

“SEA, DUNES & SUN” PARACAS, ICA & HUACACHINA FULL DAY TOUR

(DURATION: 19HRS APPROX.)

This full day excursion will start at 3:30 AM, when our “Local Friend”, and the driver, will pick you up from your hotel in a private vehicle to travel to the Paracas Bay.



The ride lasts about 3-4 hours and you'll do a stop for breakfast on the way or once you arrive. Will depend on how you feel and are with the time.

Once you arrive to the local dock you'll board the speed boat to Ballestas Islands, around 8:00 AM. **You'll have another local guide for this service because it will be a shared tour.**

During this 2-hour group excursion you will see many attractions but, among them, stands out “El Candelabro, a giant geoglyph etched on the slope of hill that can be clearly seen from the sea. You'll learn the most important theories concerning this drawing.

In Ballestas Islands you'll also observe hundreds of birds flying (Peruvian Bobbies, Inca terns, Pelicans, Cormorants and others) above the Islands, as well as dozens of sea lions on the shore of the beaches. Besides, if you are lucky, you can see the famous Humboldt Penguins along the rocky coast and/or dolphins swimming nearby.



By the way, it is not allowed to land on the Island, which means you will spend all the tour on the boat.

You'll get back to the mainland, meeting again with your “Local Friend”, who will take you to the Chaco Boulevard where you'll have some free time to do some souvenir shopping if you wish. Then you will board again our private vehicle to continue our trip to the city of Ica where you'll do a city tour, have lunch and a pisco tasting.



Finally, you'll visit Huacachina, an oasis surrounded by high dunes. Your "Local Friend" will give you an explanation of this small town and then you'll get on the 4x4 buggy vehicles (**shared tour also**), that will take you driving across the dessert that offers stunning landscapes. The experience of climbing up and down steep dunes with the vehicle is an adrenaline-filled adventure!

You'll make various stops along the way for pictures and to do some fun sandsleeding. (*Doing Sandboarding with bindings has a special price, please ask*). The buggy driver will take you to the summit of some dunes and from the very top you will be able to slide down. Before you start to sand surf, the guide/instructor will teach you specific techniques to ensure a safety ride.

Keep in mind that on this shared tour you will not have to walk up the dunes to go for a second or a third ride, the driver will do all the lifting job for you. The whole experience will take 1hr approx.

After the buggy ride you'll board the vehicle for the return trip to Lima, concluding around 10:00 PM by dropping you off at your hotel.



WHAT'S INCLUDED: Private local guide, private vehicle, private local driver, entry tickets, Ballestas Islands excursion, buggies & sandboard excursion.

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED: Food, drinks, gratuities and personal expenses

****Be aware that the Ballestas excursion included in the tour could be subject to cancellation in case of bad weather that affects the ocean conditions, making it unsafe to set sail****

****Keep in mind the Buggies and Sandleeding/Sandboarding are considered adrenaline/extreme experiences and you may feel like you're riding on a rollercoaster while racing through the dunes****