



## Customer Name: Cannon x 20

### Day 1: Fri, 18<sup>th</sup> Nov: Lima: Arrival

We meet you at the airport and transfer you to your hotel.

The rest of the day is free to relax and get acquainted with Peru's bustling capital city, overlooking the Pacific Ocean.

Overnight in Hotel Girasoles, or similar, in twin rooms, with breakfast.

### Day 2: Sat, 19<sup>th</sup> Nov: Lima: Cricket

### Day 3: Sun, 20<sup>th</sup> Nov: Lima: Cricket

### Day 4: Mon, 21<sup>st</sup> Nov: Lima – Puno

Today we transfer you to Lima Airport for your flight to Juliaca.

Upon arrival at JUL, we welcome you. From here we drive across the stark *altiplano* to Puno. Along the way, we visit the ancient burial ground of Sillustani. The tombs are built above the ground and the inside of the tombs are shaped like a womb: the ancient Peruvians believed that Mother Earth created and regulated life.

Upon arrival in Puno we check into the hotel and acclimatize to life at nearly 4,000m/13,000ft.

Overnight in Hotel Hacienda, or similar, in twin rooms, with breakfast.

### Day 5: Tues, 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov: Lake Titicaca: Uros Islands & Amantani: Lunch & Dinner

In the morning, we take a boat onto Lake Titicaca. We visit the man-made floating Islands of Uros to get an impression of how the Aymara-speaking locals have lived for centuries

We then continue to Amantani Island, where we have the privilege of staying the night with locals and enjoying their traditional way of life and hospitality. The views of the snow-capped *Cordillera Real* mountains in Bolivia overlooking the lake are the icing on the cake!

Overnight with a local community family on Amantani.

### Day 6: Weds, 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov: Lake Titicaca: Taquile Island; Return to Puno: Lunch

On our way back to Puno we stop over on Taquile Island, where time appears to have stood still. Around 350 Quechua-speaking families live here, operating a collective agricultural system dating from the 14<sup>th</sup> Century and renowned for their textiles - beautifully woven *chumpis* (belts), *chullos* (caps), and *ojotas* (sandals).



The evening is free for the brave to sample some local cuisine: guinea pig (known locally as *cuy*) perhaps? Or maybe alpaca?

Overnight in Hotel Hacienda, or similar, in twin rooms, with breakfast.

**Day 7: Thurs, 24<sup>th</sup> Nov: Puno – Cusco:** Lunch included

After breakfast, today is spent on the jaw dropping ride across the *altiplano* to Cusco, the ancient capital of the Inca Empire. This drive will take us through sleepy Andean villages, past spectacular snow capped mountains, sheer cliffs and rampaging rivers. Stops along the way include the atmospheric towns of Pucara and Andahuaylillas, and the pre-Inca ruin of Raqchi.

We arrive in the famous city of Cusco in the early evening.

Overnight in Hotel Sol Plaza Inn, or similar, in twin rooms, with breakfast.

**Day 8: Fri, 25<sup>th</sup> Nov: City Tour**

This morning, you are free to wander Cusco's attractive streets and get a feel for this magical place.

During the afternoon we have a private guided bus tour of the city, in order to appreciate fully the magnificent blend of Colonial and Inca influence on the city. We visit the Cathedral, the Rock of the 12 Angles, and Inca ruins such as Sacsayhuaman, Qenqo and Koricancha.

The evening is free to sample some of Cusco's famous nightlife first hand!

Overnight in Hotel Sol Plaza Inn, or similar, in twin rooms, with breakfast.

**Day 9: Sat, 26<sup>th</sup> Nov: Cusco: Sacred Valley Tour:** Lunch

Today, we explore the "Sacred Valley of the Incas" on a private tour. This fertile river valley was home to many important sites for the Incas, both strategic and religious.

Our first stop is the village of Pisac, with its famous market, where you can pick up a bargain! You have free time to wander the market stalls before we visit the ruins above the town, which were an important Inca religious centre.

After Pisac we continue our journey along the river to Urubamba, to the giant Inca fortress of Ollantaytambo which was the scene of one of the most famous battles between the Incas and the invading Spanish conquistadors, with the Incas being victorious.

The evening is free to sample some of Cusco's famous nightlife first hand!

Overnight in Hotel Sol Plaza Inn, or similar, in twin rooms, with breakfast.

**Day 10: Sun, 27<sup>th</sup> Nov: Machu Picchu**

After an early breakfast, we leave the hotel to take the train to Machu Picchu. After an impressive train ride of 4 hours through mountain valleys, cloud forest, and high rainforest, we reach this wonder of the world. Here the 'Lost City of the Incas' occupies a ridge spur high above the raging Vilcanota River.

We have a guided tour of the site, as well as some free time to appreciate this amazing place. For the energetic, there is the chance to climb the emblematic Huayna Picchu (Little Mountain).



At the end of the day you descend by bus to the small town of Aguas Calientes to take the train back to Cusco.

Overnight in Hotel Sol Plaza Inn, or similar, in twin rooms, with breakfast.

**Day 11: Mon, 28<sup>th</sup> Nov: Cusco – Puerto Maldonado – Ecoamazonia Lodge:** Breakfast/Lunch/ Dinner

This morning we transfer you to the airport for your flight to Puerto Maldonado.

Upon arrival at Puerto Maldonado airport at, we take you on a brief city tour in an ecological bus, transfer to river port on the Madre de Dios River. Boat journey down river to Ecoamazonia Lodge. Brief orientation and lunch.

In the afternoon, we take a guided visit to Monkey Island to observe several kinds of monkeys including the black spider monkey, capuchin monkey, tamarind and squirrel monkey.

We then return to the lodge and enjoy the sunset and dinner.

**Day 12: Tues, 29<sup>th</sup> Nov: EcoAmazonia Lodge: Cocha Perdida:** Breakfast/Lunch/ Dinner

After breakfast, we take a guided walk along the trails until we reach Cocha Perdida (Lost Lake), a virgin rainforest with swamps and marshes, which protects a great diversity of animals such as giant otters, caimans, turtles, Brazilian tapirs, birds and jaguars.

Afterwards we visit the Amazon Watch Tower for a panoramic view of the rainforest, from the top of an immense tree (the Shihuahuaco). We take a canoe ride around the lake and return to the lodge for lunch.

In the afternoon, we take another canoe trip down the river to visit a local family.

We return to lodge for dinner and overnight.

**Day 13: Weds, 30<sup>th</sup> Nov: EcoAmazonia Lodge: Gamitana River:** Breakfast/Lunch/ Dinner

After breakfast, we'll start another excursion through the magical jungle, navigating along the Madre de Dios River, then begin our walk towards the Gamitana River (also known as the Briolo River), which springs from the heart of the virgin jungle. Its impressive curves form long channels that we'll navigate by canoe while observing turtles, caimans, birds and a wide variety of insects. We'll also be able to fish and take a quick dip in the river.

We'll return to the lodge and end the day with a pleasant dinner.

**Day 14: Thurs, 1<sup>st</sup> Dec: Amazon – Lima**

This morning we transfer you to Puerto Maldonado airport for your flight to Lima, via Cusco.

We meet you at LIM airport and then spend the afternoon touring Lima, the Colonial "City of Kings", to get a first hand glimpse of its majestic past. We visit sites such as the Cathedral and Presidential Palace overlooking the Plaza de Armas, and the Catacombs beneath San Francisco Convent. We get to see, first hand, Lima's magnificent Colonial architecture as well as vignettes of its pre-Colombian past.

Overnight in Hotel Girasoles, or similar, in two single rooms, with breakfast.

**Day 15: Fri, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec: Lima: Airport Transfer**



Today, at the appropriate time, we transfer you to LIM airport for your flight to Buenos Aires.

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