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Q'eshwachaca

— Cusco —

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Q'eswachaca

Discover Qeswachaca, the last Inca bridge and the oldest vestige of Inca engineering of hand-woven bridges. On this tour you will learn about the culture and customs that have kept this bridge standing for more than 6 centuries.

	Category	Alternative
	Type of tour	Landscape, ruins & culture
	Type of service	Group tour
	Difficulty	Moderate
	Duration	10 hrs.
	Max. Altitude	12 139 f.a.s.l (3 700 m)
	Language	English & Spanish
	Places to Visit	Q'eswachaca

Take this tour of the Inca Bridge of Qeswachaca, the oldest hand-woven bridge in Peru. You will get to see a little-known vestige of the Inca culture on the route of the South Valley of Cusco.

You will see the Qeswachaca Bridge; the last Inca bridge that is found over the Apurímac River, one of the Inca bridges that still maintains its authenticity intact since it is made of Puna or Ichu straw. Around 1,000 inhabitants of the nearby communities are in charge of rebuilding it annually in the month of June, on a tradition that keeps this bridge standing for more than 6 centuries. During the tour you will also be able to admire lakes and views of the mountains as you pass through ancient towns until reaching the last Inca bridge.

On the way back you will have the opportunity to discover 3 more bridges in a single place in the town of Checacupe: Inca, Republican and Colonial. Finally you will return to Cusco with photographs and memories of the living Inca culture.



Why to book this tour with What a Trip

- Cusco.
- You will be accompanied by a professional bilingual guide during the tour.
- You will travel on clean and comfortable transportation.
- We guarantee punctuality.

- We pick you up from the hotel in



JOURNEY DESCRIPTION

- We pick you up from the hotel.
- You meet the guide.
- We take the private bus to the town of Cusipata (2 hrs).
- We eat breakfast in the town of Cusipata.
- We continue the journey by bus and visit 4 lakes: Pomacanchis, Acopia, Ancasqocha and Pampamarca.
- We will then head to the town of Tupac Amaru II, in the Pampamarca region.
- We continue the tour until we reach the last Inca bridge of Qeswachaka.
- We arrive at the Qeswachaka Bridge and we have free time to explore and take pictures.
- We ride the bus to the town of Checacupe to see an unusual view of 3 different bridges in a single place: Inca, Republican and Colonial.
- We return to the town of Cusipata for lunch.
- We ride the private bus back to downtown Cusco.



What's included in my tour?

- Bilingual guide.
- Clean and comfortable transportation.
- Breakfast and lunch.
- First aid.



What is not included in my tour?

- ✓ Entrance ticket to cross the Qeswachaca Bridge (s/.10)
- ✓ Entrance ticket to cross the 3 bridges in Checacupe (s/.3)



TRAVELER INFORMATION



What to Bring?

- Bring a water bottle and snacks.
- Bring cash.



Tips and additional information

- Wear comfortable and waterproof shoes.
- Wear thick clothes for the cold during the tour.
- Bring sunscreen and sunglasses.
- Wear waterproof clothes especially in the rainy season.



Frequently Asked Questions

- **Do you offer a vegetarian and/or vegan option?**
 - ✓ We do offer that option; however, we recommend that you bring your vegetarian snack.
- **How many days should I spend in Cusco to be able to take this tour and not be affected by altitude?**
 - ✓ 1 day of acclimatization in the city of Cusco is enough.



Fun Facts

- The Qeswachaca Bridge is the only Inca bridge that has survived for more than 500 years.
- The Qeswachaca Bridge is made of ichu and is hand-woven, it linked to the Qhapaq Ñan, a road that connected the Tahuantinsuyo. Qeswachaca is renewed annually, between June 12 and 14 in a 4-day festival, where over a thousand inhabitants of the surrounding communities renew it through rituals and typical dances, as a tribute to their ancestors.
- The three bridges of Checacupe.
 - Three bridges built at different times in Peruvian history persist over the Ausangate or Pitumayu river, in the town of Checacupe:
 - ✓ **The Colonial Bridge:** Built by order of King Carlos III of Spain between 1759 and 1788 based on ashlar masonry bonded with lime and **canto** in the same Roman style where taxes collected for the Spanish crown were paid when crossing the bridge.
 - ✓ **The Inca Bridge:** Built between 1400 and 1448 by order of Inca Wiracocha as part of the Qapaq Ñan. It is made of llama leather and Quiswar branches.
 - ✓ **The Republican Bridge:** Built in 1895 by order of Peruvian President Mariscal Ramón Castilla. It is made of **rail iron**.



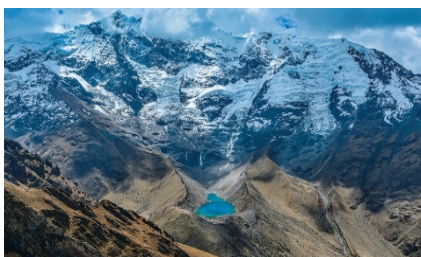
Cancellation policy

- **Super flexible:** Cancel this tour 48 hrs. before the start date of the tour and get a refund of 70% of the sum paid. After that, we charge 100%.
- Review our terms and conditions here:
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cUizk5W-VJmh2y0ol2tKlkWR-zuaiJdX/view?usp=sharing>

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