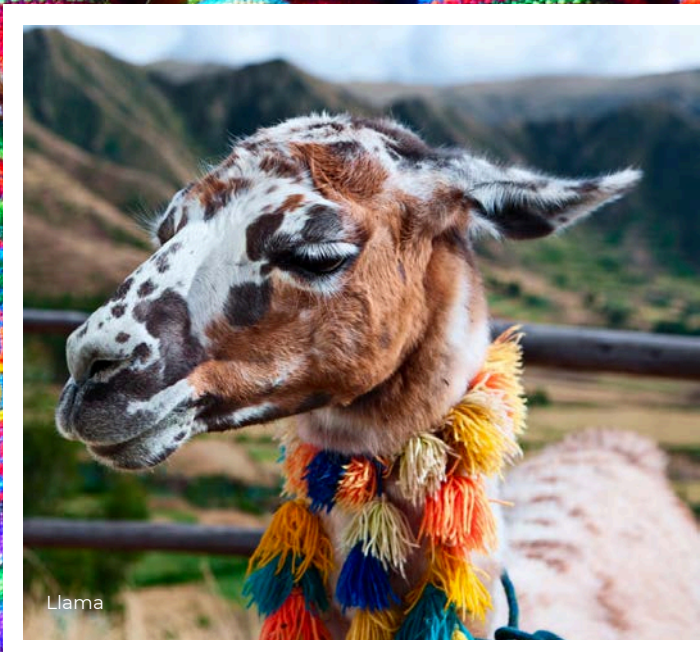
Continue to Cuzco, once the capital of the Inca Empire, where colonial architecture and vibrant markets blend seamlessly with ancient ruins. Nearby, explore the Sacred Valley, a lush region dotted with Inca sites and traditional villages, before reaching the iconic Machu Picchu. This awe-inspiring archaeological site, set high in the Andes, is a bucket-list destination for its breathtaking scenery and historical significance.

Complete your journey in the Amazon Jungle, where you'll immerse yourself in a world of biodiversity, spotting unique wildlife and learning about the vibrant ecosystem of the rainforest. This diverse itinerary captures the spirit of Peru, from ancient wonders to stunning natural landscapes, offering travelers a truly unforgettable adventure.









Llama



Arequipa

# Peru Uncovered

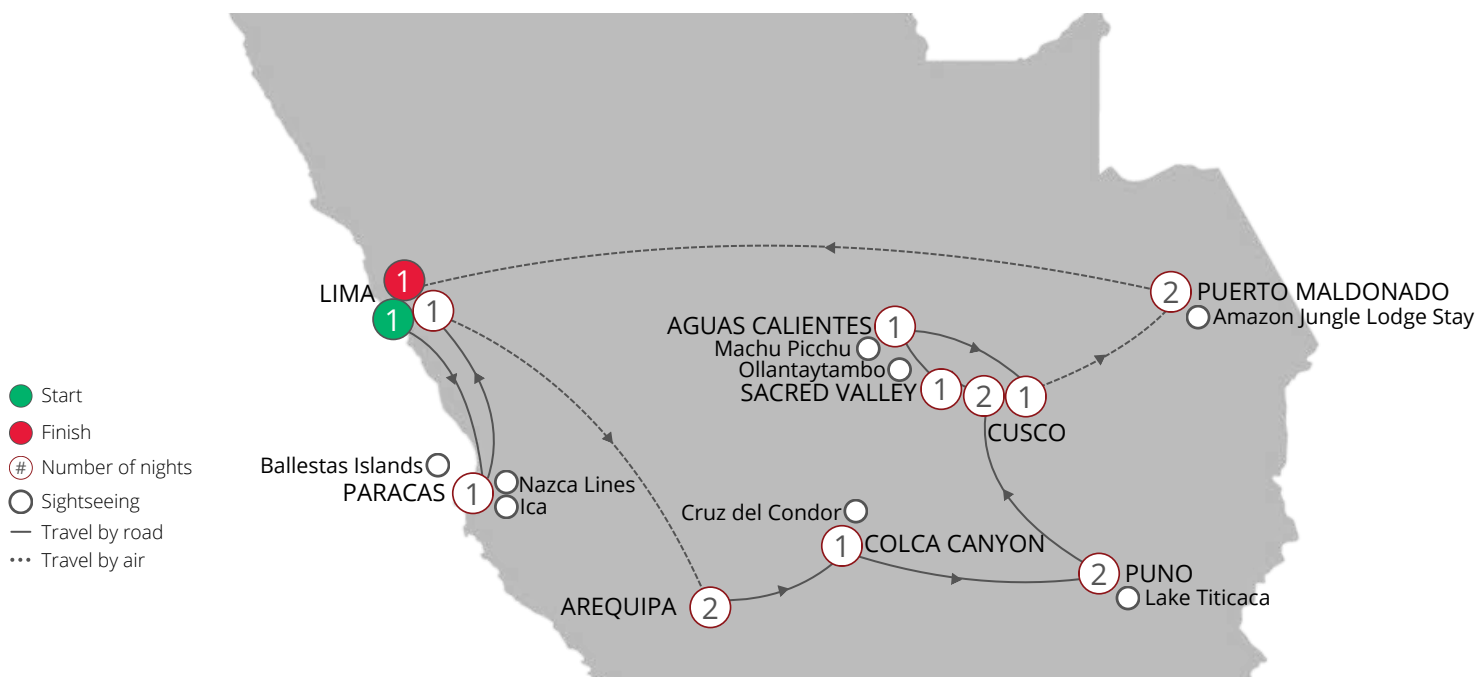
FEATURING MACHU PICCHU

Traveling in Peru offers a unique mix of breathtaking landscapes, from the coastal deserts to the lush Amazon rainforest. The country is home to some of the world's most famous archaeological sites, including the awe-inspiring Machu Picchu and the mysterious Nazca Lines. This Hosted Journey will see you immersed in vibrant Andean culture, exploring bustling markets, sampling local cuisine, and witnessing traditional festivals. With diverse ecosystems and rich cultural history, Peru provides unforgettable experiences for adventurers, history enthusiasts, and nature lovers alike.

TRIP SCALE    Leisurely      On the Go

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Get acquainted with some of Peru's best dishes at a special welcome dinner in Lima
- Travel to Pisco and take a memorable scenic flight over the mysterious Nazca Lines
- Spend time in Paracas National Reserve, well known for its abundant wildlife and unique ecosystem
- Board a day cruise from Paracas Peninsula to the Ballestas Islands in search of wildlife including pelicans, red-footed boobies, flamingos, and even penguins
- Embark on a walking tour of Lima with a local expert guide to discover the city's history and fascinating landmarks
- Drive through the Altiplano high plains to the Colca Valley and Canyon which is twice as deep as the Grand Canyon in
- Soak up the local hot springs in Chivay
- Enjoy a feature stay at the remarkable Aranwa Pueblito Encantado del Colca Hotel on the Colca River
- View the world's largest birds, the Andean Condors, in flight at the Cruz del Condor viewpoint
- Visit the Sillustani archaeological site for a climb to the top of the hill to appreciate the ruined 'chullpas'
- See the striking scenery and unique cultures of Lake Titicaca and visit the floating Uros Islands
- Travel to Cusco, South America's oldest continuously inhabited city, and the home of the Inca for two centuries before the Spanish built their first capital there
- Travel to the Sacred Valley, treasured for its climate, fertile land and the Urubamba (Sacred) River
- Explore the archaeological site of Ollantaytambo with an expert local guide who will discuss the evidence of the Incas' engineering skills
- Travel on the 360 Machu Picchu Train, featuring high domed windows for spectacular views enroute to Aguas Calientes
- Board a bus for the journey to Machu Picchu and join a local guide on a tour of the most famous Inca ruins
- Take the opportunity for a second visit to Machu Picchu to delve deeper into the extraordinary architecture of the many temples, palaces and living quarters
- Travel by motorised canoes into the Amazon Jungle and spot local wildlife like macaws, herons and alligators
- Enjoy a feature stay at the Inkaterra Hacienda Concepcion built in the heart of a 380 hectare-private ecological reserve
- Cruise in a dug-out wooden canoe to quietly glide across Lake Sandoval, keeping an eye out for red howler monkeys, giant river otters and colourful macaws
- Indulge in a special farewell dinner of Peruvian delights while overlooking an ancient pre-Inca archaeological site





Sacred Valley

#### **Day 1. Thu 25 September 2025**

##### **DEPART HOME PORT**

Let's begin our journey as we depart our home port and fly to our International departure point. Due to flight schedules we will spend the night before flying out of Australia. Our Tour Host will travel from Mackay and meet us either at Mackay Airport or in transit.

#### **Day 2. Fri 26 September 2025**

##### **AUSTRALIA - LIMA**

Today we will depart Australia and travel to Lima! Peru's colourful capital is equal parts cosmopolitan and chaotic. On arrival we will be collected from the airport and transferred to our hotel.

This evening we will have our first taste of Lima's world-renowned food scene during a welcome dinner as we find out why Lima is hailed as the culinary capital of South America.

#### **Day 3. Sat 27 September 2025**

##### **LIMA - PARACAS**

We depart Lima this morning and travel to Ica. On the way we will make a stop in Asia to try some traditional artisan breads.

We will then make our way to Pisco to board a flight for an aerial tour of the mysterious Nazca Lines. Etched into the landscape some 22 kilometres north of Nazca, these mysterious wonders are an assortment of perfectly straight lines, trapezoidal zones, and strange symbols of birds and beasts on a giant scale.

Afterwards, travel onto Ica, a beautiful city located in the middle of a green valley surrounded by the desert. This wonderful city stands out thanks to its warm climate, gorgeous white sand dunes and the beautiful lagoon, known by the locals as Huacachina which we will visit this afternoon.

In the early evening we will arrive in Paracas Bay. Paracas National Reserve is well known for its abundant wildlife who thrive off of the unique ecosystem that stimulates a remarkable growth of seaweed. This evening, we will enjoy a restful evening at the hotel.

#### **Day 4. Sun 28 September 2025**

##### **PARACAS - LIMA**

Travel to the coast this morning to the Paracas Peninsula for an excursion to the Ballestas Islands. These islands are home to an abundance of wildlife, including pelicans, red-footed boobies, flamingos, and even penguins. We will enjoy a boat cruise around the islands and see hundreds of sea lions resting at the beaches, sleeping on the rocks or swimming nearby. The Islands also provide shelter to the shy Humboldt penguins which are usually seen at the entrances of small caves near the cliffs.

After touring around the islands will make our way back to Lima in the afternoon.

#### **Day 5. Mon 29 September 2025**

##### **LIMA - AREQUIPA**

Start the day with a walking tour with our leader through downtown Lima. Admire the buildings of Plaza Mayor and visit the eerie catacombs of the Saint Francis Monastery, then head away from the tourist trail to Alameda de Chabuca Granda – an area popular with the locals.

Later, catch a flight to Arequipa – a beautiful Spanish colonial city. Upon arrival we will take in an orientation walk.. Known as La Ciudad Blanca (The White City), Arequipa's buildings have been built almost exclusively from a white volcanic material called sillar, giving the city an appearance like no other. Situated in a valley at the foot of the El Misti volcano, the city also boasts a truly remarkable backdrop.

#### **Day 6. Tue 30 September 2025**

##### **AREQUIPA**

This morning we will join a local guide to explore Plaza de Armas, the city's main square, then continue to the Santa Catalina Monastery. Stop by the San Ignacio Chapel to appreciate its mural paintings. Visit the beautiful Basilica Cathedral of Arequipa to learn about the many layers of the building's history – from its construction in 1656 to its subsequent destructions and rebuilds.

The afternoon is at leisure to explore at your own pace.

**Day 7. Wed 1 October 2025**

**AREQUIPA - COLCA CANYON**

This morning, drive through the Altiplano high plains to the Colca Valley and Canyon. On the way we will see grazing vicunas, llamas and alpacas, as well as stone cairns built by local Indigenous communities. More than twice as deep as the Grand Canyon, the Colca Canyon provides some breathtaking views. The pre-Inca terraces carved into its walls are still cultivated today, and the area is dotted with traditional Indian villages with locals in colourful dress. Stop at the highest point (4910 m) to enjoy views of the landscape below.

Afterwards we will drive to the town of Chivay, where we will have some time to soak up the local hot springs before we continue to the Aranwa Pueblito Encantado del Colca Hotel – featuring a prime location along the rugged Colca River for an evening at leisure.

**Day 8. Thu 2 October 2025**

**COLCA CANYON - PUNO**

Rise early this morning to visit the Cruz del Condor viewpoint, where Andean condors, one of the world's largest flying birds, can often be seen soaring in the air. Afterwards we will continue onto the Sillustani archaeological site and have the chance to climb to the top of the hill to appreciate the ruined 'chullpas', or funeral towers. These towers were built by a pre-Inca civilisation centuries ago to house the remains of noble men.

This afternoon arrive in Puno, located on the shores of Lake Titicaca. Puno is full of Aymara and Quechuan Indian culture and is known as the folklore capital of Peru, famous for its traditional dances.

**Day 9. Fri 3 October 2025**

**PUNO**

Today we will see the striking scenery and unique cultures of the area on a cruise around Lake Titicaca today. We will depart from the port in Puno for the floating Uros Islands. The Uros people constructed these islands to isolate themselves from rival tribes in ancient times. They are built completely from multiple layers of totora reeds, which grow in the shallows of the lake.

We will visit Taquile Island, where we will have the chance to take an hour walk to the top of the hill to see local traditional clothing and shops for woollen handicrafts.

Afterwards we will return to Puno to enjoy sunset over Lake Titicaca, while we sample wine and cheese in the garden.

**Day 10. Sat 4 October 2025**

**PUNO - CUSCO**

Today we have a big day of travel ahead as we make our way to Cusco. The journey will be broken up with plenty of stops, including a visit to the Raqchi Archaeological Site.

We will arrive in Cusco by late afternoon. Cusco is South America's oldest continuously inhabited city, and was the home of the Inca for two centuries before the Spanish built their first capital here. Today Cusco is a fascinating combination of both cultures. At 3450 m above sea level, it's important to take time to acclimatise to the city's altitude.

This evening, take a casual walk around Plaza de Armas with our leader before an evening at leisure to explore at your own pace or dine in some excellent local restaurants.

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**Day 11. Sun 5 October 2025**

**CUSCO**

This morning, discover the best of Cusco on a walking tour. First, enjoy a special tour of the World Heritage-listed Cusco Cathedral with a local historian guide. Built on top of an Incan palace, the building is now one of Cusco's greatest repositories of art, and our guide will share its history from past to present.

Afterwards we will take a tour of the Coricancha Temple with a local guide. The temple was once covered in sheets of gold that were eventually removed to raise a ransom for the life of Atahualpa, and later the Spanish demolished the temple to build a Dominican church on its foundations.

Soon after, travel to the colourful San Pedro market where we will enjoy an afternoon at leisure.

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**Day 12. Mon 6 October 2025**

**CUSCO - SACRED VALLEY**

Today we will travel to the Sacred Valley. Treasured for its climate, fertile land and the Urubamba (Sacred) River, the valley has long been the main source of food in the high Andes. We will visit AMA – a local restaurant specialising in organic produce, and learn how they support single mothers in the Sacred Valley.

Afterwards we continue to Willoq community to take part in an ancient cooking ritual known as pachamanca. This cooking method, which dates back to the time of the Inca empire, sees meats and vegetables marinated in spices cooked slowly in the earth. We will also learn about traditional textile techniques that are used by the community and have the chance to make our own bracelet with the local women!

This afternoon we continue to the town of Ollantaytambo. Built over an ancient Inca settlement, this is one of the few places where the Inca defeated the Spanish. Explore the archaeological site with an expert local guide who will discuss the evidence of the Incas' engineering skills in the ruins of ancient aqueducts, irrigation canals, dams on the Urubamba River and towering sets of terraces.

**Day 13. Tue 7 October 2025**

**SACRED VALLEY - AGUAS CALIENTES**

Today's journey from Ollantaytambo to Aguas Calientes will reveal some of the country's most spectacular scenery. We will board the 360 Machu Picchu Train – with high domed windows in each carriage, there's few better ways to view the magical Andes Mountains. The train also features an open-air observation carriage so we can marvel at the landscape from every angle.

We will disembark the train in Aguas Calientes and make our way to the hotel to drop off our belongings, before we take a short bus up the winding road to Machu Picchu. We will be joined by a guide who will take us through the ruins and share stories of its history and the ancestral people of the region. The true purpose behind Machu Picchu may always be a mystery, since no historical records of the complex exist. Most archaeologists, however, believe it to be the 15th-century headquarters of Emperor Pachacuti.

After our visit to Machu Picchu we will take the bus back down to Aguas Calientes to enjoy dinner at the hotel this evening.

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**Day 14. Wed 8 October 2025****B D****AGUAS CALIENTES - CUSCO**

This morning, rise before the sun and take the winding road back up to Machu Picchu for another morning uncovering its secrets. On our second visit, explore more of the extraordinary architecture of the many temples, palaces and living quarters. The sight of the ruins of Machu Picchu against a lush backdrop of forested mountain is one to remember. Afterwards we will take the bus back to Aguas Calientes, then catch a train back to Ollantaytambo. From here, we will take the drive back to Cusco for the evening.

**Day 15. Thu 9 October 2025****B L D****CUSCO - AMAZON JUNGLE**

Today we will fly to Puerto Maldonado. On arrival we will take a bus to the port where we will board motorised canoes and journey into the Amazon rainforest. We will keep an eye out for macaws, herons, alligators and capybaras along the way.

We will enjoy a feature stay at the Inkaterra Hacienda Concepcion for the next two nights. Built in the heart of a 380 hectare-private ecological reserve, this unique resort is focused on the conservation of local habitats and features 25 private cabanas plus an on-site team of expert local guides.

Enjoy lunch at the lodge then explore the Concepcion Trails with an expert guide. As darkness begins to fall, join a guided Twilight River boat ride and see how many caimans we can spot lurking on the riverbanks. Dinner this evening draws on local Amazon ingredients to create a meal to remember.

**Day 16. Fri 10 October 2025****B L D****AMAZON JUNGLE**

After breakfast, board a dug-out wooden canoe to quietly glide across Lake Sandoval, keeping an eye out for red howler monkeys, giant river otters and colourful macaws.

After lunch we have the opportunity to walk along the Inkaterra Canopy Walkway – a 344 m network of suspension bridges that suspend high above the forest floor to some of the best places to spot toucans, woodpeckers, monkeys and three-toed sloths.

Tonight, join a night walk to discover the nocturnal activity in the surrounding areas before dinner at the lodge.

**Day 17. Sat 11 October 2025****B D****AMAZON JUNGLE - LIMA**

This morning, travel back to Puerto Maldonado, then take a flight to Lima, arriving in the early afternoon.

Enjoy a few hours at leisure to explore the city's sights during an afternoon at leisure. Take the opportunity to do some last minute souvenir shopping, or visit the city sights as we enjoy our final afternoon in Peru.

Tonight we will enjoy a special farewell dinner as we overlook an ancient pre-Inca archaeological site and enjoy a delectable menu of Peruvian delights. This final dinner is sure to leave us with a lasting memory of our time in Peru.

**Day 18. Sun 12 October 2025****B****DEPART LIMA**

Today we will bid farewell to Peru as we transfer to the airport and begin our journey back to Australia.

**Day 19. Mon 13 October 2025****IN FLIGHT**

Continue our journey as we cross the International Date Line.

**Day 20. Tue 14 October 2025****ARRIVE AUSTRALIA - HOME PORT**

Today we arrive back in Australia and fly to our Home Port. Our Tour Host will travel to Mackay and bid you farewell enroute or on arrival in Mackay.

**INCLUDED SERVICES**

- Economy Class flight from Home Port to Lima & return
- Private transfers throughout the itinerary
- 14 nights hotel accommodation
- 2 nights lodge accommodation
- English speaking tour leader & local guides for sightseeing outlined in the itinerary
- Transport by various means as outlined in the itinerary
- Gratuities for local guides and transfer drivers
- Services of an experienced Helloworld Travel Tour Host
- 16 x Breakfasts (B), 5 x Lunches (L), 8 x Dinners (D)

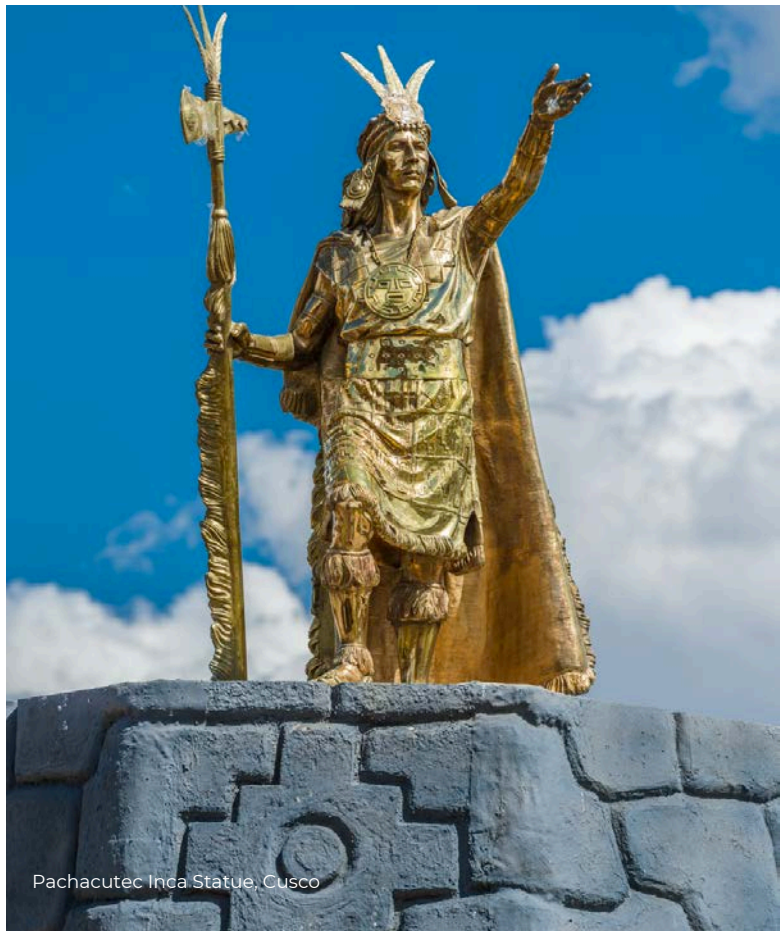
DEPARTURE CITY	Mackay	Townsville	Brisbane
Twin Share	\$14,995	\$15,195	\$14,795
Single Room	\$18,495	\$18,695	\$18,295

\*Prices are per person twin share

# DISCOVER THE HISTORY OF *The Incas*



Coricancha Temple, Cusco



Pachacutec Inca Statue, Cusco



Inca Farming Land

The Inca Empire, or Tawantinsuyu ("The Four Regions"), was the largest empire in pre-Columbian America, spanning modern-day Peru, Ecuador, Bolivia, northern Chile, and parts of Argentina and Colombia. Its origins trace back to the highlands around Cuzco, where, according to legend, the first emperor, Manco Cápac, was sent by the sun god Inti to bring order and civilization to the region.

Through diplomacy, alliances, and military conquests, the Incas evolved from a regional society into a powerful empire. Expansion accelerated under the leadership of Pachacuti Inca Yupanqui in the 15th century. Pachacuti is credited with establishing the empire's centralized governance system, which allowed the Incas to manage resources and labor efficiently across vast territories. He divided the empire into four suyus, or regions, each governed by officials loyal to the emperor in Cuzco.

The empire's success was partly due to an extensive road network, the Qhapaq Ñan, spanning over 24,000 miles. This network connected diverse regions across mountains, deserts, and jungles, enabling effective communication, trade, and rapid military mobilization. Inca engineering skills are evident in their road construction, which featured bridges, stairways, and rest stations that allowed movement across challenging terrain.

Agriculture was another cornerstone of Inca society. They developed advanced techniques for farming on Andean slopes, such as terracing to prevent erosion and increase arable land. These terraces allowed the Incas to cultivate staple crops like potatoes, maize, and quinoa in high-altitude environments. To ensure a stable food supply, they constructed elaborate irrigation systems and storage facilities, called qollqas, which safeguarded against famine by preserving food for long periods. The mita, or labor tax system, required communities to contribute labor to state projects, supporting large-scale construction efforts and agricultural infrastructure.

Religion was central to the Incas, with a polytheistic belief system that worshiped natural forces and deities, most notably Inti, the sun god. Temples dedicated to Inti, such as the Coricancha in Cuzco, served as religious and cultural centers. The Incas performed ceremonies involving offerings of food, textiles, and, at times, human sacrifices to maintain harmony between the natural and spiritual worlds. The Inca Empire's decline began with the arrival of Spanish conquistadors in 1532, led by Francisco Pizarro. The empire was already weakened by a civil war between rival heirs Huáscar and Atahualpa and the introduction of European diseases like smallpox. Pizarro captured and executed Atahualpa, leading to the empire's rapid collapse, and by 1572, the Spanish had fully subdued the region.

Despite the conquest, Inca culture endures. Architectural masterpieces like Machu Picchu and agricultural practices developed by the Incas continue to inspire awe. Today, many Peruvians, particularly Quechua-speaking descendants, uphold Inca traditions, keeping the cultural heritage and legacy of this remarkable civilization alive. Through festivals, crafts, and language, the spirit of the Inca Empire continues to be celebrated, maintaining its influence on Peruvian identity.

# ACCOMMODATION HIGHLIGHTS *Special Stays*

## *Aranwa Pueblito Encantado del Colca Hotel, Colca Canyon*

Nestled in the heart of the magnificent Colca Valley, this dream hotel is an oasis rich in legends, cultural heritage, and awe-inspiring natural beauty. Set along the peaceful Colca River in the district of Coporaque, this unique hotel lies about three hours from the historic city of Arequipa.

Coporaque, a short ten-minute drive from the town of Chivay, is a village steeped in mysticism, religious devotion, and cultural festivals that honor a way of life preserved over centuries. It's a place where visitors are transported into a world where ancient customs remain alive, offering an immersive experience in Peru's heritage. From local celebrations to Andean rituals, the area is a living museum, offering guests a unique glimpse into customs rarely seen elsewhere.

As you approach Aranwa Pueblito Encantado del Colca, an old watermill stands at the entrance, serving as a symbolic gateway to the hotel and the wonders that await in the valley. This region is celebrated for its rare and diverse flora and fauna, with vibrant blooms and local wildlife adding to the charm. The valley is also home to the majestic Andean condor, one of Peru's most iconic birds. Watching these magnificent creatures soar effortlessly through the vivid blue skies is a truly hypnotic experience, adding an ethereal touch to this enchanting landscape.

Nearby lies the Colca Canyon, one of the deepest canyons in the world and a renowned natural marvel. At nearly twice the depth of the Grand Canyon, Colca Canyon is a breathtaking sight, with steep cliffs, ancient agricultural terraces, and the winding Colca River cutting through the rugged terrain. The Inca and pre-Inca terraces, still used for farming, blend harmoniously with the natural beauty, offering a landscape that's both functional and awe-inspiring.

The hotel's lush gardens, framed by the grandeur of the Andean peaks, provide a serene environment for relaxation and reflection. By night hundreds of stars, unblemished by city lights, create a celestial canvas enhancing the magical ambiance.





## *Inkaterra Hacienda Concepcion Lodge, Amazon Jungle*



Deep within the heart of the Amazon – where the story of Inkaterra first began – lays Inkaterra Hacienda Concepción, located between the Tambopata National Reserve and the shores of the Madre de Dios River. 25 private cabanas sitting majestically on stilts and a 5-room casa grande with high ceilings and a rustic thatched roof are peppered around the property.

An astonishing selection of activities are led by local explorer guides, offering first-hand knowledge of the Peruvian Amazon. Excursions include a visit to Lake Sandoval, a water mirror inhabited by Howler monkeys, caimans and giant river otters.

The Lodge is built in a former cacao and rubber plantation, on the grounds of what was back in the 50's "Fundo Concepción", an Amazon Catholic medical mission center. It is located in an enchanting and serene, lush setting within 819 hectares of natural rainforest. The rainforest acts as a buffer zone between the Tambopata National Park Reserve and the shores of the vast Madre de Dios river, making the location of this new lodge quite unique and wonderfully remote.

Located only 8 kilometers / 25 minutes down river from Puerto Maldonado, Hacienda Concepción can only be reached by taking a scenic canoe ride from the town.

Puerto Maldonado, in the Southern Peruvian rainforest near the Bolivian and Brazilian borders, is the gateway to one of the world's most remote and extraordinary tropical environments. Your journey will take you to the heart of the Tambopata National Reserve, where you will experience magnificent beauty in the sounds, scents, colors and solitude of the rainforest. You will find yourself surrounded by a vast environment, connecting with nature in an entirely new way.

This pristine, remote and yet easily accessible lodge is a welcoming haven situated at the heart of a 380 hectare-private ecological reserve that is sure delight.





The following terms and conditions form the basis of your contract with Helloworld Travel Hosted Journeys ('Hosted Journeys'). Please read them carefully as they set out your and our respective rights and obligations. Payment of your deposit to Hosted Journeys confirms that you have read, understand and agree with the conditions outlined below and a more detailed version on the Hosted Journeys website, [www.hostedjourneys.com.au](http://www.hostedjourneys.com.au)

**Deposit, Booking & Medical Form & Final Payment Details:**

A non-refundable deposit of \$1,500 per person (unless otherwise stated) is due within 7 days of making a booking. You are also required to complete a Hosted Journeys Booking & Medical Form and return it to your Travel Consultant. Please also attach a copy of your photo ID or the photo page of your passport (for international travel) Bookings are subject to auto cancel after 7 days if the deposit and Booking & Medical Form is not received.

Final payment is due no later than Friday 20 June 2025, failure to make payment prior to this date may result in your booking being cancelled and your deposit forfeited. If your reservation is made after this date, full payment is required at time of booking.

**Holiday Pricing:**

The package price is per person based on twin share accommodation and subject to a minimum number of passengers booked. Should minimum numbers not be met, we reserve the right to withdraw the departure prior to final payment date and a refund of your paid deposit will be offered. Alternatively the tour will proceed as planned however the Tour Host may not travel with the group. Your holiday pricing may increase if minimum numbers are not met. Deposits merely hold the reservations and, due to ongoing currency fluctuations, prices cannot be guaranteed until final payment has been made. Hosted Journeys reserves the right to modify program itineraries, included sightseeing and substitute accommodations and transportation at any time due to unforeseen circumstances. In such circumstances, we will do our best to supply comparable services, accommodations and itineraries, and there shall be no refund in this situation.

**Special Requests:**

Specific requests such as bedding, adjacent rooms, seat requests on flights and special meal requirements can be made on your Booking Form. Please note, Hosted Journeys will do everything they can to accommodate your requests, however, they can not be guaranteed.

**Solo Traveller | Single Accommodation:**

A select number of single rooms are available on each tour. It is important to note that in certain countries a single room may mean a single bed in the room. If you are a single traveller and willing to share with another single traveller, let your Travel Consultant know. When possible, Hosted Journeys will liaise with your consultant to advise if a traveller of the same gender is also willing to share. Your consultant will facilitate contact between the single travellers prior to confirmation to ensure you are agreed compatible travellers. This cannot be guaranteed. If another single traveller is not available, the single supplement must be paid.

**Travel Insurance:**

Travel Insurance is compulsory when travelling with Hosted Journeys on International Itineraries. We recommend Covermore (offered by Helloworld Travel) as, whilst you are away, our Tour Host can communicate directly with our Covermore representative and provide assistance when making claims or enquiries. If you choose an alternative insurance provider, our Tour Host cannot guarantee assistance.

"Covermore Insurance is issued by Great Lakes Australia (ARBN 127 740 532, ABN 18 964 580 576, FSL 318603). Any advice provided is general advice only. Please consider your needs, financial situation and the combined FSG/PDS available from us before deciding to buy this insurance.

**Tour Hosts:**

Our Hosted Journeys are facilitated by a Helloworld Travel Tour Host. The decision of the Tour Host is final on all matters likely to affect the safety or well-being of any fellow traveller or staff member. If you fail to comply with a decision made by a Tour Host, or interfere with the well-being or mobility of the group, the Tour Host may direct you to leave the tour immediately, with no right of refund. We may also elect not to carry you on any future Hosted Journeys. You must, at all times, comply with the laws, customs, foreign exchange and drug regulations of all countries visited.

**What's not included:**

Items such as (and not limited to) passports, items of a personal nature, beverages, meals and sightseeing not detailed on the itinerary, excess baggage, portage (unless specified) and travel insurance.

**Photo ID, Passport & Visas:**

Your reservations must be made in exactly the same name as your photo ID or passport (for international travel). Should any amendments to names be made from those advised on the Booking Form, or if a change needs to be made as a Booking Form was not supplied, fees will apply. For International Itineraries please ensure you have a current passport that is valid for at least six months after your scheduled return home to Australia. It is the guests sole responsibility to obtain, and have available when necessary, the appropriate valid travel documents.

**Documentation:**

Approximately one month prior to departure you will be sent an invitation to attend your pre-departure event where you can meet your fellow travelers and collect your travel documents. The event will be held in Mackay QLD, approximately two weeks prior to your departure. If you are not located in Mackay QLD, your travel documents will be couriered to you or your Travel Consultant.

**Social Media & Imagery:**

By signing your Booking Form you consent to Hosted Journeys using images of you taken by the Tour Host during the Hosted Journey for advertising and promotional purposes in any medium we choose. You grant us a perpetual, royalty-free, worldwide, irrevocable license to use such images for publicity and promotional purposes.

**Changes & Amendment Fees:**

If you extend or alter your holiday, a minimum fee of \$100 per person per change is payable to Hosted Journeys to cover administrative and communication costs. This is in addition to any fees charged by airlines and applicable suppliers.

**Refunds & Cancellation:**

Cancellation must be in writing and such notice is not effective until received by Hosted Journeys. Any part payments received by Hosted Journeys over and above your deposit, including payment for airfares, will be subject to cancellation fees at the discretion of Hosted Journeys plus any third party suppliers. A 100% cancellation fee will apply if your reservation is cancelled on or after the final payment deadline.

In the event that an act of terrorism or natural disaster occurs at your chosen travel destination after your final payment has been made, but before your departure date, Hosted Journeys will perform all possible efforts to minimise your travel disruptions. However in extreme cases, your tour may be altered or cancelled for your safety. Hosted Journeys can not be held responsible should any third party suppliers be unable to offer any refunds due to such causes.

If due to unforeseen circumstances there has been a change in your reservation that results in requiring either a partial or a full refund, Hosted Journeys will work with your Travel Consultant to arrange this.

Refunds will be subject to the terms and conditions of the third party travel providers that Hosted Journeys have booked the travel arrangements with. It is important to note that third party travel providers have restrictive terms and conditions for group travel and can differ from those outlined in their brochure or on their website. Hosted Journeys cannot be held responsible for any travel providers delays in issuing refunds. Some refunds, such as airlines, are known to take at least 3 - 6 months. Similarly, any refund for a cancelled booking can only be paid to you, once the supplier provides the refund to Hosted Journeys.

Hosted Journeys take pride in providing an exclusive travel experience and often take a long time to plan and book the travel arrangements included in your chosen itinerary. Any remuneration earned by Hosted Journeys will remain non-refundable.

**Liability & Privacy:**

Hosted Journeys acts as a wholesale travel provider within the Helloworld Travel Network. We sell various travel related products on behalf of numerous transportation, accommodation and other wholesale service providers, such as airlines, coach, rail and cruise line operators. Hosted Journeys' obligation is to make travel bookings on your behalf and to arrange relevant contracts between you and the travel service providers. We have no responsibility for these services nor do we make or give any warranty or representation regarding their standard. All bookings are made subject to the terms and conditions and limitations of liability imposed by these service providers groups departments. Your legal recourse is against the specific provider and not Helloworld Travel or Hosted Journeys. If, for any reason, any travel service provider is unable to provide the services for which you have contracted your remedy lies against the provider and not with Hosted Journeys.

It is important that you, and all members of your travelling party are aware of these terms and conditions as they may relate all or in part to the bookings held by Hosted Journeys on your behalf. If you are making bookings on behalf of more than one person, we will be happy to provide you with more than one copy of these terms and conditions if requested.

All reservations have been booked under the terms and conditions laid down by the airlines and tour providers groups departments. It is important to understand that each tour provider has different terms and conditions for group travel and these will differ from the Terms & Conditions for leisure travel.

We do not accept any liability of whatever nature, whether in contract, tort or otherwise, for the acts, omissions or default, whether negligent or otherwise, of third party providers over whom we have no direct control. Under circumstances where liability cannot be excluded, such liability is limited to the value of the purchased travel arrangements. We do not accept any liability in contract, tort or otherwise for any injury, damage, loss (including consequential loss), delay, additional expense or inconvenience caused directly or indirectly by force majeure or any other event which is beyond our control which is not preventable by reasonable diligence on our part. Third party excursions such as scenic flights, boat cruises, helicopter flights, cable car rides, some 4WD tours, white water rafting, camel rides, hot air ballooning, rail, rural homestay options are not operated by Hosted Journeys, nor by persons or companies associated with Hosted Journeys. These activities may involve inherent risk of injury, death, accident, delay and loss, and clients assume all such risk with regard to any misadventure, death, injury, delay or loss which occurs during, or as a result of, any such activity.

Hosted Journeys collects information about you (including health information where necessary) and may disclose your personal information to organisations which provide services to Hosted Journeys to enable us to provide products and services to you, process your travel arrangements and facilitate your participation in loyalty programs. If the information is not provided, we may not be able to fulfil the service requested. As a Hosted Journeys customer, you may, at any time, request further information about the way we manage your personal information. You may also request removal from our contact lists or correct your personal information by contacting us in writing.

**Medical & Travel Health:**

Hosted Journeys seeks to provide a safe, memorable and enjoyable travel experience for all guests and welcomes guests with special needs or disabilities provided they are accompanied by an able-bodied companion and do not require special assistance from Hosted Journeys Tour Host or other travellers. You must complete a Hosted Journeys Medical, Health & Mobility Form at the time of booking and advise of any physical, medical, or other particular needs that may affect your enjoyment of the tour or its enjoyment by others; and you must ensure that you are medically and physically able to travel. Failure to do so may result in the termination of your travel arrangements without any liability on the part of Hosted Journeys. Hosted Journeys reserves the right at its discretion to exclude from a tour, or to terminate the travel arrangements during the course of the tour without refund, of anyone who: is unable to cope with the requirements of coach travel – this includes embarking and disembarking 4-6 steps that are approximately 30 centimetres high, at each stop of the coach, which, on some tours, is at least 8 times per day, may need services or facilities that are not available, fails to comply with the reasonable instructions of Hosted Journeys Tour Host, engages in illegal or undesirable behaviour or interferes with the enjoyment of or jeopardises the safety of other participants

Anyone so excluded will be required to disembark at a safe public location, transportation from which will be wholly their responsibility. You agree that Hosted Journeys is released from all liability for, and you agree not to hold Hosted Journeys responsible for, termination of your travel arrangements in accordance with the previous condition, or any decision made by Hosted Journeys or by any service provider who refuses to provide you with special accommodation facilities or services that are not available or who refuses to carry you by reason of any disability or medical condition. Any changes to health, mobility and fitness must also be reported to Hosted Journeys as soon as possible and prior to departure.

**Complaints:**

If you have a complaint please inform your Tour Host or our local representative at the time so they can attempt to rectify the matter whilst travelling. If satisfaction is not reached through these means then any further complaint should be put in writing to us within 30 days of the end of the tour in order to expediate and escalate your complaint.

**Brochure Accuracy, Images & Maps within this publication:**

Hosted Journeys has endeavoured to ensure that the information given in this brochure is correct to the best of its knowledge at the time of going to print. All images are used with permission and are subject to copyright from their source. Maps may not be to scale or represent 100% location accuracy for the purpose of readability. Hosted Journeys can not be responsible for changes in factual data or imagery and recommend you confirm the details of your chosen holiday package at the time of booking. Hosted Journeys will endeavour to notify you of any significant changes prior to departure.

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