

Comfortable Hiking Holidays

Hike an adventure. Rest in Comfort.

Trip Itinerary: Machu Picchu, Peru Holiday

August 13 to 25, 2025

This trip is full but we will be glad to add your name to the waitlist.

- Day 1** HOLA
From the airport, we will go directly to the hotel to check in for a good night's sleep.
- Day 2** LIMA
A guided tour of Lima includes the Plaza de Armas, the San Francisco monastery, and the Larco Museum. (Light, sight-seeing)
- Day 3** PISAC
Fly to Cusco & drive from Cusco to Pisac. There is a colourful and lively artisan market in Pisac. After lunch, visit the Pisac Ruins - famous for their agricultural terracing cut into the mountainside. From Pisac, continue to Ollantaytambo.
- Day 4** MORAY - MARAS
Visit the "agricultural laboratory" of Moray. From Moray, cross the Maras Pampas to the town of Maras for lunch. Afterwards, continue walking through spectacular Quechua scenery to arrive at the "salineras" (salt pans) of Maras. (Moderate, 15 km)
- Day 5** HUCHUY QOSQO
From Taucá, hike uphill amidst beautiful mountain scenery to the mountain pass of Apacheta & stop for lunch. Then descend until the site of Huchuy Qosqo - an Inca archaeological complex. From these ruins, continue descending to Lamay. (Very challenging, 12 km, 615m elevation gain + 1500m descent)
- Day 6** DAY OF LEISURE
Ollantaytambo is one of the prettiest villages in the Sacred Valley with a lively main square and a handicrafts market near the Fortress Ruins, which we recommend exploring.
- Day 7** CACHICATA
Ascend an Inca trail following the Rio Urumbamba and passing terraces & tombs until the base of the Apu Buena Negra. During lunch, experience a special ceremony of sound and traditional offerings to Mother Earth. After the ceremony, descend to the Andean community of Cachicata. (Challenging, 9km, 460m elevation gain & descent)
- Day 8** INKARAKAY
Today's hike is in the Pumawanka area, following the cascading Rio Pacchi & using an old Inca trade route. Lunch will be beside the lovely Pacchi waterfall. On the descent, visit the InkaRakay complex, a sort of resting spot along their journey as well as a marketplace. (Moderate-challenging, 12km, 580m elevation gain & descent)
- Day 9** INCA TRAIL TO MACHU PICCHU
This is the day we have all been waiting for! Board the Vistadome train & disembark at km104 on the Cusco-Machu Picchu railroad - the starting point of our hike. The trail ascends up and away from the Rio Urumbamba, through cloud forest to a magnificent waterfall. Then from the waterfall, it is just minutes to the archaeological complex of Winaywayna. After some time to explore, we break for lunch. We then continue and climb to Intipunku, the Sun Gate. Rounding the corner of the Sun Gate and seeing Machu Picchu for the first time with your own eyes will give you goose bumps. (Challenging, 14km, 550m elevation gain)

Day 10

MACHU PICCHU

Half-day tour of the Inca citadel of Machu Picchu. (Light, sightseeing) Free time to explore & then train back to Cusco.

Day 11

DAY OF LEISURE IN CUSCO

Explore Cusco on your own - visit to the Temple of the Sun (Qoricancha), the Cathedral in the Plaza de Armas and the bohemian quarter of San Blas. Wander around the charming colonial streets of Cusco and maybe shop for souvenirs.

Day 12

TAMBOMACHAY TO CUSCO

This is one of the most interesting hikes near the city of Cusco as it joins 8 archaeological sites along one footpath. Begin in Tambomachay and eventually make your way to Sacsayhuaman - one of the largest and most impressive archeological sites in the Sacred Valley. (Moderate-challenging, 9km, 260m elevation difference)

Day 13

ADIOS

We say "Adios" at the Cusco airport and journey home full of memories and treasures.