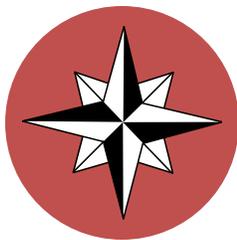


Arequipa



Special points of interest::

- Santa Catalina convent.
- Mummy and city bus tour.
- Colca Canyon and the flying condors.
- Blue skies.
- There are some really nice resort hotels in the Colca Canyon that provide horse back riding and other tours.
- Volcanoes

Escape to blue skies and mountains

Arequipa is the second largest city in Peru, and offers many sight-seeing opportunities. For those interested in history, the tour of the Santa Catalina convent is a must-see, as well as the mummy. There are city bus tours available.

A trip to the area is not complete without a visit to nearby Colca Canyon. The Canyon itself offers beautiful views of Incan steps and the volcanoes. Many tours also offer a stop at lookouts to see the famous condors

flying through the canyon. The drive from Arequipa through the canyon can take several hours, especially if you're in a tour group that likes to stop to take pictures of the alpacas! Many people can be effected by the curving canyon roads, and the steep climb in elevation, so take this into account when preparing for this trip.

When to visit:

Arequipa is sunny almost all year round, but it can be rainy in January and February.



Arequipa Cathedral



Santa Catalina Monastery

Recommendations:

Where to eat- Arequipa:

Zig Zag
Chicha

HEALTH NOTICE:

Arequipa is high elevation, at 2300 m, and the drive to Colca canyon goes higher. Be sure to pack extra sun screen, drink plenty of water, and avoid over-exertion on the tours.

SECURITY NOTICE:

Safe taxis can be called by your hotel front desk, as it's highly unsafe and not recommended to hail a taxi off the street in Arequipa city.

