



AGENCIA DE VIAJES
GIARDINO

TOUR  **GIARDINO**

Colca Canyon 2d/1n Classic

Fixed dates: Every day
Type of service: Regular with a Group.

FIRST DAY



We will depart at 7:30 am from Arequipa, driving 160 km to the town of Chivay, capital of the Province of Caylloma. At the beginning of our excursion we will enjoy the majestic views of the Misti, Chachani and PichuPichu volcanoes before approaching the National Reserve of “**Salinas y Aguada Blanca**”, where our transportation will make a short stop to observe the wild Vicuñas (one of the 4 types of American camels) in its natural habitat. At this point we will be about 4,000 meters above sea level. Moving on we will arrive to “**Alto Sumbay**”, an Andean community at the opposite border of the reserve.

Here you might enjoy the natural formation of rocks and the view to the backside of the Misti and Chachani volcanoes. To prevent altitude sickness we will have an original Andean “Mate de Coca” drink or another hot drink in a rustic restaurant on the road (service of bathrooms are here available).

Continuing on the road we will pass “**Tocra**”, a high plain at more than 4,400 meters, where we will observe lakes with wild birds and get pictures of the “Antiplano” with its Llamas and Alpacas. The highest point of our tour will be “**Pata Pampa**” (Pata=high, Pampa=land) located at 4,910 meters, where we’ll observe the volcanoes Ampato, Sabancaya, Hualca-Hualca, Mismi (the source of the Amazon River), and the “Cordillera de Chila”. When we are getting close to the town of **Chivay** (3,651 meters) we will start to wonder at the spectacular multicolor view of the terraces of the Colca valley.

We keep our drive until **Coporaque** town and visit the Lodge *La Casa de Mamayacchi*, where we will have our lunch (cost of lunch is not included in program).

After lunch your guide will invite you to a short walk through **Coporaque** and its surroundings (this walk takes around 1 hour and is optional)

We’ll come back to our transportation and visit a natural “*hot springs*”, where we will enjoy a relaxing bath (entrance fee and personal towels to the baths are not included).

After this exciting day we will bring you to your hotel or lodge





SECOND DAY

We will have our breakfast very early in the morning and leave to the famous “Cruz del Condor” point. Arrive to “**Cruz del Condor**” and time enough to have an enjoyable view of the deep of the Canyon and if the weather permits; majestic pictures of the flight of the Condors.

After a coordinated time, our guide will take you for a short walk near the Canyon (1 hour aprox.) On the way back to Chivay we’re going to visit the traditional village of **Pinchollo** and the “**Antahuilque viewpoint**”, where a

1,500 year old terraces, can be observed. We also will make a stop at the look-out point of “Choquetico” with its hanging tombs “Tumbas colgantes”, and take a look to the litomaqueta, a model of the canyon terraces carved in a rock. We will continue visiting **Maca**, an Andean community that experienced an earthquake in November of 1991 and the village of **Yanque** with the most beautiful church in the valley.

Lunch in Chivay town (Cost of Lunch is not included in program) and return to **Arequipa** city.

Option with extra charge: Transfer from Chivay to Puno city on Lake Titicaca – additional cost.

End of our service.

The program includes:

Tourist transportation, English guide, hotel, breakfast buffet, assistance.

The Program does not include:

Tourist ticket to the Colca valley, excursions not mentioned in this program, tips, meals (lunch and dinner), entrances to the Hot Springs, towels, snacks, beverages and/or other extras.

Extension:

Colca 3d/2n + Half day with a Villager

Same itinerary as Colca Classic 2d/1n, 01 extra night in your lodge and ½ day experience with a local family in Coporaque. Transfer to Puno on the third day or return to Arequipa city.

¡Giardino Tour Operator thanks you for your preference!

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