

Peru Machu Picchu/Cusco/Sacred Valley

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Cusco

Cusco, the archaeological capital of

South America, is rich in pre-Columbian remains such as the Koricancha Temple, the Inca Baths with their sophisticated canal system and the vast Sacsayhuaman Fortress site of ancient religious celebrations. Colonial treasures include mansions and churches (the Cathedral, La Merced Convent, La Compania), built on Inca foundations. Churches are full of marvelous works from the Cusco School of painting, distinguished by its mix of Catholic and pagan imagery.

Sacred

Valley

Outside Cusco

and in the Urubamba River Valley or "Sacred Valley of the Incas" is a favorite for outdoors activities: river rafting, hiking, horse-back riding, biking, ballooning; and take-off point for Inca Trail trekkers. Ollantaytambo fortress should not be missed. Pisac is a recommended visit for its Inca ruins above the town and the Indian market in the village square.

Machu

Picchu

The Lost City

of the Incas was a remote fortress/sanctuary abandoned by the Inca, reclaimed by the jungle and hidden from view until Hiram Bingham of Yale University rediscovered it in 1911. With altars, temples, staircases and terraces, this is one of the world's most extraordinary sites,

one that can be visited (by train or helicopter) on a day trip from Cusco, but better yet with an overnight stay.

Machu Piccu - Cusco - Sacred Valley programs
4 Days, 3 Nights

5 Days, 4 Nights

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