LIMA

CITY TOUR (Modern & Colonial)

Our guided tour of historic downtown Lima takes you through the historical landmarks of Lima including the main square, San Martin's Square, the Cathedral, the Archbishop's Palace, City Hall, and the main government buildings. Furthermore, the downtown tour includes the breathtaking architectural sights of the mostly unchanged streets lined with colonial mansions and classical balconies, also visiting the San Francisco Church and its well famous Catacombs. Leaving downtown Lima the tour continues through a number of other time-honored residential areas of Lima such as San Isidro, El Olivar (an area named after the olive trees brought from Spain in the 16th century), and a number of bordering neighborhoods. The tour ends with brief visits to Parque Central Miraflores (park of Miraflores) and Parque del Amor (park of love), the latter features a spectacular view of the Pacific Ocean.

LARCO HERRERA MUSEUM

This museum clearly delineates the different eras of Peru's cultural evolution with roughly 50000 pre-Columbian pieces from the Mochican culture on display. Such pieces include pottery, works of both silver and gold, and an attractive collection of textiles. Another section of the museum features the famous erotic Huacos or artifacts.

PACHACAMAC RUINS

A few miles south of Lima lies an ancient religious center known as the Pachacamac Ruins. The ruins, constructed from adobe (sun-dried clay) bricks, feature different levels, corridors and labyrinths. Distinguishing it from other historical landmarks, the ruins were a place of worship for both the Huaris (700 - 1100 AD) and the Incas (15th century).

ARCHEOLOGICAL MUSEUM

Historically the residence of both liberators Joaquin de la Plazuela viceroy and San Martin and Simon Bolivar, this museum features one of the biggest archeological collections in Peru. Most notably of the objects on display are the Chavin litics, Paracas textiles, Nazca and Mochica ceramics, golden Chimus objects, and paintings. Additionally the museum includes personal items of prominent figures from the Conquest, Republic, and Colonial.

GOLD MUSEUM

The Gold Museum consists of a private collection of pre-Incan and Incan artifacts all of which are made of gold. The artifacts displayed assist in discovering what the pre-Columbian Peruvian culture was all about. Items include ritual/ceremonial objects, jewels, weapons, ceremonial robes, royal headbands, vases, funerary masks, and various artistic works.

AMANO MUSEUM

This Amano Museum has a unique collection of textiles, cotton paintings, and fine cotton telars (mainly from the coastal valley of Chancay). Spanning from simple styles to embroidery, one can see the broad variety of weaving techniques used by Peruvian cultures.

NATIONAL MUSEUM

The large halls in the National Museum comprehensively show the different aspects of Ancient Peru's development. It includes replicas of archaeological sites, engravings, dioramas, and a diverse collection of artifacts. Additionally, the museum assists in understanding the geographical differences encompassing each era, illustrating the coastal, highland, and jungle regions.

LIMA BY NIGHT

A different way to get to know Lima's historical architecture and contemporary culture is by taking this tour. It takes you directly to the neighborhood of Barranco, home to the best writers and painters. Much of the architecture is modeled off of that of Spain due to the colonial nature at the time it was mainly built. On the western-most part of the neighborhood, you will get to see the coastline view of Pacific Ocean, truly an awe-inspiring sight.

Museo MATE Mario Testino

Address: Av. Pedro de Osma 409, Barranco 15063

Phone: 200 5400

Tuesday to Sunday 10:00am / 18:30hrs

MATE is the only museum in the world dedicated to the permanent exhibition of the work of photographer Mario Testino. After 35 years residing abroad, it was the personal desire of the artist to lodge and preserve his photographic work in Lima. In addition to the Permanent Collection, the museum presents temporary exhibitions with the work of artists and foreigners.



Museo de Arte Contemporáneo de Lima

Address: Av. Almte. Miguel Grau 1511, Barranco 15063

Phone: 514 6800

Tuesday to Sunday 10:00am / 18:00hrs

Founded in 2013, the MAC, museum in the city of Lima specialized in the diffusion of modern and contemporary art, whose building has been conceived and conditioned for this purpose. A private non-profit organization that dedicates to promote the knowledge and experience of the visual arts to the community emphasizing the promotion of contemporary culture.



Museo MALI Museo de Arte de Lima

Address: Parque de la Exposición, Paseo Colon 125, Cercado de Lima

Phone: 204 0000

Tuesday to Sunday 10:00am / 19:00hrs Saturday 10:00am / 17:00hrs

The Lima Art Museum is a non-profit civil organization whose objective is the promotion of art and culture in Peru. Located in the historic Palace of the Exhibition, it houses more than fourteen thousand works, which is the most representative collection of the history of Peruvian art. In addition to the exhibition area, the MALI offers a wide range of cultural activities, such as courses, workshops, film screenings and theatrical performances.

