

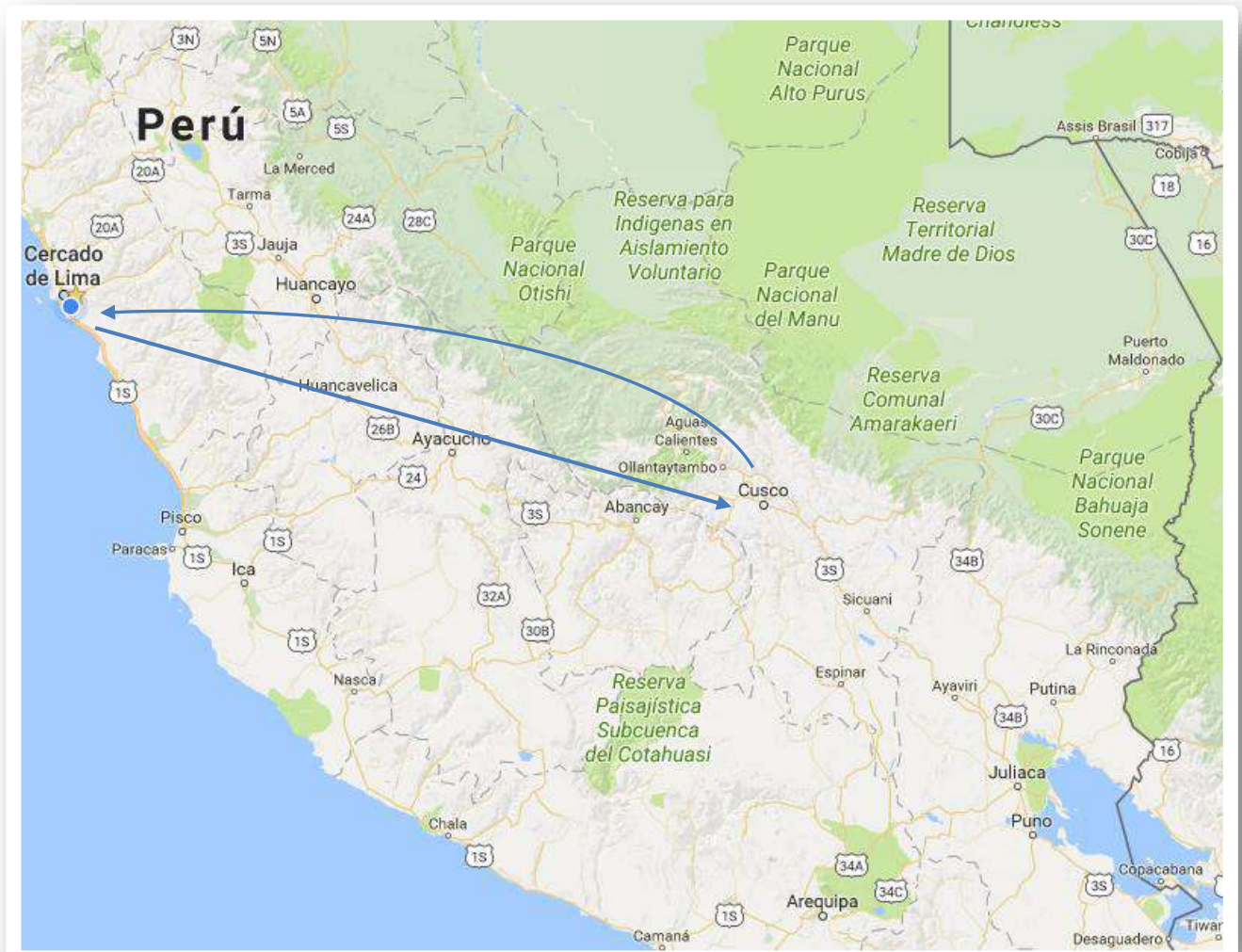


TOUR: SALKANTAY & MACHU PICCHU 5 DAY/4 NIGHT
PERU: CUSCO

ITINERARY FOR 05 DAYS

- Day 1. Salkantay Trek
- Day 2. Salkantay Trek
- Day 3. Salkantay Trek
- Day 4. Salkantay Trek
- Day 5. Visit Machupicchu / Return to Cusco

End of itinerary and our services



The Salkantay 5-Day Trek to Machu Picchu perfectly combines cultural and natural beauty; you'll enjoy the magnificent view of snow-capped Salkantay (6264m/20551f), the highest mountain in the Vilcabamba range. You'll see local farmers, changing, magnificent scenery and learn more about the ancient lives of the Incas. You'll sense the spirits of the mountains such as Tucurhuay and Humantay.

- **Altitude:** 1950 – 4600 m/6398 – 15092 f
- **High season:** April – November
- **Duration:** 5 days - 4 nights
- **Challenging:** Hard

DAY 1: CUSCO – MOLLEPATA (MARCOCCASA) – SORAYPAMPA

We will leave Cusco at 5:00am and head towards Marcoccasa (3400m/11154f), passing the village Mollepata (3000m/9843f). In Marcoccasa, we will meet the horsemen and the rest of trek team to begin the hike. You'll see majestic snow-capped mountains such as Humantay (5217m/17116f) and Salkantay (6264m/20551f). Our campsite is at Soraypampa (3900m/12795f).

- **Climate:** cold
- **Transport time:** 3.0 hours
- **Hiking time:** 6 hours

Optional: On the way to Soray Pampa (3900m/12795ft), we strongly recommend making a 2-hour detour to Humantay Lake (4220m/13845ft) to see the magnificent lake and the snow-covered peak of Humantay.

DAY 2: SORAY PAMPA- SALKANTAY PASS – RAYAMPATA

After breakfast, we will hike to Salkantay Pass (4600m/15092f) which offers an exceptional view of snow-capped Salkantay (6264m/20551f). Then we will descend and enjoy the lush vegetation of the changing ecosystem. Our campsite is at Rayanpata (3350m/10990f) amidst a tropical forest.

- **Climate:** cold and warm with mosquitoes
- **hiking time:** 7-8 hours

DAY 3: RAYANPATA (ANDENES) – CHAULLAY – WIÑAYPOCO – LUCMABAMBA

The third day is dedicated to enjoying the region's flora and its coffee, cacao, and fruit plantations. You will descend into a forest, enjoying the diversity of orchids, bromeliads, and other plants. Moreover, you will meet local families in Chaullay (2950m/9678ft), Wiñaypoco (2650m/8694f), La Playa (2100m/6890f) and Lucmabamba (2000m/6561ft). Our campsite is in Lucmabamba.

This afternoon you will visit with a local rural family and learn about the cultivation and processing of coffee. Depending on the variety, it takes approximately 3 to 4 years for newly planted coffee trees to bear fruit.

The fruit, called the coffee cherry, turns a bright, deep red when it is ripe and ready to be harvested. Due to the botanical characteristics of the coffee tree and the fact that coffee is often grown in mountainous areas, mechanical harvesters are not used, and the ripe coffee cherries are usually picked by hand, a labor-intensive, difficult process. You will learn about the complete process from the tree to the cup of coffee. You can also ask the locals your own questions about the process of coffee cultivation.

- **Climate:** warm during the day with mosquitoes
- **Hiking time:** 7 hour

Optional: After arduous days of hiking, we recommend that you swim and soak in the hot mineral springs of Santa Teresa. You need to coordinate this visit with your tour guide to arrange a vehicle from Lucmabamba to Santa Teresa. It's worth the effort!

DAY 4: LUCMABAMBA – LLACTAPATA INCA SITE – MACHU PICCHU TOWN

After breakfast, we will hike on the Inca Trail to the archaeological site of Llactapata at 2650m/8694f, with its beautiful scenery for discovering flora and evidence of Inca culture. From here we will have an outstanding view over Machu Picchu and Vilcanota Canyon. Afterwards, we will continue to the Hydroelectric train station (1950m/6398f), where we stop to relax for a while before we continue by train to Aguas Calientes (2050m/6726f), where you'll spend the night.

- **Climate:** warm with mosquitos
- **Hiking time:** 6 hours



Day 5: Machu Picchu town – Machu Picchu – Cusco

We will leave the hotel after breakfast at 5:30am to head for Machu Picchu (2400m/7874f) by tourist bus. We will arrive at the citadel around 6:00am. After a guided tour around the archaeological site, including information about the life and culture of the Incas, you will have time to enjoy Machu Picchu and Wayna Picchu (with **advanced** reservation) on your own. Later, you will descend to Aguas Calientes where you will have time to have lunch in one of the many restaurants, or soak in the natural springs. Later, you will leave Aguas Calientes by train around 18:00.

Hiking time: 2 hours

End of our services

Fin de servicios

The program is subject to change without prior notice

NOTES

- Tours can be given in private or shared service (with other tourists), this depends on the choice of each client. The price is different for the private option and group service, request your quote.
- Tour schedules are subject to change without notice, as they may be affected by different circumstances.
- It is recommended to arrive in Cusco two or three days before starting the program, in order to acclimatize to the altitude.
- If you need hotel or other additional services please let us know.
- Domestic flights are not included in the program, but we can include them at the request of each client.
- Lunches or dinners not specified in the programme or itinerary are not included.
- Visit to Huayna Picchu: For the visit to the mountain of Huayna Picchu it is required to make the reservation with long time in advance, in addition the additional amount of \$ 25.00 USD is required which is the cost of admission to this place, only thus we can guarantee the visit to Huayna Picchu. This cost for admission to Huayna Picchu began in accordance with a new state law since July 18, 2011. Huaynapicchu does not include guide.
- Extra carrier: According to the law of the carrier (26702) and supervised by the Ministry of Labor. The collaboration of an extra carrier occurs under the conditions that the customer requires. Therefore, this suitcase of the client must have a weight of 15 kilos and the personal things of the carrier 5 kilos, which both make a total weight of 20 kilos, which the law stipulates in this way. The carrier service has a cost of 130.00 USD. Transportation, entrance to the Inca trail, food and camping equipment are included

WHAT TO BRING

- Backpack with rain cover (30- or 40-liter capacity is sufficient).
- Clothing for both warm and cold climates.
- Trekking shoes/boots.
- Slippers or sandals (for showers and hot springs).
- Woolen/synthetic socks and a sweater.
- Long- and short-sleeved T-shirts.
- Rain poncho/waterproof jacket and a hat.
- Bathing suit (for the hot springs in Aguas Calientes).
- Sunscreen, insect repellent, toilet paper, hand cleaner/disinfecting alcohol gel, personal toiletries.
- Camera (with rain protection), a flash light/headlamp and extra batteries.
- Snacks (e.g. chocolate bars and dried fruit)
- Original passport, original ISIC student card (to receive the student discount) and extra money in soles.
- The climate can be very cold and wet, so your wet clothes won't have enough time to dry. Take extra clothes.



WHAT DOES THE PROGRAM INCLUDE?

- Transfer from the hotel office to the village of Mollepata (Marcoccasa)
- Transfer from Lucmabamba (Day 3) to Hydroelectric Station to Aguas Calientes
- Touristic train from Hydroelectric Station to Aguas Calientes
- Touristic Bus from Aguas Calientes to Machu Picchu
- Touristic train from Aguas Calientes to Ollantaytambo, then shuttle to your hotel in Cusco
- Overnight in a private room in a hotel in Aguas Calientes (Marco Wasi, Inka Tower or similar depending on availability)
- Entrance to the Machu Picchu site
- Bilingual Spanish-English professional guide (for a French-speaking guide, please contact us in advance!)
- Private campsites domes on the first night, with toilet and showers
- High-quality camping equipment (Professional Tents Eureka! Timberline 4 or Doite Himalaya, for 2 people with mattresses).
- Camping equipment, dining tent, kitchen, with tent shelters and toilets
- Meals during the trek (breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks). Please notify the agency in case of allergies or special diet such as vegetarian.
- Cook and kitchen equipment.
- Muleteers and mules for transporting camping equipment and your personal belongings (maximum 7 kg/15lb per person)
- Rescue horse (2 people)
- First aid kit and oxygen bottle
- Cold, boiled water during the all trek.

Does not include

- Breakfast on the 1st day and the last lunch after visiting Machupicchu.
- Sleeping bag (if you don't have one, you can rent one from our agency for \$25.00. Our sleeping bags quality is -10°).
- Bus down Machu Picchu to Aguas Calientes (cost \$12.00USD). You can also descend on foot which takes about 1 hour.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

- The participant must carry his own backpack during the walk (including the sleeping bag and mattress)
- The agency will not make any refund, if the participant decides to cancel the trip or desist from continuing in the program (Except the entrance to Machu Picchu and the train ticket, from Aguas Calientes to Cusco, which will be delivered to the passenger in physical form; no refund of money).
- The participant shall declare whether he/she has any illness or personal treatment, and he/she shall bring his/her own medication.
- The agency will not be responsible for natural problems (landslides) or other problems, in case of strikes and departures from the delayed train.
- All participants must bring their original passport and if applicable, their "ISIC" student card.
- From the first to the third day (from Marcoccasa to Chawllay) we are accompanied by riders and mules who will carry all the camping equipment and the client's private luggage (up to 6 kg). On the fourth day, all luggage will be transferred to the hydroelectric station by car.

RESERVATIONS

If you wish to make a quote or reservation, please send us an email to hola@andean-tours.com and provide us with the following information:

- Number of adults going on the trip/trek:
- Number of children (specify age) going on the trip/trek:
- Type of service they want for the tours: Private or Shared
- Hotel category they want in Cusco before and after the trek: 2, 3, 4 or 5 stars
- Type of rooms: single, double, double with two beds, triple
- Date of arrival in Cusco:
- Date of return to your country:
- Any special request:
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Keep in mind that hotels, trains and some services are subject to spaces.

PAYMENT

- Once we send you the quote and finish making any modification, we will proceed to make the reservations which take a time between 24 to 48 hours.
- We need a prepayment of \$300 per person to reserve the Salkantay Trek.
- Balance can be cancelled 30 days before service
- We accept bank transfers (all interbank charges must be covered) and PayPal

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