

## Rails to the Andes

October 28-November 7, 2010

**Wings and Rails International Expeditions** invites you to the experience of a lifetime by riding the rails of four of Peru's most famous railroads. You will have a chance to ride the highest railroad in the Andes, the Central Railroad of Peru, now operated as the Central Andino Railroad. This spectacular railroad features 68 tunnels, 61 bridges and 9 switchbacks and a 15,681 ft ASL pass. A optional day in Huancayo to ride the Huancayo-Huancavelica Railroad. The Perurail lines will take you by narrow gauge train from Cusco to Machu Picchu and the standard gauge train will take you to Lake Titicaca. Let us put together an adventure that you will remember for a lifetime.

***Designed for the individual traveler or small groups***

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**Thur, Oct 28, 2010- *International arrivals***, Welcome dinner. Overnight Lima, Peru. Hotel **(D)**

**Fri, Oct 29-** Depart Hotel 6 AM for Desemparados station. Train departs at 7 AM for all day journey eastbound to Huancayo, Peru. Several stops will be made on the route to view the locomotive being turned on the turntable at San Bartolome, and at ***Galera a 15,681 ft ASL pass the highest station on any railroad in the Americas***. A light breakfast and lunch will be served on board. Drinks and snacks are available onboard during the trip. Overnight at Huancayo, Peru and dinner. Hotel **(B/L/D)**

**Sat, Oct 30-**Free day in Huancayo. Option to ride the FCHH (Huancayo-Huancavelica former narrow gauge) or sightseeing. Overnight Huancayo, Hotel **(B/D)**

**Sun, Oct 31-** Free day in Huancayo for sightseeing. Overnight Huancayo, Hotel **(B)**

**Mon, Nov 1-** Depart hotel 6 AM for Huancayo station. Train departs westbound at 7 AM. Train will make several stops on return tour as on eastbound trip. Train arrives in Lima at 7 PM. Overnight in Lima and dinner, Overnight Lima Hotel. **(B/L/D)**

**Tue, Nov 2-**Morning transfer to Lima airport for flight to Cusco, Peru. Morning free to adjust to altitude. PM tour of Cusco city and nearby sights. Free evening for sightseeing. Overnight in Cusco, Hotel. **(B)**

**Wed, Nov 3-**Morning departure from Cusco to ride Perurail train to Machu Picchu. Depart Poroy station AM and arrive late morning to Aguas Calientes. From here it is a short bus ride up the mountain to the newest Seven Wonders of World, ***Machu Picchu***. An afternoon return will take us back to our hotel in Aguas Caliente for the night. Overnight in Aguas Caliente. **(B)**

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**Thur, Nov 4-** You will have the morning free to return to Machu Picchu or just walk around Aguas Calientes and visit the many handicraft booths. A late morning train will take us back to Ollantaytambo station and we will transfer to a bus to visit some of the local sites of the Sacred Valley before continuing on to Cusco for the night. Overnight in Cusco, Hotel. **(B/L)**

**Fri, Nov 5-** Morning departure to Perurail Wanchaq depot to board eastbound ***Andean Explorer*** at 7 AM. A light breakfast and tasty lunch will be provided on board the restored railcars of Perurail. The route will take us across the lush valley and then cross the highest pass on this route at La Raya at 14,166 ft. After La Raya the train descends to the altiplano and the junction of the Puno branch at Juliaca. Here we will tread between the many venders that line the train tracks in the vast open air market in the city streets. The train will soon follow the shore of Lake Titicaca and overnight destination of Puno at 7 PM. Overnight in Puno, Hotel. **(B/L)**

**Sat, Nov 6-** Free day to sightseeing the area of Puno and Lake Titicaca or a boat ride out to visit the floating islands of Uros. Overnight Puno, Hotel. **(B)**

**Sun, Nov 7-** Morning departure by bus to Juliaca airport and a flight back to Lima. You will have sometime in the afternoon to do some last minute shopping in Lima. ***International departures.*** **(B)**

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*International Air ticket to/from Lima, Peru not included*

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### **Tour Includes**

10 nights

11 days

19 meals

### **Train tickets**

FVCA Tourist train,

Perurail,

### **Two Internal air tickets**

Lima-Cusco

Juliaca-Lima

### **All bus and hotel transfers**

### **All included tours and guides**

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### ***Cost Per Person Double Occupancy***

Double bed with Board-

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Single bed with Board-

**Deposit due, July 9, 2010- \$**

**Final payment due August 13, 2010 \$**

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### **Itinerary**

We reserve the right to substitute, alter or modify any part of the tour if any unexpected or unforeseen conditions or circumstances that are beyond our control prevent the completion of such. This itinerary is subject to change without notice.

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### **Payment method and cancellations**

Checks, money orders, Credit cards. Credit cards Mastercard, Visa, Discover and American Express. Cancellations must be received 45 days before the tour begins in writing, fax or e-mails before we make a refund less \$180.00- per person administration fee. 45-30 days before the tour begins, 50% penalty based on the full tour cost. 29 days or less, absolutely no refunds. If we cancel the tour, you will get a full 100% refund.

### **Visa and travel documents**

It is the passenger's responsibility to check for proper documents and visas before joining the tour. However at this time no visa is required of US Citizens.

### **Travel Insurance**

It is mandatory to present policy number and insurance company name before joining the group. We will send you information on Travel Insurance.

### **Health and Safety**

This is a tour that requires a lot of walking and steps. Train stations and trains in Perú do not have handicapped accessibility. Passengers will have to carry their own luggage in most of the train stations. Check with your family Doctor or local Public Health Authority for the latest updates on vaccinations recommended for travel to South America. In some areas the altitude will be above 10,000 ft, plan accordingly.

### **Not included in our tour package**

Any laundry service, room service or local and long distance telephone calls. Individuals must pay any extra meals, alcoholic drinks or extra services.

Photos L to R- Perurail at La Raya.-Galera station at summit of Andes.-Lima's Desemparados station tourist train. Photos by Dale Brown



### **Additional Tours**

**Lines of Nazca**

**Colca Canyon**

**Northern Peru and Kuelap fortress**

**Amazon River and Peruvian Jungle**

**Galapagos Islands**

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