



New Inka Trek: Alternative Inka Trail via Salkantay to Machu Picchu - 6 days / 5 nights

Day 1. Cuzco - Salkantay

We leave Cuzco to get into Mollepata village at 6.00 am. Mollepata is a small district in the foothills of Humantay mountain (5.700 m.). At this location our porters and carriers will be waiting for us with their mules and horse to travel together to a place called Challacancha. This journey can take around 5 hours.

From Challacancha, we will be walking for about 2 hours, viewing the spectacular scenery of this valley, and the glaciers of Salkantay mountains (6,264 meters). We stop at Soraypampa, and will continue for another 2 hours until we reach our camp in Salkantay at 4,000 meters and pass the night here camping.

Day 2. Salkantay - Ancient Inca Trail-Lower Jungle

We will having an early breakfast at 6.00 am, than after a break will prepare to ascend the mountain, by trekking around 3 hours until a crossing point within Salkantay mountains at 4,700 meters. During our trekking we will follow vestiges of the Inca trail made in stones of the Vilcabamba mountain range, admiring the splendour of snow peaks of Pumasillo, Salkantay, rugged slopes and wild valleys crossed by gushing streams.

The trek is especially remarkable for its variety fauna, condors, and birds. Than will be taking a trail to descent to Huayrac Machay, where we have lunch and rest for few hours. Following our break will be trekking for another 4 hours until we enter into the rainforest at 3,700 and stay in our camp in the lower jungle of Chaullay at 2,900 meters.

Day 3. Rain forest

At this location we will be exploring the rain forest and observe, orchid flowers, hummingbird fauna including over 500 species varieties of each. 5 hours later we stopped at the small village of Wiñaypoco to take our lunch. During the afternoon we will walk for 3 hours across agriculture fields of potato, maize, cassava, vegetables. and medicinal plants until we arrive at our camp at 2,500 meters

Day 4 Host Springs-Community farming

On this day will be walking with direction of the community Tunquihuayco, walking for 3 hours until we reach the mountain of Chaquiorco. At this location are natural hot springs to use for our enjoyment.

The Charquiorco region exports coffee, passion fruit, honey, avocado, papaya, mandarin, herbs such as mint. We will have the opportunity to interact with local famers to know more about their products. Then later on during the afternoon we will be arriving at our

lodge to share a night on the eyebrow of the jungle at 1800meters.

Day 5. Canopy/Zip Line

After taken our breakfasts, we will be walking with direction to the local Canopy/Zip Line. This activity would long last up to 3 hours, and consists of cables anchored to a mountain to another, where a person can slide and glide through a pulley attached to a waist harness.

The Canopy has been installed the year 09 and it is the highest in South America which measures 150 meters high and 500 long between points. There is a total of 6 cables in different directions giving you a full view of the valley and speeding up your adrenaline. Finished this tour we would take our lunch viewing the panoramic scenery over of the Vilcanota valley and continue our journey to take our train to Aguas Calientes which is the nearest village to Machu Picchu. We will pass the night in this village.

4-Machu Picchu- Cuzco

After our breakfast we leave early on to the citadel of Machu Picchu to enjoy the sunrise before arriving other tourists. The tour in the Inca city long last 3 to 4 hours, visiting most of the cultural sites and temples. You will be having free time to explore the city, or climb the mountain of Huaynapicchu. At the end of this trip, you will be descending by bus to the town of Aguas Calientes for your lunch and at the afternoon return to Cuzco by train/bus and transferred to your hotel.

Our services include:

Transport: transfers by bus to your hotel, and between locations to Cuzco. Train tickets to Hydroelectric and Ollantaytambo.

Entrances: Spring baths, Machu Picchu

Accommodation: a mixture between hostel, camping and lodges

Food: breakfasts, lunch and dinners

Guide: bilingual guide,

Extras: cook and porters for trekking staff and first aid equipment.

Recommended season for this trip: April to November

Classification: Private trek maximum 8 people.

Price Standard: \$680.US per person based on a group of 8 people.

Price Students: \$599.US per student based on a group of 8 people.

Important information:

Departures are at the beginning of every week and you need to give us an specific date in advance to arrange your group. Otherwise the price is subject to changes when the group is less than 8 people.

Please do not forget to bring the following items with you:

- Original passport
- Daypack for camera, snacks etc.

- backpack / duffel bag for clothes, personal belongings etc. (will be in the company's care during daytime trekking)
- Comfortable trekking shoes
- Good sunglasses and sun block (we are only 13° south of the Equator and the sun is very strong)
- Sunhat that covers face, ears and neck
- Flashlight and spare batteries
- Binoculars (optional)
- Water bottle
- Pocket knife (optional)
- Camera and film, battery charger (220v 60HzHz, American-style flat blade and European-style round pin plugs)
- Toiletries and towel
- Inflatable pillow (not necessary but comfortable)
- Walking sticks (not necessary but comfortable)
- Insect repellent (30% DEET or more)
- Personal medications
- Swimsuit (for hot springs)
- Warm jacket
- Rain coat or plastic poncho
- T - Shirts
- Trousers and / or shorts
- Sleeping Bag (to add extra comfort)
- Spending money
- Sandals

