

BEST OF PERU

TOUR TO THE MOCHE TEMPLES

HISTORY, CULTURE, ADVENTURE AND MUCH MORE

"Our Tour to the Moche Temples invites you to uncover a civilization shaped by nature and ritual. In the Moche Valley, near Trujillo, stand the towering pyramids of the Sun and Moon — sites of human sacrifice and devotion to the feared god Aia-Paec. Walk among ancient murals, hear tales of the El Niño disasters, and meet today's Moche descendants who still craft pottery with ancestral methods."



ABOUT

Tour to the Moche Temples

“TEMPLE OF THE SUN: ONE OF LARGEST
ADOBE PYRAMID IN THE AMERICAS”

Marvel at the massive Temple of the Sun, an ancient adobe pyramid towering over the Moche Valley. Though access is restricted, you'll admire its grandeur and learn about its history.



“ANCIENT MOCHE CEREMONIAL
ART AND SYMBOLISM”

Discover stunning polychrome friezes and symbols that reveal the religious beliefs and artistic mastery of the Moche civilization, over 1,500 years old.



“TEMPLE OF THE MOON: RICHLY
DECORATED RITUAL CENTER”

Explore the Temple of the Moon, where high-relief murals depict the fierce god Ai Apaec and ceremonial human sacrifices performed to appease nature's wrath.



“MEET THE DESCENDANTS OF THE
MOCHE CULTURE”

Visit a local community of Moche descendants and witness traditional pottery-making techniques passed down for generations — a living link to the ancient past.



EXPLORE THE NORTHERN CULTURES OF PERU

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Moche Temple of the Moon

TOUR DESCRIPTION

Part I: Journey to the Moche Valley & Museum Visit

Begin Your Tour to the Moche Temples at the Museum

Your Tour to the Moche Temples begins with a morning pick-up from your hotel in Trujillo. After a short scenic drive into the fertile Moche Valley, you will first visit the excellent Museum of the Moche Temples. Here, your guide introduces you to the world of the Moche through original ceramics, textiles, tools, and vivid reconstructions. This museum visit helps you understand the complex society, rituals, and artistry of this ancient civilization. Then, well-prepared, you continue to the temples themselves. Part

II: Exploring the Temple of the Moon & View of the Sun Temple

Next, you will arrive at the spectacular Temple of the Moon (Huaca de la Luna). After a gentle climb to its entrance, your expert guide will lead you through ancient chambers decorated with vibrant polychrome murals.



Starting Point:
Your hotel in Trujillo.



Departure Time:
09:00 h. or at request.



Tour Duration:
3.5:00 h. approx.

“A Journey into the Heart of the Moche Civilization”

These artworks depict warriors, priests, and the formidable Moche god Aia-Paec.

As you explore, your guide will reveal the dramatic stories of rituals and human sacrifices, performed here to appease the gods and control the forces of nature, especially during devastating El Niño events.

From the summit, you will enjoy panoramic views of the entire Moche Valley and the massive Temple of the Sun (Huaca del Sol). Although the Sun Temple remains under excavation, your guide will explain its role as the largest adobe structure in the Americas and a ceremonial center of immense importance.

Part III: Living Traditions — Visit to a Moche Artisan Community

Meet the Keepers of Moche Pottery Traditions

After exploring the temples, your tour continues with a visit to a local community of Moche descendants. Here, you will meet skilled artisans who have preserved traditional pottery techniques passed down through generations. You will watch them craft ceremonial vessels and decorative pieces — a rare opportunity to connect the ancient Moche world with its living cultural legacy.

Finally, after this immersive and enriching experience, you will return to your hotel in Trujillo, completing an unforgettable journey into one of Peru's greatest archaeological treasures.

Inclusions:

- Pick from your hotel in Trujillo.
- Private transportation.
- English speaking guide.
- All entrance fees.

Exclusions:

- Extras & Gratuities.



The Allure of Travel:

Personalized Adventure Tour with Local Expert

Explore Two Iconic Pyramids of Northern Peru

Discover the grandeur of the Sun and Moon Temples, two of the most important ceremonial centers of the ancient Moche civilization.

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A Scholarly Journey into the Moche World.

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Witness the Secrets of Aia-Paec

Marvel at centuries-old murals, high-relief carvings, and symbols that reveal the power of the Moche gods and the mysteries of their lost world.

Meet the Keepers of Ancient Knowledge

Connect with direct descendants of the Moche people who continue to craft pottery using techniques passed down through generations.

A Tour for History Enthusiasts

Led by expert local guides, this immersive tour provides rare insights into one of Peru's most fascinating pre-Inca cultures—perfect for history enthusiasts and curious minds.