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TRIP DETAILS

8 days / 7 nts - Peru

Departures Daily

Trip Ref 3013

ITINERARY IN BRIEF

Lima

Trujillo

Chiclayo

Cajamarca

Lima



PRICES FROM \$927

Cajamarca & the North

Day 1: Arrive in Lima - Trujillo

Departure from Lima. Upon arriving in Trujillo, we will contact you at airport and then will provide a transfer to selected hotel.

Day 2: Trujillo - Plaza de Armas

Breakfast at the hotel, then tour of the city and its colonial heritage. See the Plaza de Armas and the Cathedral. Appreciate some of the well-preserved colonial mansions and proceed to visit the archaeological Museum to admire its interesting collection of pre-hispanic pieces, as well as ceramic, fabrics and metals.

By the afternoon, excursion south of Trujillo to visit a religious center of the Mochica culture, built in the 5th century. Admire the temples of The Sun and The Moon.



Day 3: Trujillo - Chiclayo

Breakfast at the hotel, then transfer to Magdalena de Cao town to the Archeological Complex "El Brujo". Visit Huaca El Brujo; This burial site dating back 5,000 years old, it's situated on the ocean shores of Magdalena de Cao.

This complex consists of 3 huacas: Huaca Prieta, Huaca El Brujo and Huaca Cao Viejo. The complex had the most important duty : the city was conceived to be center of the urban and religious activities and to be used by the elite on their ceremonies. Transfer to Trujillo city, where you will enjoy a typical northern lunch at one of the best local restaurants. Then proceed to the city of Chiclayo and we will transfer to your selected hotel.

Day 4: Chiclayo - Sipan - Tucume

Breakfast at the hotel, then start your excursion to the impressive Necropolis of Huaca Rajada, where several tombs have been recently discovered. The best known belong to the now named "Lord of Sipan" and the "Old Lord of Sipan", unearthed in 1988 and 1989 respectively. Their discovery ranks among the most important finds in Peruvian history and shed much light on the Moche culture.

Then, visit Tucume, a vast Lambayeque archaeological complex that's over a thousand years old flanking an imposing hill, from which the extensive pre-Columbian urban site can be surveyed. The remains belong to successive cultures: Mochica, Lambayeque, Chimu and Inca.



Finish the day with a visit to the Lord of Sipan site museum which displays a dramatization of the life of the Sipan's lord and his royal court, the three-floor center is formed in a pyramid, inspired by the Mochica sanctuaries, to thus bring together the past, present and future of the Lambayeque identity.

Day 5: Chiclayo - Cajamarca

Breakfast at the hotel, then at approximately 13:00 Take a Bus to Cajamarca, the journey will take 6 hours approximately. Upon arrival you will be transfer to your selected hotel.

Day 6: Cajamarca - Santa Apolonia

Breakfast at the hotel. Visit the Cathedral, the Main square, the Church of San Francisco, the Monumental Complex Bethlehem, Colonial Hospitals, and the Rescue Room, that was filled with pieces of gold and silver by order of Inca Atahualpa to obtain his freedom from the Spanish conquerors. We will also visit Santa Apolonia hill, natural viewpoint from where all the valley is observed and where is located the

beautiful chapel dedicated to the Virgin of Fatima.

Then proceed to the Ventanillas de Otuzco stand out amidst the countryside. The site is a pre-Inca cemetery which pre-dates the Cajamarca culture, probably influenced by the Wari empire. Hundreds of galleries and individual niches resembling windows were hewn into the volcanic stone. The niches probably were originally sealed with gravestones carved with figures in haut-relief, judging by fragments found nearby. The niches lead into a network of dark and mysterious galleries which appear to have no end, giving rise to myths of secret tunnels that linked Cajamarca to Cuzco.



Day 7: Cajamarca - Cumbemayo

Breakfast at the hotel. Visit Cumbemayo complex, discovered in 1937, it is surrounded by an interesting stone forest that seems to mimic the silhouettes of pious friars (for which it is popularly called "frailones" or giant friars). In addition, you find the Aqueduct (1000 B.C.), a unique work of hydraulic engineering, the Sanctuary, a cliff that looks like a giant human head, and the Caves, which include cave paintings and carvings.

Day 8: Cajamarca - Fly out from Lima

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the airport in time to take your flight to Lima.

Prices are per person				
3* Hotels	City	Single	Double	Triple
Hotel Gran Marquez	Trujillo			
Hotel Los Horcones	Chiclayo	\$1,205	\$979	\$928
Hotel Costa del Sol	Cajamarca			
4* Hotels	City	Single	Double	Triple
Hotel Libertador	Trujillo			
Hotel Gran Chiclayo	Chiclayo	\$1,341	\$1,031	\$983
Hotel Costa del Sol	Cajamarca			

* Min 2 passengers / In double occupancy
 * Rates valid to Dec 16, 2010

INCLUDES

- Accommodation & meals as detailed on the itinerary
- Transfers & excursions mentioned in the program.
- Entrance Fees
- English guide.
- Private services except in Trujillo which are shared services.

NOT INCLUDED

- Air Tickets local and International.
- Airport taxes USD 6.05 domestic flights / USD 30.25 international flights.
- Meals not mentioned.
- Additional expenses

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