

An aerial photograph of the Machu Picchu archaeological site, showing the terraced ruins nestled in a lush green valley. A red river winds through the lower left of the image. The background features steep, forested mountains under a clear sky.

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# GETTING AROUND

A FREE TRAVEL GUIDE  
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**Machu Picchu by train 2d1n**

— *Cusco* —

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# Machu Picchu by train

## 2 days/1 night

Get a wonderful view of Machu Picchu by being one of the first groups of the day to tour the citadel, spending the night and getting to visit the town of Aguas Calientes.

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|    | Category        | Machu Picchu Classic                         |
|    | Type of tour    | Nature, landscape, adventure, ruins, history |
|    | Type of service | Group tour                                   |
|    | Difficulty      | Moderate                                     |
|    | Duration        | 2 days / 1 night                             |
|    | Max. Altitude   | 7 972 f.a.s.l (2 430 m.)                     |
|   | Language        | English & Spanish                            |
|  | Places to Visit | Aguas Calientes & Machu Picchu               |

Learn about Machu Picchu's legendary history and the mysteries surrounding its ruins with this tour that does not require you to get up early or have breakfast on the go.

It's an ideal tour when you have time to visit the ruins of Machu Picchu.

You start your adventure by choosing a time for your train trip to schedule your departure for the Ollantaytambo station. From this town, your train will head to Aguas Calientes, this is where you will spend the night at the chosen hotel.

You will meet with a guide who will tell you everything you need for your visit the next day. The next day you can decide between riding a bus (about 20 min) or walking (about 1 hr) to the Sanctuary in Machu Picchu.

The guide will wait for you by the ruins entrance at the agreed time. They will reveal the history and myths surrounding this place full of mystery on a tour of approx. 2 hours.

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 and take you to the train station.
- We pick you up at the Aguas Calientes train station.
- You will have the opportunity to gain early access to Machu Picchu.
- You will have free time to buy souvenirs in Aguas Calientes.
- You will go back to Cusco before 8:00 p.m.
- You won't have to get up early to go to Aguas Calientes.
- You will have more free time in Aguas Calientes to explore the town.
- You will have the possibility of being one of the first to visit Machu Picchu (subject to availability). Book early for this bonus.

## JOURNEY DESCRIPTION

### Day 1:

- We pick you up at the hotel lobby and take you to the Ollantaytambo train station on a tourist transport (2 hrs).
- 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, guide you along your visit and lead you to your lodging.
- You will have free time and rest in Aguas Calientes and you'll be ready for the main day.

### Day 2:

- You have breakfast at your lodging.
- You meet the guide at the time and place agreed the day before.
- You head up from Aguas Calientes to Machu Picchu by bus (20 min) or on foot (1:30 hrs).
- You arrive at the entrance of the Machu Picchu ruins, where you meet your guide.
- The bilingual 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 will have free time to walk around and take memorable pictures.
- 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 will have free time if the train departure time allows it.
- 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 from Ollantaytambo back to Cusco on a tourist transport (about 2 hrs).
- You arrive in downtown Cusco.



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### What's included in my tour?

- Private transportation from Cusco to the Ollantaytambo train station.
- Ollantaytambo-Aguas Calientes-Ollantaytambo regular service train tickets.
- Night accommodation in a room shared by for 4 to 6 people.
- Entrance ticket to Machu Picchu.
- Professional bilingual guided tour to the ruins of Machu Picchu.
- Private transportation from the Ollantaytambo train station to Cusco.



### What is not included in my tour?

- Bus ticket from Aguas Calientes to Machu Picchu.
- Bus ticket from Machu Picchu to Aguas Calientes.
- Travel insurance.
- Food and drinks.



### Additional Services

- **Local dinner in Aguas Calientes day 1:**
  - ✓ Dinner at one of the best hotels in Aguas Calientes.
- **Varied local lunch in Aguas Calientes from 12 pm to 4 pm:**
  - ✓ Unlimited buffet lunch at one of the best hotels in Aguas Calientes.
- **Bus ticket from Aguas Calientes to Machu Picchu (20 min)**
  - ✓ Save time and physical effort on the way up.
- **Bus ticket from Machu Picchu to Aguas Calientes (20 min)**
  - ✓ Save time and physical effort on the way down.
- **Entrance ticket to Wayna Picchu (limited spots).**
  - ✓ The whole activity lasts about 3 hours.
  - ✓ Rarely seen archaeological remains.
  - ✓ Exceptional views of Machu Picchu.
  - ✓ Panoramic views of the ruins of Machu Picchu and the surrounding mountains.
- **Entrance ticket to the Machu Picchu Mountain (limited spots).**
  - ✓ For hiking lovers.
  - ✓ The whole activity lasts about 4 hours.
  - ✓ Higher views of the ruins of Machu Picchu and the valley.
- **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.
- **Upgrade on hotel room**
  - ✓ Private room with double bed.
  - ✓ Choice of breakfast.
  - ✓ Private **bathroom/restroom**.

# 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

- During the rainy season, dress in waterproof clothes.
- It is 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 2 hrs. 30 min. and 3 hrs.
- **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:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cUizk5W-VJmh2y0oI2tKlkWR-zuaiJdX/view?usp=sharing>

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