

# **OPTIONAL TOUR ACTIVITIES FOR LIMA**

## **OVERVIEW**

It is our goal to help you custom tailor your tour itinerary. Nature Horizons Tours has a large selection of amazing excursions and adventures that will immerse you in the true beauty and culture of Peru . These can all be planned when you are staying overnight leaving from Lima.

## **TOUR OF COLONIAL MODERN LIMA**







Please meet your geode in the hotel lobby for your Lima city tour.

Lima became the capital of Peru and the Spanish Empire – in 1535, when it was home to the Viceroy of Peru. It is historic centre boasts an array of impressive squares, churches and buildings that date back the colonial period.

You will start visiting the Plaza Mayor, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Continue on to the cathedral, with splendid carved stalls and gold-plated altars, the government Palace. City hall and the Archbishop's Palace. Next, explore the San Francisco Monastery, which houses the largest exhibition of colonial religious art in America.

The tour continues through leafy residential hotspots: El Olivar Park in San Isidro, whose olive trees were imported from Spain in the 17<sup>th</sup> century; Miraflores' Central Park and the shopping and entertainment center of Larcomar perched on a cliff with spectacular panoramas over the Pacific Ocean – a distinctive symbol of modern Lima.

Return to the hotel or combine your tour with a visit to a museum or colonial house.

## **OPTIONAL**

Visit Casa Aliaga



**(Section 2018)** (Section 2018) (Section 2018)

Spanish conquistador Pizarro gave this plot to his right-hand man, Jeronimo de Aliaga, as a symbol of his esteem in 1535. Since then, the aliaga's descendants have continuously inhabited the splendid mansion, considered the oldest colonial home in the Americas. Walk through beautiful rooms soaking up the evocative history and artistic riches, including decorative tile work.

#### TRAVEL SCHEDULE

Departs: AM/PM

Duration: 3hrs 30mins (approx)

## TOUR OF BARRANCO







Please meet your guide in the hotel lobby.

Today you will visit Barranco, the bohemian district of Lima renowned for its great cultural tradition and architectural beauty. Pass by the Parque Municipal library. Heading towards the ocean you'll soon reach the famous Puente de Los Suspiros, or Bridge of Signs, opened in 1876.

A few blocks away, visit the Pedro de Osma Museum housing the most important private collection of Viceregal Art of Latin America.

Afterwards, browse the inspiring Dedalo Art & Hindicraft Store, where unique pieces by a range of Peruvian designers are showcased in a beautifully restored colonial house on a tranquil street close to the clifftop.

### TRAVEL SCHEDULE

Departs: AM/PM

Duration: 3hrs (approx)

From Tuesday to Sunday

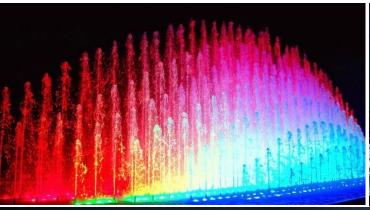




WWW.NATUREHORIZONSTOURS.COM



## THE MAGIC WATER CIRCUIT







Early evening, please meet your guide in the hotel lobby to visit Lima's Parque de la Reserva.

This is home to the Magic Water Circuit, consisting of beautiful fountains, many of them interactive, this is the largest display of its kind in the world and is particularly stunning after dark.

-----

### **TRAVEL SCHEDULE**

Departs: 18:30hurs

Duration: 3hrs

From Tuesday to Sunday

# **PACHACAMAC RUINS**









Please meet your guide in the hotel lobby for your excursion to **Pachacamac.** 

Travel south of Lima for 31km as your guide gives you an introduction to the magnificent Pre-Columbian religious complex, built entirely from adobe mud bricks. According to archaeologists, it was the most important pilgrimage centre in ancient Peru. In its heyday, hundreds of people would travel here from across the empire.

To gain an understanding of the complex, we first stop at the Pachacamac Museum by the entrance. Admire ancient relics found during the excavations, including decorative ceramics, textiles and wood carvings representing the god Pachacamac. Then stroll around the ruins exploring incredible pyramids, temples and plazas.

\_\_\_\_\_

#### TRAVEL SCHEDULE

Departs: AM

During: 4hrs

From: Tuesday to Sunday.

### **NAZCA OVERFLIGHT**







Early this morning, meet your guide in the hotel lobby.

The experience begins with a private transfer to Pisco airport (approximately 4hrs)

On arrival at the airport, board a shared Cessna Caravan high-wing aircraft for a spectacular flight, gaining a bird's eye view over the Paracas sand dunes and enigmatic Nazca Lines.

Visible only from the sky, the Nazca lines are a series of giant shapes and designs, some stretching for nearly 300 meters. Many theories have been formulated about their purpose, from runways for alien spacecraft to lines of a giant seismograph. However, German mathematician Maria Reiche, who spent her life studying the lines, came up with the most plausible theory: that thy formed a gigantic astronomical calendar based on the movement of the sun. Look out for more than 30 complex anima figures, such as a monkey, spider and hummingbird on this unforgettable flight.

Return to your hotel in Lima by private transfer (approximately 4 hours)

**OPTIONAL:** 

Set lunch menu at Hotel Paracas, a Luxury Collection Resort, and/or Overnight stay at the hotel.

-----







#### **TRAVEL SCHEDULE**

From/To Lima

Departs: 6:30hrs (approx.)

Duration: 12hrs (approx.)

#### **CARAL FULL- DAY TOUR**







Early this morning, meet your guide in the hotel lobby for an excursion to the oldest city in the Americas.

Begin by heading north on the Pan-American Highway and enjoy a scenic drive along the Pacific Ocean coastline. The route from Lima to Supe takes 4 hours on a paved road: we then follow an unpaved route for 30minutes (22km) to arrive in Caral, the oldest city in the Americas.

Located on a dry desert terrace overlooking the green Super River Valley, the 5,000-year-old archaeological site is exceptionally well preserved. Monumental platform mounds and sunken circular courts are evidence of masterful architecture- the world's earliest example of town planning. Interestingly, no evidence of warfare or conflict has been found at the site. Instead, this peace-loving society apparently enjoyed activities suc as music and public debate.

Subsequent settlements in the area followed Caral's model. In essence, this fully developed socio-political state, represents the rise of civilization in the Americas.

Box Lunch included.

Afternoon return to your hotel in Lima.

\_\_\_\_\_\_

## TRAVEL SCHEDULE

From/To Lima

Departs: 6:30hrs

Duration: 12hrs (approx.)

From: Tuesday to Sunday





### **URBAN KITCHEN – BASIC EXPERIENCEE**







Immerse yourself in the colors, flavors and heritageof Peruvian cuisine. This experience begins with a demonstration of local products. You'll then head to the kitchen for a sociable, friendly cooking class. Prepare traditional ceviche and tasty lomo saltado, then sit down at the table to feast on your dishes.

## **OPTIONAL:**

Treat yourself to the premium Experience, which includes a demonstration of how to make a chilcano cocktail and lessons in preparing shrimp and limena-style causas and salmon tiradito with ponzu sauce.

#### **TRAVEL SCHEDULE**

Departs: AM

Duration: 4hrs (approx.)

### **INCLUSIONS**

- Private tours in modern A/C vehicles with English, French- or Portuguese-speaking local guides. (For other languages, please check with our office)
- Entrance fees and local taxes (except for the Nazca lines overflight)
- Nazca lines package includes vehicle/drive +overflight (excludes lunch/airport taxes)
- Caral package includes vehicle/driver + guide +entrance fees + box lunch







• Urban Kitchen package includes vehicle + company of a chef at the kitchen + cooking class (Transfer from the hotel to the kitchen will be with driver only)

THE MOST AMAZING TOURS ON PLANET EARTH



