

Machu Picchu: Lost City of the Incas

In 1911, explorer Hiram Bingham discovered a lost and forgotten city of the Incas, Machu Picchu. Considered one of the most important archaeological events of the twentieth century, this discovery yielded the finest collection of Inca buildings in all of Peru. Located in the Andes Mountains more than 2,000 feet above the Urubamba River, Machu Picchu reveals much about Inca royal traditions and religious rites. At the same time, there is enough mystery about the site to inspire the imaginations of contemporary people.

In this slide lecture, professor Jeff Mishur discusses Inca building practices and highlights some of the important elements of Machu Picchu, such as the Royal Mausoleum. Mishur will also discuss examples of Inca sculpture and decorative arts during his presentation.

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