

An aerial photograph of a majestic, snow-covered mountain range. The peaks are rugged and jagged, with patches of dark rock visible beneath the white snow. In the foreground, a vibrant turquoise lake is nestled within a valley, surrounded by steep, rocky slopes. The sky is a clear, deep blue.

TREK

SALKANTAY TREK PREMIUM TO MACHU PICCHU

5 DAYS/4 NIGHTS



DESCRIPTION

HIKING IN SALKANTAY TO MACHU PICCHU PREMIUM

Embark on one of the most impressive trekking adventures in the world with our Salkantay Premium 5-Day Trek to Machu Picchu.

This exclusive experience takes you through spectacular natural landscapes, starting with the hidden Qoyllor Lagoon and the stunning Inkachiriasqa Lagoon. Hike across high-altitude mountain passes with panoramic views of the mighty Salkantay Mountain, then descend into lush cloud forests on your way to Machu Picchu.

Inkachiriasqa is lesser-known than the famous Humantay Lagoon, making it an ideal destination for those seeking a more tranquil and authentic experience

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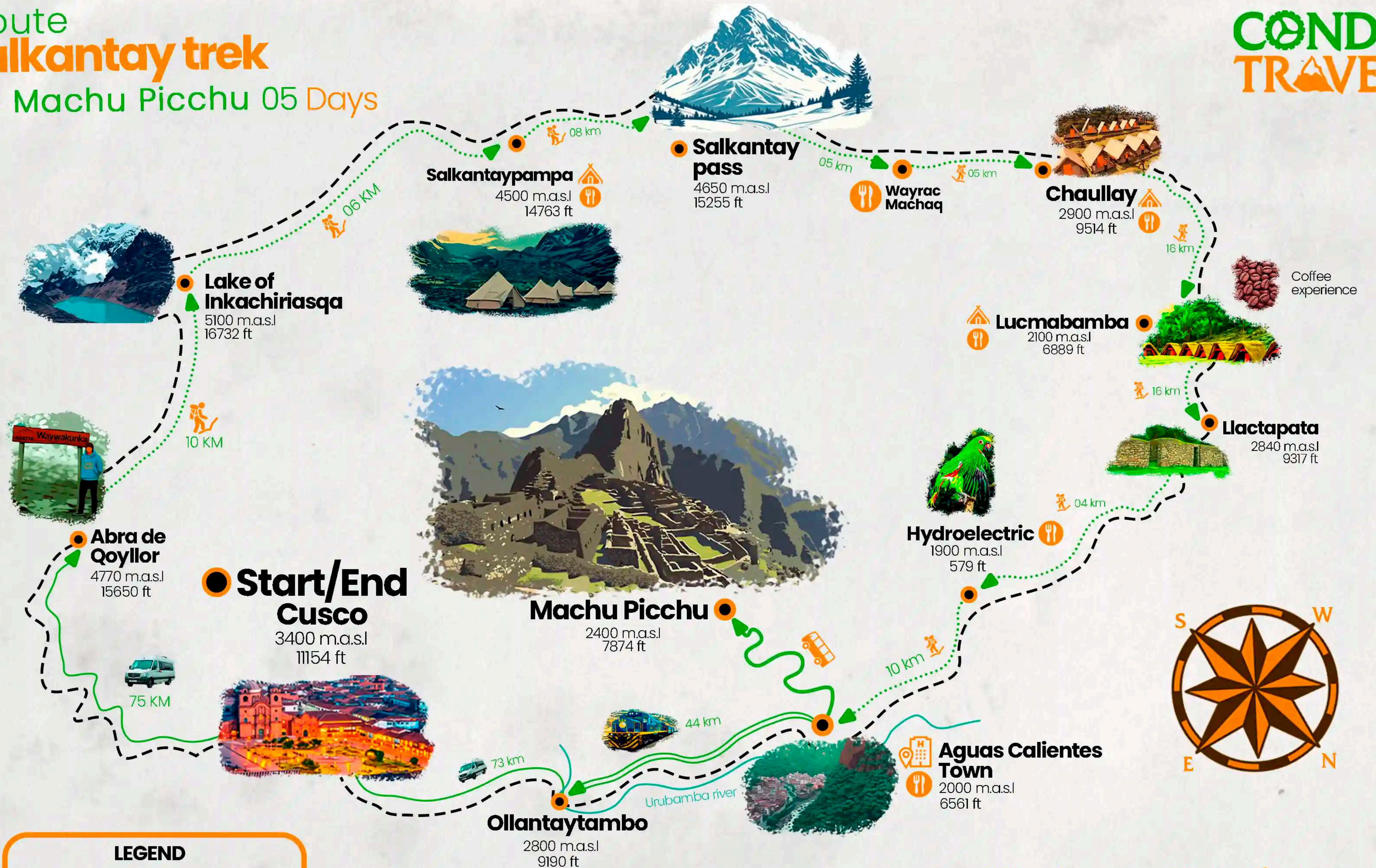
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Backpack list

Route Salkantay trek to Machu Picchu 05 Days

CONDE
TRAVEL



Salkantay Trek to Machu Picchu 05 Days Itinerary

DAY 1 - Cusco - Qoyllor Lagoon - Inkachiriasqa Lagoon - Salkantaypampa Camp

DAY 2 - Salkantaypampa - Salkantay Pass - Chaullay

DAY 3 - Chaullay - Lucmabamba

DAY 4 - Lucmabamba - Llaqtapata - Hydroelectric - Aguas Calientes

DAY 5 - Machu Picchu - Cusco

COMPLETE ITINERARY

HIGHLIGHTS

- » The Salkantay Trek is one of the most exciting trekking experiences in the world.
- » Visit impressive places like the Inkachiriasqa Lagoon and the glorious Salkantay Mountain.
- » Conquer the trail and explore one of the most beautiful sacred mountains in Peru and South America.
- » Hike alongside the magnificent Salkantay glacier.
- » Enjoy the best trekking adventure of your life.
- » Witness stunning landscapes such as waterfalls, colorful valleys, glaciers, and a unique variety of plants and wildlife.
- » Walk the sacred route and feel the energy of ancient citadel of Machu Picchu.

DAY 01

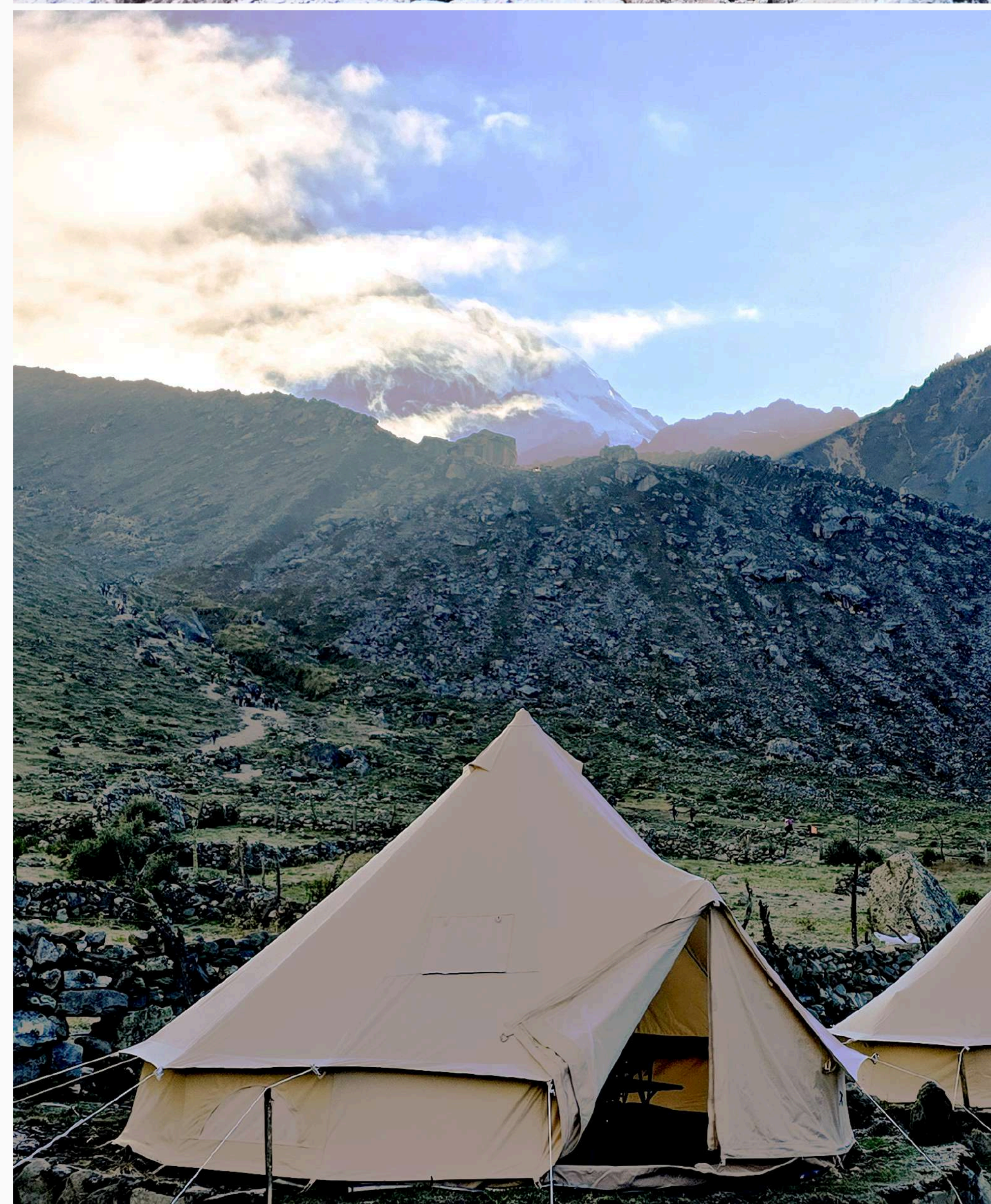
CUSCO - LAGOON QOYLLOR -
INKACHIRIASQA PASS - BASE CAMP
SALKANTAYPAMPA

Trace sacred footprints toward the turquoise jewel among the mountains

Your journey starts with an early morning pickup from your hotel, followed by a delicious breakfast in Limatambo to fuel your expedition.

Feel the excitement while your hike begins towards the Qoyllor community, surrounded by breathtaking landscapes.

After crossing it, you will arrive at Qoyllor Pass, where you will meet our muleteers and horses, who will take care of transporting the camping equipment while we proceed towards Inkachiriasqa lagoon.



The path will lead you to a pristine and turquoise lagoon, the Inkachiriasqa lagoon. As the day winds down, we'll arrive at Salkantaypampa Base Camp, nestled at the foot of the towering Salkantay Glacier. A gourmet lunch prepared by our chef awaits for you, followed by an afternoon of relaxation with warming coca tea. As night falls, taste a delicious dinner under a sky filled with stars, surrounded by the majestic Andean peaks.

You'll enjoy panoramic views of the imposing Salkantay Mountains. In the afternoon, we'll relax with a cup of tea, and in the evening, we'll delight in a delicious dinner.



DAY FACTS

» MEALS

BREAKFAST, LUNCH,
DINNER

» ACCOMMODATION

CAMP SALKANTAY
PAMPA

» DIFFICULTY

CHALLENGING

» WALKING DISTANCE

16 KM APPROX.

» WALKING HOURS

7 HOURS APPROX.

» HIGHEST HEIGHT:

5 100 METERS ABOVE
THE SEA LEVEL

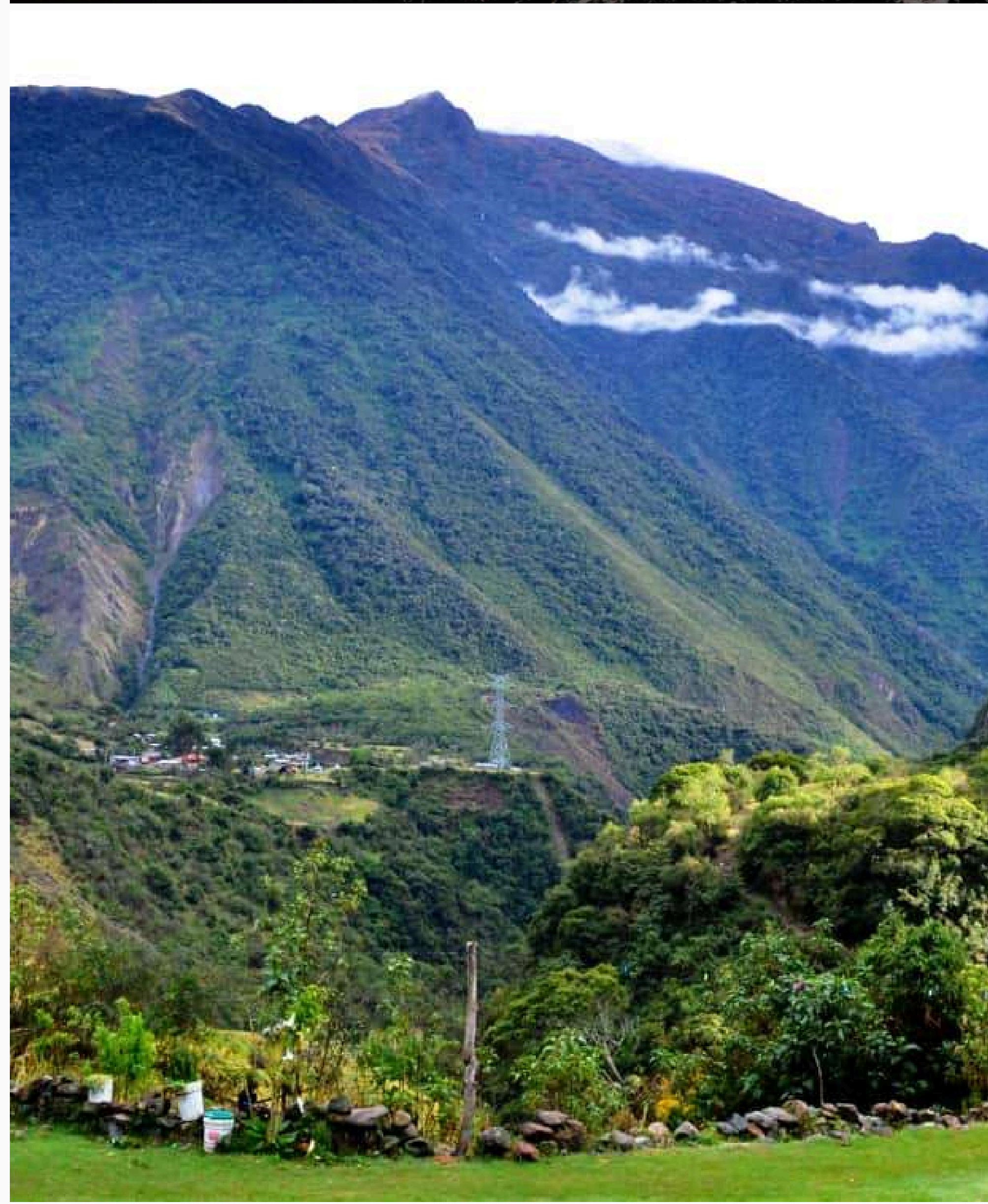
DAY 02

SALKANTAYPAMPA BASECAMP – CHAULLAY

Walk with the spirit of the Andes

Wake up to a steaming cup of coca tea and a nutritious breakfast with unparalleled views of the snow-capped mountains. Hike next to incredible walks accompanied by incredible snow-capped mountains while the sacred Apus accompany your steps.

From there, you will trek downhill towards Wayrac Machaq for lunch, then you will continue through the high jungle, the contrast of the peruvian nature will astonish you.



Along the route, you'll be able to see different auchenids and learn more about their habitat while enjoying the best views.



DAY FACTS

- » **MEALS**
COCA TEA, BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND DINNER
- » **DIFFICULTY**
CHALLENGING
- » **WALKING DISTANCE**
18 KM APPROXIMATELY
- » **WALKING HOURS**
7 – 9 HOURS APPROX.

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- » **HIGHEST HEIGHT:**
4 600 METERS ABOVE SEA LEVEL

5 days that will change your life.
Witness breathtaking landscapes, experience priceless experiences, and enjoy a cultural diversity that dates back thousands of years.

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DAY 03

CHAULLAY – LUCMABAMBA

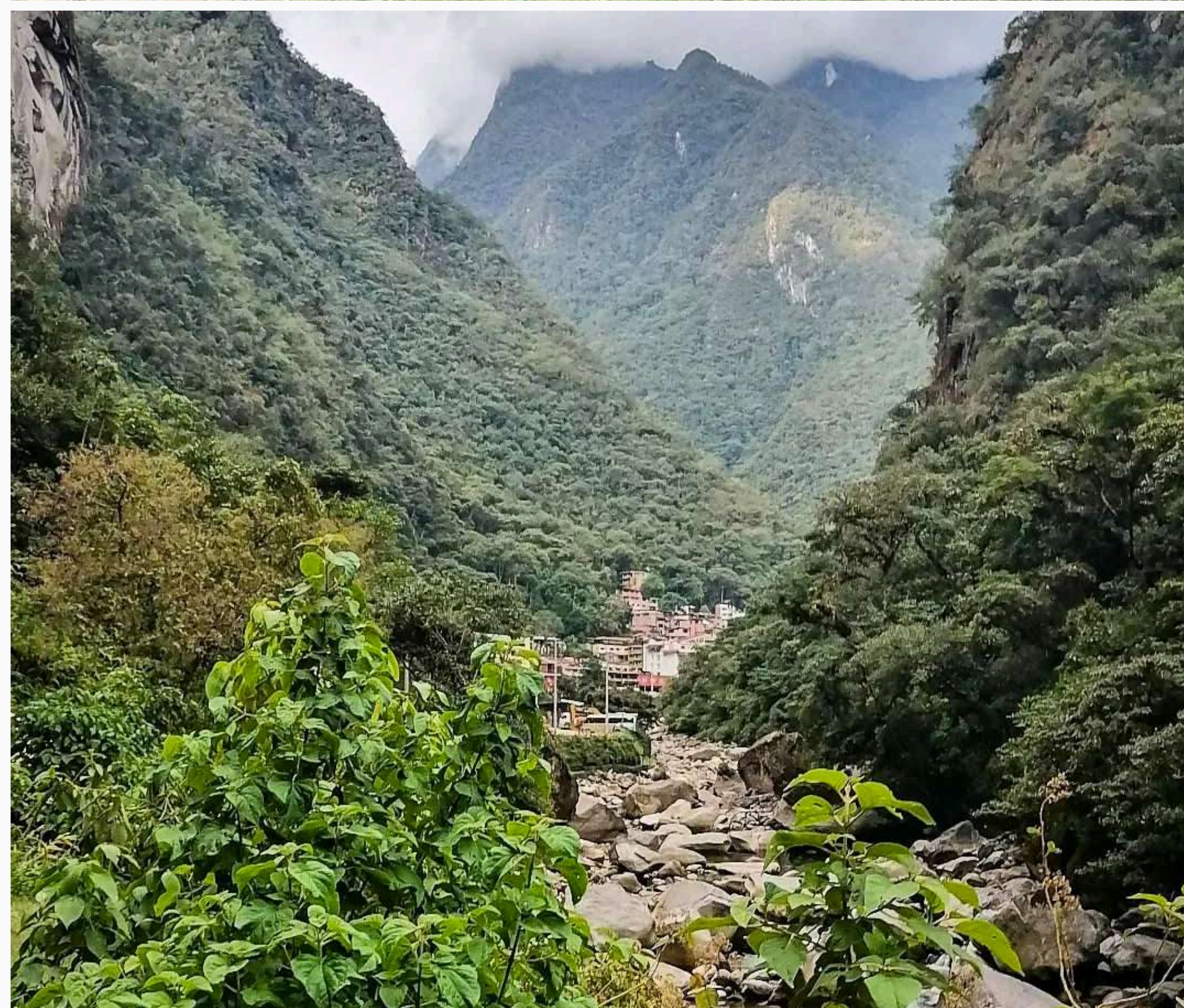
Let the energy of the forest embrace you

Wake up early and have breakfast before we begin a 3-hour hike through the cloud forest offering fantastic sceneries like rivers and waterfalls.

Along the way, you will encounter enchanting rivers, hidden waterfalls, and lush vegetation that fill the path with life and mystery. Take the time to connect with nature, breathe the clean mountain air, and feel the energy of the jungle surrounding you



After lunch, another 3-hour trek will lead you to the Lucmabamba campsite, where optional and relaxing in natural hot springs await (transport and entrance fees not included; must be booked in advance). Back at camp, dive into the culture of the region by participating in experiences related to local coffee plantations, learning about traditional harvesting and processing methods. It's the perfect balance of adventure, nature, and cultural immersion.



DAY FACTS

- » **MEALS**
BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND DINNER.
- » **DIFFICULTY**
MODERATE
- » **WALKING DISTANCE**
16 KM APPROXIMATELY
- » **WALKING HOURS**
6 HOURS APPROX.

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- » **HIGHEST HEIGHT:**
2 000 METERS ABOVE SEA LEVEL

Trek through vibrant cloud forests with rivers and cascading waterfalls.

Visit local coffee plantations and learn about traditional coffee production.

START

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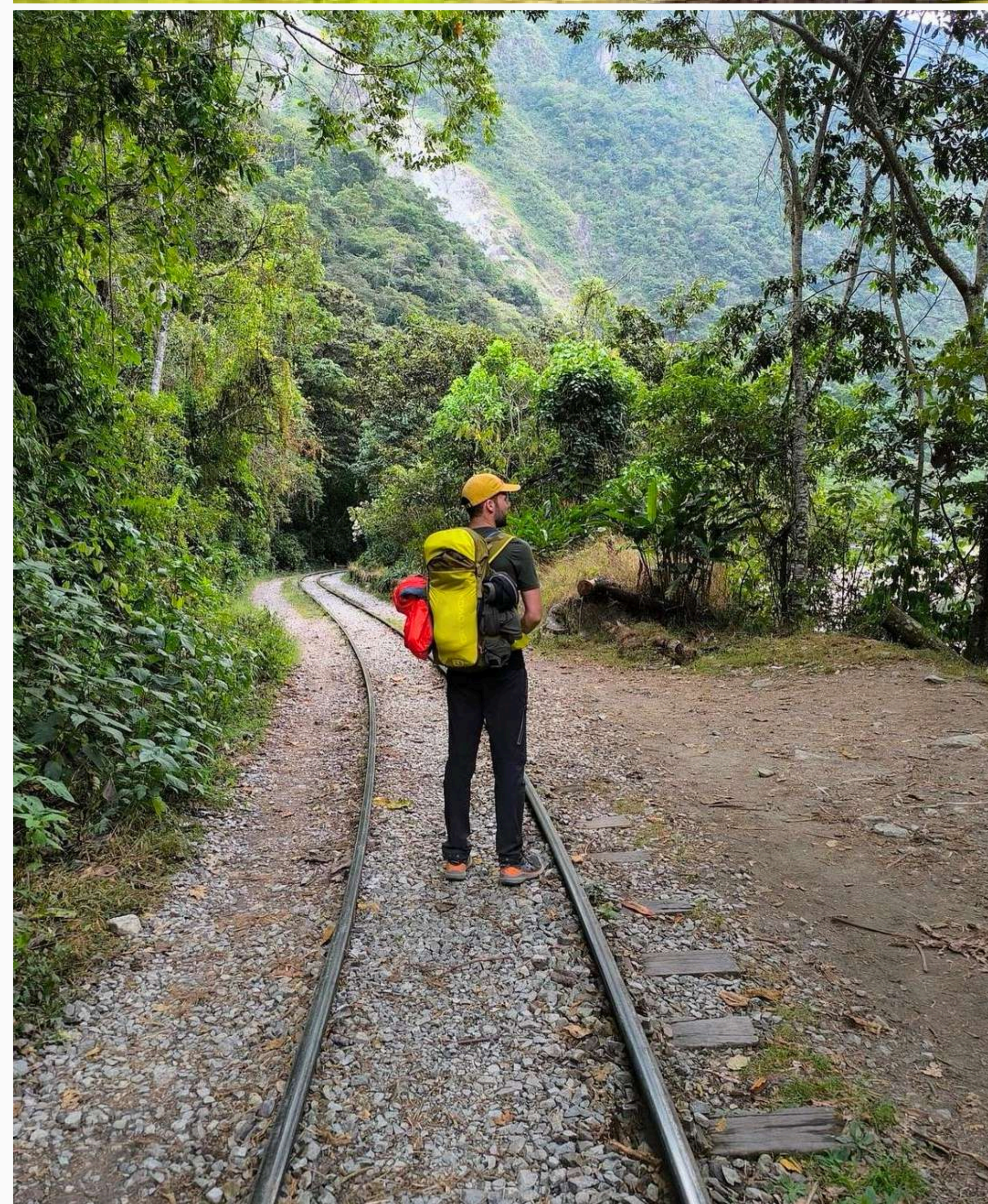
DAY 04

LUCMABAMBA – LLACTAPATA –
HYDROELECTRIC – AGUAS CALIENTES

Wake with amazing landscapes

Start your day with a hearty breakfast before heading out on a hike towards Llactapata, a unique archaeological site from where you'll be rewarded with breathtaking panoramic views and your first magical glimpse of Machu Picchu in the distance.

Llactapata or Patallacta is known for being an urban center and checkpoint along the Inca trail route. This archaeological complex includes agricultural terraces, ceremonial platforms, and stone structures dating back to the Inca period.

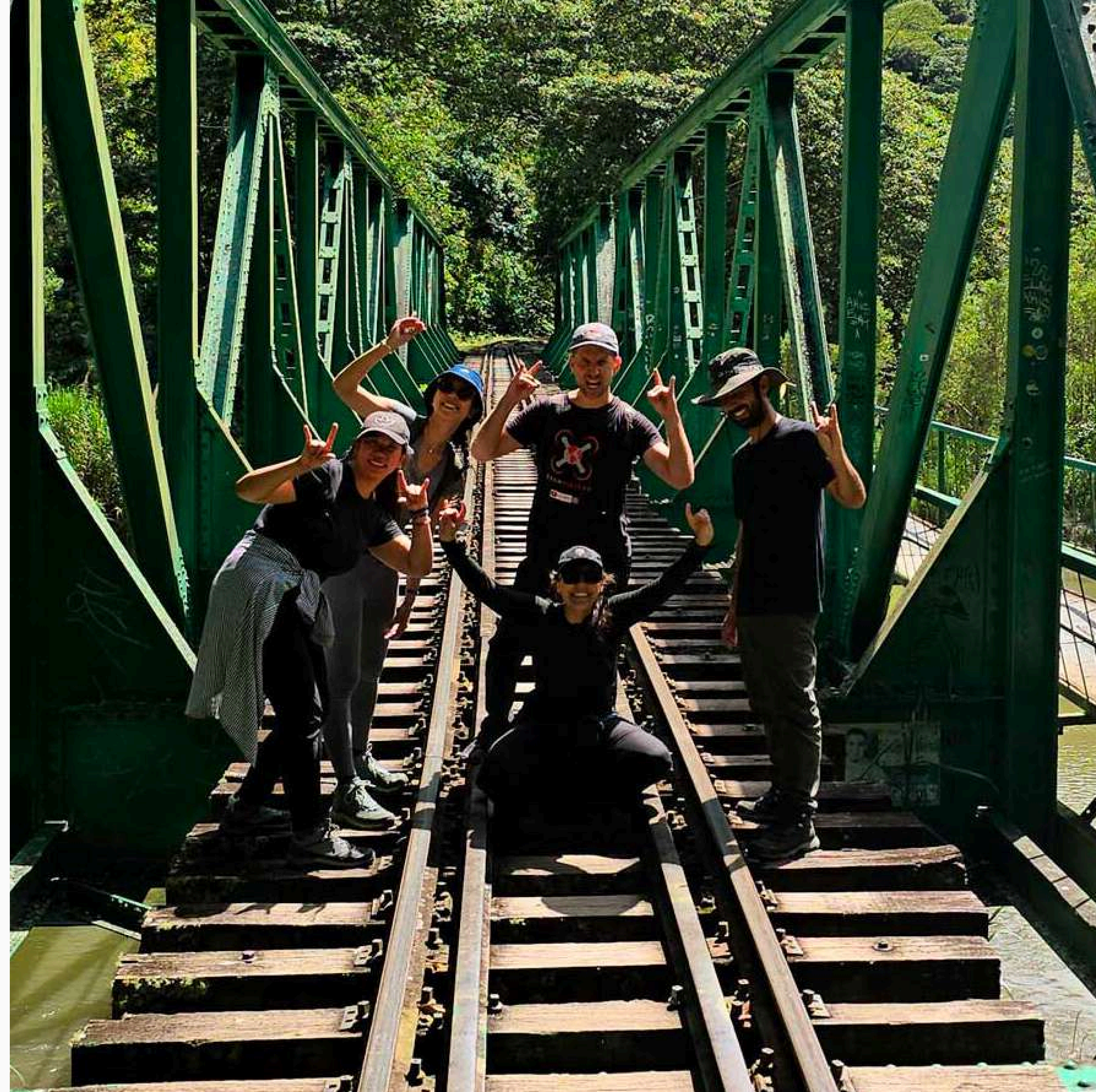


After soaking in the scenery, you'll descend through the lush terrain to Hydroelectric, where a well-deserved lunch awaits.

Afterwards, we'll hike for about 3 more hours along the train tracks through the cloud forest until we arrive at Aguas Calientes (Machu Picchu Town). Take a deep breath, every step is a connection with the soul of the Andes.

In Aguas Calientes you will stay in a comfortable hotel with a private bathroom and hot shower to rest and prepare for the next day's visit to Machu Picchu.

In Aguas Calientes, the energy of Machu Picchu blends with healing hot springs, modern Andean cuisine, and story-filled nights.



DAY FACTS

» MEALS

BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND DINNER.

» DIFFICULTY

CHALLENGING

» WALKING DISTANCE

14 KM APPROX.

» DURATION

6 H. APPROX.

» HIGHEST HEIGHT:

2 700 METERS ABOVE SEA LEVEL

DAY 05

MACHU PICCHU – CUSCO

Machu Picchu will conquer you

Wake up to a radiant Andean sunrise as the first rays of light gently illuminate the sacred stones of Machu Picchu. After breakfast, we head to the majestic citadel for a guided tour through its most iconic sectors, lasting approximately 2 hours. Walk among temples of impossible perfection, carved with astounding precision, where every stone whispers ancient secrets.



Feel the spiritual energy that surrounds this wonder of the world — a place where the past is alive in every step you take. After the tour, enjoy free time to explore the citadel at your own pace, take photos, or simply sit in silence and take it all in.

When you're ready, descend by bus to Aguas Calientes, where you'll board the train to Ollantaytambo. There, our transport will be waiting to take you back to Cusco — closing this journey that will stay with you forever.

Note: If you wish to climb Huayna Picchu or Machu Picchu Mountain, you must book at least three months in advance due to limited availability. This activity is optional (US \$70).



DAY FACTS

- » **PICK-UP SCHEDULE**
ACCORDING TO THE
RESERVED CHECK-IN
TIME.
- » **MEALS**
BREAKFAST
- » **DIFFICULTY**
EASY

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- » **HIGHEST HEIGHT:**
2 430 METERS ABOVE
SEA LEVEL

WHAT IS INCLUDED?

- » Pre-tour briefing at our office.
- » Pick-up from your hotel – private transport to the start of the trek.
- » 4 breakfasts, 4 lunches, and 4 dinners (vegetarian options available).
- » Entrance ticket to the Inkachiriasqa Lagoon.
- » Entrance ticket to Machu Picchu (Circuit 2).
- » Professional bilingual guide (English/Spanish).
- » Chef and assistants.
- » Spacious dining tent and kitchen.
- » Sleeping bag for temperatures as low as -15°C (5°F).
- » 3 nights camping in scenic locations.
- » 1 night accommodation in Aguas Calientes in a hotel (Machu Picchu Town).
- » Round-trip bus Aguas Calientes – Machu Picchu.
- » Train return Aguas Calientes – Ollantaytambo.
- » Private transport in van from Ollantaytambo – Cusco.



WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED?

DON'T FORGET... THESE ITEMS ARE NOT INCLUDED

- » Personal care items.
- » Tips for guides, muleteers, and chefs.
- » Breakfast on the first day and lunch on the last day.
- » Walking poles (available to rent).
- » Entrance & transport to/from Cocalmayo hot springs.
- » Entrance to Machu Picchu Mountain or Huayna Picchu (US \$70 – book at least 3 months in advance).

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Do you have questions? We'll answer them here!

In this section, we encourage you to read this information carefully, as it will also answer any questions you may have about our exclusive services.

➤ **IS IT FOR ME?**

The Salkantay Trek to Machu Picchu is an exceptional alternative to the Inca Trail, ideal for adventurous travelers seeking challenges at altitude and longer distances.

➤ **HOW MANY DAYS DO I NEED TO ACCLIMATE TO CUSCO BEFORE GOING ON THE TOUR?**

We recommend arriving in Cusco at least two or three days before the start of the trek, so your body can gradually adapt to the altitude and you'll avoid possible discomfort.



➤ **WHEN IS THE BEST TIME TO DO THE SALKANTAY TREK?**

The dry season (May to September) is the best time for the Salkantay Trek, with clear mountain views and pleasant hiking conditions. The peak season is June to August. The rainy season (November to February) is not recommended.

➤ **PAYMENT OF THE TREKKING BALANCE (IN CUSCO)**

The tour must be paid in full before departure. Otherwise, your reservation will not be confirmed.

➤ **CAN I LEAVE MY LUGGAGE AT YOUR OFFICE?**

Of course! During the trek, you can store your main luggage for free at our office (please arrange this during the briefing or by email).

You can also leave personal belongings at your hotel (most offer this service).

➤ **CAN I CLIMB HUAYNA PICCHU OR MACHU PICCHU MOUNTAIN?**

Yes! These are optional hikes within Machu Picchu, but must be booked at least 3 months in advance due to high demand and limited spots. The additional cost is US\$70.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

➤ **SALKANTAY VS. INCA TRAIL – WHAT’S THE DIFFERENCE?**

Inca Trail:

- The original path built by the Incas.
- Ends directly at Machu Picchu through the famous Sun Gate (Inti Punku).
- Passes through impressive Inca archaeological sites.
- Perfect for combining history, culture, and nature.
- Requires early booking due to limited permits.

Salkantay Trek:

- A more adventurous route through the Vilcabamba mountain range.
- Hike among glaciers, snow-capped peaks, and lush cloud forests.
- Includes the hidden Inkachiriasqa Lagoon, surrounded by majestic Andean scenery.
- Spend your last night in a hotel in Aguas Calientes for a good rest before Machu Picchu.
- No permits required and fewer crowds on the trail.

➤ **HOW HARD IS THE SALKANTAY TREK (5D/4N)?**

This trek is considered challenging due to high altitudes (up to 5,100m / 16,732ft), long daily hikes (14–18km / 8.6–11.2mi), and varied terrain. Good physical fitness and proper acclimatization are recommended.

➤ **WHERE WILL I BE PICKED UP FROM IN CUSCO?**

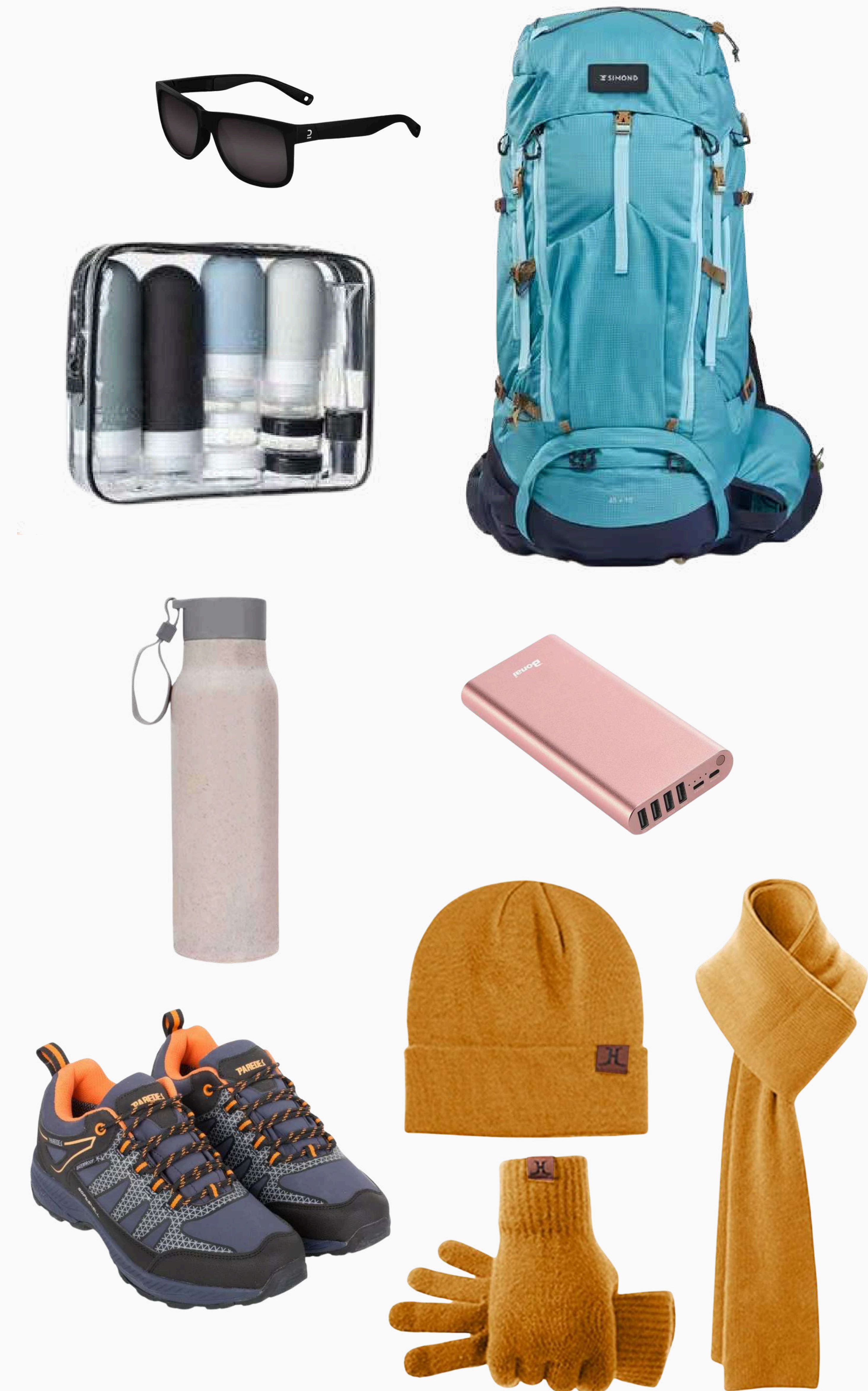
Due to traffic conditions and Cusco’s narrow, colonial streets, we recommend booking accommodation with easy van access near the Historic Center. Pick-up times may vary based on traffic and hotel location.

➤ **HOW FAR IN ADVANCE SHOULD I BOOK THE SALKANTAY TREK?**

We recommend booking at least 3 to 4 months in advance to secure entrance tickets to Machu Picchu, as daily entries are limited and can sell out quickly—especially during the dry season and holiday periods.

WHAT TO BRING?

- Comfortable hiking shoes (well broken-in), recommended waterproof.
- Small backpack (20L) for daily essentials.
- Cash in small bills (for tips, souvenirs, or extras).
- Hat or cap for sun protection.
- T-shirts and long-sleeve shirts (for layering), recommended 2 of each.
- Long pants and shorts (for changing temperatures).
- Rain jacket or poncho + warm sweater or fleece.
- Warm jacket for cold mountain nights.
- Scarf, gloves, and beanie for chilly mornings and nights.



WHAT TO BRING?

- Camelback or reusable water bottle (recommended for easy access to water).
- Sunglasses, toilet paper, and flashlight/headlamp.
- Camera and phone with chargers/power bank.
- High SPF sunscreen (50+ recommended) for strong sun exposure at altitude.
- Insect repellent.
- Personal medications and basic first-aid supplies.
- Plastic bags or dry bags (to keep clothes and electronics dry).
- **VERY IMPORTANT: ORIGINAL PHYSICAL PASSPORT.**





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