



INKATERRA LA CASONA HISTORY

The rich history of Inkaterra La Casona Cusco is one of martial lineages, national heroes and connections to ancient armies. The land on which the property sits today was once part of the Warakos Academy, the training ground of the elite army of the Incas. It was also home to don Diego de Almagro, in 1534, the Spanish conquistador who participated in the conquest of Peru and is said to be the first European discoverer of Chile. The house was later, in 1554, the residence of don Juan Alvarez de Maldonado who conquered the Amazon jungle.

However, the best known figure to have inhabited the site was Simon Bolivar, known as "El Libertador" due to the part he played in the liberation of South America from Spain. Bolivar was in residence at Inkaterra La Casona in 1825, after his final victory in the battle of Ayacucho. In 1830 the house was bought by don Faustino Maldonado; it was around 1920 that the ancestors of de la Torre Pacheco acquired the property enjoying it until the late 60s, when the house was sold to the de la Torre Urbina family.

It was in 1999, after a colourful history and past landlords of much esteem and grandeur, that Inkaterra bought the house. The building proudly stands today restored after 2 years of sensitive reconstruction and renovation. It opened as an 11 suite boutique hotel in May 2008. Guests of the hotel will be delighted by the exquisite antiques and artefacts which beautifully decorate the property, incorporating both Spanish colonial style and ancient Inca civilisation, which are as rich as the building's intriguing past. It is a superb preservation achievement of this National Historic Monument which captures Peru's authentic culture and has a unique calm and welcoming atmosphere, which travellers from around the world are sure to appreciate and savour.





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"WE STAYED AT A NUMBER OF GREAT HOTELS ON OUR RECENT TRIP TO PERU BUT NONE WAS QUITE IN THE SAME LEAGUE AS INKATERRA CUSCO. IT'S A TRUE BOUTIQUE HOTEL - SMALL, INTIMATE AND VERY STYLISH IN A LOW KEY, SOOTHING, ULTRA-LUXURIOUS SORT OF WAY AND TUCKED AWAY IN ONE OF CUSCO'S PRETTIEST PLAZAS. THE DECOR IS PERFECT FOR SUCH A BEAUTIFUL OLD BUILDING, COMPLEMENTING THE SOFT COLOURS OF THE STONE WITH NATURAL FABRICS IN WARM TONES, AND LIGHTING IT BEAUTIFULLY AT NIGHT. THE STAFF WERE SPOT-ON TOO, CHARMING, EFFICIENT AND SUBTLY THERE TO HELP."

THE CHIC COLLECTION - UK

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"HOY HAY UNA CLASE DE HOTEL QUE HA REINVENTADO EL MITO DEL LUJO, CULTIVA LA EXCLUSIVIDAD DE LA CLIENTELA Y UNA ELEGANCIA SIN OSTENTACIÓN. SU VALOR RADICA EN LO AUTÉNTICO. RESULTA CARICATURESCO, PERO ES LA DIFERENCIA ENTRE LO GRANDOTE Y LO GRANDIOSO. EN CUSCO, PERÚ, LA CASONA DE INKATERRA CORRESPONDE A ESTE ESTILO DE ESTANCIA. PARA EMPEZAR, EL HOTEL BOUTIQUE NO TIENE INSIGNIA ALGUNA, LO CUAL REMITE A UNO DE LOS CÓDIGOS DEL LUJO AUTÉNTICO: SU CARÁCTER CONFIDENCIAL. VISTA DESDE EL EXTERIOR, SU SENCILLA FACHADA BLANCA CON VENTANAS CUBIERTAS DE POSTIGOS VERDE BRILLANTE DISIMULAN EL SEÑORÍO DE ESTA CASONA DEL SIGLO XVI. CLASIFICADA COMO MONUMENTO NACIONAL."

TRAVESÍAS MAGAZINE,

por Eva Muñoz Ledo, Diciembre 2009 – Enero 2010





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"Inkaterra La Casona, además de contar con la garantía de ser el único Relais & Chateaux de Perú, es un palacete del siglo XVI [...]. Su modesta fachada esconde un verdadero oasis de lujo y muy buen servicio."

CONDÉ NAST TRAVELER – ESPAÑA

December 2011





