

SACRED VALLEY AND LARES ADVENTURE

5 Day Program

The Sacred Valley and Lares Adventure to Machu Picchu is a multi-activity travel experience. You can tailor your adventure by choosing from various activities each day. Every activity is designed to be unique, authentic and highly experiential. Design your own adventure!

DAY 1

Cusco / Pisaq / Lamay

CULTURAL ACTIVITY

Awanacancha - Pisaq Town - Viacha

- / Depart from Cusco
- / Visit the textil center of Awanacancha.
- / Visit the town of Pisaq and market.
- / After a short drive we reach the village of Viacha.

GROUP ACTIVITY

Visit to the community of Viacha and the archaeological site of Pisaq

- / Walk around Viacha and learn more about the agricultural activities of the community.
- / Enjoy a traditional meal cooked under hot stones called Pachamanca
- / Guided tour of the archaeological site of Pisaq.
- Optional:** Hike from the ruins to the town of Pisaq
- / Drive to Lamay Lodge.
- / Free afternoon.

OVERNIGHT: Lamay Lodge (el. 9,705' - 2,958 m.)

BRIEFING: before dinner

HIKE

Amaru - Viacha Hike

Depart from Cusco

From the local community of Amaru to the local community of Viacha

2.5 - 3 hours

Moderate

Mountain pass at an elevation of 14,200' - 4,328 m.



DAY 2

Lamay / Lares / Huacahuasi

GROUP ACTIVITY

Lamay to Ancasmarca and Lares

- / Depart from Lamay Lodge.
- / Walk around the small town of Lamay.
- / Drive to the archaeological site of Ancasmarca and guided tour of the ruins.

OVERNIGHT: Huacahuasi Lodge (el. 12,585' - 3,835 m.)

BRIEFING: before dinner

CULTURAL ACTIVITY

Choquecancha

- / Drive to the small town of Choquecancha.
- / Guided tour of Choquecancha with the imposing Inca ruins.
- / Lunch in Choquecancha
- / Arrive at Huacahuasi Lodge.

HIKE 1

Quelquena to Huacahuasi

From Quelquena to Huacahuasi

2 - 2.5 hours

Easy to moderate

Mountain pass at an elevation of 12,595' - 3,839 m.

Lunch en route

HIKE 2

Cuncani to Huacahuasi

From Cuncani to Huacahuasi

3.5 - 4 hours

Moderate

Mountain pass at an elevation of 13,838' - 4,219 m.

Lunch en route



DAY 3

Huacahuasi to Ollantaytambo

CULTURAL ACTIVITY

Huilloc - Pumamarca - Ollantaytambo

- / Depart Huacahuasi Lodge by vehicle to Huilloc.
- / Visit a local church in Marcacocha.
- / Participate in a ceremony for the good health of the community's flock.
- / Visit the archaeological site of Pumamarca and lunch on site.
- / Visit to the "Half-Moon" terraces
- / Visit to the town of Ollantaytambo

HIKE 1

In the morning

From Huilloc to Pumamarca

3 hours

Moderate

Join the rest of the group for a visit to the archaeological site of Pumamarca and lunch on site.

HIKE 2

In the afternoon

From Pumamarca to Ollantaytambo

3 hours

Moderate

OPTIONAL ACTIVITY: Enjoy a visit to an artisanal brewery in which many of their beers are being made with local products (*This activity has an additional cost*)

OVERNIGHT: Hotel in the Sacred Valley of the Incas (el. 9,284' - 2,830m.).

BRIEFING: before dinner



DAY 4

Ollantaytambo to Machu Picchu Pueblo

HIKE 1 (optional - early morning)

Lower Pinkuylluna Ruins

Lower Pinkuylluna mountain above Ollantaytambo

1-1.5 hours

Moderate

HIKE 2 (optional - early morning)

Higher Pinkuylluna Ruins

Higher Pinkuylluna mountain above Ollantaytambo

2-2.5 hours

Moderate to challenging

GROUP ACTIVITY

Ollantaytambo Archaeological Site and Machu Picchu Pueblo

- / Guided tour of the archaeological site of Ollantaytambo.
- / Free time to explore the town and market on your own.
- / Walk to train station.
- / Board the train to Machu Picchu Pueblo with box lunch.
- / Arrive at Machu Picchu town (Aguas Calientes) and check in at the Inkaterra Pueblo Hotel.
- / Free afternoon.

OVERNIGHT: Hotel in Aguas Calientes town (el. 6,232' - 1,900 m.), located in the base town of Machu Picchu.

BRIEFING: before dinner



DAY 5

Machu Picchu Sanctuary and Return to Cusco

GROUP ACTIVITY

Machu Picchu Sanctuary guided tour and return to Cusco

- / Depart from the hotel for the bus ride to Machu Picchu Sanctuary.
- / Guided tour of the Inka citadel.
- / Optional activities (A & B).
- / Lunch at Inkaterra Pueblo Hotel back in the town.
- / Walk to the train station.
- / Board the train to Ollantaytambo.
- / Upon arrival in Ollantaytambo, we board our private vehicle for the return drive to Cusco.
- / Arrive to Cusco.




CULTURAL ACTIVITY


Free time in Machu Picchu


- / Free time to explore the ruins on your own.
- / Recommended excursion to the Sun Gate.

HIKE

Huayna Picchu *(subject to availability)*

 Guided hike of Huayna Picchu mountain

 2 - 2.5 hours

 Moderate to challenging

 Mountain pass at an elevation of of 8,924' - 2,720 m.

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DAY 1

Cusco / Chinchero / Lamay

GROUP ACTIVITY

Visit to the archaeological site of Chinchero

/ Depart from Cusco.

/ Guided visit of the archaeological site of Chinchero.

OVERNIGHT: Lamay Lodge (el. 9,705' - 2,958 m.)

BRIEFING: before dinner

CULTURAL ACTIVITY

Moray - Maras Salt Mines - Sacred Valley

/ Extended visit to Chinchero

/ Guided tour of Moray Inca Agricultural Site

/ Box lunch by the Maras Salt Mines

/ Visit to the Salt Mines with optional hike to Pichingoto

/ Arrive at Lamay Lodge



HIKE

Chinchero to Urquillos

From Chinchero to Urquillos

3 hours

Easy to Moderate

Box lunch en route

DAY 2

Lamay / Písaq / Viacha

CULTURAL ACTIVITY

Písaq Town - Viacha

/ Visit the town of Písaq and market.

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DAY 4

Huacahuasi

CULTURAL ACTIVITY

Explore the village & cooking class

- / Depart from Huacahuasi Lodge
- / Visit the community of Huacahuasi and meet local people in their homes
- / Return to the lodge
- / Cooking class
- / Lunch and afternoon at leisure

HIKE 1

Huacahuasi Waterfalls

↘ Visit to the community of Huacahuasi and walk to nearby waterfall

🕒 1 - 2 hours

🚶 Easy

📍 Snack by the waterfall
Return to the lodge for lunch. Afternoon at leisure.

HIKE 2

Quiswarani to Huacahuasi

↘ From Quiswarani to Huacahuasi

🕒 6 - 7 hours

🚶 Challenging

⚓ Mountain pass at an elevation of 14,505' - 4,421 m.

📍 Lunch by the lake

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