

## Andes and Beyond 2010

### 3-Week Tour Cost

The pricing for this tour is calculated on a tier basis. The cost decreases with more participants because, for example, all local teachers and guest presenters are paid a fixed wage whether we are a group of 5 or 15.

<b>Number</b>	<b>Tour cost</b>	<b>Student cost (\$40 less)</b>
5 pax (people)	\$2690	\$2650
6 pax	\$2450	\$2410
7 pax	\$2250	\$2210
8, 9 pax	\$2050	\$2010
10, 11 pax	\$1850	\$1810
12, 13 pax	\$1700	\$1660
14, 15 pax	\$1600	\$1560

**Note:** The tour is not limited to 15 people.  
If more than 15 sign up, the price will continue to be adjusted.

### **Included in the Cost**

Accommodation. Three-week hotels in Cusco, the Urubamba Valley, Machu Picchu, and Paucartambo. All hotels are shared accommodations (i.e., double and triple). The Hostal Mallqui in Cusco and most hotels in the Urubamba Valley have private attached bathrooms, with the exception of Ollantaytambo, where we stay in luxury safari-style tents (with beds) with shared bath and showers. In Paucartambo we have dormitory-style sharing, with shared bath and showers.

Meals. Many meals are included (11 breakfasts in Cusco, 8 lunches, and 3 dinners)

Workshops as described in the day-to-day detailed itinerary.

- ❖ Regular workshops and classes with Andean and Afro-Peruvian musicians
- ❖ Guest presentations by the Q'eros, *Wiñay Taki*, *contradanza* troupe, the Choqewillka family, and at the "Taki" Andean Music Museum.

Cultural and Archeological Tours. All tours as described in the day-to-day detailed itinerary. All transportation, local expert guides, and entrance to ruins.

### **Note for Students**

To be eligible for the \$40 student discount, you must bring an ISIC (International Student Identity Card) along with the student card from your college/university. Both types of identification are required to get into the Incan ruin sites at the reduced student rate.

## **Not Included in the Cost**

Airfare (international flight and domestic flight from Lima/Cusco/Lima).

Airport taxes.

Tips .

Extra classes on musical styles and instruments outside of the scheduled itinerary.

The second day visit in Machu Picchu is optional, so cost is extra: (approx. \$43 pp/\$22 student entrance to MP ruins, and \$12 bus).

Any services in Lima. The listed prices begin and end in Cusco.

## **Suggested and Sample Airfares**

To save on cost, it is best (and easiest) to fly directly to Cusco from the U.S. without stopover in Lima. Your port of arrival into Peru is Lima. If you choose an international flight that arrives late evening on June 27 or early morning June 28, you can connect right up to Cusco. Similarly on the return, you can take a morning flight out of Cusco to connect with your international departure. This option eliminates the extra costs (i.e., hotel, taxi, etc.) in Lima.

Sample international airfares (as of November, 2009 on Expedia.com) are as follows:

From Miami: \$420-\$500 round-trip on Avianca, Lan, Taca, and American Airlines.

From Los Angeles: \$650-\$850 round-trip on Taca, Avianca, Copa and American Airlines.

### Sample domestic airfares

Lima/Cusco/Lima: \$260 on LanPeru.

Holly Wissler can arrange the domestic flights from Lima/Cusco/Lima to coincide as best possible with the timing of your international flight arrival in Lima.

## **Travel Visa, Immunizations, and High Altitude**

For entry in Peru you are required to have a passport valid for at least an additional six months. Unless there is a change, a 90-day tourist visa is automatically issued to citizens of most North American and European countries at the port of entry into Peru (Lima). No shots are required, but you may wish to check with an international travel clinic or your doctor for his or her recommendations. General recommendations for Peru are usually immunizations against hepatitis A and typhoid. Malaria is neither required nor necessary, since this tour does not visit the Amazon areas.

Cusco is located at 11,200 feet. It is normal for people to experience a slight headache and less energy the first day or so. We take it easy during the acclimatization process. Typical and necessary preventatives are walking slowly, taking it easy, light meals, and drinking plenty of liquids. After a couple of days, one normally feels adjusted and acclimatized. Holly Wissler, Program Director, has over twenty-five years experience with tourists in high altitudes. So you are in good hands.