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with archaeologist Jo Burkholder

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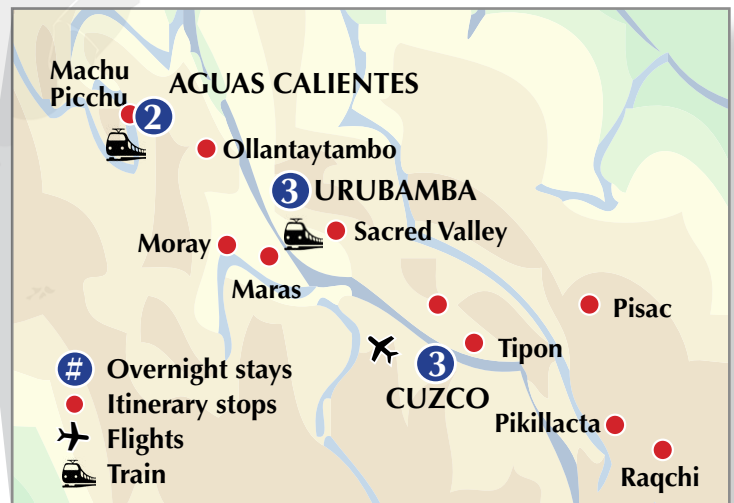


Dr. Jo Burkholder is an archaeologist whose work focuses on cultures of the ancient Andes. She has

excavated at several different sites in Peru as well as along the shores of Lake Titicaca in Bolivia. Jo has travelled widely in the Andes to better understand sacred geography – the relationship between people and the sacred sites they create – and the roles of women in the creation and maintenance of that geography. This has included studying the roles of gender in rituals as well as a detailed consideration of the iconography found on ritual ceramics and textiles. Her publications include “Mothers and Others: Female Images and Life Cycle Rituals in the Southern Andes” in *Images in Action: South Andean Iconographic Series* (Cotsen Institute of Archaeology Press, 2018).

Jo’s most recent field projects include excavations at two small temples at the sanctuary site of Pisanay (A.D. 1000-1300) in the Department of Arequipa, and an experiment to date geoglyphs on the desert coast of Paracas using optically stimulated luminescence, a technique she hopes to employ to better understand the evolution of sacred geography in the Sihuas, Majes, and Vitor Valleys of southern Peru. She currently serves as Associate Professor of Women’s and Gender Studies and Coordinator for Anthropology at the University of Wisconsin – Whitewater, where she teaches courses on Pre-Columbian Civilizations and the Origins of Gender as well as mentors undergraduate researchers in a variety of fields. Jo is a former Chair of the Committee on the Status of Women in Archaeology for the Society for American Archaeology. She led this very tour of Peru to excellent reviews in 2018.

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“What I most appreciated about the trip was the teaching and willingness to address questions on the part of Dr. Jo Burkholder. She is certainly a wonderful and gifted educator.” - James, Texas

Discover many of Peru’s greatest archaeological sites on this custom-designed, well-paced itinerary with archaeologist Jo Burkholder. Spend your days exploring the archaeologically-rich northern coast and spectacular mountain landscapes. See magnificent ancient sites, a variety of museums, and picturesque villages and cities. Highlights include two visits to Machu Picchu; the impressive Inca fortress of Sacsayhuaman; ruins of the Inca town of Ollantaytambo; the renowned Moche tombs of Sipán at Huaca Rajada; and the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Lima, Cuzco, and Chan Chan, one of South America’s largest pre-Columbian sites. Relax at your 4- and 5-star hotels, conveniently located so you can explore the local culture, with three nights each in Chiclayo, the Sacred Valley, and Cuzco. Travel with a maximum of just 15 guests.



Huacas de la Luna

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B= Breakfast • L= Lunch • D= Dinner

Monday, October 12, 2020 - Fly to Lima, Peru

Depart home on flights to Peru. Upon arrival at Lima's Jorge Chávez International Airport (LIM), you will be met at the airport and transferred to our hotel. *Overnight at the 5-star [Casa Andina Premium Miraflores](#).*

Tuesday, October 13 – Lima: Historic center, Larco Museum, welcome lunch | Fly to Trujillo

Gather this morning to meet our lecturer/host and local guide, and set out together for a short walk in Lima's historic center, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and a visit of the 17th-century San Francisco Church's convent and its catacombs, which used to be an underground cemetery for Lima's Christians. We then drive to the Larco Museum, which contains a wonderful collection of pre-Hispanic pottery. A highlight of our visit is a behind-the-scenes tour of the Museum's storerooms. After a welcome lunch at the Museum's café, we transfer to the airport in time for a flight to Trujillo. Upon arrival, we transfer the short distance to our hotel in the historic center. Dinner is on your own this evening. *Overnight at the 5-star [Wyndham Costa del Sol Trujillo Downtown](#) for two nights.* (B,L)

Wednesday, October 14 - Huacas del Sol/de la Luna | Chan Chan | Trujillo

Today we visit two of the most important archaeological sites in northern coastal Peru, both of which were the centers of their respective cultures. First visit the Huacas del Sol/de la Luna (Pyramids of the Sun and Moon) complex, which was the most sacred center of the Moche culture, occupied from around the time of Christ until about A.D. 600. After a visit to the site museum and lunch at a beachfront restaurant, we visit the ruins of Chan Chan, once the capital city of the Kingdom of Chimor and today a UNESCO World Heritage site. The huge archaeological site is dominated by several large *ciudadelas* (royal compounds) surrounded by high walls. Chan Chan covers several square miles and may have been home to more than 30,000 people – perhaps the largest pre-Hispanic site in all of Peru prior to its 15th-century conquest by the Incas. Return to Trujillo, where dinner is on your own. (B,L)



Pre-Hispanic Pottery, Larco Museum, Lima

Thursday, October 15 - Huaca Cao Viejo | San Jose de Moro | Zaña | Chiclayo

This morning we drive north to Chiclayo, making several interesting stops along the way. First, visit Huaca Cao Viejo, another Moche period ceremonial center. One of the site museum's highlights is the tomb (and body) of the Señora de Cao, the highest status female burial ever found in Peru. After touring the museum, walk a few hundred feet to visit the actual Moche pyramid. From the top, we can view several other Moche pyramids as well as the famous Huaca Prieta, a nearby pre-ceramic midden (refuse heap) excavated in the 1940s. After lunch in the town of Pacasmayo, we visit briefly the site of San Jose de Moro, a major Moche period ceremonial center and cemetery. Among the most important discoveries at San Jose de Moro have been multiple tombs of high status priestesses. Our final stop today is a visit to the town of Zaña, which became one of the richest Spanish cities in early colonial Peru. In 1720 the town was wiped out by flooding, and the ruins of its colonial churches still show the high water marks. Continue driving north to our hotel in Chiclayo. Dinner is on your own. *Overnight at the 4-star [Casa Andina Select Chiclayo](#) for three nights.* (B,L)



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Friday, October 16 - Ferrenafe: Sican Museum, Tucume Pyramids | Mórrope | Chiclayo

We continue our exploration of the cultures of northern coastal Peru with a visit to the Sican Museum, in the town of Ferrenafe, which focuses on the Sican culture that dominated this region between the end of the Moche culture and the Chimu conquest of the Chiclayo area. We then visit the Tucume pyramids, where there are more than twenty *huacas* built by the Lambayeque culture. After lunch in the town of Lambayeque, continue on to the traditional village of Mórrope, where residents continue to weave and make pottery using traditional methods. The chapel next to the town's church is particularly interesting, as it is the earliest surviving Catholic chapel in Peru and was constructed using indigenous techniques. We return to Chiclayo, where dinner is on your own. (B,L)



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Saturday, October 17 - Lambayeque: Museum of Royal Tombs of Sipán | Sipán | Chiclayo
 Drive to the town of Lambayeque to tour the fantastic Museum of the Royal Tombs of Sipán, which houses much of the material discovered during the first years of excavation at the site of Sipán (Huaca Rajada). Archaeologist Walter Alva's excavation of the tomb of the Lord of Sipán in 1987 was one of the greatest archaeological discoveries of the 20th century. After lunch at a local restaurant, we drive to the actual site of Sipán, where we climb the *huacas* and put into context what we saw this morning, and then tour the site museum, where the results of the most recent excavations are displayed. Return to Chiclayo and gather this evening for dinner at a local restaurant. (B,L,D)

Sunday, October 18 - Fly to Cuzco | Ollantaytambo | Urubamba

After breakfast, we transfer to the Chiclayo airport for our flight to Cuzco, via Lima. Upon arrival, we have lunch at a local restaurant before driving to the Sacred Valley. This afternoon we visit the town of Ollantaytambo and its Inca temple/fortress. Many of the town's houses date to the Inca period and are still occupied by local families. A local family will invite us into their home to learn about life in a typical native residence. Dinner is at our hotel in Urubamba. *Overnight at the 5-star [Aranwa Sacred Valley Hotel and Wellness](#) for three nights.* (B,L,D)

Monday, October 19 - Moray | Maras | Chincheros | Urubamba

Today we head into the hills above the Sacred Valley, stopping first at the archaeological site of Moray, where we find a series of circular terraces whose purpose has been the subject of much debate by archaeologists over the years. Our next stop is at the salt mines at Maras, which have been in use since pre-Hispanic times, where we learn how salt was produced in pre-Industrial times. Our final stop is at the traditional weaving center in Chincheros. Enjoy a typical lunch at the home of the center's founder, Nilda Callañaupa, followed by demonstrations of traditional weaving. Return to Urubamba, where dinner is at our hotel this evening. (B,L,D)

Tuesday, October 20 - Pisac | Wayra Ranch | Urubamba

Our destination this morning is the town of Pisac, located up the Urubamba Valley. In the hills above Pisac we visit the Inca archaeological site of the same name, which was most likely a royal estate of the Inca ruler Pachacutec. After a walk through the traditional market in Pisac's plaza, where many of the vendors will have come down from the surrounding highland communities wearing their native garb, we will visit Wayra Ranch, home to the Peruvian Paso Horse. The horses and their riders will demonstrate their elegant gait to the rhythm of the "Marinera," a traditional Peruvian dance. After a lunch of Peruvian Creole food we return to our hotel, where the balance of the afternoon is at leisure. Dinner is at our hotel this evening. (B,L,D)

Photos (from top): Ollantaytambo, reconstruction of the tomb of the Lord of Sipán, Moray, indigenous women weaving

"Sipán is the most amazing site, the museum is simply spectacular, the visitors can understand the Moche culture very deeply."

- Maria, Mexico



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Wednesday, October 21 - Ollantaytambo | Train to Aguas Calientes | Machu Picchu | Aguas Calientes

This morning we take the Vistadome train from Ollantaytambo to Aguas Calientes, where our hotel is only a short walk from the train station. After lunch at our hotel, take a short walk to the shuttle bus for legendary Machu Picchu, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Spend the afternoon exploring the most important parts of the site, until it closes. (Note that most visitors leave by early afternoon, to catch the train back to Cuzco, so in the late afternoon we can enjoy the site with relative peace and quiet.) Return via shuttle bus to Aguas Calientes, where we have dinner at our hotel this evening. *Overnight at the 5-star [Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel](#) for two nights.* (B,L,D)

Thursday, October 22 - Machu Picchu

We have the opportunity to spend the whole morning exploring Machu Picchu. Those who wish may hike along the Inca Trail to the Sun Gate (Inti Punku), for a different perspective of Machu Picchu. Return to our hotel for lunch, and enjoy the balance of the afternoon at leisure. Dinner is at our hotel this evening. (B,L,D)

Friday, October 23 - AM at leisure | Train to Ollantaytambo | Cuzco

Enjoy a morning at leisure, or join your guide for a strenuous hike (at additional cost and subject to availability) to the top of Huayna Picchu, overlooking Machu Picchu. After a buffet lunch at El Mapi Hotel, we take the Vistadome train back to Ollantaytambo and drive to Cuzco, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Dinner is on your own. *Overnight at the 5-star [Palacio del Inka Hotel](#) for three nights.* (B,L)

Saturday, October 24 - Cuzco: City tour, Casa Concha Museum | Sacsayhuaman | Cuzco

Start the day with a city tour, beginning at the cathedral on the main plaza (which was, itself, part of the Inca central square). Cuzco's cathedral is considered to be the best repository of colonial art in Peru. Continue on to the Qoricancha ("Temple of the Sun"), which was the most sacred space in Inca Cuzco. The Dominicans built their church atop the Qoricancha, and an earthquake in 1950 destroyed portions of that church, uncovering the Inca walls we see today. Visit the Casa Concha Museum, housing hundreds of artifacts from the 1912 excavations at Machu Picchu, and then drive to Sacsayhuaman, an Inca fortress in the hills overlooking the city. Its size and scope are amazing, particularly the huge stones (many weighing dozens of tons) that were used to build its walls. After a gourmet picnic lunch near Sacsayhuaman, we return to Cuzco for the balance of the day at leisure. (B,L)

Sunday, October 25 - Tipon | Piquillaqta | Raqchi | Cuzco | Farewell dinner

This morning we visit three important archaeological sites south of Cuzco. First is Tipon, an Inca royal estate that is famous for its terraces, stone-lined canals, and fountains. Then visit Piquillaqta, a Middle Horizon center built by people of the Wari (Huari) culture. It is a huge site, with lots of standing walls of houses and storehouses, and it is the only major pre-Inca site near Cuzco. After lunch at a local restaurant we drive to the village of Raqchi, built around the Inca Temple of Viracocha. Return to Cuzco and gather this evening for a farewell dinner. (B,L,D)

Monday, October 26 - Fly to Lima | Fly home

Transfer this morning to the Cuzco airport for our group flight to Lima, connecting to independent flights homeward. (B)



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Photos (from top): The Vistadome train, hoatzin bird, Cuzco; (left) Mochica headdress at the Larco Museum, Lima



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"This trip provided me with the opportunity to be amazed by the monuments, art and history of ancient Peru. The trip had an hectic pace both in terms of physical exercise and also in terms of the amount of information we received, but we always had the opportunity to relax and enjoy the comfort of the hotels."

-Samuel, Mexico



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What to Expect

This program is designed for anyone who is interested in art, culture, archaeology, and history. AIA leaders and guides are chosen for their ability to provide understandable and fascinating insights to the sites and are congenial and eager to discuss your ideas and answer questions.

You must be in good physical health to participate in this program. All participants are expected to be physically active and not be an impediment to others on excursions, to enjoy traveling as part of a group, and to be ready to experience cultural differences. Some sites require strenuous and/or brisk walking or climbing, sometimes with difficult footing, and/or steep, uneven, stone steps. This itinerary features a significant amount of walking, and to reap the full rewards of this adventure travelers must be able to walk extended periods, unassisted, keeping up with fellow travelers. If the tour manager decides that a participant cannot visit a site safely or in a timely manner, their judgment will be final. Where possible, an alternate activity may be suggested; additional costs may apply. If you have any questions about your ability to participate, we suggest that you visit your personal physician with this brochure in hand and discuss whether or not this program is appropriate for you. Participants who are not able to walk unassisted for extended periods are kindly advised not to join this tour. The high altitude of Cuzco (11,150 feet) could cause problems for travelers with certain health conditions. Average temperatures in October range from the upper-60s F during the day to the mid-40s F at night. If you have any questions about your ability to participate, please visit your personal physician with this brochure in hand and discuss whether or not this program is appropriate for you. Complete pre-departure details will be sent to participants.



Palacio del Inka Hotel, Cuzco

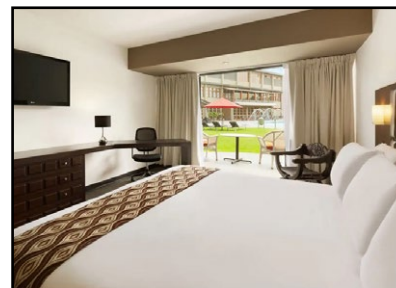


Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel, Aguas Calientes

Accommodations



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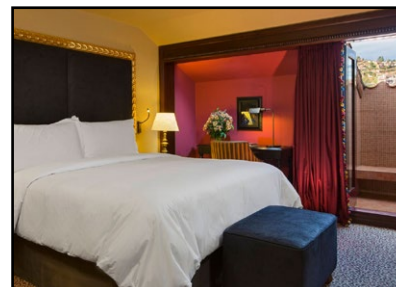
*Chiclayo: Three nights at the 4-star
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*Aguas Calientes: Two nights at the 5-star
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Sacsayhuamán
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Single Supplement (limited availability)	\$1,545

Single room supplement will be charged when requested or required.
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Prices Include:

- Leadership of **AIA Lecturer and Host Jo Burkholder**, plus an English-speaking Peruvian tour manager and local guides
- **Group airport transfers** on Oct. 12th and Oct. 26th
- **14 nights' accommodations:** Eleven nights in 5-star, first-class hotels and three nights in a 4-star, best-available hotel, as indicated in the itinerary
- **Flights within Peru:** Lima-Trujillo, Chiclayo-Lima-Cuzco, Cuzco-Lima
- All ground transportation by **deluxe, air-conditioned minibus**, including bottled water
- **Vistadome Train:** Ollantaytambo/Aguas Calientes/Ollantaytambo
- **Meals with mineral water and/or a hot beverage:** 14 breakfasts, 13 lunches, and 7 dinners, including a special welcome lunch and farewell dinner
- **Sightseeing and excursions**, including entrance fees, as per itinerary
- **Gratuities** to your drivers, local guides, Peruvian tour manager, and hotel and restaurant staff for group services
- **Baggage handling** at hotels and airports where available
- **Complete pre-departure materials** including a suggested reading guide and packing suggestions

Air Arrangements & Transfers

Airfare to and from Lima, Peru, is not included. In-program flights are included in the tour cost. Group airport transfers are provided for those arriving on Oct. 12th and departing on Oct. 26th (transfer times TBA). Once you have received your final payment invoice, you should book your flights. If you are considering booking your flights before this time, please contact our office first. We do not accept any liability for cancellation penalties related to domestic or international airline tickets.

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They can presently be found at: <https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/alertswarnings.html> and <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices>. **MISCELLANEOUS:** Participants should not purchase airline tickets prior to receiving your final payment invoice so as to avoid airline cancellation penalties if a tour is canceled or otherwise modified subsequent to the participant's purchase of those tickets. Baggage and personal effects are at all times the sole responsibility of the participant. If, due to weather, flight schedules or other uncontrollable factors, you are required to spend an additional night(s), you will be responsible for your own hotel, transfers, and meal costs. Baggage is entirely at owner's risk. Sponsor reserves the right to decline to accept or retain any participant at any time. 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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT: By forwarding of deposit, the participant certifies that he/she agrees with these terms and conditions, and accepts the terms contained in these Terms and Conditions, Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement.