



# CIRQA

PARADOR EN AREQUIPA



PRELIMINARY FACT SHEET

## CIRQA

Located in the historic centre of Arequipa, Cirqa shares an age-old bond with the San Agustín Church. Like the Church's traditional *parador*, where monks would receive travellers with one-of-a-kind service and hearty cuisine, Cirqa was fervently inspired by the unbounded hospitality and ecclesiastical history that still define Arequipa to its core.

Honouring this original concept, Cirqa is a place of both rest and fine cuisine. In the *parador*, travellers can embark on a myriad of excursions or choose to sample homegrown dishes in the several eating areas. The *parador* offers eleven exquisite rooms, centred around two outdoor patios, revealing a blend of Arequipenean authenticity with a contemporary, robust style, thus giving way to an intriguing reinterpretation of history.

As Arequipenean tradition dictates, good food is fundamental. On the one hand, our *comedor* serves exclusively to overnight guests and a few outside guests with prior reservation. On the other hand, our rooftop eatery is open to the public.

Designed by the same creative team behind Titilaka, Hotel B and Atemporal, Cirqa is an expansion of our renowned Titilaka Lodge with the same level of services and facilities. With astonishing views overlooking the cathedral and snow-capped volcano Misti, Cirqa is the ideal gateway to acclimatise to the altitude before continuing on to the higher destinations. Check in at Cirqa, check out at Titilaka and combine two spectacular Peruvian destinations.

— “*Circa*” — *Preposition* • FORMAL • > (used especially with years) *about* or *approximately*

*Cirqa* alludes to the word *Circa* in its attempt to determine a certain moment or period in time, but is written with a Q as in Arequipa— emphasising the strong connection to the city's history, traditions and heritage.

// Arequipa was founded circa 1540.

// The San Agustín Church's most recent reconstruction took place circa 1883.

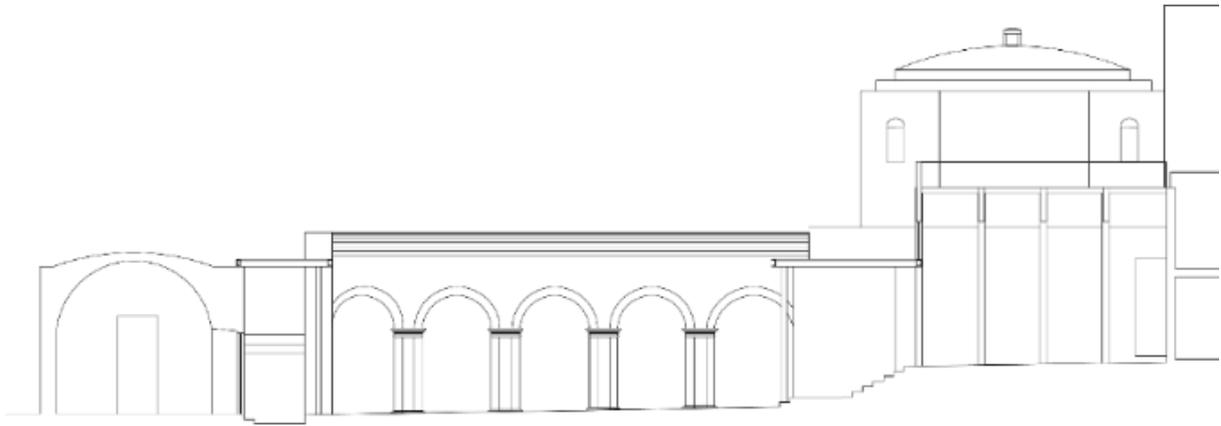
When investigating the history of the property, many different dates emerged. In 1540, the year in which Arequipa was built, the land was divided between its founders and the Spanish nobility of the time. The land on which Cirqa now sits, was granted to Alonso De Luque, a renowned scribe. He later bequeathed it to the Augustinian Order requesting to build a church with cloisters, patios, orchards and gardens as well as a sepulchre for him and his wife under the altar of Saint Nicholas of Tolentino.

Unfortunately, after the Church was erected, construction work never stopped. Successive earthquakes continuously tore down parts of the edifice thus triggering several simultaneous reconstruction processes and complicating the determination of precise dates and definitive styles.

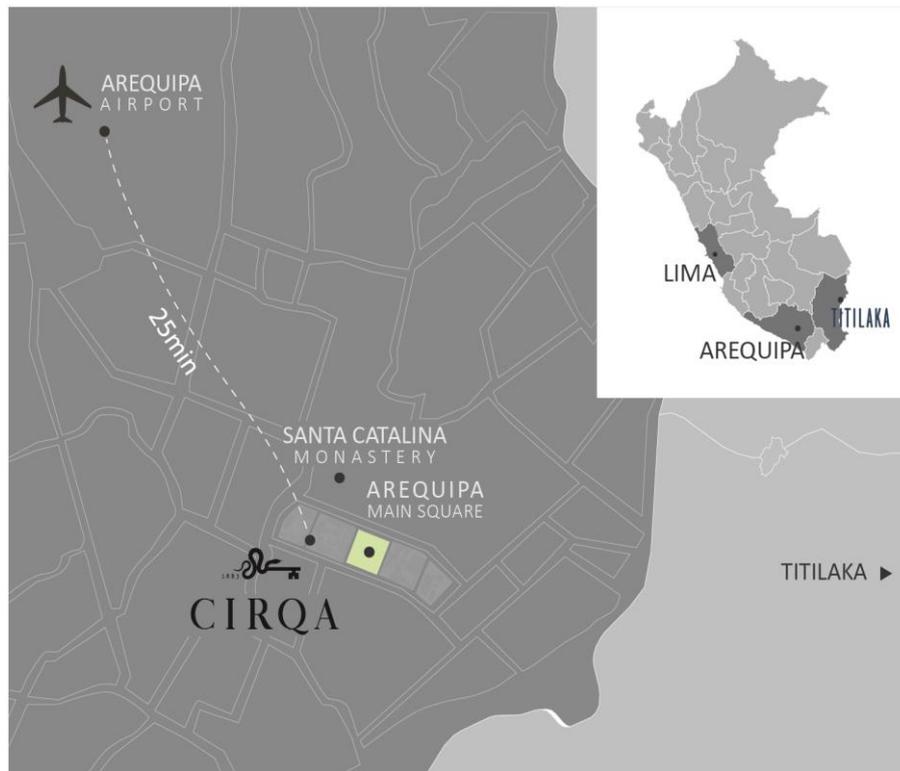
After Peru's independence from Spain, the property was given to the treasury and the division of land took place once again. The property was passed down from family to family, but the curse of earthquakes stood strong. In 1883, yet another left the church in ruins, causing the board of Almudena

to auction off the entire lot. At the end of the 20th century, the property was ultimately divided into thirds after inheritance, two of which now correspond to Cirqa.

Today, Cirqa is reappreciated for the emblematic estate it once was. The appreciation for its centuries-long history combined with current contemporary nuances make for a small private hotel applauded for its astounding architectural interior, partly made of volcanic sillar rock, and personalized high-quality service.



## LOCATION



As Peru's second largest city, Arequipa is located at an altitude of 2335 m (7661 ft) and safely surrounded by three snow-capped volcanoes. At the hearth of Peru's southern circuit, this colonial gem is home to beautiful architecture and a wonderful year-round climate. At 1014 km (630 miles) from Lima and 293 km (182 miles) away from Titilaka, Arequipa is the perfect starting point to explore the southern circuit of Peru.

Cirqa is located only one block away from the city's main square. The striking historic complex formed part of the San Agustin church and lies within walking distance of many of Arequipa's architectural jewels.

Address: Sucre 104, Arequipa 04001, Perú

## ACCESS, CLIMATE & ALTITUDE

### By car:

- 3 hrs from Chivay / Colca Canyon
- 6 hrs from Titilaka
- 9 hrs from Cusco
- 9 hrs from Nazca
- 16 hrs from Lima

### By plane:

- 90-minute flight from Lima (>10 direct flights per day)
- 1-hour flight from Cusco (one or two direct flights per day, others with stopover in Lima)
- 2-hour flight from Santiago (two flights per week)

### By train:

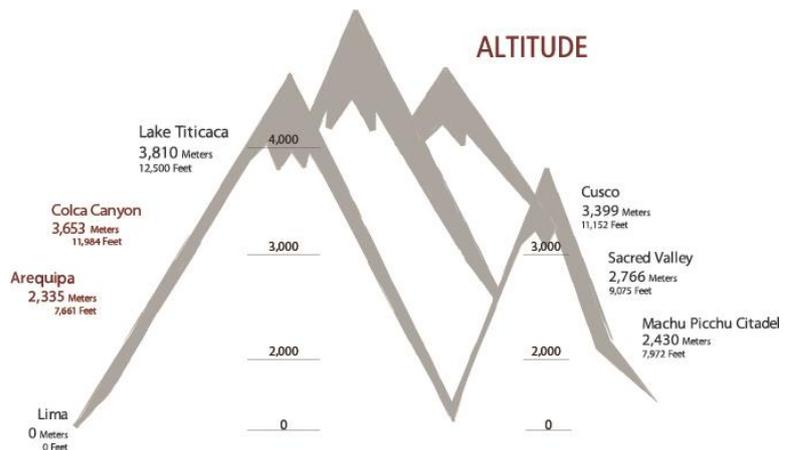
3d/2n by train (The Andean Explorer) from Cusco

*Leaves Cusco on Thursday, arrives at Arequipa on Saturday.*

*Leaves Arequipa on Saturday, arrives at Cusco on Monday.*

## WEATHER

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
	22°/9° C 71°/47° F	21°/9° C 71°/48° F	24°/8° C 76°/47° F	25°/7° C 77°/45° F	22°/6° C 72°/43° F	22°/5° C 71°/42° F
Average precipitation days	4.8 days	5.6 days	4.5 days	0.7 days	0.1 days	0.0 days
	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
	22°/5° C 71°/41° F	22°/5° C 72°/42° F	23°/6° C 73°/43° F	23°/6° C 73°/44° F	23°/7° C 73°/44° F	23°/8° C 73°/46° F
Average precipitation days	0.0 days	0.1 days	0.3 days	0.1 days	0.2 days	1.6 days



## HOTEL FACILITIES & SERVICES

The estate echoes 1540 – the year in which Arequipa was built - and safeguards the unique character of its traditional Arequipenean architecture. Cirqa's powerful walls, arches and columns, all made of volcanic sillar rock, were conserved as carefully as possible and form the timeless nucleus of the property on the first floor where carefully designed rooms, of which some have the original high-vaulted ceiling. The rooftop is converted into an organic garden which serves as the base for a rural style picantería in the heart of the city.

### HOTEL FACILITIES

- 11 fully equipped rooms in three different categories
- Salón: dining room and sitting area exclusive to guests
- Terraza
- Patio with heated plunge pool
- Therapy spa room

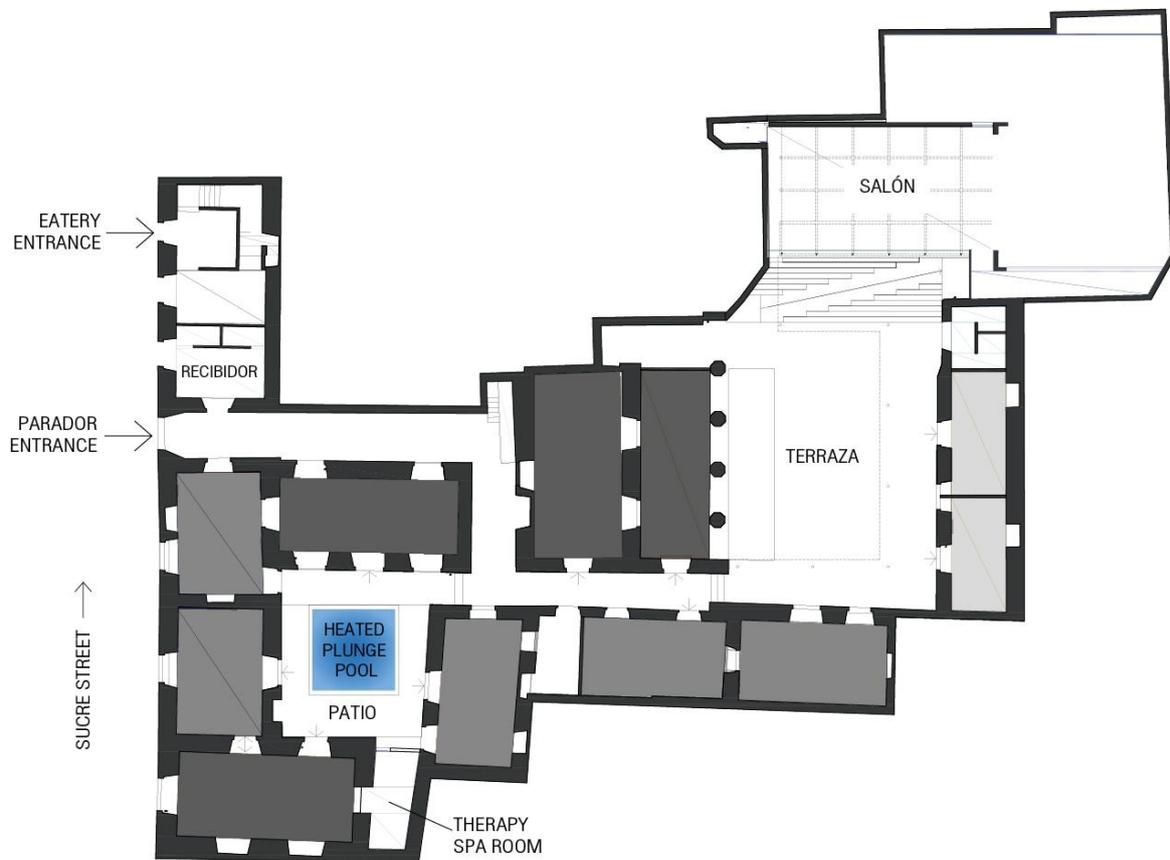
### HOTEL SERVICES

*Available only to guests*

- In-room check-in
- 24-hour on-site concierge service
- Complimentary Wi-Fi and mobile hotspot with 4G connection throughout the city
- Spa and massage services
- Shop module: exclusively designed local products
- Salón / Dining room: for the exclusive use of guests or with reservation beforehand
- Celebration packages
- Private events and full-house booking (for a minimum of two nights)

# HOTEL FLOORPLAN

1<sup>st</sup> floor: Parador



## ROOMS:



2<sup>nd</sup> floor: Rooftop Eatery (to open in second semester of 2019)

## KITCHEN

Cirqa's cuisine is inspired by the taste and ingredients of the traditional Arequipenean countryside *picanterías*, but in a contemporary format. The salón is exclusively available for guests or those with prior reservation (limited). The rooftop eatery, however, is open to the general public.

## SALÓN / DINING ROOM

With enticing aromas carried throughout the city, María Fe García, executive chef at Titilaka and Cirqa, was immediately inspired by the native blend of flavours. While Arequipenean gastronomy is known for its abundance, use of local ingredients and spice, Cirqa adds a refined touch to every dish. All lunch and dinner options, locally-inspired or all-time classics, captivate the essence of Arequipa, its heritage, legacy and traditions.

## ROOFTOP EATERY (COMING SOON)

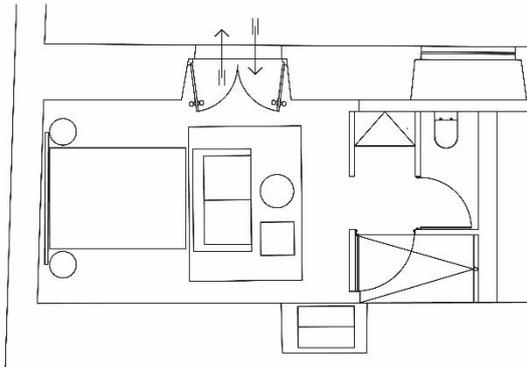
In addition to its dining room, Cirqa will also feature a rooftop eatery accompanied by an organic garden. Via a separate entrance to the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor above the hotel, the eatery will delight you with incredible 360° views of the city, cathedral, volcanoes and mountains. The inauguration is planned for the second semester of 2019.

Seating capacity: 15-30 guests. Available for private events.

## ROOM FACILITIES & SERVICES

The parador offers eleven exquisite rooms, centred around two patios. Every room is decorated with sophisticated sturdy furniture, the finest linens and includes a smart HDTV with DirecTV and Netflix, air-conditioning and heating, a personal safe, a wireless speaker, organic tailor-made amenities, complimentary snacks and beverage hamper and housekeeping twice a day.

### > CLAUSTRO



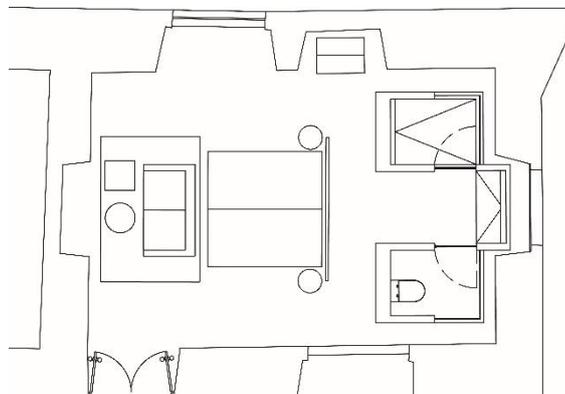
*The clean, robust furniture and the focus on the original architecture make these compact, but homey chambers the perfect retreats. Intimate rooms that reminisce about colonial pasts while offering you all the comfort and cosiness you could wish for.*

2 rooms (19.2-20.8m<sup>2</sup> / 206.7-223.9 sq. ft.). These rooms include a queen bed, a sofa and table/desk. They also have a private bathroom with separate rainfall shower, toilet with bidet shower, heated towel rail, sink, mirror and bathroom amenities.

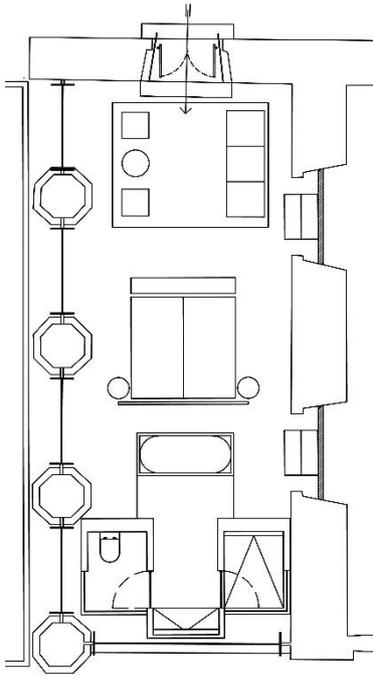
### APOSENTO <

*Breathing colonial cultural heritage, these tranquil spacious rooms are a peaceful hideaway for every discerning guest. Unwind and let us pamper you with the renowned traditional Arequipenean hospitality.*

5 Rooms (31.5-36.3m<sup>2</sup> / 339.1-390.7 sq. ft.) come with 2 twin beds or 1 king bed. Sitting area with sofa and table/desk as well as a private bathroom with separate rainfall shower, toilet with bidet shower, heated towel rail, sink, mirror and bathroom amenities are included.



> Referential sketches



### > BÓVEDA

*The original high-vaulted ceilings, sillar stone and prestigious interior recall the ancient Parador times and will have you discover the abundant artistic mysteries of Arequipa in its many rich details.*

4 rooms (39.9-49.7m<sup>2</sup> / 429.5-534.7 sq. ft.) available with 2 twin beds or 1 king bed. These rooms have a salon with two sofas and a table/desk. They also have a private bathroom with separate rainfall shower and separate bathtub as well as a toilet with bidet shower, heated towel rail, sink, mirror and bathroom amenities.

> Referential sketch

### ROOM SERVICES

*Available only to guests*

- In-room air-conditioning and heating
- 24/7 Room service
- Complimentary snacks and beverage hamper
- TV, cable connection, DirecTV and Netflix
- Tailor-made organic amenities
- Turn down service and housekeeping twice a day
- Complimentary ironing and shoe shine service

## BOARD BASES

Our rooms are available on two board bases:

### HALF BOARD

- Room
- Breakfast
- Lunch or dinner
- Complimentary snacks and beverage hamper
- Afternoon tea
- Welcome drink and afternoon cocktail
- Complimentary Wi-Fi and mobile hotspot with 4G connection throughout the city
- All excursions, activities and transfers can be booked separately for an additional cost.

### FULLY INCLUSIVE PLUS

- Room
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner
- Complimentary snacks and beverage hamper
- Afternoon tea
- Welcome drink and afternoon cocktail
- Complimentary Wi-Fi and mobile hotspot with 4G connection throughout the city
- Transfers to and from airport and train station
- Airport VIP lounge access
- Excursions: Several short excursions, two half day or one full day in Arequipa and surroundings or a discovery transfer to Titilaka. For a detailed list, please refer to the tables below.

Excursions <u>included</u> in Fully Inclusive Plus	
<i>Short Excursions</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Santa Catalina</li> <li>• Santa Teresa</li> <li>• Cathedral Museum</li> <li>• Juanita's Sanctuary (Santuarias Andinas Museum)</li> <li>• Sachaca Viewpoint</li> <li>• Mario Vargas Llosa Museum</li> <li>• Sillar Quarries (Añashuayco &amp; Culebrillas)</li> </ul>
<i>Half-day Excursions</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colonial Arequipa</li> <li>• Barrios around Chili</li> <li>• Monasteries of Arequipa</li> </ul>
<i>Full-day Excursions</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discovery transfer to Titilaka</li> </ul>
<i>Special Activities</i>	Not included, additional cost
<i>Transfers</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To and from the airport</li> <li>• To and from the train station</li> </ul>

Excursions Summary	Description	Duration		
		1-3 hrs.	4-6 hrs.	7-10 hrs.
<b>SHORT EXCURSIONS</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Santa Catalina</li> </ul>	Perhaps the most photogenic convent in Peru, this 16th century convent is a labyrinth of multicoloured streets, courtyards and chambers.	1		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Santa Teresa</li> </ul>	Albeit smaller lesser-known than Santa Catalina, Santa Teresa it is just as exquisitely beautiful thanks to a stunning collection of colonial religious art from the 17th and 18th centuries.	1		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cathedral Museum</li> </ul>	The grand white cathedral is the symbol of the city. Inside, a small museum showcases fine religious items and gives you access to a bewitching view of the main square.	1		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Santuarios Andinas Museum (Mummy Juanita)</li> </ul>	The Museum of Andean Sanctuaries is focused predominantly around Mummy Juanita. Believed to be the victim of ritual sacrifice, this young girl's mummified body was found at Mountain Ampato's peak about 70 kilometres from Arequipa.	1		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sachaca Panorama</li> </ul>	The Sachaca observatory tower, located in a small hillside barrio on the edge of the campiña, amazes you with a 360° view over Arequipa and its surrounding volcanoes.	2		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mario Vargas Llosa Museum</li> </ul>	The native house of Peru's most celebrated author and winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature in 2010, has been turned into a Museum honouring his life and work. Over the course of 1.5 hours holograms and videos will tell you all about his life, influences, politics and literature.	2.5		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sillar Quarries (Añashuayco &amp; Culebrillas)</li> </ul>	In the Añashuayco valley quarrymen extract and shape the typical white volcanic stone that give Arequipa its distinctive architectural style. Culebrillas Canyon is a lesser-known quarry where enigmatic petroglyphs dating from over 1000 years ago can be spotted.	3		

HALF DAY EXCURSIONS				
• Colonial Arequipa	A half day walk to explore the historical centre of Arequipa, declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO, guided by a local friend. Starting on the Plaza de Armas, we'll pass by the San Camilo market, cloister of la Compañía, San Francisco street and square, and the charming barrio of San Lázaro.		4	
• Barrios around Chili	We'll leave the historic centre of Arequipa and cross the Chili River to explore the charming neighbourhoods of Yanahuara and Cayma to enjoy splendid views of volcanoes and ancient terraced fields. This excursion is a mix of short drives and easy walks.		4	
• Arequipa's Monasteries	With its centuries-old cathedrals and many archaeological museums, Arequipa is jam-packed with history and culture. Some of the most popular sites to see in Arequipa are the Santa Catalina Monastery and the Santa Teresa Convent and the Claustros de la Compañía with its breath-taking colourful chapel.		4	
FULL DAY EXCURSIONS				
• Cirqa – Titilaka	An all-day scenic discovery drive with several stops across the high-altitude plains and the Salinas and Aguada Blanca National Reserve to our Titilaka Lodge spotting vicuñas, guanacos and flamingos on the way.			X
OVERNIGHT EXCURSIONS (1 or 2 nights)				
• Cirqa – Colca	<p>Driving alongside volcanoes Misti and Chachani, this 5-hour drive enters the Salinas and Aguada Blanca National Reserve to finally descend into the canyon itself. The following morning, we'll spot magnificent condors soaring in the thermal winds.</p> <p>The following morning, we'll head out at dawn to and drive for 1.5 hours to spot the magnificent condors soaring in the thermal winds. After a hearty lunch, we'll continue our journey back to Arequipa (or to Titilaka), stopping at several quaint colonial-era villages along the way.</p> <p>Following the same itinerary as the two-day excursion, the three-day excursion</p>			X

	includes several different options to further explore the valley as well as another heart lunch.  <i>Tailor-made excursion, please contact us for further details.</i>			
<b>SPECIAL ACTIVITIES at an additional cost</b>				
● Mountain Biking	With stunning views and a wide selection of dedicated itineraries, Arequipa is a great place for mountain biking for both beginners and experts. Various half-day biking options are available to suit different aptitudes.		4	
● Rafting	Enjoy an exciting river rafting trip just 20 minutes from the centre of Arequipa where the Chili river runs through the magnificent Chilina valley. The routes are beginner (class II), intermediate (class III rapids) or advanced level (Class IV).	3		
● Hiking	Only 15 minutes outside of Arequipa's city centre are some of Peru's best hikes. Surrounded by stunning natural landscapes, we'll enjoy a walk through the terraced fields of the Chilina Valley.	2		
<b>TRANSFERS</b>				
● Airport or Train station	Airport and train station transfers are included as a complimentary service in our Fully Inclusive Plus base and as an additional service in our Half Board Base. Our private vehicles will get you safely to your destination with mini amenities and outstanding service to enjoy along the way.	1		
● Colca	If you are eager to explore Colca Canyon, our private transport can get you there in the most comfortable way possible.		4	
● Lake Titicaca	If you are looking for private transport to Lake Titicaca, our private transport can get you there in the most comfortable way possible.			7

## APPENDIX: ROOM CHART

Room Number	Room Category	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Area (Sq ft)	Bed	Bathroom	Other
1	Bóveda	40-50m <sup>2</sup>	429-534 sq. ft.	2 Twin or King	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bathtub</li> <li>• Rainfall shower</li> <li>• Toilet with bidet shower</li> <li>• Sink, mirror, heated towel rail and bathroom amenities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 nightstands</li> <li>• 2 coat racks</li> <li>• Air conditioning (hot/cold)</li> <li>• TV 55"</li> <li>• Sitting area with two sofas, table/desk</li> </ul>
2	Aposento	32-36m <sup>2</sup>	339-390 sq. ft.	2 Twin or King	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rainfall shower</li> <li>• Toilet with bidet shower</li> <li>• Sink, mirror, heated towel rail and bathroom amenities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 nightstands</li> <li>• Coat rack</li> <li>• Air conditioning (hot/cold)</li> <li>• TV 49"</li> <li>• Sofa and table/desk</li> </ul>
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8	Claustro	19-21 m <sup>2</sup>	206-223 sq. ft.	Queen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rainfall shower</li> <li>• Toilet with bidet shower</li> <li>• Heated towel rail</li> <li>• Sink, mirror and bathroom amenities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 nightstands</li> <li>• Coat rack</li> <li>• Air conditioning (hot/cold)</li> <li>• TV 43"</li> <li>• Sofa and table/desk</li> </ul>
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