

TRAVELING
& LIVING IN
PERU

**Inca Living Legacy
(6 DAYS – 5 NIGHTS)**



TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

6 days/5 nights

Departure: Cusco

Perfect for travelers seeking cultural immersion

Includes shared tour of archeological sites nearby Cusco and of Machu Picchu

ROUTE

DAY 1 | CUSCO

DAY 2 | HUILLOC

DAY 3 | HUILLOC

DAY 4 | MACHU PICCHU

DAY 5 | MACHU PICCHU - CUSCO

DAY 6 | CUSCO

INCLUSIONS

Accommodation

All activity and entrance fees as mentioned in itinerary

Guides (EN/SP other languages available on request)

All meals as mentioned in itinerary

Transportation



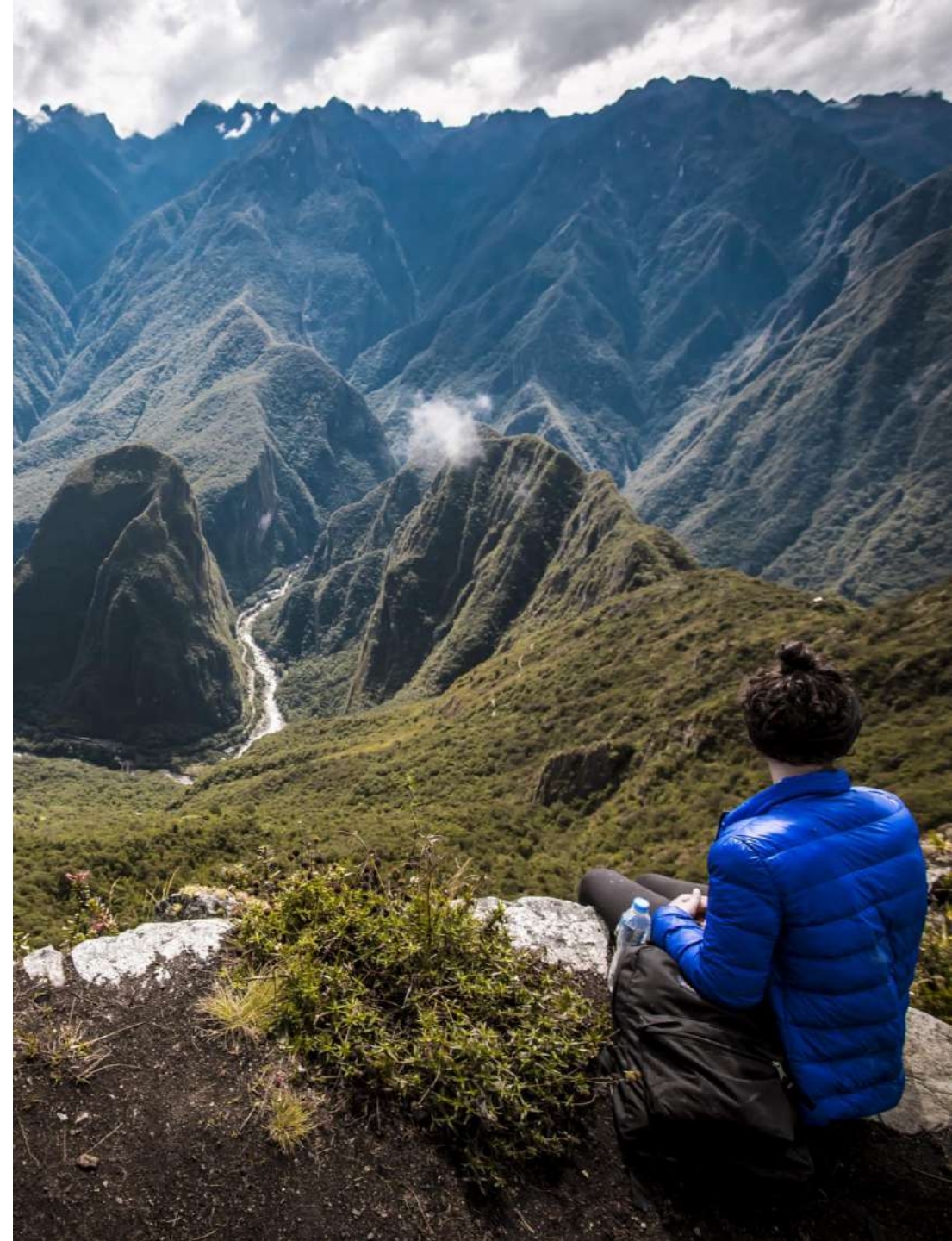
MAP



-  **Start & finish destination**
1. Cusco
-  **Destinations**
2. Huilloc

TRIP OVERVIEW

Cusco is known for its Inca history, impressive archeological centers, and its beautiful colonial heritage as seen in its churches and mansions. However, it is the living culture that makes it so unique and there are many villages where residents still preserve their mystical heritage. During this tour, you'll immerse yourself into the true essence of Andean life by visiting nearby communities, and by participating in authentic traditions and rituals.



DAY BY DAY ITINERARY

DAY 1 | CUSCO

Upon arrival at Alejandro Velasco Astete Airport in Cusco, a representative will be waiting to greet you at the airport and to transfer you to your hotel. Please note that if you are arriving on a domestic flight from Lima, ensure that your arrival time is no later than 10:30, as later arrival times will be too late. In the afternoon, once you are checked into your hotel, enjoy a guided tour of the former capital of the Inca Empire. The tour begins at the Santo Domingo Convent, a building constructed on the site of Coricancha, one of the most important Incan complexes dedicated to sun worship. According to historic records, the original temple walls depicted scenes of nature and were covered in gold leaf. After Coricancha, visit the imposing cathedral in the Plaza de Armas, then head to the Cusco hills, where you'll find the fortress of Sacsayhuaman and panoramic views of Cusco.



Continue on to Qenqo, an archeological site where it is believed the Incas carried out religious rituals to improve harvests. Your tour ends in Puka Pukara, meaning 'red fortress' in Quechua. Puka Pukara is believed to be an ancient military site comprising numerous rooms, courtyards, baths, aqueducts and towers. At the end of the tour, you will be transferred back to your hotel.

Overnight in Cusco.



DAY 2 | HUILLOC

After breakfast at the hotel, a vehicle will pick you up to take you to Huilloc, a community in the province of Urubamba. Participate in a traditional Inca practice called Kusi Runa, where you will be part of the group of people in charge of working the land or 'chakra'. But before getting your hands dirty, first visit the house of the owner of the chakra along with an interpreter. The owner will invite you to taste an infusion of muña, a well-known Andean medicinal plant, and to dress in the traditional clothing of the members of the community (ponchos for the men and blankets for the women). The men will then head out to tend the fields and start planting while the women will stay at home to cook, learning to prepare special dishes using local organic ingredients. After lunch, and once the day's work is over, men and women alike gather for a ritual full of music and dance, an excellent opportunity to see up close the lifestyle of the Andean man.

Overnight in Huilloc.



DAY 3 | HUILLOC

Wake up to breakfast in the morning and then participate in a fascinating local tradition. The tarpuntay (ancestral Inca authority) is in charge of preparing the khipu (sacred message) in an environment shrouded in spirituality and mysticism. The chasqui is chosen from among the visitors to be in charge of carrying the divine message in their chuspa or purse. Alongside the tarpuntay, the chasqui will deliver the sacred word, traversing the Sutuq Mach'ay cave and the fields of culture, surrounded by native plants with healing properties. The sound of the pututu announces their arrival at the archeological centre of Aya Urqu, where the khipu is delivered to the interpreter. The other attendees wait at the top where the high priest performs the condor dance.



After the ceremony, take some time to photograph this beautiful place before returning to town. Then in the afternoon, meet the community authorities to participate in the Yanapanakuy. Before starting, thank Pachamama (Mother Earth) with a payment to the land. After completing the tasks – which may be repainting the facades of the school or the medical center, arranging furniture or planting trees – you'll have a moment to rest and freshen up before enjoying watching some tradition songs and dances. End your experience by obtaining a souvenir to remind you of all you lived here when you go home.

Overnight in Huilloc.



DAY 4 | MACHU PICCHU

After breakfast, leave the community of Huilloc and depart for Ollantaytambo. Your visit to Machu Picchu begins with an hour-and-a-half-long train journey through some truly spectacular Andean landscapes, from the Ollanta station all the way to Aguas Calientes. Upon arrival, you will be guided to the bus that takes you to Machu Picchu. After a 25-minute bus ride, you will finally arrive at the 'lost city of the Incas'. It is believed that Machu Picchu was built for the Inca emperor Pachacútec around 1450 as a holiday residence. The citadel was abandoned just over 100 years later, probably as a result of the Spanish Conquest, although historians have never uncovered why it was abandoned or how it escaped the destruction that other Inca settlements faced. Instead, the jungle slowly engulfed its stone construction, covering it in a thick vegetation that kept it hidden and protected until the 'lost city of the Incas' was brought to international attention in 1911.



Your tour will introduce you to the origins of this impressive citadel and guide you around some of its most iconic monuments, such as the main square, the royal rooms, the Temple of the Three Windows, the circular towers, the Sacred Clock and cemeteries. At the end of the tour, return to Aguas Calientes for lunch then spend the rest of the afternoon at leisure.

Overnight in Aguas Calientes.



DAY 5 | MACHU PICCHU - CUSCO

Today breakfast is followed by a relaxing free morning in Aguas Calientes. Spend your time however suits you best, be that making the most of the available facilities at the hotel, or leisurely exploring this wonderful location. Alternately, you can also return to Machu Picchu and visit the attractions that the citadel houses. We recommend waking up early to go watch the sun rise over the mountain. It is an unforgettable experience! You will find the best views at the Huayna Picchu and at the Inti Punku, both more than 300 meters above the citadel itself. Another option is to visit the Inca bridge, a secret military road that used to control access to Machu Picchu. In the afternoon, board the train back to the Ollanta station and, from there, a vehicle will take you to your hotel in Cusco.

Overnight in Cusco.



DAY 6 | CUSCO

After finishing your breakfast at the hotel, your representative will assist you with check out and you will be transferred to Alejandro Velasco Astete Airport in Cusco to board your flight to Lima. Although this is the last day of your incredible journey with us in Peru, we hope that your memories of this remarkable region, bursting with both culture and history, will last a lifetime.

Breakfast included.



INCLUSIONS

GUIDE:

- English-speaking guide

ACCOMMODATION:

- Two nights of accommodation in Cusco; two nights of accommodation in Huilloc and one night to accommodation in Aguas Calientes.

MEALS:

- Daily breakfast from day 2 to 6
- Lunch on days 2, 3 and 4

TRANSPORT:

- Train to Machu Picchu round trip
- Private transfers from and to the airport

ENTRANCE FEES AND ACTIVITIES:

- All the visits mentioned in the above itinerary: Machu Picchu on day 4; Coricancha, Sacsayhuaman, Qenqo, Tambomachay, Puca Pucara in Cusco; Partial Cusco Tourist Ticket (BTC ticket) included.

NOT INCLUDED

- Personal expenses. Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages during meals.
Meals not stated in the program
- Tips for driver and guide
- Additional optional visits
- Cusco Tourist Ticket (BTC) for children from ages 10 to 17
- Mandatory supplements for special dates like Easter Holidays, Inti Raymi, National Holidays, Christmas and New Year's mentioned separately.
- International flights to Peru
- Domestic flights (we advise booking the first flights in the morning)
- International and domestic airport departure taxes
- This itinerary operates needs a minimum of 2 passengers to operate

RATES

- Period of departure: From Jan 1, 2020 to Dec 20, 2020
- Package rates per person in US dollars in double accommodation

Period of departure	Category	Min 2
Jan 1 2020 to Dec 20 2020	Comfort	1,299
	Standard	1,325
	Superior	1,355
	Fist Class	1,425
	Luxury	1,839

Third person/child policy

- Child aged 0 to 1 year 11 months, no charge (no extra bed provided). Child aged 2 to 5 years is considered category 'child without bed'. Child aged 6 to 10 years is considered category 'child with bed'.
- Children aged 10 and up should consider the additional charge for the Cusco BTC ticket, detailed in the Optional Supplements section for all programs that include Cusco.



Other considerations:

- Rates not applicable on the following dates in 2020: Easter holidays (April 5 to April 12), Inti Raymi sun festival (June 22 to 28), National Holidays (July 27 to 31), Christmas, New Year's, conferences or special events.
- Bookings shall include the passenger's full name, nationality, passport number, age and birthdate.
- Minimum 02 pax needed to guarantee departure.
- All rates are per person and apply only to foreign passengers.
- Prices may change without warning and can only be guaranteed once the reservation has been made.
- The rates do not apply to residents staying for more than 60 days or to corporate passengers (staying 4 or more nights in Lima).



ADD-ONS

Want to get the most out of your trip? Let us know if you'd like to include these optional activities (all rates are per person and in US dollars):

Activity	Description	Price per person
Cusco Tourist Ticket (BTC ticket) for children from ages 10 to 17	Entrances included: Ollantaytambo, Sacsayhuaman, Tambomachay, Puca Pucara, Pikillacta, Chinchero, Qenqo, Pisac, Moray, Tipon, Contemporary Art Museum, Coricancha Site Museum, Regional Museum, Pachacuti Monument.	37 USD
Second entry to Machu Picchu plus bus	Second entry to Machu Picchu plus bus	100 USD
Machu Picchu Mountain entry plus bus	Machu Picchu Mountain entry plus bus	120 USD
Huayna Picchu entry plus bus	Huayna Picchu entry plus bus	120 USD

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