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Pimentel (Chiclayo)



Peru

Pimentel is a small seaside town that is only half an hour from the much bigger city of Chiclayo. It has plenty of amenities, and though small, is a bustling coastal area. Beautiful beaches are nearby for you to enjoy!

Pimentel (Chiclayo)- Standard Room
Pimentel (Chiclayo)- Private Room

 All meals included	Yes (1)	Yes (1)
 Free beverages	Yes (2)	Yes (2)
 Persons per room	3	1-2
 Wifi in public areas	Yes	Yes
 Laundry facilities	Yes (3)	Yes (3)
 Safety box	No	No
 Lockable rooms	Yes	Yes
 Hot shower	Yes	Yes
 Private bathroom	No	No

(1) 3 meals on weekdays, 2 on weekends
(2) Drinking water, coffee and tea

(3) At extra cost



Accommodation & Food

About the Accommodation

This unique guest house is on the site of a Peruvian ostrich zoo. You'll be surrounded by these friendly large flightless birds and see first hand how they are raised by experienced caregivers...who will also be looking after you!

Food Arrangements

The food will be typically Peruvian meaning a lot of corn, beans, rice, chilli peppers, potatoes, wheat, and other grain, all very vegetarian friendly. Keep in mind that some local dishes may be spicy!

Facilities

It is in a small township with a Supermarket, ATMs, morning markets and eateries all located about 15-20 minutes walking distance from your accommodation.

Activities & Events

No scheduled activities outside the program.

Sights & Surroundings

There is an array of places and sights that our participants usually visit on weekends that lets you explore Peru besides the mainstream tourist routes. Even if you stay in Peru for a few months, you won't run out of astonishing places to visit!

Pimentel

You don't have to travel far! Although a small town, there are activities you can do right here in Pimentel. A favourite if you have the funds (and the guts!) is to take on some Tandem Skydiving, something quite popular around Peru. Spend the day relaxing, have a delicious meal at one of the many restaurants along the boardwalk, take a few surf lessons or maybe even join a game of beach volleyball. Visitors and locals alike find that there are many fun things to do on the beach in Pimentel.

Mercado Modelo: Famous witch doctor's market

Only 30 minutes away, Mercado Modelo is a huge market in the center of Chiclayo not only offers tons of fresh fruits and vegetables, meat, fish and other kinds of food you might not have seen before, as well as services like tailors and shoemakers, but it also hosts the famous witch doctor's market. There you find shark jaws, deer legs, snakeskins, potions, scents and amulets. There are heaps of dried mountain herbs and San Pedro cacti, which shamans use to produce a hallucinogenic drink.

Bosque de Pomac

Just an hour away you can visit Peru's oldest tree in World's largest dry forest just north of Chiclayo. Besides Peru's oldest tree it also hides pyramids of the Sican culture. The attentive visitor can easily spot left overs of antique ceramics or even bones along the walkways. Combine the visit with a horseback ride to get the most out of it. You can also ride horses through this beautiful location here!

Tumbas Reales

Visit Senor de Sipan the Best Museum in Latin America. Found in Lambayeque, just 30 minutes away, it is considered to be the best museum in Latin America, because it exhibits one of the most important gold treasure discoveries in ancient Peru and the world. You'll view amazing artifacts of gold, silver, precious stones and other metals. You should take a guide to fully understand all the exhibits. Go in a group and you can split the cost of the guide.

Tucume

Only 45 minutes away, the "valley of the pyramids", was discovered just a few years ago and once formed the world's largest pyramid complex. Restoration started a few years ago and now a new and extensive museum has just recently opened it's doors.

Huaca Rajada

An hour's journey away and you'll be able to view some of the world's most extraordinary tombs, place of discovery of the "Lord of Sipan", also known as the "King Tutankamon of the Americas". Most of the treasures found the tombs are now displayed in the museum Tumbas Reales, but still the site is definitely worth a visit.

Huaca del Sol & Huaca de la Luna

Well known pyramids of the Moche culture, hosting Peru's best preserved murals. One used to be an administrative center, the other one a religious complex.

While you can visit the pyramids in a single day, getting back to Chiclayo by night, we recommend combining the visit with a tour through Chan Chan, staying overnight at the popular beach of Huanchaco. Take the chance to also visit beautiful colonial Trujillo. A 4 hr drive, but well worth it! Once you get here, there is plenty to see and do.

Chan Chan: World's largest adobe city

Chan Chan not only used to be America's biggest city, but also was and still is the world's largest city built of adobe - sun dried mud-bricks - with walls as high as 12 meters, being home for about 60.000 inhabitants. Since it was conquered by the Incas, it's extension declined to about 20 square kilometers, of which only a few parts are actively restored. As this impressive place is endangered by the more and more frequently occurring El Niño storms, consider visiting it soon. Located 4 hrs away from your accommodation.

Puerto Chicama

Three hours away, between Chiclayo and Trujillo lies the unflashy fishermen outpost Puerto Chicama. But not only have there been found surfboards dating back to the 1930s or even earlier, but it also has long been a well-protected secret that locals managed to surf for about 2.2 kilometers on a single wave, making it the world's longest wave.