

#### TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

8 days/7 nights

Departure: Cusco

Trek in one of the most impressive snow capes of Peru on your way to discover the Inca citadel of Machu Picchu

## **ROUTE**

DAY 1 | ARRIVAL CUSCO

DAY 2 | CUSCO CITY TOUR AND NEARBY RUINS

DAY 3 | CUSCO – SORAYPAMPA – ANDENES (18km – 8.5 hours)

DAY 4 | ANDENES – LUCMABAMBA (19km – 7.5 hours)

DAY 5 | LUCMABAMBA – LLACTAPATA – AGUAS CALIENTES (12km – 5.5 hours)

DAY 6 | MACHU PICCHU – CUSCO

DAY 7 | CUSCO

DAY 8 | CUSCO DEPARTURE



## **INCLUSIONS**

Accomodation

All activity and entrance fees as mentioned in itinerary

Guides (EN/SP other languages available on request)

All meals as mentioned in itinerary

Transportation

Free 8GB SIM card



## **MAP**

## **DURATION: 8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS**





## Start & finish destination

1. Cusco

### Destinations

- 2. Soraypampa
  - 3. Salkantay
  - 4. Andenes
- 5. Lucmabamba
- 6. Machu Picchu

#### TRIP OVERVIEW

When you arrive in Cusco, prepare to walk for several days through forests, discovering sites of ancient times with fortifications and Inca cities, and all while enjoying majestic views until reaching the impressive Salkantay mountain. In addition, you will discover the ancient capital of the Incas and the impressive historic sanctuary of Machu Picchu.



# **DAY BY DAY ITINERARY**

## DAY 1 | ARRIVAL TO CUSCO

A transportation service waits for your arrival at the Cusco Airport and transfers you to your hotel. You are accompanied by a guide who informs you about the attractions the city has to offer and assist you along the way.

Overnight at the selected hotel in Cusco.



## DAY 2 | CUSCO - CITY TOUR AND NEARBY RUINS

Enjoy a guided tour of this charming city, which was the capital of the Inca Empire. The tour starts with a visit to Santo Domingo Convent, a large Renaissance-baroque complex, which was built over the Inca Coricancha temple. It was one of the most important temples dedicated to worshipping of the sun, and its foundations are still prominent at the base of the convent. Ancient chronicles say the temple was covered in gold leaf and filled with golden representations of nature. Then, visit the Cathedral, the most imposing monument of the Main Square. Head to the hills above Cusco to visit the remains of the fortress of Sacsayhuaman, whose imposing ramparts offer a stunning panoramic view of Cusco, and the ruins of the temple and amphitheatre of Qengo, where it is believed the Incas practised agricultural rituals. Admire Qengo and then finally visit Puka Pukara ('Red fortress' in Quechua) an Inca military complex located on a prominent hill. Its dwellings squares, bathrooms, aqueducts, walls, and towers can still be appreciated. Afterwards, return to your hotel.

Overnight at the selected hotel in Cusco. Breakfast included.



## DAY 3 | CUSCO - SORAYPAMPA - ANDENES (18km - 8.5 hours)

You will be picked up very early in the morning from your hotel in the Sacred Valley, to Piscacucho (Km. 82), from where the hike to the Inca trail begins. On the way, we will have a stop in the town of Ollantaytambo for 15 to 20 minutes. Once we arrive in Piscacucho, we will start with the trek until we reach our camp in Wayllabamba. Lunch will be served en route. This day we will walk between 5 - 6 hours (7.7 miles). In the camp, dinner will be served and we will spend the night.

Overnight at the campsite in Andenes. Breakfast, box lunch and dinner are included.



## DAY 4 | ANDENES – LUCMABAMBA (19km – 7.5 hours)

Today we hike along the Santa Teresa River Valley, through more populated rural areas, passing through banana, granadilla, avocado and coffee plantations. A hot picnic lunch is served along the way. After lunch, we hike for about 2 hours before a private vehicle meets us for a short drive to the beginning of the Llactapata Inca Trail (30 minutes or so). From the head of the newly restored Inca trail we easily make our way to the last campsite at Lucmabamba. In the evening we have a coffee process demonstration and tasting with our host, a local family.

Overnight at the campsite in Lucmabamba. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included.

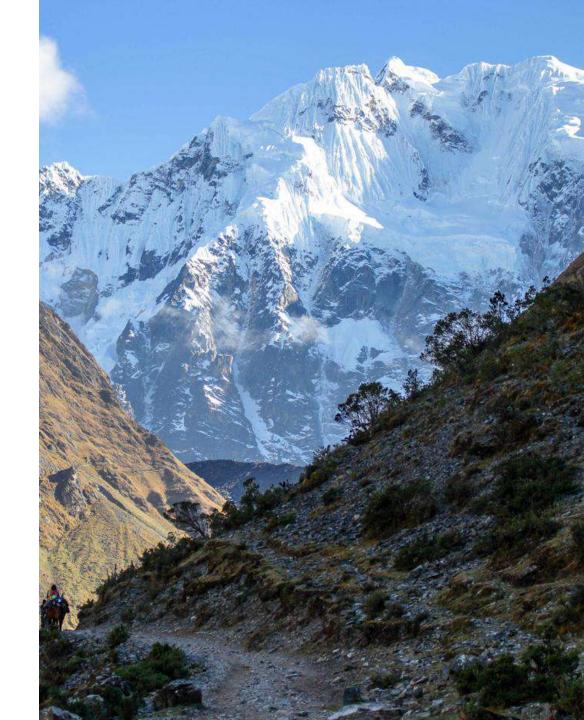


# DAY 5 | LUCMABAMBA -LLACTAPATA - AGUAS CALIENTES (12km - 5.5 hours)

After breakfast, we head uphill for 2-3 hours towards Llactapata Pass (8,974ft.) and descend to the archaeological complex of the same name. We enjoy a distant but spectacular view of Machu Picchu Sanctuary from the southeast, a view few travellers get the chance to admire. Lunch is served in a scenic viewpoint, looking out to Machu Picchu. After that, the final descent begins to the Aobamba River through lush bamboo forests, orchards and coffee plantations. Finally, we get to the Hydroelectric Power Station, to board the train to Aguas Calientes. There you can stay in the hotel of your choice.

# Overnight at the selected hotel in Aguas Calientes. Breakfast and lunch included.\*

\*Dinner is included for itineraries with First Class and Luxury hotels.



## DAY 6 | MACHU PICCHU - CUSCO

Breakfast at the hotel. Early in the morning, we make our way to the bus station for the ride up to Machu Picchu. The guided tour of the sanctuary lasts two hours and at the end, you have free time to explore the place at your leisure, or simply relax and meditate. We return by bus to Aguas Calientes for lunch in Café Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo and board the train to Ollantaytambo. From this point, a private vehicle drives you back to Cusco and transfers to your hotel. Your arrival to Cusco is approximately at 7 or 8 pm.

Overnight at the selected hotel in Cusco. Breakfast and lunch included.



# DAY 7 | CUSCO

Breakfast at the hotel. Day at leisure. Today you have the day off to acclimatize and enjoy the city of Cusco and some optional activities.

Overnight at the selected hotel in Cusco. Breakfast included.



# **DAY 9 | CUSCO DEPARTURE**

Enjoy a delightful breakfast at the hotel. A transportation service will take you from the selected hotel to Cusco airport, and a representative will assist you along the way.

**Breakfast included.** 



## **INCLUSIONS**

#### **GUIDE**:

• Spanish and English-speaking guides

#### **ACCOMODATION:**

• Two nights of accommodation in Cusco, two nights at the camp site, one night of accommodation in Aguas Calientes and two nights of accommodation in Cusco.

## **MEALS**:

- Daily breakfast starting on day 2.
- Lunch on days 3, 4 and 5 during the Salkantay trek, and on day 6 in Aguas Calientes.
- Dinner on day 3 and 4 during the Salkantay.
- Dinner on day 5, only will be included for passengers in First Class and Luxury hotels.

#### TRANSPORT:

- Private transfers from and to the airport
- Shares transfer from the hotel to the starting point of the Salkantay

 Train to Machu Picchu round trip in Expedition service (PeruRail)

### **ENTRANCE FEES AND ACTIVITIES:**

 All the visits mentioned in the above itinerary: Coricancha, Sacsayhuaman, Qenqo and Puca Pucara in Cusco; Salkantay and Machu Picchu.

## **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
- 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

## **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	Double
Jan 1 2020 to Dec 20 2020	Comfort	1,259
	Standard	1,289
	Superior	1,319
	First Class	1,579
	Luxury	2,159

#### 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.
- All rates are per person and apply only to foreign passengers.
  Prices are subject to change without prior notice and can only be guaranteed once the reservation has been made.
- Rates do not apply to residents with more than 60 days of stay, nor corporate passengers (4 or more nights in Lima). Bookings shall include the passenger's full name, nationality, passport number, age and date of birth.
- Shared Salkantay services only operate on Mondays (Day 1 should start a Saturday) and need a minimum of 2 passengers to operate.



## **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
Full day tour to the Sacred Valley	Includes visits to: Chinchero, Living Museum of Yucay and Ollantaytambo. Shared service.	69 USD
Half day tour to Maras and Moray	Includes visits to: Maras and Moray. Shared service.	59 USD

