

A vibrant, high-angle photograph of the Machu Picchu archaeological site. The foreground shows large, dark grey boulders and a cluster of green agave-like plants. In the middle ground, the stone ruins of the city are visible, including terraced fields and buildings. The background features steep, green mountains under a bright blue sky with scattered white clouds. The overall scene is bright and scenic.

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GETTING AROUND

A FREE TRAVEL GUIDE
FOR TRAVELERS LIKE YOU

Machu Picchu Full day

— *Cusco* —

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Machu Picchu Full day

You are one step away from seeing one of the 7 world wonders. The ruins of Machu Picchu are the main legacy of the Inca empire's greatness and mystery in the middle of the mountains. Discover this legendary Inca sanctuary in just 1 day!

	Category	Machu Picchu Classic
	Type of tour	Nature, landscape, adventure, ruins, history
	Type of service	Group tour
	Difficulty	Moderate
	Duration	18 hrs.
	Max. Altitude	7 972 f.a.s.l (2 430 m.)
	Language	English & Spanish
	Places to Visit	Aguas Calientes & Machu Picchu

Explore and discover the secrets hidden in one of the wonders with the greatest mysteries in the world. Who really built this citadel?

The day on which you'll see the ruins of Machu Picchu will start very early, before dawn. We will pick you up from your hotel in Cusco to take you to Ollantaytambo, where you'll take the train to Aguas Calientes. When you arrive at the town, a guide will be waiting for you to explain in detail everything you need to know about your trip the next day. After riding the bus to Machu Picchu we will arrive at the entrance gate, where you will begin touring this one-of-a-kind place joined by our guide at the agreed time. The visit to the ruins of Machu Picchu will be led by a certified guide and you will be able to admire the citadel and take pictures from different angles. You will have the option of visiting the Mountain or Huayna Picchu (purchase one of its limited places during the initial reservation). You will walk or take a bus back to Aguas Calientes. There, you will eat lunch and take the train back to Ollantaytambo, where your ride back to Cusco waits for you.



Why to book this tour with What a Trip

- We pick you up from your hotel in downtown Cusco.
- We guide you on taking the train from Ollantaytambo to Aguas Calientes early.
- We pick you up at the Aguas Calientes train station upon arrival.
- You will have a guided tour (about 2hrs 30min) to the ruins of Machu Picchu + free time.
- You will have free time to buy souvenirs in Aguas Calientes while waiting for the train departure back to Cusco.
- You will be back in the city of Cusco around 8:00 pm.



JOURNEY DESCRIPTION

- We pick you up at the hotel lobby and manage your travel on a tourist transport (2.5 hrs) to Ollantaytambo, where the train waits for you.
- You take the train to Aguas Calientes while enjoying views of the Sacred Valley (about 1.40 hrs)
- An assistant guide will wait for you upon arrival at the Aguas Calientes train station and guide you along your visit.
- You will have a short time to buy snacks at the traditional markets.
- You ride a bus from Aguas Calientes to Machu Picchu (20 min).
- You arrive at the entrance of the Machu Picchu ruins, where you meet the official guide.
- The guide will tell you the secrets and history of the ruins of Machu Picchu while you walk around its different stone areas and admire the landscapes (3 hrs).
- You return to Aguas Calientes walking down some stone stairs (about 1 hr), or you can take the optional bus in approx. 20 min.
- You have free time to walk around Aguas Calientes or enjoy a local lunch.
- You take the train back to Ollantaytambo (remember that you must be at the station 30 minutes before departure time).
- You arrive at the Ollantaytambo train station.
- You go back to Cusco on a tourist transport (about 2 hrs).
- Arrival in downtown Cusco around 8:00 p.m.



What's included in my tour?

- Round-trip transportation Cusco-Ollantaytambo-Cusco.
- Round-trip train tickets Ollantaytambo-Aguas Calientes-Ollantaytambo with views of the Sacred Valley.
- Bus from Aguas Calientes to Machu Picchu (20 min).
- Entrance ticket to Machu Picchu.
- Bilingual professional guided tour to the ruins of Machu Picchu.



What is not included in my tour?

- Bus from the ruins of Machu Picchu to Aguas Calientes.
- Food in Aguas Calientes.
- Travel insurance.





Additional Services

- **Bus ticket from Machu Picchu to Aguas Calientes (20min)**
 - ✓ Save time and physical effort on the way up.
- **Varied local lunch in Aguas Calientes from 12 pm to 4 pm:**
 - ✓ Unlimited buffet lunch at one of the best hotels in Aguas Calientes.
- **Entrance ticket to Wayna Picchu.**
 - ✓ The whole activity lasts about 3 hours.
 - ✓ Rarely seen archaeological remains.
 - ✓ Exceptional views of Machu Picchu.
- **Entrance ticket to Machu Picchu Mountain.**
 - ✓ For hiking lovers.
 - ✓ The whole activity lasts about 4 hours.
 - ✓ Panoramic views of the ruins of Machu Picchu and the surrounding mountains.
- **Upgrade on your round-trip train to Aguas Calientes.**
 - ✓ Panoramic views on the wagons' ceilings and walls for an incredible view of the Sacred Valley.
 - ✓ Better seat comfort.
 - ✓ Explanatory audio of the train route.

TRAVELER INFORMATION



What to Bring?

- Bring a light backpack with insect repellent, sunscreen, sunglasses, a hat/cap and a waterproof jacket.
- Wear comfortable shoes.
- Bring cash for local purchases.
- Bring your passport to enter the ruins of Machu Picchu.



Tips and additional information

- It's important to arrive on time at the train station and to meet the guide.
- 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.



Frequently Asked Questions

- **How can I go to Machu Picchu?**
 - There are many ways:
 - ✓ By bus (minimum of 2 days and 1 night because the bus trip takes 7 hours each way).
 - ✓ By train (from 1 day).
 - ✓ Visiting the Sacred Valley first and then arriving at Machu Picchu (2D 1N).
- **How long is the guiding in Machu Picchu?**
 - ✓ It lasts between 2hrs 30min and 3hrs.
- **Do I get a local guide on the bus or train ride?**
 - ✓ Not during the ride. The guide is for your visit to the ruins of Machu Picchu and will be waiting for your arrival in Aguas Calientes.
- **Do they accept credit cards in Aguas Calientes?**
 - ✓ Yes, although not all commercial establishments have this payment method, so we

recommend you bring cash in soles or dollars.

- **Do they serve snacks on the train?**

✓ They do not serve snacks.



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 climb up Huayna Picchu is considered one of the best short walks in the world and you climb it up 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.
- The Spanish never found Machu Picchu, which is why it is also known as the lost city of the Incas.



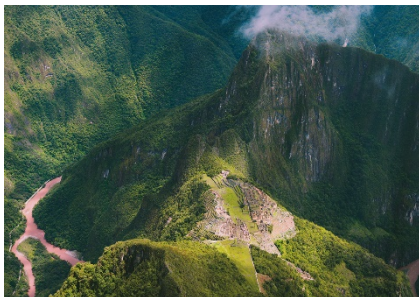
Cancellation policy

- **Flexible:** Cancel this tour 7 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:
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