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A FREE TRAVEL GUIDE
FOR TRAVELERS LIKE YOU

Inka Trail 4 days & 3 nights

— *Cusco* —

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Live the experience of traveling the legendary and world-renowned Inca Trail. You will explore ancient ruins through the mountains until reaching the stunning ruins of Machu Picchu.



Category

Andean Hikes



Type of tour

Landscape, ruins, culture, adventure, nature & trek



Type of service

Group tour



Difficulty

Moderate



Duration

4 days & 3 nights



Max. Altitude

13 829 f.a.s.l (4 215 m)



Language

English & Spanish



Places to Visit

Km 82, Wayllabamba, Warmiwañuska, Pacaymayo, various archaeological sites, Machu Picchu & Aguas Calientes.

Explore the Incas' legacy on this Inka Trail Tour that will take you along the route of the ancient Inca Trail, prevailing cultural heritage of humanity. You will take a tour through the mountains and tropical jungle, an experience to exploit your adventurous and trekking side until you reach the legendary ruins of Machu Picchu. The adventure begins at the famous KM82, after passing through Ollantaytambo, where you will admire this ancient town. The first trip will be to the archaeological site of Patallacta where the guide will tell you its history. You will continue through Inca trails and beautiful landscapes on this Inka Trail Tour until reaching Warmiwañusca on the 2nd day. This is the highest point of this Inca challenge at 13 829 f.a.s.l (4 215 m). You will descend to Pacaymayo where a well-deserved rest and delicious food wait for you, like along the entire route.

The next day you will learn more about the Inca history and culture by visiting the Inca terraces of Wiñayhuayna. On the 4th day you will continue walking until you see the legendary ruins of Machu Picchu in the distance. The entrance gate to the citadel will be the Inti Punku and you will keep on descending to the citadel, where you will have an exceptional guided tour.

Finally you will descend to the town of Aguas Calientes, from where the train to Ollantaytambo will depart, and then by bus to Cusco full of experiences and challenges accomplished.





Why to book this tour with What a Trip

- We will pick you up from your hotel in downtown Cusco.
- It is a very complete experience to learn about the Inca history and culture.
- A professional guide will accompany you throughout the Inka Trail tour and ensure that you live an unforgettable experience.
- You will have fresh food with natural ingredients and with vegetarian and vegan options.
- We will make sure that you have adequate and clean transportation and camps throughout the Inka Trail.
- You will discover one of the 5 best walks in the world.
- You will be able to enjoy the sunrise at the Inti Punku.
- You will meet and share with travelers from all over the world.

JOURNEY DESCRIPTION

Day 1:

- We pick you up at the hotel lobby.
- We drive you to Ollantaytambo where you will purchase stuff that you may need.
- We continue our bus ride to Piscacucho, where the walk begins. Then you will walk for approximately 2 hours to the place where a freshly prepared lunch waits for you.
- We walk for approximately 3 hours to the camp in Wayllabamba, for you to take a break, have dinner and spend the night.

Day 2:

- You eat a good breakfast in Wayllabamba.
- You start the walk uphill to the second control point (approx. 1 hr).
- You keep going up to 3 Piedras where we will see the landscape and take a break (approx. 90 min).
- We walk again uphill to Llullucha Pampa where you will have a moment to enjoy the landscape and rest.
- We keep moving toward the highest point of the 4-day Inka Trail at the Waramiwañusca Pass at 13 829 f.a.s.l (4215 m) on a 2-hour journey.
- We start descending to our camp in Pacaymayo (11 811 ft./3 600 m) where you will eat lunch and enjoy nature and the mountains.
- You end the day with a replenishing dinner and a good rest.

Day 3:

- You eat a good breakfast in Pacaymayo.
- We walk to the Runcurakay archaeological site on a 1-hour route.
- We climb to the Runcurakay Pass at 12 795 f.a.s.l (3 900 m).
- We walk toward the archaeological site of Sayacmarka (approx. 90 min).
- We walk to Chaquicocha where lunch waits for you.
- We continue the Inca trail to the Inca ruins of Puyupatamarca (approx. 2 hr. 30 min).



- We descend to the Inca terraces of Wiñayhuayna where we will camp.

Day 4:

- You eat a good breakfast before walking to the control point prior to the ruins of Machu Picchu.
- We walk to the Puerta del Sol or Inti Punku, from where you will be able to see the ruins of Machu Picchu (approx. 90 min).
- We begin the descent to Machu Picchu (approx. 1 hr).
- The guide will tell you the secrets and history of the ruins of Machu Picchu while you explore its different areas and take pictures (2 hrs).
- You visit the Mountain or Huayna Picchu (optional extra).
- You return to Aguas Calientes choosing between 2 options:
 - ✓ Taking the private bus (20 min, optional extra)
 - ✓ Walking (approx. 1 hour).
- You enjoy free time in the town of Aguas Calientes until it's time to take the train.
- You take the train to Ollantaytambo.
- We take you from Ollantaytambo to downtown Cusco (approx. 2 hours).



What's included in my tour?

- The night before the start of this adventure you will receive a detailed training for all the activities that you will perform.
- A bilingual guide will accompany you throughout the tour.
- Transportation to km 82, starting point of the Inca trail.
- Entrance ticket to the Inca trail.
- Your full meals (does not include the first breakfast nor the last lunch).
- Complete camping equipment for all nights of the tour (except sleeping bag)
 - ✓ Tents, mats.
- Entrance ticket to Machu Picchu with a professional bilingual guide.
- Train ticket from Aguas Calientes to Ollantaytambo.
- Transportation by bus from Ollantaytambo to downtown Cusco.
- First aid kit and oxygen balloon.



What is not included in my tour?

- Bus ticket from Machu Picchu to Aguas Calientes on day 4.
- Entrance ticket to the Mountain.
- Entrance ticket to Huayna Picchu.
- Sleeping bag.
- Travel insurance.



Additional Services

- **Bus ticket from Machu Picchu to Aguas Calientes (20 min)**
 - ✓ Save time and energy on the way down.
- **Entrance ticket to Wayna Picchu (limited spots).**
 - ✓ About 1 hour to get to the top.

- ✓ Rarely seen archaeological remains.
- ✓ Wonderful views of Machu Picchu.
- ✓ Panoramic views of the ruins of Machu Picchu and the surrounding mountains.
- **Entrance ticket to Machu Picchu Mountain (limited spots).**
 - ✓ For hiking lovers.
 - ✓ About 2 hours to get to the top.
 - ✓ Higher views of the ruins of Machu Picchu and the valley.
- **Top local lunch in Aguas Calientes:**
 - ✓ Lunch at one of the best hotels in Aguas Calientes.
- **Sleeping bag**
 - ✓ Special for high mountains and low temperatures.
- **Canes**
 - ✓ Very useful as support during walks.

TRAVELER INFORMATION



What to Bring?

- Carry a backpack (maximum of 13 lb.) with insect repellent, sunscreen, sunglasses, a hat or cap and a waterproof jacket.
- Wear special trekking shoes.
- Bring cash for local purchases.
- Carry a flashlight and trekking poles.
- Bring your passport to enter the Inka trail and the ruins of Machu Picchu.



Tips and additional information

- Bring warm clothes in a backpack weighing no more than 13 lb. (6 kg) (allowable limit on the train).
- Carry motion sickness pills with you.
- Bring a little snack.
- During the rainy season, dress in waterproof clothes.



Frequently Asked Questions

- **How much time in advance should I book the Inca Trail tour?**
 - ✓ We recommend booking 3 or 4 months in advance.
- **On which day of the Inca Trail tour will we walk the most?**
 - ✓ On the 2nd day, since we will climb stone stairs for about 3 hours and then we will descend in the same way for 3 more hours.
- **Can I stay overnight in Aguas Calientes?**
 - ✓ Yes, it is possible to include an additional night for you to enjoy the town of Aguas Calientes. This has an extra cost. Coordinate it with one of our agents.
- **Who is responsible for carrying my luggage during the trek?**
 - ✓ Each traveler is responsible for carrying their belongings including the sleeping bag, that's why we recommend carrying only the things you really need.
 - ✓ If you need help carrying your belongings, we can coordinate it with an additional cost.
- **Are there vegetarian food options?**
 - ✓ Yes, and a vegan option too, just let us know before the start of the tour.



Price Variations

- The entrance price to Machu Picchu, train and bus tickets to Machu Picchu vary depending on the nationality and age of the passengers.



Fun Facts

- The Inca Trail, also known as Qhapac Ñam, is a series of structured trails that crossed the entire Tahuantinsuyo empire throughout Argentina, Chile, Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador and Colombia, covering the coastal area, the mountains, and the jungle for about 18 641 mi. (30,000 km).
- In 2014, at the 38th UNESCO World Heritage Committee Meeting, the Inca Trail (Qhapac Ñam) was declared a World Heritage site.
- The climb up Huayna Picchu is considered one of the best short walks in the world and you climb it up on ancient steps and Inca trails with an excellent view of the valley and mountains. The climb takes about 1 hour. Wayna Picchu is also known as the *young mountain* and it's where the Temple of the Moon is located. The Huayna Picchu mountain is located north of Machu Picchu.
- The Machu Picchu Mountain is also known as the *old mountain* and is higher than the Huayna Picchu mountain. It is located south of Machu Picchu. This mountain offers unique views of the entire Sacred Valley and Machu Picchu. The climb takes about 2 hours. The path has a lot of vegetation, wild orchids and flatter trails.



Cancellation policy

- **Strict:** Cancel this tour 20 days before the start date of the tour and get a refund of 50% of the sum paid. After that, we charge 100%.
- Review our terms and conditions here:
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cUizk5W-VJmh2y0oI2tKlkWR-zuaiJdX/view?usp=sharing>

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