



# Peru & Cuba Escorted Tour 17 days from \$5499

**Departs Every Friday from 23 Feb to 15 June 2018**

**The tour combines a 8 days Escorted Tour and Cuba and 10 day tour of Peru.**

Prices are per person twin share. Single supplement \$1300. Seat are limited – Book Early.



The Deal - Discover Peru, a land that echoes with the history of Spanish Conquistadors and the Empire of the ancient Incas. With this package, you'll receive city tours of Lima and Cuzco and an excursion to the Uros Islands, completely man-made structures still inhabited today. Plus, you'll also embark on a full day excursion to Machu Picchu, travelling to the

ancient site via the famous train to explore the spiritual heartland of the Incas. From your first night to your farewell, you are sure to be absolutely enthralled with this country. This fully escorted tour offers you the convenience of flights, transfers, 4-5 star hotels, guides and sightseeing included for one great price! OUR 8 DAY CUBA GROUP TOUR– BEGINS EVERY SUNDAY IN HAVANA. Come with us to a place unlike any other. Our 8 day Cuba group tour will indulge all of your senses and is the best way to begin your love affair with this vibrant destination. Cuba's rich history and culture will come to life over 8 magical days, and we are quite sure that you won't want to leave. Cuba is in a state of fascinating transition, and is ready to open itself up to the world like never before. Imagine yourself ambling along the cobblestoned streets of gorgeous Trinidad and discovering the magic of Havana. Another highlight is the Karst Valley in the achingly beautiful town of Viñales. The air is fresh and sweet, filled with rich aroma of tobacco and pulsating Salsa beats. Even the noise of those stunning 1950's cars will be music to your ears. We cram a lot into 8 days, and yet you will be both stimulated and soothed.

Package Includes – Return economy flights Brisbane, Melbourne Sydney to Lima & Havana. All intra-flights: Lima-Cuzco & Juliaca-Lima, 16 nights accommodations 3 nights Lima, 3 nights Cuzco, 2 nights Puno, All transfers, 14 meals: 9 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 3 dinners, Sightseeing per itinerary in modern motor coach, Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout, Services of English-speaking local guides, Entrance fees per itinerary, 8 day escorted tour of Cuba, 7 nights accommodation in Casa Particulare's bed and breakfasts, all transportation, English speaking guides, and sightseeing tours.

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Our exclusive focus is on supported travel arrangements which provide our customers with a breadth and depth of service complimented by local expertise that is simply unparalleled. Australian passport holders require a tourist visa for Cuba. No visa is required for Peru if you have an Australian passport. Travel insurance is essential.

### **Tour Itinerary:**

#### **DAY 1, Sunday - Depart for Peru**

Depart for Lima, Peru; arrival and transfer to your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure with time to rest, relax and acquaint yourself with Peru's vibrant capital, founded in 1535 by the conquistador Francisco Pizarro

**Overnight:** Lima

#### **DAY 2, Monday - Lima City Tour**

This morning's tour of Lima, with its 2000 years of history, begins at the colonial center of the city, declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with its historic buildings surrounding the splendid Plaza Mayor. View the impressive Palace of the Archbishop with its fine carved balcony, the opulent Government Palace, official residence of the President, and the 16th century Cathedral of Lima whose first stone was laid by Pizarro. Continue to the 17th century Monasterio de San Francisco complex with its magnificent tiles, ornate carved ceilings, exceptional paintings and world-renowned library. Spend the remainder of the day at leisure or join the *optional* Pachacamac Pre-Inca Ruins tour. Visit the archaeological site of Pachacamac, one of the largest religious centres in pre-Inca times on the Peruvian coast. This afternoon, join your Tour Manager for a briefing about the wonderful journey that awaits you. Tonight, perhaps attend the *optional* Evening Larco Herrera Museum with dinner. Experience one of Lima's most magnificent museums by night on this tour, that also includes a light supper. Admire the world's largest collection of pre-Columbian masterpieces and a stunning exhibition of gold and priceless jewels

**Optional:** Pachacamac Pre-Inca Ruins (PM)

**Optional:** Evening Larco Herrera Museum with dinner

**Overnight:** Lima

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 3, Tuesday - Fly to Cuzco, Visit Chinchero**

Depart Lima this morning by flight to Cuzco, ancient capital of the Inca Empire and the oldest continuously inhabited city in South America. Upon arrival, drive through the rugged mountainous region with its magnificent panoramas, along roads with farms and small villages to the Sacred Valley of the Incas. En route, stop in Chinchero, enjoy an authentic Peruvian lunch followed by a demonstration of the ancient Andean tradition of making textiles from naturally dyed handwoven alpaca wool. Remarkably, the source for the vibrant colors are dyes that come from plants, minerals, and insects. Wander the stone complex and shop for souvenirs among the fine textiles and other local treasures. Time permitting, meet children at a local school before continuing to your hotel in the Urubamba Sacred Valley. This evening, dinner together with music at a lovely restaurant

**Overnight:** Urubamba Sacred Valley ▲

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### **DAY 4, Wednesday - Sacred Valley & Ollantaytambo Ruins**

Enjoy this morning at leisure in the Sacred Valley to explore some of the ancient ruins independently or, join the *optional* tour to Maras and Moray. The excursion begins in Moray, a remarkable agricultural center that demonstrates the ancient Incan's mastery of high-altitude crop growing. You'll be astounded by the large complex of perfectly circular depressions in the earth that historians believe were used to study climatic conditions. Next, travel to the colonial town of Maras, known for its nearby salt evaporation ponds in use since the time of the Incas. This afternoon, visit the impressive Inca fortress of Ollantaytambo, an ancient complex of temples and terraces towering high over the valley, the last stand of the Incas in their defense against the Spanish conquistadors. Marvel at the architecture of the Incas in this well preserved settlement, considered a living museum of 15th century life. Tonight, join the *optional* traditional dinner with a Peruvian Family in their countryside home. Sample delectable home-cooked Peruvian specialties along with a warm and friendly cultural exchange

**Optional:** Maras and Moray Tour

**Optional:** Dinner with a Local Peruvian Family

**Overnight:** Urubamba Sacred Valley

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 5, Thursday - Discover Machu Picchu**

Early morning transfer to the Sacred Valley's Ollanta Station to board the [Expedition Train](#) that travels through misty peaks to the astonishing ancient citadel of Machu Picchu, the "Lost City of the Incas", designated by UNESCO as one of the *New Seven Wonders of the World*. Machu Picchu was virtually unknown to the western world until Hiram Bingham's re-discovery in 1911. Spend the afternoon viewing the unforgettable wonders of this 15th century retreat, abandoned nearly 100 years later with the arrival of the conquistadors. See the highlights of the site including the imposing Temple of the Sun, the House of the Priest, the Sacred Plaza and the intricately carved rock likely used as a sundial by the ancient Incas. The images of this significant archaeological site will be a long-lasting memory. Return to the Sacred Valley in the early evening and transfer to your hotel in Cuzco for overnight

\*Approximate time spent at the ruins of Machu Picchu is 2 hours

**Overnight:** Cuzco

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 6, Friday - Full Day in Cuzco**

Spend today independently discovering the "Imperial City" of Cuzco, once capital of the Inca Empire and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. This lively city, rich in history, reveals remains

of both the Incan and the Spanish presence. Take time to explore some of the city's stunning sights, or, shop for some of the finest handicrafts and textiles in all of Peru. Participate in the *optional* Cuzco "Behind the Scenes" tour, offering a glimpse into the other side of life in Cuzco. On this tour, visit a local market and taste fresh-baked Chuta bread. Stop at the Cuzco cemetery to learn more about Andean life and death and meet with a local "shaman" (holy man). After the cooking demonstration, enjoy a delicious meal. In the afternoon, join the *optional* Highlights of Cuzco excursion that takes you to the impressive Colonial Cathedral with its collection of over 400 paintings, the Temple of the Sun and the fortress of Sacsayhuaman, which took over seven decades to complete. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a buffet dinner featuring delectable Andean specialties

**Optional:** Half Day Cuzco Behind the Scenes (AM)

**Optional:** Half Day Highlights of Cuzco (PM)

**Optional:** Highlights of Cuzco & Cuzco Behind the Scenes Combo Package

**Overnight:** Cuzco

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

### **DAY 7, Saturday - Raqchi & Puno**

A long drive today but extremely rewarding. Depart Cuzco early in the morning, enjoying spectacular scenery as you drive through the Andes mountain range and the Andean plains to Puno on the Peruvian side of Lake Titicaca. In this area, South American camelids (llamas and alpacas) graze on the immense plateaus and plains. En route visit the 15th century Temple of Wiracocha, with its elaborate stonework, the largest Inca temple ever discovered. Today, Raqchi remains home to many farmers, ranchers and artisans. Then, you arrive at pristine Lake Titicaca sitting majestically at 12,500 feet above sea level, backed by the snowcapped peaks of Bolivia's Cordillera Real range. This is the highest navigable lake in the world and South America's largest fresh water lake. A box lunch will be provided en route before arriving in Puno for your overnight

**Overnight:** Puno

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

### **DAY 8, Sunday - Excursion to Uros Islands on Lake Titicaca**

This morning, an excursion by boat transports you from Puno to the fascinating Floating Uros Islands where the indigenous people of the area, the Uros, live on islands that dot the lake. The Uros live very much the same as their ancestors did and still follow the ancient customs and traditions. These islands are completely man-made structures, using the totora reeds from the lake to build the islands and houses. Return to Puno for the remainder of the day at leisure. Or, take the *optional* tour to the Sillustani Tombs, the pre-Incan burial ground on the shores of Lake Umayo. The tombs here are built above the ground in tower-like structures called *chullpas*, vestiges of the Colla people before they were conquered by the Incas in the 15th century. Evening is at leisure in Puno

**Optional** Half Day Sillustani Tombs (PM)

**Overnight:** Puno

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 9, Monday - Fly to Lima, Farewell Dinner**

Transfer to Juliaca airport, for your flight to Lima; rest of the day is at leisure. Tonight, you bid farewell to your Tour Manager and fellow travelers at a special Farewell Dinner with Peruvian specialties

**Overnight:** Lima

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

### **DAY 10, Sunday - Depart Peru for Havana**

This morning transfer to the airport for your departure flight to Cuba\*

**Meals:** Breakfast

Our 8 Day Cuba Group tour – show cases some of the very best sites, sounds and sensations of Cuba into a fun-filled, culture-laden adventure.

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- Rest your weary head at a Cuban Bed and Breakfast, known as a Casa Particular. Experience the warmth of Cuban hospitality by staying with a Cuban family, who will make you feel right at home.
- No Spanish? No problem. Our local Cuban guides speak English so you'll never feel left out during your 8 day Cuba group tour.
- Try out some sultry salsa steps by dancing the night away. We'll show you the best spots.
- Lose yourself in Havana's magnificent Old Town (La Habana Vieja). Of course, we won't actually let you get lost since we know this city like the back of our hands.
- Visit vibrant Viñales – the home of Cuba's tobacco production.
- Immerse yourself in azure Caribbean waters.
- You haven't experienced a true Cuban cocktail until you've had one in Cuba, with amazing views to match.
- Take in the final resting place of the iconic Che Guevara
- Be amazed by the French inspired architecture of Cienfuegos.



## ACCOMMODATION ON TOUR

Our Cuba group tours use only the best [Casa Particulares](#) – Cuban B&B's. These Cuban Bed and Breakfast establishments offer a taste of authentic life on the island. You will be staying as a guest of a family in private accommodation. You'll have privacy while still being able to interact with the locals as much as you want. It's a stark difference to most types of accommodation, and you will truly be made to feel welcome – you might forget that you're a paying guest and not a long lost family friend!

A number of accommodation options are in older buildings without an elevator. If you have issues with mobility and will be unable to comfortably climb several flights of stairs, please let us know. We can happily find you a wonderful alternative to suit your needs. We've got you covered if you want to spend a few extra days in Havana before or after your Cuba group tour. Just use our easy online form when you make your booking.



### DAY 10: HAVANA

There's so much life in Havana, and yet this bustling city never feels overwhelming. The only difficult thing about the city is knowing where to start exploring. The best way for those on our 8 day Cuba group tour to get started is with a pair of comfortable walking shoes. The entire city is fascinating, but fortunately many of the main points of interest are within a fairly compact area. Take a leisurely stroll through Havana's Old Town, with pauses for coffee (and Cuban coffee is amongst the best in the world), or for a magical mojito. The architecture of this part of the city is an attraction in itself. The first day of our 8 day Cuba group tours is the perfect way to ease yourself into Cuban life. You can even join your guide and fellow tour group members for dinner if you arrive in time.

Please note that the first day of the tour is a **joining day** with no formal activities planned. We do organise your accommodation for this evening and a optional dinner with your guide and group. This tour does not spend a lot of time in Havana, so we do recommend booking an extra night or two here if you have the time (or book our 10 Day Vivacious Cuba Group

Tour). Our team would be more than happy to provide any recommendations or advice as to the best sights, excursions and activities to focus on. We can also arrange half and full days tours in Havana and its surrounding regions.



### DAY 11: CIENFUEGOS

We'll show you Playa Girón, which is otherwise known as the Bay of Pigs. This was the site of the infamous failed invasion of Cuba. Its brutal history is nowhere to be seen, and it's now an area of profound natural beauty. You'll want to dive straight into that beautiful ocean, and don't worry – there will be time.

While most of Cuba was settled by the Spanish, it was actually the French who made Cienfuegos into the city it is today. French migrants flocked to the area in the 1800's and their architectural influence on the city is obvious. On some streets you might think you're walking through Paris (although with infinitely better weather). At the entrance to the harbour you'll see the Castillo de Jagua, an ancient fort that allowed the city to withstand the pirate attacks that were once common in Cuba. Many buildings in the town have been given UNESCO world heritage status, and you might think you've never seen such a beautiful town... until we show you some other places.

A harbour city by location, the 'Pearl of the Caribbean' has seduced Cuban travellers for years due to its elegance and beauty. Explore the wide streets and promenades or enjoy a walk by the Malecon, the longest promenade on the island. "Cienfuegos is the city I like the best", wrote Beni More, one of Cubas most important musicians in the first half of the 20th century.



### DAYS 12 AND 13: TRINIDAD

While Che Guevara is synonymous with Cuba, his final days were actually spent in Bolivia. Cuba felt he needed a hero's burial and memorial, and this is located in Santa Clara, to where his body was returned. Our 8 day Cuba group tours will take you to this remarkable spot near Trinidad. It was in Santa Clara that Guevara and his rebels successfully derailed a military train carrying weapons and ammunition to be used against Fidel Castro. This act was credited with winning the revolution.

After Santa Clara we'll take you to remarkable Trinidad. Founded in 1514, the central parts of the city have been lovingly maintained, and you might wonder if you've been transported back in time. Many buildings are painted in sensational shades of colour, making Trinidad a true treat for the eyes. Trinidad was once the heart of Cuba's sugar industry (and a lot of sugar cane is still processed here). You simply have to take a visit to the sugar district, where many of the old mills can be found. For a fairly small city, there's an amazing amount of nightlife as well.

Take the opportunity to visit a local waterfall, historic sugar mill or one of Cuba's best beaches – Playa Ancon. An evening at one of Trinidad's effervescent music venues is a must!



## DAYS 14 AND 15: VINALES

Viñales is reasonably close to Havana, and has been popular with visitors for generations. In the heart of the Pinar del Rio valley, most of Cuba's tobacco production takes place in and around Viñales. This is the place to see where those world famous cigars come from, and to get some for yourself. The geography in the area is stunning, and the town is ringed by stark mogotes – small hills with sheer rock faces. All of our Cuba group tours offer you the chance to take salsa lessons, and Viñales is the best place to do this. The nightlife is lively, but not as crowded as larger cities – just in case you don't want to have an audience!



## DAYS 16 AND 17 MARCH: HAVANA AND HOME TO AUSTRALIA.

We'll welcome you back to heavenly Havana for the last days of your tour. Your guides will be able to tell you about some amazing places to see that you might not have considered. A tour of the city by classic car is included in your 8 Day Cuba Group Tour, so you'll get to see Havana as a local would. Then it will be time to say goodbye, but we are sure you'll come back to see us as soon as you can... Please note that Day 17 is the tours **departure day**, meaning you are free to depart at any time. Tour Concludes – Memories Begin as you fly home to Australia.

## Jose Antonio Hotel, Lima



This first class hotel is situated in the modern district of Miraflores.

**Hotel Details**

San Agustin Urubamba Hotel, Urubamba



This tourist class hotel provides a peaceful base point for exploring the close by ruins and appreciating the breathtaking views of the Sacred Valley and surrounding mountains.

**Hotel Details**

Jose Antonio Cuzco Hotel, Cuzco



This tourist class hotel is situated nearby Cuzco's archaeological center.

**Hotel Details**

Hotel Royal Inn Puno, Puno



This tourist class hotel is centrally located in the city center and nearby to the magnificent Lake Titicaca.

#### **Hotel Details**

- [Friday Departure](#)

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- Tours purchased while travelling may cost an extra 10% or more
- Tours often sell out. Avoid disappointment
- Save your cash. Credit card processing may not be possible locally
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- Book Online or call to book these tours up to 1 week before your departure
- The day the optionals operate varies by the day of the week

#### **Evening Larco Herrera Museum with dinner**

This evening drive through Lima and arrive at the Larco Herrera Museum. Experience one of Lima's most magnificent museums by night on this tour that also includes dinner. Sit down to a light supper in the elegant dining room. The museum is located in an 18th century restored mansion, built over a 7th century pyramid and surrounded by gardens. Following supper, immerse yourself in the cultural intrigue of the museum with your local guide. Admire the world's largest collection of pre-Columbian masterpieces and a stunning exhibition of gold and priceless jewels.

Pick-up details to be advised locally. Approximate tour duration is 3 hours.

Day #2

01 Jan 2018 - 15 Jan 2019

AUD\$107.00



#### **Maras & Moray Tour**

Begin the tour in Moray, an impressive agricultural center that demonstrates the ancient Incan's mastery of high-altitude crop growing. Here, you'll see a large complex of terraced circular depressions in the earth which historians believe were used to study

the climatic conditions on crops. As you descend each layer, the surrounding temperature descends as well, degree by degree, making for a unique and highly sophisticated thermo graphic tool. During the tour, you'll have the opportunity to see the local farmers and shepherds working with native crops and animals all along the valley. This is a unique chance to peer into the daily lives of the indigenous people. Next, visit the colonial town of Maras, known for its nearby salt evaporation ponds in use since the time of the Incas. Learn more about salt extraction from the locals.

Pick-up details to be advised locally. Approximate tour duration is 5 hours.

Day #4

01 Jan 2018 - 15 Jan 2019

AUD\$66.00



#### Dinner with Local Peruvian Family

Tonight, you're invited to dine with a traditional Peruvian Family in their countryside home. Sample delectable local home-cooked Peruvian cuisine along with a warm and friendly cultural exchange with the family. As you share dinner, you'll get to know the family first-hand and learn about work and everyday life in Peru.

Pick-up details to be advised locally. Approximate tour duration is 2 hours.

Day #4

01 Jan 2018 - 15 Jan 2019

AUD\$34.00



### Highlights of Cuzco & Cuzco Behind the Scenes Combo Package

Today's tour will give you a glimpse into the other side of Cuzco, the oldest continuously inhabited city of the western hemisphere. Start the day with a visit to a local fruit and vegetable market and observe the locals shopping for their daily goods. Try the local chuta bread and enjoy this colorful market where you will experience many new things. Later, head to the local Cuzco cemetery, where you will learn about the Andean understanding of life and see how the locals decorate the graves with gifts and food for their dead. It is traditional belief that the dead eat and drink as they would during life. Following the cemetery, you will have the opportunity to meet with an Andean shaman or healer and witness a real offering to mother earth & the sacred mountain protectors to thank them for this trip. Conclude this incredible morning with a cooking demonstration by a local chef showing you how to make a traditional dish from Cuzco. After a short break at your hotel, continue on to the impressive Colonial Cathedral in Cuzco which contains over 400 paintings from the Cusqueña School in addition to an impressive collection of colonial art, including Marcos Zapata's depiction of The Last Supper displaying Cuy, or Guinea Pig, as the main course. Continue on to visit the Temple of the Sun, whose walls and floors were allegedly once covered by sheets of solid gold. This temple was once the most important religious site of the Incas. From here you will travel to Sacsayhuaman, located on the northern slope of Cuzco. This impressive fortress, which consists of individual stones weighing well over 100 tons, took over seven decades to complete and is a prime example of Incan military architecture. Conclude the day at the Kenko amphitheater, a mysterious limestone formation decorated by intricately carved depictions of mythical entities. During the tour, you will have the opportunity to visit a local shop featuring alpaca clothing and accessories, and a local jewelry shop, featuring gold and silver necklaces, bracelets, earrings, and rings.

Pick-up details to be advised locally. Approximate tour duration is 9 hours.

Day #6

01 Jan 2018 - 15 Jan 2019

AUD\$147.00



### Half Day Cuzco Behind the Scenes

Today's tour will give you a glimpse into the other side of Cuzco, the oldest continuously inhabited city of the western hemisphere. Start the day with a visit to a local fruit and vegetable market and observe the locals shopping for their daily goods. Try the local chuta bread and enjoy this colorful market where you will experience many new things. Later, head to the local Cuzco cemetery, where you will learn about the Andean understanding of life and see how the locals decorate the graves with gifts and food for their dead. It is traditional belief that the dead eat and drink as they would during life. Following the cemetery, you will have the opportunity to meet with an Andean shaman or healer and witness a real offering to mother earth & the sacred mountain protectors to thank them for this trip. Conclude this incredible morning with a cooking demonstration by a local chef showing you how to make a traditional dish from Cuzco.

Pick-up details to be advised locally. Approximate tour duration is 5 hours.

Day #6

01 Jan 2018 - 15 Jan 2019

AUD\$66.00



### Half Day Highlights of Cuzco

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Pick-up details to be advised locally. Approximate tour duration is 4 hours.

Day #6

01 Jan 2018 - 15 Jan 2019

AUD\$93.00



### Half Day Sillustani Tombs

Afternoon drive to the pre-Incan burial ground of Sillustani. Upon arrival, a walking tour to the "Chullpas" of Sillustani on Lake Umayo, where the ancient Aymaras buried their high priests, in cylinder-shaped tombs. Please note that the archaeological site is located approximately a half-mile walk from where you exit the bus. .

Pick-up details to be advised locally. Approximate tour duration is 3.5 hours.

Day #8

01 Jan 2018 - 15 Jan 2019

AUD\$53.00



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Cancellation fees will be levied relative to the amount of notice given as follows:

Days' Notice	90 or more	75-90	65-75	65-1	
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	Loss of Deposit and 50% loss of fare	75%	85%	100%
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