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HIKES & TREKKING -Adventure-

	SERVICE	LENGTH	DEPARTURE	PAX	SEASON	LEVEL
Arequipa						
Colca	PVT	2d/1n 3d/2n	Daily	1/9	All year round	Easy-Moderate
Cusco						
Chacán – Cusilluchayoc	PVT	4-5h	Daily	1/+	All year round	Demanding
Chinchoero – Urquillos – Huayllabamba	PVT	6-7h	Daily	1/+	All year round	Easy - Moderate
Maras – Moray	PVT	7-8h	Daily	1/+	Mar-Dec	Moderate - Demanding
Ollantaytambo - Cachiccata	PVT	8-9h	Daily	1/+	All year round	Demanding
Huchuy Qosqo	PVT	9-10h	Daily	1/+	All year round	Demanding
Palcoyo (rainbow mountain)	SIC PVT	11h	Daily	2/+ 1/+	All year round	Moderate-Demanding
Humantay Lagoon	SIC PVT	11h	Daily	2/+ 1/+	All year round	Moderate-Demanding
Waqra Pucara	PVT	12h	Daily	1/+	All year round	Moderate-Demanding
Vinicunca (rainbow mountain)	SIC PVT	12h 12h / 2d-1n	Daily	2/+ 1/+	All year round	Moderate-Demanding
Inca Trail	SIC PVT	2d, 4d 2d, 4d, 5d	Daily	3/+ 1/+	All year round	Moderate-Demanding
Choquequirao	PVT	4d/3n	Daily	1/+	All year round	Moderate-Demanding
Lares – Machu Picchu	SIC PVT	4d/3n	Daily	3/+ 1/+	All year round	Moderate-Demanding
Salkantay – Machu Picchu	SIC PVT	5d/4n	Daily	3/+ 1/+	All year round	Moderate-Demanding
Huaraz						
Churup Lagoon	PVT	FD	Upon request	1/14	May-Oct	Moderate
Llanganuco – 69 Lagoon	PVT	FD	Upon request	1/14	May-Oct	Moderate
Olleros – Chavín	PVT	3d/2n	Upon request	1/14	May-Oct	Easy-Moderate
Cordillera Huayhuash	PVT	3d/2n	Upon request	1/14	May-Oct	Moderate
Alpamayo – Santa Cruz	PVT	4d/3n	Upon request	1/14	May-Oct	Moderate
Qhapac Ñan	PVT	5d/4n	Upon request	1/14	May-Oct	Moderate



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B Breakfast **BL** Box lunch **L** Lunch **D** Dinner

AREQUIPA: COLCA 2d/1n

1st day | Arequipa / Sangalle **B BL D**

Pick up at 3.30am and transfer to the Colca Valley, breakfast on the way to the viewpoint of the **Cruz del Condor** (3.800mt/12.470ft). Lunch. The pampas of San Miguel (3.300mt/10.825ft) are 20 minutes away from the place you will start the hike of 3 hours to descend to the canyon floor, up to the beautiful oasis of **Sangalle** (2.225mt/7.300ft). Overnight in a basic hostel.

2nd day | Sangalle / Arequipa o Puno **B**

Breakfast. 4am This day you will climb up the side of the canyon (4h) to **Cabanaconde** (3.230mt/10.595ft), visiting places of interest and having the possibility of entering the hot springs of La Calera. In the afternoon, transfer (6h) to Arequipa or Puno.

AREQUIPA: COLCA 3d/2n

1st day | Arequipa / San Juan de Chuccho **B L D**

Pick up at 3.30am and transfer to the Colca Valley, breakfast on the way to the viewpoint of the **Cruz del Condor** (3.800mt/12.470ft). Lunch. The pampas of San Miguel (3.300mt/10.825ft) are 20 minutes away from where you will start the hike of 3 hours to descend into the canyon and then climb across a suspension bridge to **San Juan de Chuccho** (2.200mt/7.220ft), to spend the night in a family shelter.

2nd day | San Juan de Chuccho / Sangalle **B L D**

Breakfast. Walk (2h) to visit the ancient village of **Tapay** (2.900mt/9.515ft) and other villages engaged in fruit growing and harvesting of "cochineal". After lunch in Cosñirhua, walk (3h) to the beautiful oasis of **Sangalle** (2.225mt/7.300ft). Overnight in a basic hostel.

3rd day | Sangalle / Arequipa or Puno **B**

Breakfast. 4am This day you will climb up the side of the canyon (4h) to **Cabanaconde** (3.230mt/10.595ft), visiting places of interest and the possibility of entering the hot springs of La Calera. In the afternoon, transfer (6h) to Arequipa or Puno.

THE PROGRAMS AT COLCA INCLUDES

Private service / Transfers / English-speaking guide / Meals mentioned in the program / Overnight in a basic hostel with private bathroom / Entrance to Colca

THE PROGRAM AT COLCA DOES NOT INCLUDE

Overnights at Arequipa / Sleeping bag / 1 mule + 1 muleteer each 4 trekkers (total supplement each 4 trekkers, 2d USD 215, 3d USD 329)



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CUSCO: CHACÁN - CUSILLUCHAYOC **BL**

Transfer from hotel in Cusco to nearby Sacsayhuaman, the starting point of the trek to the **Rainbow Temple** in Chacán and watch a spectacular rainbow, thanks to a small waterfall and sunlight. Following this view, walk for two hours to reach the **Cusilluchayoc Temple** (or Monkey Temple), where you will rest and take a box lunch. After visiting these ruins and caves, cross the last farmland to Cusco to visit the old part of the city, San Cristóbal and San Blas. Finally, arrival to the hotel.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Private service / English-speaking guide / First aid kit / Box lunch

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Overnights at Cusco / Entrance to archaeological sites, churches, museums / Tips

CUSCO: CHINCHERO - URQUILLOS - HUAYLLABAMBA **BL**

Pick up from hotel in Cusco and transfer to the town of **Chincho** (3.850mt/12.630ft) to visit the colonial church, the archaeological site and the terraces. After these visits, we begin the trek to **Urquillos** through an old Inca trail that connects to Chincho, where you will see different Inca buildings, colonial houses and small towns. After reaching Urquillos, you will follow the path to **Huayllabamba** (2.950mt/9.678ft) from where our transport will take us back to the hotel in Cusco or Sacred Valley. Box lunch will be served in route.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Private service / English-speaking guide / First aid kit / Box lunch

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Overnights at Cusco / Entrance to archaeological sites, churches, museums / Tips

CUSCO: MARAS - MORAY **BL**

Transfer from hotel in Cusco or Sacred Valley at the start of the trek: **Maras** (3.400mt/11.150ft), brief visit to this small Andean community and then start the 2-3-hour trek bound for the circular terraces of **Moray**. This is where we serve box lunch having a breathtaking view of the Vilcanota mountain range. After a rest, restart the walk of 2-2.30h to the **salt mines of Maras** (3.300mt/10.825ft), place where large amounts of salt are processed and extracted. After the tour, transfer to the hotel.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Private service / English-speaking guide / First aid kit / Box lunch

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Overnights at Cusco / Entrance to archaeological sites, churches, museums / Tips



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CUSCO: OLLANTAYTAMBO - CACHICCATA **BL**

Transfer from hotel in Cusco to the Inca bridge in Ollantaytambo to start the trek, which though an Inca trail that goes through terraces and tombs, leads to the base of one of the most important mountains: Apu Buena Negra, place where the Incas got the material to build the fortress of Ollantaytambo. From the **Cachiccata** quarry, where you will have a box lunch, it has an incredible view of Mount Veronica, the Pakaritampu pyramid, the town of Ollantaytambo and its fortress. Then the walk continues through the Sacred Valley to finish at "The Ranch" on the beautiful Cachiccata community. Finally, transfer to hotel in Cusco or Sacred Valley.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Private service / English-speaking guide / First aid kit / Box lunch

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Overnights at Cusco / Entrance to archaeological sites, churches, museums / Tips

CUSCO: HUCHUY QOSQO **BL**

Transfer from hotel in Cusco or Sacred Valley to Lake Piuray (3.762mt/12.345ft), near the community of Chinchero, to start this uphill and then downhill trek to descend slowly to the archaeological site of **Huchuy Qosqo** (3.688mt/12.100ft), beautiful ruins built on top of the mountain. Under the shadow of "queñuales" you will have a box lunch. Then restart the walk in the open and zigzagging down the side of the mountain, reaching Lamay (2.938mt/9.640ft), where you will take the transport back to the hotel.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Private service / English-speaking guide / First aid kit / Box lunch

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Overnights at Cusco / Entrance to Huchuy Qosqo (USD 10 p/p) / Tips

CUSCO: PALCOYO **L**

6am-6.30am Departure towards Combapata (km. 107, 3.30-hour journey), passing through the community of Cusipata (3,332 masl) to have breakfast. You will also pass through the Checacupe town that has 3 old bridges from the Inca, colonial and republican times. From Combapata, continue along the left bank of the Salka River, reaching the starting point of the walk called Wallata Q'asa, passing the **community of Palcoyo**, at 4,790 masl. The walk begins for about 40 minutes to reach the **mountain of colors** known as Q'alle Q'alle" and the stone forest Yura'q Qaqa, located at 4960 meters above sea level. After the visit, you return to Wallata Q'asa for the transfer to Cusipata, where you will have lunch. After lunch, transfer to Cusco (3 hours), arriving at 6.30pm approximately.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Transfers / English-speaking guide / Breakfast and lunch / First aid equipment / Oxygen / Entrance



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THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Overnights in Cusco / Tips / Snacks / Water

WHAT TO BRING

Water (2 liters) / Hiking boots or shoes, no sneakers / Walking sticks / Warm clothing: sweater, poncho / Sunscreen / Sunglasses / Hat or cap / Backpack / Toilet paper

CUSCO: HUMANTAY LAGOON

4:30am-5am Departure towards Soraypampa at 3,850 masl (km. 124, 4 hours), passing through the community of Mollepata. The walk begins for 2 hours to reach the **Humantay Lagoon** (4,200 masl), a small lagoon of 100% glacial origin and an impressive turquoise color. Afterwards, return to Soraypampa for lunch. At 3pm, transfer back to Cusco, arriving at 6.30pm. approximately.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Shared: Transfers / English-speaking guide / Breakfast and lunch / First aid equipment / Oxygen / Entrance to the lagoon / Walking sticks

Private: Transfers / English-speaking guide / Lunch / First aid equipment / Oxygen / Entrance to the lagoon

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Overnights in Cusco / Tips / Snacks / Water / Horses (USD 60-65 round trip)

WHAT TO BRING

Water (2 liters) / Hiking boots or shoes, no sneakers / Walking sticks / Warm clothing: sweater, poncho / Sunscreen / Sunglasses / Hat or cap / Backpack / Toilet paper

CUSCO: WAKRA PUCARA

5am Transfer to Campi community (almost 3-hour journey). From here, we will hike to the archaeological complex (almost 2.30/3-hour hike). **Wakra Pukara** (possibly from Quechua wakra horn, pukara fortress, "horn fortress"), is a complex located in the Cusco region, Pomacanchi District., at 4.140 masl. This place is located at the top of a huge ravine covered with forests that crown the abysses that overlook the Apurímac River canyon, the archaeological monument is surrounded by impressive platforms, squares and a forest of stones that resemble thrones, with mythological giants contemplating the mountain landscape. After the visit, we Will back to Campi to be transferred to Cusco.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Private service / English-speaking guide / First aid kit / Box lunch

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Overnights at Cusco / Tips



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CUSCO: FD VINICUNCA **B**

4.30am-5am Departure towards Cusipata (km. 82, 1.45-hour journey). After breakfast in Cusipata (3,332 masl), continue for 1 hour on an unpaved track to the Phulawasipata viewpoint (4,633 masl). From this point, the 1.30-hour walk begins, where you can see snow-capped mountains and lagoons, until you reach the **Vinicunca rainbow mountain** viewpoint. After the visit, return to the community of Phulawasipata and then to Cusipata where you will have lunch. Finally, return to Cusco, arriving at approximately 5pm.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Shared: Transfers / English-speaking guide / Breakfast and lunch / First aid equipment / Oxygen / Entrance / Walking sticks

Private: Transfers / English-speaking guide / Lunch / First aid equipment / Oxygen / Entrance

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Overnights in Cusco / Tips / Snacks / Water / Horses USD 60-65 round trip. This service cannot be reserved in advance, availability is based on first come, first served basis. For that reason, we suggest taking the private option that leaves at 4am).

WHAT TO BRING

Water (2 liters) / Hiking boots or shoes, no sneakers / Walking sticks / Warm clothing: sweater, poncho / Sunscreen / Sunglasses / Hat or cap / Backpack / Toilet paper

CUSCO: VINICUNCA 2d/1n

1st day | Cusco / Quesiuno / Ananta **B** **L** **D**

7am Transfer to Quesiuno (3h). While packing up our gear, our chef will be preparing a hot breakfast to get you fueled up for the hike ahead of you. Our guide explains about the itinerary for the day and safety tips to ensure you are fully prepared for the next two days. The trek begins in a large green valley. You will see hundreds of alpacas, local farmers, and the beautiful Ausangate Mountain looming in the distance, this is only a teaser for what is to come on your journey. As you continue making your way on the trail, you will begin to conquer the first pass of the trek Puccacocha pass. At around 16,000 feet, the pass sits just above Puccacocha Lake, and the massive Ausangate Mountain is directly in front of you, while a beautiful active glacier crashes into the lake below. After a successful climb, we will stop around noon for lunch and to recharge your body for the remainder of the hike. Our destination for the night is Ananta, where we will enjoy a beautiful evening surrounded by jaw dropping landscape in the still of the Andes. As the sun sets, we set up the dining tent with chairs for your group to relax and enjoy dinner.

Distance: 14km-8.7 miles / Elevation: 4200m-5000m / Hiking time: 5-6 hours

2nd day | Ananta / Rainbow Mountain / Cusco **B** **L**

We will wake you up early (time dependent on weather- usually between 5:00 am and 6:00 am) with coca tea delivered to your tent, and serve you a hearty breakfast to fuel you up for your final climb to **Vinicunca** (Rainbow Mountain). Upon arrival, you can take all the time you want soaking in the amazing 360-degree vistas of the surrounding lands and explore the mountain itself. Take some time to yourself and really enjoy the beauty of nature around you. The hike down will only take about three hours and here we will celebrate a successful journey, and enjoy lunch before departing back to Cusco (3 hours). Arrival time back in Cusco will



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depend on how long you want to spend on Rainbow Mountain, but we typically get back around 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm and drop you off at your hotel.

Distance: 18km-11 miles / Elevation: 5000m-5200m-4200m / Hiking time: 6-7 hours.

PROGRAMS TO VINICUNCA INCLUDE

FD: private or collective service; 2-day trek: private service / Transfers / FD SIC: Spanish-English-speaking guide; FD PVT and 2-day trek: German or English-speaking guide / Entrance to Vinicunca / FD: Lunch; 2-day trek: 1 breakfast, 2 lunches and 1 dinner / Extra horse, only in case of emergency / First aid kit and oxygen / Poles / 2-day trek: camping equipment, dining equipment and cook

PROGRAMS TO VINICUNCA DO NOT INCLUDE

Extra horses / Tips / Overnight at Cusco

WHAT TO BRING

Pills for altitude sickness / Water bottle or moisturizers / Light clothing and overcoat / Trekking shoes / Sunglasses / Personal belongings / Sun block

CUSCO: INCA TRAIL 2d/1n

1st day | Cusco / Huiñay Huayna / Machu Picchu **B** **D**

Transfer from the hotel in Cusco or Sacred Valley to the train station. Transfer by train to the start of the walk. The first archaeological site to visit is **Chachabamba** (2.132mt/6.995ft), showing an architectural beauty in the same valley. Then gradually ascend (3h) to the fascinating **Huiñay Huayna** (2.650mt/8.695ft), where you will taste a box lunch. After a break, continue the expedition by the semi-tropical forest towards the mystical **Intipunku** (2.745mt/9.006ft) (Sun Gate), place where you will enjoy the first panoramic view of the enigmatic citadel of Machu Picchu surrounded by mountains covered with vegetation, rivers and valleys. From here, descend (30min) to the top of the citadel to rest and take pictures. Then, take the bus to Aguas Calientes for dinner and overnight.

2nd day | Aguas Calientes / Machu Picchu / Cusco **B**

Breakfast. Depart on the first bus to **Machu Picchu** (2.430mt/7.972ft) to enjoy the sunrise in this magical place and take a guided tour (3h). In the afternoon, descend to Aguas Calientes to take the train back to Cusco or the Sacred Valley.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Private or collective service / English-speaking guide / Transfers / Entrance to the National Sanctuary of Machu Picchu / Meals indicated in the program / Bus ticket: from/to Machu Picchu - Aguas Calientes / Expedition train tickets / Basic hostel in Aguas Calientes / If the tour is private, it includes a carrier per person. If the service is collective (groups 3-8 pax), you can request an extra porter / First aid kit including oxygen tank

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Tips for guides and porters / Carrier if services are collective / Lunch on the last day / Entrance ticket to climb the Huayna Picchu or Machu Picchu mountains



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CUSCO: INCA TRAIL 4d/3n

1st day | Cusco / Km 82 / Huayllabamba **B L D**

Transfer from hotel to Km 82, where you will have breakfast. Start of the walk (2h) to the archaeological site of **Llactapata** (2.750mt/9.022ft); where you can see breathtaking scenery of flora, fauna, indigenous Inca traditions and archaeological sites that show the importance of this valley. After lunch, ascend slightly (2h) through a semi-tropical valley, to the camp in **Huayllabamba** (2.950mt/9.678ft) where you will have dinner and spend the night.

2nd day | Huayllabamba / Pacaymayo **B L D**

This day is considered the most exhausting, as it reaches the highest point of the journey, known as the **Huarmi Huañusca** pass (4.215mt/13.829ft). After breakfast, climb for approx. two hours, between lush vegetation with trees of wild origin (for this reason it is known as the world's highest forest at 3.800mt/12.470ft). From there to the highest point, it is a typical Andean Mountain covered with ichu or straw. After an arduous trek of approx. 5 hours, reach the highest point, where you can see the majesty of the Andes, deep valleys and if weather conditions are favorable, the flight of the Condors. After the break, descend to the second camp: **Pacaymayo** (3.580mt/11.745ft). Overnight.

3rd day | Pacaymayo / Huiñay Huayna **B L D**

After breakfast, restart the walk of an hour and a half to reach the archaeological site of **Runcuraccay** (3.924mt/12.874ft), interesting for its construction. After a 30-minute walk, descend to the archeological center of **Sayacmarca** (3.725mt/12.221ft), **Phuyupatamarca** (3.580mt/12.221ft) and **Huiñay Huayna** (2.650mt/8694ft). Most of the route of this day is an original Inca Trail, which is perfectly preserved. Pass through Inca tunnels, viewpoints, and jungle with abundant wildlife (especially with a variety of orchids and hummingbirds). Finally, reach the third camp on **Huiñay Huayna** (2.650mt/8.695ft). Overnight.

4th day | Huiñay Huayna / Machu Picchu / Cusco **B**

This is the most important day of travel. At 4am, after breakfast, start walking for 40 minutes to reach the **Intipunku** (2.745mt/9.006ft) (Sun Gate), where one has an impressive sight of the enigmatic citadel of **Machu Picchu** (2.430mt/7.970ft) surrounded by mountains covered with vegetation, rivers and valleys. Descend to the citadel to visit the most important places. You will have the opportunity to freely explore the exotic tranquility of the lost city of the Incas. In the afternoon, return to Aguas Calientes. Return by train to Cusco or the Sacred Valley.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Private or collective Service / English-speaking guide / Transfers / Camping and cooking equipment / Cooks / Meals indicated in the program / Entrance fee to the National Sanctuary of Machu Picchu / Expedition train tickets / Bus ticket: Machu Picchu - Aguas Calientes / If the tour is private, it includes a carrier per person. If the service is collective (groups 3-8 pax), you can request an extra porter / First aid kit including oxygen tank

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Sleeping bag / Tips for guides and porters / Lunch on the last day / E Entrance ticket to climb the Huayna Picchu or Machu Picchu mountains / Private porter if is collective service



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CUSCO: INCA TRAIL 5d/4n

1st day | Cusco / Km 82 / Hatunchaca **L D**

Transfer from hotel to Km 82 at the banks of the Urubamba River, where the walk begins, enjoying the flora and fauna of the area with big mountains with glaciers, until the archaeological site of **Llactapata** (2.750mt/9.022ft). After lunch, we will continue ascending to a semi-tropical valley (2h) until arriving at our camp, **Hatunchaca** (2.900mt/9.514ft), where we will spend the night.

2nd day | Hatunchaca / Pacaymayo **B L D**

After breakfast, climb to the top of the **Huarmi Huañusca** pass (4.215mt/13.829ft). The tour features typical Andean mountains covered with bunch grass or straw, and mountains with snow. After an arduous trek (2h) reach the highest point, where you can see the majesty of the Andes, deep valleys, roads and archaeological sites. If weather conditions are favorable, you can see the flight of the condors. Descend to the valley of **Pacaymayo** (3.580mt/11.745ft), our campsite. Overnight.

3rd day | Pacaymayo / Phuyupatamarca **B L D**

After breakfast, we will climb steeply up the opposite side of the valley wall, towards the second pass **Runcuraccay** (3.800mt/12.470ft), visiting along the way its archaeological site. The trail after the pass leads to a second, larger Inca site, **Sayacmarca** (3.725mt/12.221ft). After lunch, you will begin to climb again until the next campsite: **Phuyupatamarca** (3.580mt/12.221ft). Overnight.

4th day | Phuyupatamarca / Puente Ruinas **B L D**

After breakfast, we will descend to the **Huiñay Huayna** archaeological center (2.650mt/8.695ft). Then, continue walking for an hour to reach the **Intipunku** (2.745mt/9.006ft) (Sun Gate), where you will have the first view of Machu Picchu, surrounded by mountains covered with vegetation, rivers and valleys. Descend to the top of the citadel to rest. Then descend to Aguas Calientes by bus to reach the camp at Puente Ruinas. Overnight.

5th day | Puente Ruinas / Machu Picchu / Cusco **B**

Take the first bus to **Machu Picchu** (2.430mt/7.970ft) very early in the morning for a guided tour (3h). After the visit, you have the opportunity to freely explore the exotic tranquility of the lost city of the Incas. In the afternoon, return to Aguas Calientes. Then, return by train to Cusco or the Sacred Valley.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Private or collective Service / English-speaking guide / Transfers / Camping and cooking equipment / Cooks / Meals indicated in the program / Entrance fee to the National Sanctuary of Machu Picchu / Expedition train tickets / Bus ticket: Machu Picchu - Aguas Calientes / Basic hostel in Aguas Calientes / If the tour is private, it includes a carrier per person. If the service is collective (groups 3-8 pax), you can request an extra porter / First aid kit including oxygen tank

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Sleeping bag / Tips for guides and porters / Lunch on the last day / Entrance ticket to climb the Huayna Picchu or Machu Picchu mountains / Private porter if is collective service

CONSIDERATIONS ON THE INCA TRAIL

Entrance: In order to protect the historic road, authorities only allowed the entry of 500 people by day, including porters, guides and cooks. Therefore, it is recommended to book places in advance, since many places are already filled three or four months, especially in high season (June to September).



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Reservations: To book a place, we must submit to the Inca Trail Regulatory Office, complete information of each passenger's full name, gender, passport number, age and date of birth, nationality, occupation and payment. Passport data should be the same as those provided to this office; otherwise, you will have trouble accessing the road, whereupon Legendary Peru is not responsible. If you change the passenger's passport number, or send us a copy 10 days before the start of the trail for management (cost \$15.00) or bring the old passport along with the new when starting the trek. If the passenger is unable to make the trek, the cost of entry to the Inca Trail is not refundable.

Carriers: If the Inca Trail is done with private services, each passenger has a personal porter to carry up to 8 kg. If services are shared (SIC), passenger must pay extra if they want a personal porter. The programs do include porters who carry the camping equipment and cooking, but not the passenger's personal effects.

Penalties:

*Because of the strict Regulations of the Machu Picchu Park, even you have made your reservation; you cannot cancel the space that you have reserved. You may also not alter the name or date of the reservation. If you are unable to come on the date you have reserved, we cannot reimburse you.

*We cannot reimburse the entrance fee to the Inca Trail permits because they are non-refundable and we purchase the tickets from Machu Picchu Park when you reserve your spot.

*If you cancel between 30 and 10 days before your trek, you must pay 50% of the total cost.

*If you cancel Between 10 and 3 days before your trek, you must pay 80% of the total cost.

*If you cancel one or two days before your trek, you must pay 100% of the total cost.

*In the exceptional case that you decide to head back once you have started the trail, you must pay additional expenses: such as food and transportation.

CUSCO: CHOQUEQUIRAO 4d/3n

1st day | Cusco / Cachora / Chiquishca **B L D**

5am Transfer to **Cachora** (2.800 masl) to meet with our trekking team, muleteers, mules/horses, and our staff that will carry all of the camping equipment and your personal duffel bags (up to 8 kg.). After breakfast, we will start our trek until the pass of Capuliyoc (2.30h) (2.800 masl), place where we will have lunch and from where we can appreciate the mountain chain of the area, the Apurimac Canyon, and the Apurimac River that is twice as deep as the famous "Grand Canyon" of the United States. We also will be able to spot Choquequirao in the distance. After lunch, we will continue with the trek, descending to our campsite **Chiquishca** (1.930 masl). Dinner and overnight.

2nd day | Chiquishca / Marampata **B L D**

After breakfast, we will continue with our trek towards **Rosalina beach** (45m) (1.550 masl). Afterwards, we will descend through the Apurimac Canyon until we reach the river. Afterwards, we will cross over to the other side of the river using the hanging bridge. Right after that, the hardest part of the route will begin: we will ascend using a winding trail, which will take us away from the canyon in direction to the area of **Santa Rosa** (2h) (2.290 masl). Then, we will continue ascending towards **Marampata** (2h) (2.850 masl), place where we have lunch and dinner. Overnight.

3rd day | Marampata / Choquequirao / Marampata / Chiquishca **B L D**

After breakfast, trek until **Choquequirao** (1.30h) (3.033 masl) that was designed with 9 areas. These areas were built as small towns surrounding a square to which all the streets from each town will end up. The



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following areas have been identified: The upper areas (Hanan), the storage areas (Qolqa), main square (Huaqaypata), the lower square (hurin), the andenes system where crops used to grow (Shaqra Anden), the ceremonial platform (Ushno), and the priest houses on the lower part of the hill. Because of all of these findings, it is presumable that Choquequirao was a great political and economic center that was used as a hub for commerce and culture exchange between the coast, mountain, and the jungle. We need to emphasize that Choquequirao is also known as "Machu Picchu's Sacred Sister" due to the similarities in architectural design and structure. After visiting the archaeological complex, we return to Marampata to have lunch. Then, we will descend to Rosalina beach area to continue to Chiquishca. Dinner and overnight.

4th day | Chiquishca / Cachora / Cusco **B L**

Early morning, after breakfast, we will ascend towards Capuliyoc (3h) to continue to Cachora (2h), place where we will have lunch. Then, transfer to Cusco (4-5h)

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Private service / transfers / English-speaking guide / Camping and cooking equipment / Cooks / meals mentioned in the program / Entrance fee to Choquequirao / Muleteers to carry the equipment needed for the campsites, they will be with us from the beginning of the trek. / Horses to carry personal belongings from passengers up to 8Kg. / Horse in the event of a medical emergency / First aid kit

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Overnights at Cusco / Sleeping bag / Hiking poles / Extra horse to carry client's personal belongings more than what is included (from 8 kilos to 15 kilos) / Tips

CUSCO: LARES - MACHU PICCHU 4d/3n

1st day | Cusco / Calca / Lares / Huaca Huasi **L D**

Transfer from Cusco or the Sacred Valley to the town of **Calca** (2.940mt/8.170ft), and then start the climb (4.30h) to the town of **Lares**, where you can enjoy a relaxing dip in the hot springs. After lunch, you will start the walk (3.30h) until **Huaca Wasi** (3.600mt/11.810ft), where you will dine and stay overnight.

2nd day | Huaca Huasi / Pumamarca **B L D**

After breakfast, start the hardest day of the whole trek. It starts with the climb to Ipsayccasa pass (4.500mt/14.760ft), and then descends to the lake of Ipsaycocha. After lunch, continue the expedition to descend to our campsite in the community of **Patacancha** (3.800mt/12.470ft). From here, transfer to Huallata by car. Upon arrival, hike (45min) until the archaeological center of **Pumamarca** (3.400 masl), where you will dine and stay overnight.

3rd day | Pumamarca / Ollantaytambo / Aguas Calientes **B L D**

Breakfast. After visiting the ruins, descent down to **Ollantaytambo** (2.850mt/9.350ft). After having lunch, we will take the local train to Aguas Calientes village (2.050mt/6.725ft), where you will spend the night.

4th day | Aguas Calientes / Machu Picchu / Cusco **B**

Take the first bus to **Machu Picchu** (2.430mt/7.970ft) very early in the morning for a guided tour (3h). After the visit, you have the opportunity to freely explore the exotic tranquility of the lost city of the Incas. In the afternoon, return to Aguas Calientes. Then, return by train to Cusco or the Sacred Valley.



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Private or collective service / English-speaking guide / Transfers / Camping and cooking equipment / Cooks / Meals indicated in the program / Entrance fee to the National Sanctuary of Machu Picchu / Expedition train tickets / Bus ticket: Aguas Calientes - Machu Picchu - Aguas Calientes / Basic hostel in Aguas Calientes / First aid kit including oxygen tank

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Sleeping bag / Tips for guides and porters / Lunch on the last day / Entrance ticket to climb the Huayna Picchu or Machu Picchu mountains

CUSCO: SALKANTAY - MACHU PICCHU

1st day | Cusco / Soroycocha **B L D**

Transfer from the hotel in Cusco (4h) to trail head. On the way, we will see quiet Andean villages and visit **Killarumiyuc** site, where the Incas constructed their calendar. After our visit, we will have breakfast and then continue to the Limatambo valley. We will briefly stop in the Mollepata village to see the streets and relax for a few minutes before continuing to **Soraypampa** (trail head). To start walking we have two options on the way:

a) The first choice, ascend the mountain on the left side to observe the beauty of an Andean Lake and its mountains and return there to take the route that leads towards to our camp.

(b) The second option is to take the main road that leads to our camp.

Soraypampa road climbs gradually approaching the snow more imposing, Salkantay.

Along the way, you will appreciate native populations, shepherds and Andean or traditional farming, which is preserved to this day. We will continue to climb through switchbacks roads with stunning views to the lagoon of **Soyrococha** (4.180mt/13.710ft), place where we spend the night.

2nd day | Soroycocha / Collpapampa **B L D**

After breakfast we will continue ascending to the high pass and enjoy of the beauty of the nature, after one and a half hour we will reach the highest pass (4.570mt/14.989ft). Here, we will have a stunning view of the sacred mountains of Salkantay and Umantay mountains and lakes. We will also be able to see a pile of stones that grows daily and this is because each traveler adds one as he or she passes. When a tourist adds to this pile, he or she thanks the Apus (mountain spirits) for a safe trip. We will then descend to a site called **Andenes** (3.800mt/12.500ft) before continuing to Umantay, pyramid-shaped peak. We will then arrive to Huayracpampa, where we will have lunch. After re-energizing, we will enter the tropical cloud forest and discover its lush vegetation of wild orchids, bromeliads and other flowers, as well as hummingbirds. We will then continue our descent through the bamboo groves and after 4 hours heading downhill, we will arrive to the village of **Collpapampa** (2.950mt/9.675ft) where we will have dinner and camp for the night.

3rd day | Collpapampa / La Playa **B L D**

After a healthy breakfast, we will continue down the valley into the forest that contains groves of bamboo and great bird watching opportunities. Flocks of colorful tropical birds roam the forest and waterfalls cascade down cliffs with water warm enough for you to bath in. The stretch also searched begonias, purple orchids and strawberries lying on the path. We will then walk to our campsite (1.850mt/6.070ft), the beach village. From there, we will set up camp, have lunch and have the afternoon to explore the surrounding area.



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4th day | La Playa / Hidroelectric Power Plant / Aguas Calientes **B L D**

Breakfast. Starting point of the demanding ascent to **Llactapata** (2.750mt/9.022ft) from where you can spot Machu Picchu. From here, we begin the descent to the train station to pick one that will take us to Aguas Calientes. Dinner and overnight at hostel.

5th day | Aguas Calientes / Machu Picchu / Cusco **B**

Take the first bus to **Machu Picchu** very early in the morning (2.430mt/7.970ft) for a guided tour (3h). After the visit, you have the opportunity to freely explore the exotic tranquility of the lost city of the Incas. In the afternoon, return to Aguas Calientes. After that, return by train to Cusco or the Sacred Valley.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

Private or collective service / English-speaking guide / Transfers / Camping and cooking equipment / Cooks / Meals indicated in the program / Entrance fee to the National Sanctuary of Machu Picchu / Expedition train tickets / Bus ticket: Aguas Calientes - Machu Picchu - Aguas Calientes / Basic hostel in Aguas Calientes / Horsemen and horses to carry tents, food and cooking equipment / Emergency or spare horse / First aid kit including oxygen tank

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

Sleeping bag / Tips for guides and porters / Lunch on the last day / Entrance ticket to climb the Huayna Picchu or Machu Picchu mountains

HUARAZ: CHURUP LAGOON **BL**

From Huaraz, ride along the countryside enjoy the magnificent landscape of mountains and the five gorges and mountains surrounding the city of Huaraz. We observe the iced peak of the Cordillera Blanca such as Vallunaraju (5.686mt/18.656ft), Rima Rima (5.254mt/17.238ft), Churup (5.493mt/18.022ft) and Huantzan (6.369mt/20.986ft) among others. Arrival to Pitec (3.850mt/12.631ft) to start our hike following a mountain path along the moraine, from where have a magnificent view of the highest iced peaks of the Cordillera Blanca such as Huascarán (6.768mt/22.204ft), Huandoy (6.395mt/20.981ft), Hualcán (6.122mt/20.085ft), among others. We observe, at west, the city of Huaraz and the Cordillera Negra. After ascending the winding road, we climb until reach transparent sapphire-colored **Churup Lagoon** (4.485mt/14.715ft) one of the jewels of the Cordillera Blanca. Have lunch on the lakeshore of this overwhelming setting while observing up to bottom of the lake. After lunch, we return to Pitec to be transferred to Huaraz by car.

HUARAZ: LLANGANUCO – 69 LAGOONS **BL**

Early morning, we driving along the magnificent Callejón de Huaylas Valley watered by the Santa River and located between the Cordillera Blanca and the Cordillera Negra Mountain ranges. On the way, you pass through the picturesque towns such as Carhuaz, Mancos and Yungay. Turning east, the mountain scenery becomes increasingly spectacular as you ascend the slopes of the Cordillera Blanca, such as Huascarán (6.768mt/22.204ft), Hualcán (6.162mt/20.217ft), Copa (6.188mt/20.302ft), Chopicallqui (6.354mt/20.817ft) and Huandoy (6.356mt/20.853ft). Huascarán and Huandoy form the granite walls of this U-shaped glacial-eroded canyon with its two turquoise **Llanganuco lagoons**. We are in the heart of Huascarán Biosphere Reserve. This is a giant natural history laboratory where you learn about high tropical Andes species and ecosystems. In the Chinacocha Lagoon (3.850mt/12.361ft) we appreciate forests of silk-paper-barked Queñua



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and Quishuar trees cover the canyon floor, colorful bromeliads, orchids and cactus, among other plant species, grace the granite boulders and cliffs. After we visit Orcococha Lagoon (3.870mt/12.697ft), you arrive to Cebollapampa balcony where you start hiking along the Yanapaccha gorge. We hike along the path that leads the **69 Lagoon**, where we enjoy the spectacular view of the glacier lake with icebergs and the giant glacier cirque, formed by the world's highest tropical peaks such as Huascarán, Huandoy, Pisco (5.947mt/19.511ft), Chacaraju (6,162 masl), Yanapaccha (5.750mt/18.865ft), Chopicallqui, and Huacharán. After enjoying the wonderful scenery, taking the photographs, and having lunch, back to Cebollapampa to be transferred to Huaraz.

HIKES IN HUARAZ INCLUDE

Private services / English or German-speaking guide / Transfers / Meals indicated in the program / Entrance fee to the Huascarán National Park / First aid kit

HIKES IN HUARAZ DO NOT INCLUDE

Overnights at Huaraz / Tips

HUARAZ: OLLEROS – CHAVÍN DE HUÁNTAR

1st day | Huaraz / Tzacracancha **L D**

From Huaraz, we head to the southern part of the valley of Callejón de Huaylas enjoying the beautiful Andean landscape and then divert to the Cordillera Blanca passing through the village of Olleros (3.430mt/11.253ft) until the picturesque village of Canrey Chico (3.500mt/11.482ft). We start the walk accompanied by our llamas, with which we ascend a path up the course of the Negro River. We will appreciate the iced peaks found in the area, such as the Huantzan Grande (6.395mt/20.981ft), Cashan (5.500mt/18.045ft) and Uruashraju (5.722mt/18.773ft). On our hike, we follow the "Qhapac Ñan" (ancient pre-Inca road), marked by "huancas" or stone monoliths that guided the ancient pilgrims who were heading to Chavín to consult with the oracles. From the small lagoons of Chusqucocha, we have a panoramic view of the Cordillera Negra and we will be able to observe some species of migratory birds that nest in the lagoons and then reach the remains of what was the military camp of General Cáceres during the war of 1879. We will continue through the "Jatos" or herds of the semi-nomadic shepherds of the area, until we reach Tzacracancha (4.050mt/14.764ft) where we will set up our first camp.

2nd day | Tzacracancha / Shoncopampa **B L D**

After breakfast, we advance through the gorge, begin the ascent towards the pass, following the "Qhapac Ñan", paved in many sections, and has steps with drainage channels. We continue our walk guided by the "huancas", which mark our route, until we reach the Yanashallash pass (4.670mt/15.321ft), where we find a small "Ushnu" (sacred altar), where homage is paid to the "Apus" or guardian gods of the mountain. After handing over our offering to the "Apus", we will begin the descent towards the eastern flank of the Cordillera Blanca following a beautiful stretch of the "Qhapac Ñan". In the afternoon, we will arrive at our camp in Shoncopampa (4.100mt/13.451ft) where our camp is installed, and we will find our llamas grazing.

3rd day | Shoncopampa / Chavín de Huántar / Huaraz **B L**

In the morning, we will start the descent through the Huachekza gorge passing through picturesque Andean villages of Chichucancha (3.720mt/12.205ft) from where the zigzagging path leads us to Chavín de Huántar (3.180mt/10.433ft). We visit the most representative Ceremonial Center of Peruvian High Culture, (1,700 BC), touring the monumental stone buildings, consisting of temples, sunken squares, colossal steps, overlapping



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platforms and interior galleries used for ceremonial purposes and water conduct. After lunch, we will visit the "Site Museum", where there are magnificent samples of the ceramics and lithic sculpture of Chavín, highlighting the "Obelisk Tello", nails heads, steles, as well as the "pututos" (trumpets) of "strombus" (seashells), which shows us the high development that reached Andean culture. We return to Huaraz, crossing on the way through the Cahuish tunnel (4.550mt/14.928ft) and the Querococha Lake (3.980mt/13058ft); then continue through the Santa River valley, passing through the villages of Catac (3.560mt/11.680ft), Ticapampa (3.467mt/11.375ft) and Recuay (3.409mt/11.184ft); to finally reach the city of Huaraz.

HUARAZ: CORDILLERA HUAYHUASH

1st day | Huaraz / Rondoy **L D**

Transfer across the Santa River Valley, crossing the typical towns of Recuay, Ticapampa and Catac, until reach Conococha Lake (4.10mt/13.450ft) where is possible to observe migratory Andean birds and the impressive Cordillera Huayhuash. Descend to Chiquián town (3.400mt/11.155ft) until the campsite at Rondon (4.100mt/13.450ft).

2nd day | Rondoy / Jahuacocha Lagoon **B L D**

Hike ascending to Sanbunya Pass (4.750mt/15.585ft) admiring the snowed peaks of Rondoy, Hirishanca, Yerupajá and Ratzac. Descend to arrive at Jahuacocha Lake, one of the jewels of the Cordillera Huayhuash, to set up the campsite (4.050mt/13.290ft).

3rd day | Laguna Jahuacocha / Llamac / Huaraz **B L**

Hike along some small patches of forests of the endangered Queñua tree, one of the few species of trees that grow at this altitude, until the town of Llamac. Then, transfer to Huaraz.

HUARAZ: ALPAMAYO - SANTA CRUZ

1st day | Huaraz / Paria **L D**

Starting from Huaraz, we will cross the northern part of the Santa River valley known as the Callejón de Huaylas, located between the Cordillera Blanca and the Cordillera Negra. On the way, we will appreciate the most important peaks of the Cordillera Blanca: Huascarán (6.768mt/22.204ft), Hualcán (6.162mt/20.217ft), Copa (6.188mt/20.302ft), Chopicalqui (6.354mt/20.817ft) and Huandoy (6.356mt/20.853ft). In the valley, there are a series of picturesque Andean towns such as the cities of Carhuaz, Mancos, and Yungay. We will begin the ascent towards the Cordillera Blanca with destination to the Llanganuco gorge protected by the Huascarán National Park; of steep granite walls that form a narrow canyon due to glacial erosion. We will visit the two **Llanganuco lagoons**: Chinacocha (3.850mt/12.361ft) with turquoise blue waters with varied high-Andean flora, and Orcococha (3.870mt/12.697ft). We will ascend to the Portachuelo of Llanganuco (4.767mt/15.640ft), where we will have a spectacular view of the glacial cirque made up of the snow-capped mountains, Huascarán north and south, Chopicalqui, Yanapaccha (5.460mt/17.913ft), Chacaraju (6.112mt/20.052ft), Pisco (5.747mt/18.855ft) and Huandoy. Then we will descend towards the eastern flank of the Cordillera Blanca to Vaquería (3.670mt/12.041ft), and to the town of Collo (3.480mt/11.417ft), where we will begin the walk through the Huaripampa gorge, crossing through the towns of Yanachaca (33.450mt/11.319ft) and Huaripampa (3.540mt/11.614ft). On the way, we will have a magnificent view of the frozen peak of Chacaraju or "Huaripampa". We will continue through small lake and quenal forests, from where we will appreciate the iced peak Taulliraju (5.850mt/19.193ft). Camp in Paria (3.800mt/12.467ft),



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where we have a beautiful view of the iced peak Paria (5.519mt/18.107ft) and the Garcilaso Pyramid (5.885mt/19.308ft).

2nd day | Paria / Punta Unión / Taullipampa **B L D**

In the morning, we will go along the path that borders a quenal forest, and then we will ascend a winding path towards the Morococha lagoons (4.410mt/13.484ft) where we will have a beautiful view of the Pucaraju (5.025mt/16.486ft), Taulliraju and Contrahierbas (5.956mt/19.541ft). We will ascend the old pre-Inca path with stone-built stairways until we reach Punta Unión (4.750mt/15.585ft) where we will have a spectacular view of the snow-capped mountains Chacraraju, Paria, Taulliraju, Artesonraju (6.025mt/19.767ft), Pucahirca (6.046mt/19.836ft) and Quitaraju (6.036mt/19.803ft). On our descent, we will continue along the stone steps of the pre-Inca trail observing the turquoise blue Taullicocha lagoon at the base of the Taulliraju snowy mountain. Camp in Taullipampa (4.250mt/13.945ft).

3rd day | Taullipampa / Alpamayo Base Camp / Llamacorral **B L D**

After breakfast, we start the walk following a small path that will lead us to the Arhuaycocha Lagoon appreciating the Alpamayo snowcapped mountains (5.947mt/19.511ft), Quitaraju, Artesonraju, Garcilaso Pyramid) and Paria. At the base of the moorish dam of the Arhuaycocha Lagoon (4.450mt/14.600ft), the base camp is installed to climb the snowy Alpamayo. Upon reaching the lake, we will appreciate the snowy Rinrijirca glacier (5.810mt/19.062ft) and the serac (blocks of ice) that emerges from the lagoon. After the photographs, we return to our path descending towards Quisuar (3.970mt/13.025ft) to continue through the Santa Cruz gorge, passing through the Hatun Cocha and Ichic Cocha lagoons (3.850mt/12.631ft). In the afternoon, we will arrive at our camp in Llamacorral (3.780mt/12.400ft).

4th day | Llamacorral / Cashapampa / Huaraz **B L**

After breakfast, we begin our last day of walking through the Santa Cruz gorge, which gives us the opportunity to appreciate the beautiful Andean landscape and the varied mountain ecosystems, each with its characteristics and typical vegetation, ranging from areas from high altitude to low tropical areas, where orchids and bromeliads cover the steep rocky walls. Finally, we will arrive at the town of Cashapampa (2.900mt/5.914ft). Our private transportation will take us to the city of Caraz (2.256mt/7.402ft) and then to Yungay (2.458mt/8.064ft) where we will have lunch. Return to Huaraz.

HUARAZ: QHAPAC ÑAN

1st day | Huaraz / Soledad Tambo (Tambo Pincus) **L D**

Drive along the southern part of the Callejon de Huaylas Valley across the picturesque towns of Recuay (3.409mt/11.184ft), Ticapampa (3.467mt/11.375ft) and Catac (3.560mt/11.680ft). We arrive at Querochocha Lagoon (3.980mt/13.058ft) surrounded by small forest patches of the native quinal trees. We traverse the Cordillera Blanca -the continental divide- through the tunnel of Cahuish (4.550mt/14.928ft), and descend to Chavín the Huántar. We visit the most representative Ceremonial Center of Peruvian High Culture, (1,700 BC), touring the monumental stone buildings, consisting of temples, sunken squares, colossal steps, overlapping platforms and interior galleries used for ceremonial purposes and water conduct. After lunch, we will visit the "Site Museum", where there are magnificent samples of the ceramics and lithic sculpture of Chavín, highlighting the "Obelisk Tello", nails heads, steles, as well as the "pututos" (trumpets) of "strombus" (seashells), which shows us the high development that reached Andean culture. Then, we drive to the Inca bridge of Pomachaca in the right side of the Mosna River. We drive to along the Mosna valley and after crossing the Inca bridge of Pomachaca -Puma's bridge- (2650m), we start hike by the grand Inca Trail called Qhapac Ñan in the right side



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of the Mosna River. We will see Pumapunku cave and follow the Qhapac Ñan while observing impressive geological Andean formations and picturesque high mountain landscapes. We continue our ascent following some old stoned staircases, and later we arrive at El Castillo town (3.220mt/10.564ft), following across agricultural areas we reach the village of Soledad Tambo (3.600mt/11.811ft) –Pincus Tambo- where existed a royal tambo (Inca’s agricultural deposits). Here we observe among agricultural lands the Ushnu (ceremonial place) of Pincus Marca, a platform of 4 meters of altitude in which the Incas offered goods to their Gods. Here we set up our camp (3.660mt/12008ft).

2nd day | Soledad Tambo / Quenuahirca (Tambo San Cristóbal) **B L D**

After breakfast, we continue our hike following the Qhapac Ñan. We observe interesting geological strata and rests of pre-Incan and Incan infrastructure such as agricultural terraces, water sources, collcas or agricultural deposits and others. From here, we follow an impressive section of the Inca Trail with staircases, beautifully paved in stone, of about fourteen meters wide, and in excellent status of preservation. The paved trail continues until the Huacapunta Pass (4.500mt/14.764ft). We descend to the ravine of Taulli and can be seen in the lower part of the beautiful Tinya Lagoon enjoying from the top views of the impressive Qhapac Ñan we have already climbed and its surrounding landscape, and continue uphill until the Quenuahirca pass (4.160mt/13.648ft). We arrive to the archaeological site of Quenuahirca where we set our camp (4.070mt/13.353ft) -San Cristobal Tambo-.

3rd day | Quenuahirca / Hatun Pampa **B L D**

This morning, we descend to Jupey Tambo walking along the Qhapac Ñan and continue by a long-paved staircase of nine meters wide and cross the river by the Inca Bridge, built with two grand blocks of stone used as basement of another bigger block that crossed the Ayash River until the picturesque village of Ayash (3.766mt/12.356ft). Actually, another modern bridge has been built on top of the old bridge. In the Ayash houses, we can appreciate remains of the Cuzco architecture. After a short stay in this quiet village, we continue our hike to Ayapunta and arriving later at the “pampas de Huamanin”, where we find again the path delimited by stones and steps of up to 3 meters on the slopes, we continue to Huamanin Pass (4.350mt/14.272ft). We continue at the archaeological rests of Tambo Grande. In this Tambo, during his first trip to Cuzco, Francisco Pizarro slept and was assisted by the Atahualpa general named Callcuchimac. We install our campsite at Hatun Pampa (3.957mt/12.982ft).

4th day | Hatun Pampa / San Lorenzo de Izco **B L D**

This day, we descent by the Taparaco and arrive at the Sacracocha swamp where inhabit diverse varieties of Andean birds inhabit. Near is the ancient village of Tambo Grande, from where continue to archaeological site of “Tambo Taparaco” and village of same name, where are the so-called Inca baths “baños del Inca”. In this Tambo has about sixty agricultural deposits, now used by local villagers as corrals for their animals. Following the Qhapac Ñan along the Taparaco River, we enjoy the view of some sections of this trail perfectly preserved and more dawn we arrive at “Tambo Chico”. Finally, we arrive at San Lorenzo de Isco, located between forests of Quenual tree. We also observe other interesting Inca’s ceremonial infrastructures before setting up our camp (3.720mt/12.205ft). In the afternoon, we could observe the holes where the local people make the “tocush” product derived from the potato’s penicillin-rich.

5th day | San Lorenzo de Izco / Huaraz **B L**

This morning, we hike ascending to the Estanque or Inca Hamanan archaeological site. From here, the Qhapac Ñan is divided in two, and we will follow the main path on the western flank of the ravine where the trail gain altitude above the river and the canyon. The trail descends to the Vizcarra River by a long and formidable stone staircase until we arrive at the small village of Colpa. From here, we transfer by car to the great ancient Inca city of Huanucopampa (3.600mt/11.811ft), the capital of the Chinchaysuyo, one of the four states of the



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Inca Empire. Here, in an Andean plateau overlooking the extensive lowland valleys, we visit the remains of a very well-planned city with impressive food storage facilities and sophisticated systems of water canals and reservoirs. We also explore the military quarters, the house of the chosen women, plazas, gates and streets as well as the ceremonial Ushnu and the Inca's palace and baths. After the typical lunch called Pachamanca prepared by the inhabitants of the area, we drive to Huaraz through the towns of La Union and Huallanca until we arrive at Yanashallash pass. Continue our drive to Conococha Lagoon populated by high altitude native birds such as ducks, Andean swans, ptarmigans and ibis. We descend along the Santa River through the Southern section of the Callejón de Huaylas Valley and the Cordillera Blanca, the world's highest tropical mountain range. Arrive to Huaraz and transfer to hotel.

TREKKINGS IN HUARAZ INCLUDE

Private service / English-speaking guide / Transfers / Cook / Cookware / Muleteers / Mules / Llamas only for the Llama trek / Meals / Two-person tents / Kitchen - dining room tent / First aid kit

TREKKINGS IN HUARAZ DO NOT INCLUDE

Overnights at Huaraz / Sleeping bags / Tips